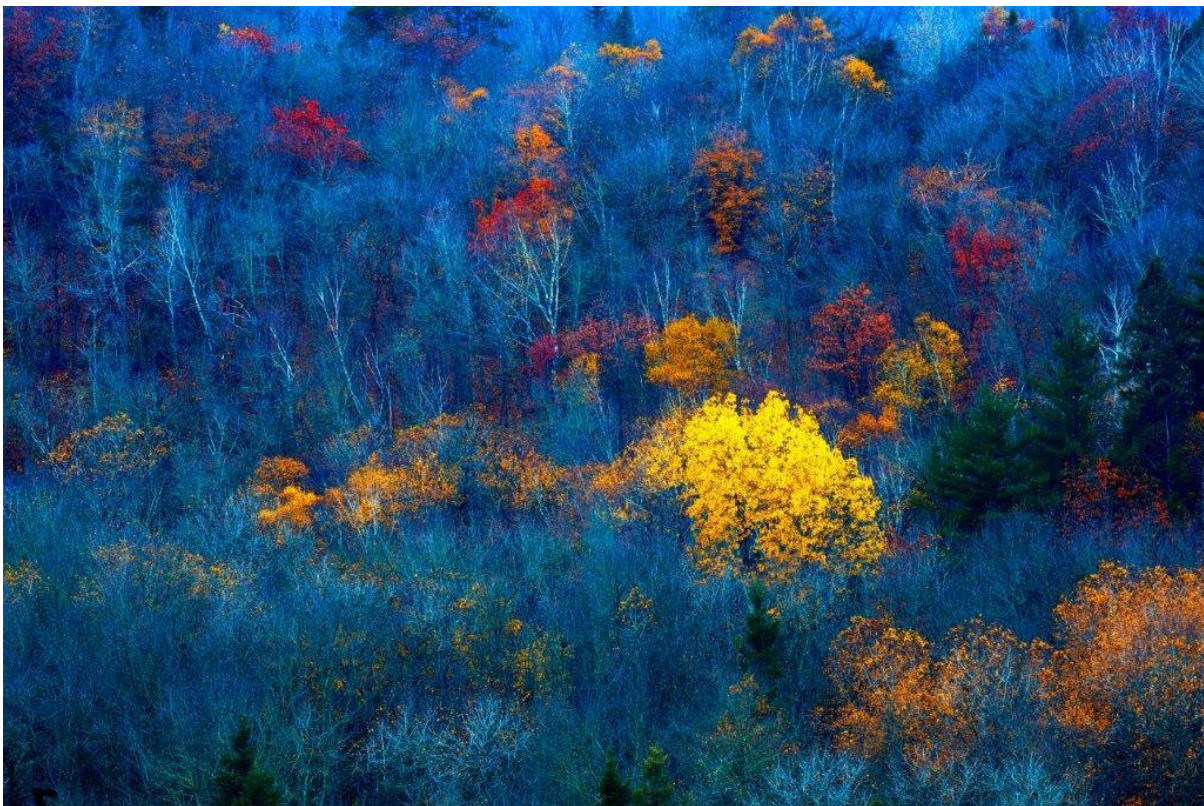


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Environmental review project notices

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](#).

[Central High School Redevelopment Project](#)

Location (city/township; county): Duluth; St. Louis

Process: Large AUAR

Step: Draft order for review

End of comment period: January 4, 2024

Project description: The City of Duluth is preparing an AUAR for an approximately 80-acre area on the site of the former Central High School near Central Entrance and H. Courtney Drive in the City of Duluth, St. Louis County, Minnesota. Two development scenarios will be evaluated as part of the AUAR which include a business park scenario consistent with the City's adopted Comprehensive Plan, and a mixed residential and commercial use scenario.

Link to public documents: [Central High School Redevelopment Project draft order for review](#)

Location of public documents: City of Duluth, Planning and Development Department, City Hall Room 160, Duluth, MN 55802

Public meeting date, time, location: December 12, 2023, 5:00 p.m., City of Duluth Planning Commission, 411 W. First St., Council Chambers, Duluth, MN 55802

Responsible governmental unit and contact: City of Duluth, [Adam Fulton](#), 218-730-5580

[Hermantown Business Park](#)

Location (city/township; county): Hermantown; St. Louis

Process: Large AUAR

Step: Revised AUAR

Project description: The proposed maximum development scenario would construct a business park consisting of buildings with a combined area of up to 942,000 square feet. Project components include construction of commercial, warehouse/office buildings, parking areas, access roads, sanitary sewer and potable water services, and stormwater management ponds. Portions of the AUAR Study Area are currently used for light industrial, storage, and open space.

Link to public documents: [Hermantown Business Park revised AUAR](#)

Location of public documents: City of Hermantown, 5105 Maple Grove Rd, Hermantown, MN 55811

Responsible governmental unit and contact: City of Hermantown, [Eric Johnson](#), 218-729-3618

UMORE Study Area

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

Process: AUAR update

Step: Revised AUAR

End of comment period: December 19, 2023

Project description: The City of Rosemount has updated the AUAR for the UMORE Study Area. This is the second AUAR update and approximately 715 acres of the 4,900 acres study area has now received development approval.

Link to public documents: [UMORE Study Area revised AUAR](#)

Location of public documents: Rosemount City Hall, 2875 145th Street West, Rosemount, MN 55068

Responsible governmental unit and contact: City of Rosemount, [Anthony Nemcek](#), 651-322-2090

General notices

Notices published in this section may be required under Minnesota Statute or Rule.

Notice of Public Hearing - Dodge County Wind (20-865; 20-866; 20-867)

Notice description: The Public Utilities Commission (Commission) must approve a certificate of need before the project can be built. Dodge County Wind submitted the certificate of need application in IP6981/CN-20-865. The Department of Commerce has prepared an environmental assessment for this project. The environmental assessment is studying the potential human and environmental impacts of the proposed project and alternatives, as well as ways to address impacts. The environmental assessment will be issued at the end of November, 2023. After the public hearing, the Commission reviews all the information in the record, including written comments and comments received at the public hearings. The

Commission's final decision on the certificate of need for this project is expected by summer, 2024.

Public meeting date, time, location: December 19, 2023, 1:00 p.m., Sakers Sports Bar and Grill, 401 8th Street East, Kasson, MN 55944

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

Public meeting additional details: There are 2 Public Hearings scheduled for December 19th - one starting at 1 PM and going as long as 4 PM, and one starting at 6 PM and going as long as 9 PM. The following day on December 20th there will be a virtual hearing starting and 6 PM and going as long as 9 PM. Details for both the in person and virtual hearings can be found on the Commission Notice for this hearing at the following link:

<https://mn.gov/puc/edockets/> Then type in the Docket Year (20) followed by the Docket Number (865; 866; or 867) to find the notice.

Link to additional information: [Notice of Public Hearing - Dodge County Wind additional information](#)

Contact: Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, [Sam Lobby](#), 651-201-2205

Notice of Public Information and Environmental Report Scoping Meetings

Notice description: NOTICE that the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (PUC) and Minnesota Department of Commerce will hold a public information and environmental report scoping meeting on the certificate of need application and application for minor alteration to the route permit issued in docket number 08-1474 filed by Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, Central Minnesota Municipal Power Agency; Great River Energy; Otter Tail Power Company; and Western Minnesota Municipal Power Agency (CapX2020 Brookings Owners or Applicants) for their proposed Brookings County - Lyon County and Helena Hampton Second- Circuit Project. The purpose of the meeting is to provide information to the public about the proposed project and the state's certificate of need process and the process being used to obtain route approval through an alteration to an existing route permit for the Brookings County - Hampton 345 kilovolt transmission line.

First public meeting date, time, location: December 11, 2023, 12:00 p.m., Holiday Inn Lakeville, 20800 Kenrick Ave., Lakeville, MN 55044

Second public date, time, location: December 11, 2023, 6:00 p.m., Online meeting

Second public meeting virtual

link: <https://minnesota.webex.com/minnesota/j.php?MTID=m5a1f225722a8317fdd8de246716c3dc9>

Second public meeting additional details: Webinar No.: 2496 406 7500 Call-In Number: 1-855-282-6330 US Toll Free Access Code: 2496 406 7500 Password: NHeKTJ3p875 (64358537 from phones and video systems)

Third public meeting date, time, location: December 12, 2023, 6:00 p.m., Everspring Inn & Suites Marshall, 1500 E. College Drive, Marshall, MN 55044

Third public meeting additional details: To find out if a meeting is canceled due to bad weather or other reasons call 1-855-731-6208 or 651-201-2213 or visit mn.gov/puc. If the meeting is canceled, the alternate dates for the in-person meeting is December 13, 2023 in Lakeville from 12:00 to 2:00 pm & December 14, 2023 in Marshall from 12:00-2:00 pm.

Link to additional information: [Notice of Public Information and Environmental Report Scoping Meetings additional information](#)

Contact: Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, [Michael Kaluzniak](#), 651-201-2257

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.

Submit a notice to the *EQB Monitor*

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:

[Access the EQB monitor submission service](#)

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For more information on environmental review, please visit the EQB website or contact us at env.review@state.mn.us.



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