

EQB Monitor

Weekly announcements and environmental review notices

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Announcements

Environmental Quality Board meeting

Wednesday, August 16, 1 – 4 p.m.

Join us virtually for the August, 2023 Environmental Quality Board meeting. At this meeting, the board will hear an overview of EQB staff workplan for FY24. The board will also hear the planned process to update the 2018-2023 strategic plan. More information about the meeting, including the meeting packet and virtual meeting information, can be found on the board 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](#).

[Commercial Storage Shed Project](#)

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

Process: EAW

Step: EIS need decision

Responsible governmental unit decision: Negative (EIS not ordered)

Responsible governmental unit record of decision date: August 3, 2023

Project description: The proposed project includes 71 cold storage units with concrete driveways off of a gravel driving path on a 16.56-acre site. A clubhouse with a restroom

and wash bay will also be included on site. Three catchment basins would be constructed for stormwater retention.

Location of public documents: Crow Wing County Land Services, 322 Laurel Street, Brainerd, MN 56401

Responsible governmental unit and contact: Crow Wing County Land Services, [Chris Pence](#), 218-824-1010

Fountain Lake Habitat Restoration

Location (city/township; county): Albert Lea; Freeborn

Process: EAW

Step: EIS need decision

Responsible governmental unit decision: Negative (EIS not ordered)

Responsible governmental unit record of decision date: August 8, 2023

Project description: The Shell Rock River Watershed District is proposing construction of a fish habitat restoration project within Fountain Lake in Albert Lea, MN. Project work includes constructing rock reefs, brush reef cribs, spawning areas, and a toe-wood bank stabilization to enhance and restore fish habitat to approximately 7.5 acres of the lake following dredging of the lake.

Link to public documents: [Fountain Lake Habitat Restoration EIS need decision](#)

Location of public documents: Shell Rock River Watershed District, 305 South 1st Ave, Albert Lea, MN 56007

Responsible governmental unit and contact: Shell Rock River Watershed District, [Andy Henschel](#), 507-377-5785

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
8/3/2023	South St Paul	Dakota	Mississippi River (Pool 2)	Carp, Suckers, Walleye, and Northern Pike	100
8/4/2023	Madison Lake	Le Sueur	Lake Washington	Unknown	25+
8/4/2023	Maple Grove	Hennepin	Rice Lake	Large Mouth Bass, Sunfish, Crappie	several hundred
8/7/2023	Waconia	Carver	Lake Waconia	Crappie	100
8/7/2023	Currie	Murray	Lake Shetek	Walleye	1000's
8/7/2023	Waconia	Carver	Lake Waconia	Black Crappie and Bass	200
8/7/2023	Sherburn	Martin	Fox Lake	Drum, Crappie, Big Mouth Buffalo	1000's
8/7/2023	Worthington	Nobles	Lake Okabena	Northern Pike, Walleye, Perch, and Bass	30
8/7/2023	Isanti	Isanti	Francis Lake	Crappie, Sunfish, Perch	200+
8/7/2023	Madison Lake	Le Sueur	Lake Washington	Sheephead	100
8/8/2023	Isanti	Isanti	Francis Lake	Sunfish, Crappie	1000's
8/8/2023	Waconia	Carver	Lake Waconia	Crappie, Bass, Buffalo	1000's
8/8/2023	Isanti	Isanti	Lake Francis	Sunfish, Crappies, Bass, Pike	100's
8/8/2023	Waconia	Carver	Lake Waconia	Crappie, Sunfish	1000's

8/8/2023	Isanti	Isanti	Lake Francis	Northern Pike, Walleye, Bass, Crappies, Perch, and Bluegill	1000's
8/8/2023	Isanti	Isanti	Lake Francis	Perch, Sunnies, Northern Pike, Bass	100's

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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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