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Announcements

Environmental Quality Board meeting

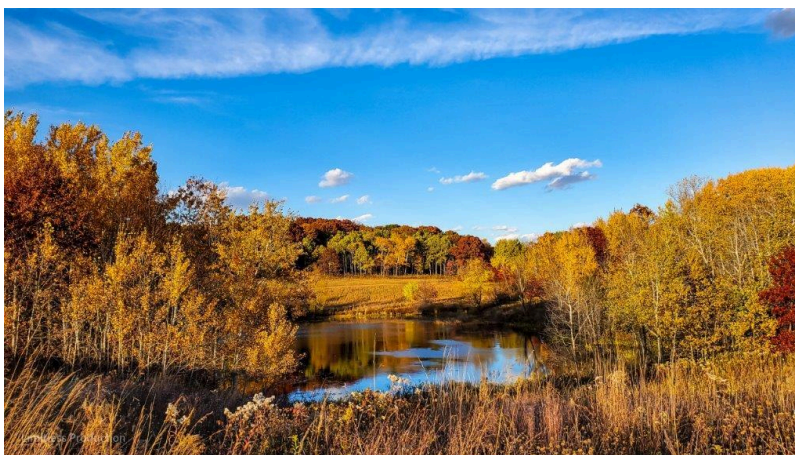
Wednesday, December 18, 1 – 4:00 p.m.

Join us virtually for the December 2024 Environmental Quality Board meeting. At this meeting, the Board will hear details about the proposed alternative EAW form for animal feedlots. The Chair will seek feedback from Board members and the public to inform her decision on whether to approve the form.

More information can be found on the [Board meeting webpage](#), including the meeting packet, virtual meeting details, and details on attending the meeting in person.

Environmental Review Technical Assistance Survey

If you've completed an environmental review process in 2024 and submitted a notice for the Monitor, we want to hear from you! Tell us how we're doing providing guidance and assistance by taking this [short five-question survey](#). Your responses are for EQB use only and will help us provide better assistance for you in the future.



Environmental review project notices

EQB publishes environmental review notices provided by responsible governmental units. For more information on a project undergoing environmental review, click on the individual project links below. You can also find information about active projects in your community on the [Environmental Review Projects Interactive Map](#).

[Nelson Mine Backwaters Project](#)

*This project notice was published in the December 3 *EQB Monitor*, however additional details regarding the public meeting have been added below.

Location (city/township; county): Cottage Grove; Washington

Process: EIS

Step: Draft EIS

End of comment period: January 17, 2025

Project description: Holcim – MWR, Inc. (formerly known as “Aggregate Industries”) currently mines land leased from a private landowner on Lower Grey Cloud Island in Cottage Grove, Washington County, MN, and processes materials nearby. The existing facility will exhaust its current reserves in approximately four years. Holcim is proposing to shift mining operations over a 20 to 25-year period to adjacent private property located in the backwaters area of the Mississippi River between Lower Grey Cloud Island and barrier islands created by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The proposed project would allow Holcim to continue use of their mechanical dredge, processing facilities and barge system to supply the Twin Cities and other local markets with construction quality natural aggregate.

[Nelson Mine Backwaters Project project link provided by RGU](#)

Location of public documents: City of Cottage Grove City Hall, 12800 Ravine Parkway South, Cottage Grove, MN 55016

Public meeting date, time, location: December 19, 2024, 7:00 p.m., Hero Center, 10125 85th Street South, Cottage Grove, MN 55016

Public meeting additional details: Doors open at 6:00 p.m. with information stations available.

Responsible governmental unit and contact: City of Cottage Grove, [Emily Schmitz](#), 651-458-2874

Inver Grove Heights Development Project

Location: Inver Grove Heights

Process: Petition

Step: EAW need decision

Responsible governmental unit decision: EAW Not Required

Responsible governmental unit decision date: Oct 14, 2024

Responsible governmental unit and contact: City of Inver Grove Heights, [Jason Ziemer](#), 651-450-2546

[Vetter Stone Company](#)

Location (city/township; county): Kasota Township; Le Sueur

Process: EAW

Step: EAW available

End of comment period: January 9, 2025

Project description: Vetter Stone Company is proposing to expand its existing permitted mine area located in Kasota Township, Le Sueur County, Minnesota. The project will include expanding the dimensional limestone and aggregate extraction area of the existing mine operation by approximately 152 acres across 11 parcels of land.

[Vetter Stone Company project link provided by RGU](#)

Location of public documents: Le Sueur County Planning & Zoning Office, 88 South Park Avenue, Le Center, MN 56057

Responsible governmental unit and contact: Le Sueur County, [Aaron Stubbs](#), 507-357-8538

[Olam Lakeville Industrial](#)

Location (city/township; county): Lakeville; Dakota

Process: Large AUAR

Step: Draft order for review

End of comment period: January 9, 2025

Project description: The study area encompasses approximately 152 acres on 4 parcels in the City of Lakeville, Dakota County, Minnesota. Olam Holdings is proposing to develop the study area from existing farmland to light industrial or office park uses. The study area can be accessed primarily by 215th W St (CSAH 70) to the north. Secondary access points to the study area also include Jacquard Ave to the east and Kaparia Ave to the west. Two scenarios are proposed for evaluation. Scenario 1 includes multiple buildings for a total of 1,360,000 square feet of a proposed light industrial development. Scenario 2 includes multiple buildings for a total of 1,075,000 square feet of industrial and 285,000 square feet of office space. The proposed development within the study area is anticipated to begin construction in 2025.

[Olam Lakeville Industrial project link provided by RGU](#)

Location of public documents: Lakeville City Hall, 20195 Holyoke Ave, Lakeville, MN 55044

Responsible governmental unit and contact: City of Lakeville, [Tina Goodroad](#), 952-985-4421

Fish kill reports

Minnesota Duty Officer reports pertaining to fish kills are summarized in the following table, in accordance with 103G.216, REPORTING FISH KILLS IN PUBLIC WATERS, Subd. 2 Reporting Requirement. These reports were received via the Minnesota Duty Officer prior to the submission deadline for this edition of the EQB Monitor. They represent the raw data/information provided by callers. For more information regarding fish kills in Minnesota see the [Department of Natural Resources](#). Call the Minnesota Duty Officer at 651-649-5451 or 800-422-0798 to report fish kills.

No fish kill reports were received since the last publication.

Submit a notice to the *EQB Monitor*

The *EQB Monitor* is a weekly publication announcing environmental review documents, public comment periods and other actions of the Environmental Quality Board. The *EQB Monitor* is published every Tuesday at noon. Submissions to the [EQB Monitor](#) are due by 4:00 p.m. on the Tuesday one week prior to the intended publication date. Please see the [EQB Monitor schedule](#) for more details.

To submit a notice for publication:

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Questions? Contact EQB by phone at 651-757-2873 or email us at EQB.Monitor@state.mn.us.

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