

RESOLUTION OF THE MINNESOTA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD

Authorization to submit the 2024 Mandatory Category Report

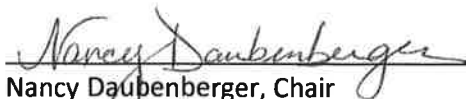
Minnesota Statute Chapter 116D.04, Subd. 5b directs that *"By December 1, 2018, and every three years thereafter, the Environmental Quality Board, Pollution Control Agency, Department of Natural Resources, and Department of Transportation, after consultation with political subdivisions, shall submit...a list of mandatory environmental assessment worksheet and mandatory environmental impact statement categories for which the agency or a political subdivision is designated as the responsible government unit, and for each worksheet or statement category, a document including:*

- 1. intended historical purposes of the category;*
- 2. whether projects that fall within the category are also subject to local, state, or federal permits; and*
- 3. an analysis of and recommendations for whether the mandatory category should be modified, eliminated, or unchanged based on its intended outcomes and relationship to existing permits or other federal, state, or local laws or ordinances."*

The 2024 Mandatory Categories Legislative Assessment Report was developed and reviewed by the co-authoring agencies. Drafts of the report were reviewed by the Environmental Review Implementation Subcommittee in September 2024 and by the full Environmental Quality Board in October 2024; and the draft report was subsequently revised and refined for presentation to the board in November 2024.

The board resolves that the EQB Executive Director shall fulfill the legislative mandate by sending the 2024 Mandatory Category Legislative Assessment Report to the governor and the chairs of the house of representatives and senate committees having jurisdiction over environment and natural resources.

The board approved and adopted this resolution on November 20, 2024.


Nancy Daubenberger, Chair
Minnesota Environmental Quality Board

Date: 11/20/2024

Attachments: 2024 Mandatory Category Report