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A copy of the Ag Board's proposed resolution regarding the Ag Board's "approval", as such term is used in IRC §147(f) and for the sole purpose of complying with the requirements therein, of the CoHFA Bonds is available for public inspection at the offices of the Ag Board at 1st National Bank Building, 332 Minnesota Street, Suite E200, Saint Paul, Minnesota from the date of this notice to the date of the public hearing hereinabove identified, during normal business hours.

All persons interested may appear and be heard at the time and place set forth above, or may file written comments with the Executive Director prior to the date of the hearing set forth above.

Dated: 22 Juy 2013

BY ORDER OF THE MEMBERS OF THE MINNESOTA AGRICULTURAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD Robin Sternberg, Executive Director

Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association (MCHA) Notice of Finance Committee Meeting 30 July 2013

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the Minnesota Comprehensive Health Association's (MCHA) Finance Committee will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 30, 2013.

The meeting will be initiated at the MCHA Executive Office, 5775 Wayzata Blvd., Suite 910, St. Louis Park, MN; it should be noted that some or all attendees will participate telephonically.

If anyone wishes to attend or participate in this meeting please contact MCHA's Executive Office (952-593-9609) for additional information.

Minnesota Environmental Quality Board (EQB)

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS on Possible Amendments to Rules Governing the Environmental Review Program, *Minnesota Rules* Chapter, 4410; Revisor's ID Number R-04157

Subject of Rules. The Minnesota Environmental Quality Board (EQB or Board) is considering revising the existing rules governing the Environmental Review Program. These are the rules under which Environmental Assessment Worksheets (EAWs), Environmental Impact Statements (EISs), and other environmental review documents are prepared. This possible rulemaking may include the following categories or subparts:

- 1) Mandatory categories for environmental assessment worksheets located under part 4410.4300:
 - a. subp. 2. Nuclear fuels and nuclear waste;
 - b. subp. 3. Electric generating facilities;
 - c. subp. 5. Fuel conversion facilities;
 - d. subp. 7. Pipelines;
 - e. subp. 8. Transfer facilities;
 - f. subp. 14. Industrial, commercial, and institutional facilities;
 - g. subp. 16. Hazardous waste;
 - h. subp. 17. Solid waste;
 - i. subp. 18. Wastewater systems;
 - i. subp. 19. Residential development;
 - k. subp. 22. Highway projects;
 - l. subp. 28, item B. Forestry;

- m. subp. 30. Natural areas;
- n. subp. 32. Mixed residential and industrial-commercial projects;
- o. subp. 36. Land use conversion, including golf courses;
- p. subp. 36a. Land conversions in shoreland; and
- q. subp. 37, items B and C. Recreational trails.
- Mandatory categories for environmental impact statements located under part 4410.4400:
 - a. subp. 2. Nuclear fuels and nuclear waste;
 - b. subp. 3. Electric generating facilities;
 - c. subp. 11. Industrial, commercial, and institutional facilities;
 - d. subp. 13. Solid waste;
 - e. subp. 14. Residential development;
 - f. subp. 21. Mixed residential and commercial-industrial projects; and
 - g. supb. 24. Pipelines.

This rulemaking may also include revisions that may come up as a result of public comments and further review of Chapter 4410. This rulemaking can be referred to as the "Mandatory Categories Rulemaking" since the Board is currently pursuing two separate rulemakings for Chapter 4410.

Plain English Summary. This Request for Comments is the Board's legal notice of its intent to begin rulemaking. This is the first of several opportunities for public comment and input on this rulemaking. At this stage, we do not have a draft rule; we want your feedback to inform us about the ideas described under the Subject of Rules section above. If you have other ideas related to this rulemaking that we need to consider, please submit them in writing. For example, we recognize that costs to regulated parties can be a concern with rulemaking; if you have cost information or data related to this rulemaking that you wish to share with us to inform our decisions, please submit that information. Submitting your ideas and information to us at this early stage in rulemaking allows us more time to address issues that may come up, and helps to ensure informed decision-making on our part.

Where to Get More Information. If you are interested in being notified when a draft of the rule revisions is available and of other activities related to this rulemaking, please register for GovDelivery at: http://www.eqb.state.mn.us/. If you are unable to receive electronic notices, please contact Beth Tegdesch at (651) 757-2100.

Persons Affected. The proposed amendments may affect project developers, local units of government and state agencies, private citizens and citizens groups, and environmental groups. However, changes to the rules governing the Environmental Review Program may directly or indirectly affect all citizens of the state.

Statutory Authority. *Minnesota Statutes*, section 116D.04, subd. 2a(a) and 5a and *Minnesota Statutes* section 116D.045, establish the Environmental Review Program and authorize the EQB to adopt rules governing its operation.

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on these possible rules in writing or orally until 4:30 p.m. on August 23, 2013. The EQB will not publish a notice of intent to adopt the rules until more than 60 days have elapsed from the date of this request for comments. The Board does not plan to appoint an advisory committee to comment on the possible rules. Interested and affected parties are invited to submit information relative to the cumulative effect of the rule with other federal and state regulations.

Rules Drafts. The Board has not yet drafted the possible rules amendments.

Agency Contact Person. Written or oral comments, questions, requests to receive a draft of the rules when it has been prepared, and requests for more information on these possible rules, should be directed to:

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TTY users may call the EQB at 1-800-627-3529

Alternative Format. Upon request, this information can be made available in an alternative format, such as large print, braille, or audio. To make such a request, please contact the agency contact person at the address or telephone number listed above.

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Dated: 17 July 2013 David Fredrickson, Chair Environmental Quality Board

Minnesota Environmental Quality Board (EQB)

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS on Possible Amendments to Rules Governing the Environmental Review Program, *Minnesota Rules* Chapter, 4410; Revisor's ID Number R-04196

Subject of Rules. The Minnesota Environmental Quality Board (EQB or Board) is considering revising the existing rules governing the Environmental Review Program. These are the rules under which Environmental Assessment Worksheets (EAWs), Environmental Impact Statements (EISs), and other environmental review documents are prepared. This possible rulemaking shall amend "rules for environmental review, adopted under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 116D, for silica sand mining and processing to take into account the increased activity in the state and concerns over the size of specific operations. The EQB shall consider whether the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.991, should remain part of the environmental review requirements for silica sand and whether the requirements should be different for different geographic areas of the state." Laws 2013, chapter 114, article 4, section 105

This rulemaking may also include revisions that may come up as a result of public comments. This rulemaking can be referred to as the "Silica Sand Rulemaking" since the Board is currently pursuing two separate rulemakings for Chapter 4410.

Plain English Summary. This Request for Comments is the Board's legal notice of its intent to begin rulemaking. This is the first of several opportunities for public comment and input on this rulemaking. At this stage, we do not have a draft rule; we want your feedback to inform us about the ideas described under the Subject of Rules section above. If you have other ideas related to this rulemaking that we need to consider, please submit them in writing. For example, we recognize that costs to regulated parties can be a concern with rulemaking; if you have cost information or data related to this rulemaking that you wish to share with us to inform our decisions, please submit that information. Submitting your ideas and information to us at this early stage in rulemaking allows us more time to address issues that may come up, and helps to ensure informed decision-making on our part.

Where to Get More Information. If you are interested in being notified when a draft of the rule revisions is available and of other activities related to this rulemaking, please register for GovDelivery at: http://www.eqb.state.mn.us/. If you are unable to receive electronic notices, please contact Beth Tegdesch at (761) 757-2100.

Persons Affected. The proposed amendments may affect project developers, local units of government and state agencies, private citizens and citizens groups, and environmental groups. However, changes to the rules governing the Environmental Review Program may directly or indirectly affect all citizens of the state.

Statutory Authority. *Minnesota Statutes*, section 116D.04, subd. 2a(a) and 5a and *Minnesota Statutes*, section 116D.045, establish the Environmental Review Program and authorize the EQB to adopt rules governing its operation. *Laws 2013*, chapter 114, article 4, section 105 provide that EQB amend its rules for environmental review with respect to silica sand mining and processing.

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on these possible rules in writing or orally until 4:30 p.m. on August 23, 2013. The EQB will not publish a notice of intent to adopt the rules until more than 60 days have elapsed from

the date of this request for comments. The Board does not plan to appoint an advisory committee to comment on the possible rules. Interested and affected parties are invited to submit information relative to the cumulative effect of the rule with other federal and state regulations.

Rules Drafts. The Board has not yet drafted the possible rules amendments.

Agency Contact Person. Written or oral comments, questions, requests to receive a draft of the rules when it has been prepared, and requests for more information on these possible rules should be directed to:

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Dated: 17 July 2013 David Fredrickson, Chair Environmental Quality Board

Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) Office of Economic Opportunity

Minnesota's Draft Community Services Block Grant FY2014-2015 Plan Available for Public Inspection and Comment, Public Hearing 8/20/13

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on August 20, 2013 by the Department of Human Services/Office of Economic Opportunity in conjunction with the development and submittal of Minnesota's Community Services Block Grant FY 2014-2015 Plan. The hearing will be held on August 20, 2013 at 10 a.m. at the MCIT Building, 100 Empire Drive, St. Paul, MN 55103 (for directions, see http://www.mcit.org/directions.aspx). The purpose of this hearing is to provide the public an opportunity to comment on the proposed use and distribution of funds to be provided through the allotment to the State of Minnesota under the Community Services Block Grant Act. These funds are used by federally defined eligible entities including Community Action Agencies, Tribal Governments and the Department of Human Services to combat the causes and effects of poverty. Draft plans will be distributed at the hearing or can be accessed for public inspection and comment by contacting Barb Alt at barb.alt@state.mn.us or (651) 431-3884.

Comments to the plan should be submitted no later than August 20, 2013 to:

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E-mail: barb.alt@state.mn.us

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Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA)

Agricultural Marketing and Development Division (AMDD)

Notice of Meeting of the Agriculture Research, Education, Extension and
Technology Transfer Advisory Panel 30 November 2015

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture's Agriculture Research, Education, Extension and Technology Transfer Advisory Panel will hold a meeting on Monday, November 30, 2015 from 10 a.m. to noon in Room B145 in the Orville L. Freeman Building, 625 Robert St. N., St. Paul, MN. The Advisory Panel will consider matters pertaining to grant fund award processes and priorities.

Minnesota Environmental Quality Board (EQB)

Environmental Review Program

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 - d. subp. 8. Transfer facilities;
 - e. subp. 14. Industrial, commercial, and institutional facilities;
 - f. subp. 15 item B. Air Pollution
 - g. subp. 16. Hazardous waste;
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 - i. subp. 18. Wastewater systems;
 - j. subp. 19. Residential development;
 - k. subp. 22. Highway projects;
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 - m. subp. 30. Natural areas;
 - n. subp. 32. Mixed residential and industrial-commercial projects;
 - o. subp. 36. Land use conversion, including golf courses;
 - p. subp. 36a. Land conversions in shoreland; and
 - q. subp. 37, items B and C. Recreational trails.
- 2) Mandatory categories for environmental impact statements located under part 4410.4400:
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 - b. subp. 3. Electric generating facilities;

- c. subp. 11. Industrial, commercial, and institutional facilities;
- d. subp. 13. Solid waste;
- e. subp. 14. Residential development;
- f. subp. 21. Mixed residential and commercial-industrial projects; and

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Statutory Authority. *Minnesota Statutes*, section 116D.04, subd. 2a(a) and 5a and *Minnesota Statutes* section 116D.045, establish the Environmental Review Program and authorize the EQB to adopt rules governing its operation.

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on these possible rules in writing or orally until December 31, 2015 at 4:30pm central time. The EQB will not publish a notice of intent to adopt the rules until more than 60 days have elapsed from the date of this request for comments. Interested and affected parties are invited to submit information relative to the cumulative effect of the rule with other federal and state regulations.

Rules Drafts. The Board has not yet drafted the possible rules amendments.

Agency Contact Person. Written or oral comments, questions, requests to receive a draft of the rules when it has been prepared, and requests for more information on these possible rules, should be directed to:

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TTY users may call the EQB at: 1-800-627-3529

Alternative Format. Upon request, this information can be made available in an alternative format, such as large print, braille, or audio. To make such a request, please contact the agency contact person at the address or telephone number listed above.

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Dated: 29 October 2015

David Frederickson, Chair Environmental Quality Board

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Minnesota Environmental Quality Board

Environmental Review Program

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS on Possible Amendments to Rules Governing the Environmental Review Program, *Minnesota Rules* Chapter, 4410; Revisor's ID Number R-04157

Subject of Rules. The Minnesota Environmental Quality Board (EQB or Board) is considering revising the existing rules governing the Environmental Review Program. These are the rules under which Responsible Governmental Units (RGUs) are selected and for which Environmental Assessment Worksheets (EAWs), Environmental Impact Statements (EISs), and other environmental review documents are prepared or exempted from environmental review. This possible rulemaking may include the following rule parts:

- 1) Definitions and abbreviations located under part 4410.0200.
- 2) Procedures for selecting and redesignating responsible governmental units located under part 4410.0500.
- 3) Mandatory categories for environmental assessment worksheets located under part 4410.4300.
- 4) Mandatory categories for environmental impact statements located under part 4410.4400.
- 5) Mandatory categories for projects exempt from environmental review located under part 4410.4600.

This rulemaking may also include revisions that may come up as a result of public comments and further review of Chapter 4410. This rulemaking can be referred to as the "Mandatory Categories Rulemaking."

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Statutory Authority. *Minnesota Statutes*, section 116D.04, subd. 2a(a) and 5a and *Minnesota Statutes* section 116D.045, establish the Environmental Review Program and authorize the EQB to adopt rules governing its operation.

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on these possible rules in writing or orally until **November 28, 2016 at 4:30pm central time**. The EQB will not publish a notice of intent to adopt the rules until more than 60 days have elapsed from the date of this request for comments. Interested and affected parties are invited to submit information relative to the cumulative effect of the rule with other federal and state regulations.

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TTY users may call the EQB at 800-627-3529

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Note: Comments received in response to this notice will not necessarily be included in the formal rulemaking record submitted to the administrative law judge if and when a proceeding to adopt rules is started. The agency is required to submit to the judge only those written comments received in response to the rules after they are proposed. If you submitted comments during the development of the rules and you want to ensure that the administrative law judge reviews the comments, you should resubmit the comments after the rules are formally proposed.

Date: 10/18/2016

David Frederickson, Chair **Environmental Quality Board**

State Grants & Loans

In addition to requests by state agencies for technical/professional services (published in the State Contracts Section), the State Register also publishes notices about grants and loans available through any agency or branch of state government. Although some grant and loan programs specifically require printing in a statewide publication such as the State Register, there is no requirement for publication in the State Register itself. Agencies are encouraged to publish grant and loan notices, and to provide financial estimates as well as sufficient time for interested parties to respond.

SEE ALSO: Office of Grants Management (OGM) at: http://www.grants.state.mn.us/public/

Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA)

Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Biofuels Infrastructure Partnership – Blender **Pump Grant Program**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Agriculture is requesting applications for grants for the purchase and installation of E15/25 retrofit infrastructure for existing gasoline fuel pumps at fueling stations in the state.

Purpose

The Minnesota Biofuels Infrastructure Partnership Grant Program (BIP) is funded by the United States Department of Agriculture, the State of Minnesota, and private-sector partners for the primary purpose of increasing consumption of biofuel in the form of ethanol.

This grant pays for a portion of the cost of ethanol blender pumps. The basic amounts of the grant award are:

- Up to 70% of a single blender pump and associated costs, **OR**
- Up to a maximum of \$20,000 per dispenser, whichever is less.