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ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT WORKSHEETS REPUBLISHED

EAW Comment Deadline: February 6, 2013

Republishing of William Yoder Quarry and Roger Dabelstein Quarry Environmental Assessment Worksheets

Winona County has republished the Environmental Assessment Worksheets (EAWs) for the two proposed projects, the William Yoder Quarry and the Roger Dabelstein Quarry, in Winona County, Minnesota. The reason for this is to include an Operations and Reclamation Plan which had been omitted from the EAW documents for both projects which were published as available in the December 24, 2012, EQB Monitor. In addition, page 40 of the William Yoder Quarry EAW had been missing and is now included. The 30-day public comment periods for both projects, which will now end on **February 6, 2013, at 4:30 pm**.



Project Title: William Yoder Quarry, Winona County

Description: The proposed Yoder Quarry is for the primary purpose of mining silica sand, in Saratoga Township, Winona County Minnesota. This EAW is a mandatory submittal, summarizing and informing the public of the owner's intent. Materials will be trucked to processing facilities via CSAH 6, 29 and Interstate 90 to Winona.

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RGU: Winona County

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Project Title: Roger Dabelstein Quarry, Winona County

Description: The proposed Dabelstein Quarry is for the primary purpose of mining silica sand, in Saratoga Township, Winona County, Minnesota. This EAW is a volunteer submittal summarizing and informing the public of the owner's intent. Materials will be trucked to processing facilities via CSAH 6, 29 and Interstate 90 to Winona.

RGU: Winona County

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ALTERNATIVE URBAN AREAWIDE REVIEW (AUAR)

AUAR Comment Deadline: February 6, 2013

Project Title: NorthPark Business Center—Brooklyn Park, Minnesota

Description: Harstad Hills, Inc. (HHI) is proposing an industrial/office/retail/housing development on a 227+/-acre agricultural parcel located in the northwest corner of the city of Brooklyn Park. Development of the AUAR study area has the potential of providing up to 3,026,000 SF of industrial/office/warehouse space, 188,500 SF of retail space, and up to 600 units of high-density residential space. The AUAR can be found at www.brooklynpark.org/northpark.

RGU: City of Brooklyn Park

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EAW NEED DECISIONS

The noted responsible governmental unit has made a decision regarding the need for an EAW in response to a citizen petition.

City of Wabasha, Superior Sand Systems, Inc., EAW Denied (Wabasha County)

EIS NEED DECISIONS

The responsible governmental unit has determined the following projects do not require preparation of an EIS. The dates given are, respectively, the date of the determination and the date the EAW notice was published in the *EQB Monitor*.

Traverse County, Rosebud RV Park Second Addition, September 18, 2012 (August 6, 2012).

NOTICES

Notice of Transfer of Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU)

Project Title: Southwest Transitway, Hennepin County, MN

Project Description: The proposed action, the Southwest Transitway, would be located in the Minneapolis/ St. Paul region, connecting downtown Minneapolis to the cities of St. Louis Park, Hopkins, Edina, Minnetonka, and Eden Prairie.

Transfer of Responsible Government Unit Status: Effective December 31, 2012, the Metropolitan Council will assume the role of Responsible Government Unit (RGU) for completion of the environmental review process under the Minnesota Environmental Policy Act (MEPA). Hennepin County Regional Rail Authority has been acting as RGU for this project and has agreed to transfer RGU status to Metropolitan Council.

RGU: Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority (through December 31, 2012)

Contact Person: Katie Walker, Senior Administrative Manager

Hennepin County

Housing Community Works and Transit

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Minneapolis, MN 55415

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RGU: Metropolitan Council

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Number	Submission		Deadline
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37-2	January 14	January 21	February 20
37-3	January 28	February 4	March 6
37-4	February 11	February 18	March 20
37-5	February 25	March 4	April 3
37-6	March 11	March 18	April 17
37-7	March 25	April 1	May 1
37-8	April 8	April 15	May 15
37-9	April 22	April 29	May 29
37-10	May 6	May 13	June 12
37-11	May 20	May 27	June 26
37-12	June 3	June 10	July 10
37-13	June 17	June 24	July 24
37-14	July 1	July 8	August 7
37-15	July 15	July 22	August 21
37-16	July 29	August 5	September 4
37-17	August 12	August 19	September 18
37-18	August 26	September 2	October 2
37-19	September 9	September 16	October 16
37-20	September 23	September 30	October 30
37-21	October 7	October 14	November 13
37-22	October 21	October 28	November 27
37-23	November 4	November 11	December 11
37-24	November 18	November 25	December 25
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37-26	December 16	December 23	January 22, 2013