

EQB Monitor

Weekly announcements and environmental review notices

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Announcements

Environmental review survey launches - provide your feedback on mandatory categories

The Environmental Quality Board (EQB) publishes a Mandatory Category Report every three years. Mandatory categories specify when projects go through environmental review. This report will summarize the categories and share recommendations for whether any categories should be added, deleted, or changed. Here are two ways you can share your ideas: 1) Join the conversation on our [online engagement platform](#); 2) Give more specific feedback, by [taking this survey](#) regarding both the mandatory categories and the decision criteria. Feedback will be anonymously compiled and used to help EQB shape our recommendations in the draft report. The deadline for input is February 28.



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](#).

[Garrison Bay Development](#)

Location (city/township; county): Garrison; Crow Wing

Process: EAW

Step: EAW available

End of comment period: March 28, 2024

Project description: Yale Holdings, LLC is proposing a mixed-use development along Trunk Highway (TH) 169 within the City of Garrison, MN. This proposed development is on approximately 122 acres and includes up to 189 single family homes (aka cottages), 86 condos, and a hotel/lodge with 144 rooms. Construction will also include stormwater infrastructure, internal roads, and utilities.

Location of public documents: City of Garrison, 27065 Central Street, Garrison, MN 56450

Responsible governmental unit and contact: City of Garrison, [Mike Pederson](#), 320-335-5059

Pilot Knob to Burnsville 115 kV Transmission Line Rebuild and Upgrade

Location: Burnsville, Dakota

Process: Alternative review

End of comment period: March 6, 2024

Notice title: Notice of Public Information and Environmental Assessment Scoping Meetings

Notice description: The Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) and the Minnesota Department of Commerce (Department) will hold public information and environmental assessment (EA) scoping meetings for Great River Energy's Pilot Knob to Burnsville 115 kV Transmission Line Rebuild and Upgrade Project on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, from 12 to 2 pm (virtual/online) and Wednesday, February 21, 2024 (in-person) from 6 to 8 pm, doors open at 5 pm. Written comments will be accepted through March 6, 2024.

Project description: Great River Energy (GRE) has submitted a route permit application to rebuild and upgrade an existing 69 kV transmission line with a new 115 kV HVTL (High Voltage Transmission Line). Approximately 8.75 miles long, it will span from the Pilot Knob Substation in Eagan to the Burnsville Substation in Burnsville. The proposed Project will also include upgrades and modifications to the existing Burnsville substation.

Link to public documents: [Pilot Knob to Burnsville 115 kV Transmission Line Rebuild and Upgrade alternative review](#)

Location of public documents: Burnhaven Public Library, 1101 County Road 42 W Burnsville, MN 55306

First public meeting date, time, location: February 20, 2024, 12:00 p.m., Online meeting

First public meeting virtual link: <https://minnesota.webex.com>

First public meeting additional details: Webinar Number: 2491 826 7020

Webinar Password: PUC!2024 (78202024 from phones) Join by Phone: 1-855-282-6330

Access Code: 2491 826 7020

Second public meeting date, time, location: February 21, 2024, 6:00 p.m.,
Diamondhead Education Center, 200 Burnsville Pkwy, Burnsville, MN 55337

Second public meeting additional details: Doors will open for the public at 5 pm.

Responsible governmental unit and contact: Minnesota Department of Commerce -
EERA, [Richard Davis](#), 507-380-6859

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.

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