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Weekly announcements and environmental review notices

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Announcements

Environmental Review Implementation Subcommittee meeting

Wednesday, September 18, 1 – 4 p.m.

Join us in person or virtually for the September 2024 Environmental Review Implementation Subcommittee (ERIS) meeting. The subcommittee will hear details about the draft Mandatory Category Report and learn about data sources for the climate calculator. More information about the meeting, including the meeting packet and virtual meeting information, can be found on the [ERIS meeting webpage](#).



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](#).

Silver Rapids Resort Expansion

Location (city/township; county): Fall Lake, Lake

Process: Petition

Step: Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) Need Decision

Responsible governmental unit decision: EAW not required

Responsible governmental unit decision date: August 27, 2024

Responsible governmental unit and contact: Lake County, [Christine McCarthy](#),
218-834-8327

Schultz Mine Expansion

Location (city/township; county): Jordan; Scott

Process: EAW

Step: EAW available

End of comment period: October 10, 2024

Project description: Pentagon Materials, Inc. operates an existing sand and gravel mine, the Schultz Mine, located in St. Lawrence Township, Scott County, MN. Pentagon proposes to expand the mine limits by 60 acres for a total mine area of 86 acres. Mine operations include topsoil and overburden removal, excavation, processing (screening, crushing, and washing), stockpiling, loading, hauling, recycling of concrete and asphalt, and reclamation. This environmental review encompasses both the existing mine and the proposed expansion area.

Location of public documents: Scott County Government Center, 200 4th Ave W., Shakopee, MN 55379

Responsible governmental unit and contact: Scott County, [Ben Troop](#), 952-496-8893

Trunk Highway 97 Improvement Project

Location (city/township; county): Forest Lake; Anoka, Washington

Process: EAW

Step: EAW available

Joint federal and state review: Yes

End of comment period: October 10, 2024

Project description: Improvements to Highway 97 in Washington and Anoka Counties from Hornsby Street NE to approximately 0.1 mile east of Forest Road N. Reconstruction of Highway 97 from a two-lane undivided rural highway to a primarily two-lane divided urban highway. The project includes construction of a single-lane roundabout at Fenway Ave N, a multiuse trail for pedestrians/bicyclists, dedicated right- and left-turn lanes at key intersections, intersection lighting, ADA accessibility, signal improvements, and stormwater treatment.

[Trunk Highway 97 Improvement Project project link provided by RGU](#)

Location of public documents: City of Forest Lake Hall, 1408 Lake Street S, Forest Lake, MN 55025

Responsible governmental unit and contact: Minnesota Department of Transportation, [Jeffrey Olson](#), 651-234-7676

Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 1782 Marina Expansion

Location (city/township; county): White Bear Lake; Ramsey

Process: EAW

Step: EAW available

End of comment period: October 10, 2024

Project description: The proposed project will increase the VFW's dock area, including navigation area, from 0.53 acres to 0.74 acres. This increase will extend the dock from 247 ft to 300 ft and create an additional 12 slips to better serve the needs of the VFW members.

[Veterans of Foreign Wars \(VFW\) Post 1782 Marina Expansion project link provided by RGU](#)

Location of public documents: White Bear Lake Conservation District (WBLCD), 4701 Highway 61 N., White Bear Lake, MN 55110

Responsible governmental unit and contact: White Bear Lake Conservation District, [Cheri Howe](#), 651-429-8520

Farmington West Industrial

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

Process: Large AUAR

Step: Revised AUAR

End of comment period: September 24, 2024

Project description: The AUAR study area encompasses an area totaling approximately 329 acres on six parcels in the City of Farmington, Dakota County, Minnesota. Project Bengal, LLC is proposing to develop the study area from existing farmland to a technology park or industrial uses.

[Farmington West Industrial project link provided by RGU](#)

Location of public documents: Farmington City Hall, 430 3rd St, Farmington, MN 55024

Responsible governmental unit and contact: City of Farmington, [Tony Wippler](#), 651-280-6822

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.

Date	Location	County	Waterbody	Species	Count
8/28/2024	Shoreview	Ramsey	Wabasso Lake	Crappie	500-1000
8/29/2024	Brainerd	Crow Wing	Clearwater Lake	Tullibee	100

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