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EQB Announcements

Apply to be a member of the Environmental Quality Board

Applications are open for Board Members from the **3rd Congressional District**. You can find more details about being a board member and information on how to apply at the [Minnesota Secretary of State's website](#). To find out what Congressional District you are located in, view the Secretary of State's [Congressional Maps](#). EQB's mission is to enhance Minnesota's environmental quality for current and future generations by leading interagency work to advance meaningful public engagement and facilitate informed decision-making on critical environmental issues.

EQB Meeting, July 18, 2018

The EQB will hold its monthly meeting on July 18, 2018. The proposed meeting agenda and additional information, including details for the live webcast, can be found on the [EQB website](#).

Agenda:

- 1) Wild Rice Task Force (WRTF)
- 2) EQB Energy and Environment Report Card: Energy Indicators
- 3) EQB Energy and Environment Report Card: Air Indicators

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Environmental Assessment Worksheets

Project Title: Gateway Mixed-Use Development

Comment Deadline: August 8, 2018

Project Description: This EAW studies the proposed mixed-use project that would result in the redevelopment of an approximately 1.7-acre site, which is currently a surface parking lot bounded by Hennepin Avenue, S 3rd Street, S Washington Avenue, and Nicollet Mall in Minneapolis. Two scenarios (Plan A and Plan B) were evaluated for this site. The two scenarios are as follows: Plan A – approximately 589,700 square feet of office, 9,000 square feet of retail, 280 hotel rooms, 50 attached residential units, and 511 off-street parking spaces; Plan B – approximately 486,750 square feet of office, 15,070 square feet of retail, 140 attached residential units, and 530 off-street parking spaces. The chosen scenario will be constructed during two construction seasons. Copies of the EAW will be available for review at the downtown Minneapolis Central Library located at 300 Nicollet Mall, and in the office of the City's CPED, Land Use, Design and Preservation Section at 250 S. 4th Street, Room 300 Public Service Center. Notice will be published in the EQB Monitor on Monday, July 9th, 2018. Public comments on the EAW must be made within the 30-day comment period, which ends at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 8th, 2018. It is anticipated that the Zoning and Planning Committee at its regular meeting on September 13th, 2018, or at a subsequent meeting, will receive a report and recommendation from City staff, hear comment from all parties and consider the adequacy of this EAW and the need for an Environmental Impact Statement for this proposal. The City Council would then act on the recommendation of this Committee at a meeting on September 21st, 2018, or at a subsequent meeting. This EAW and supporting information will also be available for review on the City of Minneapolis web site: http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cped/planning/cped_eaw. Copies of this EAW can also be provided to individuals by email. For further information or to submit comments on the EAW, contact Hilary Dvorak, Principal City Planner, at 612.673.2639 or via email hilary.dvorak@minneapolismn.gov.

Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU): City of Minneapolis

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Project Title: Pastoret Terrace Building Demolition

Comment Deadline: August 15, 2018

Project Description: Duluth Economic Development Authority (DEDA) is proposing the demolition of the Pastoret Terrace building located at 109 North 2nd Ave East in Duluth, Minnesota. The Pastoret Terrace building was constructed in 1886 by Michael Pastoret and has been considered a contributing resource to the Duluth Commercial Historic District (DCHD). The building has been modified over the years from its original construction. In 2010, the entire building suffered a fire that left the building vacant of its tenants and has remained vacant and in disrepair since that time. In 2011, the building suffered a second fire resulting in further property damage. The property became tax-forfeit in 2016 at which time DEDA acquired the property from St. Louis County. The building condition has continued to deteriorate beyond feasible rehabilitation, and therefore, the DEDA proposes to demolish it. The City has prepared an EAW to review the potential impacts of the proposed project. The EAW is available for public review and comment starting on July 9, 2018. The City of Duluth will accept written comments on the EAW during the public review and comment period, which concludes Wednesday, August 15, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. Written comments should be submitted to Keith Hamre, City of Duluth, 411 West First Street, Duluth, Minnesota 55802. Electronic/email comments may be submitted to khamre@duluthmn.gov with Pastoret Terrace EAW in the subject line. If submitting comments electronically, please include your name and mailing address. The EAW is available for public review at: • City of Duluth City Hall, 411 West First Street, Office 402, Duluth, MN • Duluth Public Library, 520 W Superior St, Duluth, MN The EAW is posted on the City's website: <http://www.duluthmn.gov/community-planning/eaw/>

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Environmental Impact Statement Need Decisions

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.

- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, Mankato Solid Waste Transfer Station, 6-27-18 (5-21-18)
- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, Scott Lynch Buffalo Lake North and South Sites, 6-28-18 (4-30-18)

Environmental Impact Statement Adequacy Determinations

Project Title: Line 3 Replacement Project

Notice of Adequacy Determination on the Revised Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Line 3 Replacement Project - Public Utilities Commission

In the Matter of the Application of Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership for a Certificate of Need for the Proposed Line 3 Replacement Project in Minnesota from the North Dakota Border to the Wisconsin Border.

In the Matter of the Application of Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership for a Route Permit for the Proposed Line 3 Replacement Project in Minnesota from the North Dakota Border to the Wisconsin Border.

PUC Docket Numbers: PL-9/CN-14-916 and PL-9/PPL-15-137

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Minn. R. 4410.2800, subp. 6, that the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, in an order issued on May 1, 2018, found the February 12, 2018 revised Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed Line 3 Replacement Project to be adequate under Minn. R. 4410.2800, subp. 4. The Commission's May 1 Order was the subject of various petitions for reconsideration pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 216B.27, subs. 1 and 5, and the Commission issued an Order Denying Reconsideration of its May 1 Order on July 3, 2018.

The Commission's May 1 and July 3, 2018 Orders, the revised Final EIS, and other documents are available for viewing on the Commission's eDocket System at: mn.gov/puc, select eDockets, enter the year (14) and the docket number (916), or the year (15) and the docket number (137), and select Search.

The revised Final EIS can also be viewed on the Department of Commerce Line 3 Website: mn.gov/commerce/energyfacilities/line3.

Additional Information on the proposed Line 3 Replacement Project and the Commission's review process can be found by visiting: mn.gov/puc/line3.

Full Case Record: See all documents filed in this matter on the Commission's website at: mn.gov/puc, select Search eDockets, enter the year (14) and the docket number (916), or the year (15) and the docket number (137), and select Search.

Subscribe to the Docket: Receive email notification when new documents are filed in this docket at: mn.gov/puc, select Subscribe and follow the prompts.

Questions about this project may be directed to Commission staff member Scott Ek at scott.ek@state.mn.us or 651-201-2255.

Alternative Urban Areawide Review Drafts

Project Title: North Dayton Development

Comment Deadline: August 8, 2018

Project Description: This AUAR examines approximately 560 acres of land in the City of Dayton, MN, to analyze the impacts and mitigation measures necessary to accommodate the development of a multi-phased development consisting primarily of single family residential surrounding a core of commercial development. The development density is expected to average approximately 3 units per acre, with 1,500 to 1,700 single-family residential homes and a small commercial node consisting of neighborhood retail. By State statute, this level of development requires a mandatory environmental review, so a Scoping Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) was completed in late 2017, and this Alternative Urban Areawide Review (AUAR) was subsequently prepared in accordance with the findings of that document. The EAW Scoping process and comment period did not identify additional scenarios for study. Copies of the Draft AUAR and mitigation plan have been distributed to agencies listed on the most current Minnesota Environmental Quality Board distribution list for the 30 day comment period. The AUAR and mitigation plan may be accessed by anyone electronically on the City of Dayton's website; and copies are available for review at the Minneapolis Central Branch of the Hennepin County Public Library (300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis).

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Notices

Discretionary Review Order for Mahoney Mine

Project Description: The Florence Township Board hereby orders preparation of a discretionary EAW for the proposed mine expansion, submitted by Doug Mahoney for Florence Township Aggregates, referencing its permitting authority under township ordinance section 10 Mining; and its obligations under the Environmental Review section 13 of township ordinance and EQB rule 4410.1000 subpart 3a.

Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU): Florence Township

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