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Environmental Assessment Worksheets

Project Title: Lamont Swine

Comment Deadline: January 10, 2018

Project Description: Lamont Swine, LLC (Proposer) proposes to construct and operate a new 1,440 animal unit (AU) swine finishing feedlot (4,800 head) in Section 5 of Blooming Grove Township in Waseca County (Project). The Project consists of installing two barns, an animal mortality composting structure, a permanent stormwater pond, and a water well. A copy of the Notice of Availability and the EAW can be found on the MPCA website at the following address: <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/eaw>
Minn. R. 4410.4300, subp. 29A

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Project Title: Walters Recycling and Refuse

Comment Deadline: January 10, 2018

Project Description: Walters Recycling and Refuse, Inc. (Proposer) operates a solid waste transfer station (Minn. R. 4410.0020, subp. 89) and recycling facility (Facility) located in Blaine, Minnesota. The Facility is currently authorized by its solid waste permit to receive and temporarily store the following waste streams: mixed municipal solid waste (MMSW), construction and demolition debris (C&D), industrial solid waste, yard waste, and recyclable materials. The Proposer plans to increase the Facility's solid waste permit limit for the transfer of MMSW, C&D, and industrial solid waste from 99,000 to 140,000 tons per year (Project). The Project will not result in any physical changes to the Facility or increases to any other permit limits. A copy of the Notice of Availability and the EAW can be found on the MPCA website at the following address: <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/eaw> Minn. R. 4410.4300, subp. 17C Solid Waste

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Project Title: Wright Bog Horticultural Peat Project

Comment Deadline: January 10, 2018

Project Description: Premier Horticulture, Inc. proposes to develop approximately 316 acres of the Wright Bog in Carlton County for horticultural peat extraction. The proposed site would be cleared and ditched, with drained water discharged into Little Tamarack River. Sphagnum moss peat would be collected using the milled peat vacuum harvesting method. Mined areas would be restored back to Sphagnum-type moss originating from an adjacent Donor Site.

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Environmental Impact Statement Need Decision

The noted responsible governmental unit has determined the following project does not require preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement. The dates given are, respectively, the date of the determination and the date the Environmental Assessment Worksheet notice was published in the EQB Monitor.

- City of Virginia, Northland Office Center, Virginia, MN – Building Deconstruction, 11/28/2017(10/16/2017)
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Alternative Urban Areawide Review Revision

Project Title: Cottage Grove Business Park AUAR

Comment Deadline: December 26, 2017

Project Description: The City of Cottage Grove is conducting an Alternative Urban Areawide Review (AUAR) for their existing business park and an expansion area to the south. It is analyzing two scenarios for a major technology center and major distribution use. Both scenarios are consistent with the 2030 Comprehensive Plan.

Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU): City of Cottage Grove

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