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## ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT WORKSHEETS

*EAW Comment Deadline: April 17, 2013*

**Project Title: CN Dock 6 Stabilization and Materials Stockpile Expansion**

**Project Description:** The proposed project includes filling 24.3 acres of St. Louis Bay with 288,400 cubic yards of fill to provide additional space for materials storage; stormwater collection and management for the facility; and stabilization of Dock 6 with sheetpile, all of which will increase the efficiency and capacity of the facility.

**RGU:** City of Duluth

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Minnesota Environmental Quality Board  
520 Lafayette Road – 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
St. Paul, MN 55155-4194  
Phone: 651-757-2873  
Fax: 651-297-2343  
<http://www.eqb.state.mn.us>

**Project Title: The Old Barn Resort campground expansion**

**Project Description:** The Old Barn Resort is an established destination providing camping, hostel, restaurant, golf and recreation nestled in the heart of Bluff country in SE Minnesota adjacent to the Root River State Trail and Root River. The proposal will increase the size of the existing campground by 108 campsites.

**RGU:** Fillmore County

**Contact person:** Chris Graves  
Administrator  
101 Fillmore Street  
Preston, MN 55965  
Phone: 507-765-3325  
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**Project Title: Southern Minnesota Construction Dundas Washplant**

**Project Description:** Oldcastle Materials (OMG) Midwest dba Southern Minnesota Construction (SMC) proposes continuation of the SMC Dundas Washplant and expansion of sand and gravel mining on approximately 115 additional acres in Section 32, Bridgewater Township, Rice County, Minnesota. Reclamation of the site will include grasslands, wetlands, and lakes.

**RGU:** Bridgewater Township

**Contact Person:** Jim Braun  
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**PETITIONS FILED**

The following petitions have been filed with the EQB requesting preparation of an EAW. The EQB has assigned the indicated unit of government to review the petition and decide on the need for an EAW.

- Mower County, Leonard A. Grant, L&A Pork Inc. in Udolpho Township

**ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AVAILABLE**

**Project Title: Northern Lights Express High Speed Passenger Rail Project from Minneapolis to Duluth, Minnesota Tier 1 Service Level Environmental Assessment**

**Project Description:** The proposed project includes constructing the necessary infrastructure for, and operation of, an approximately 155-mile long, high-speed intercity passenger rail service between Minneapolis

and Duluth, Minnesota, a portion of which will travel through Douglas County in Wisconsin, and that will reach speeds of at least 110 miles per hour. The EA documents the purpose and need of the project along with the anticipated service-wide social, economic, and environmental impacts. The EA sets the foundation for subsequent Tier 2 Project Level EAs to be completed as additional design details are developed.

Copies of the EA, which documents the purpose and need of the project, along with the anticipated social, economic, and environmental impacts, are available for public review beginning **March 18, 2013**, at the following locations:

- On the MnDOT website at <http://www.mndot.gov/nlx>
- MnDOT Transportation Building, 395 John Ireland Boulevard, Saint Paul, MN 55155-1800
- Cambridge Public Library, 244 South Birch Street, Cambridge, MN 55008
- Coon Rapids Crooked Lake Branch Library, 11440 Crooked Lake Boulevard NW, Coon Rapids, MN 55433
- Duluth Public Library, 520 W Superior Street, Duluth, MN 55802
- Hinckley Public Library, 106 First Street SE, Hinckley, MN 55037
- Minneapolis Central Library, 300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, MN 55401
- Sandstone Public Library, 119 North Fourth Street, Sandstone, MN 55072
- Superior Public Library, 1530 Tower Avenue, Superior, WI 54880
- Anoka County Courthouse, 325 East Main Street, Anoka, MN 55303
- Carlton County Courthouse, 301 Walnut Street, Carlton, MN 55718
- Douglas County Courthouse, 1313 Belknap Street, Room 309, Superior, WI 54880
- Hennepin County Courthouse, 300 South 6th Street, Minneapolis, MN 55487
- Isanti County Courthouse, 555 18th Avenue SW, Cambridge, MN 55008
- Kanabec County Courthouse, 18 North Vine Street, Suite 318, Mora, MN 55051
- Pine County Courthouse, 635 Northridge Drive NW, Pine City, MN 55063
- St. Louis County Courthouse – Duluth, 100 North 5th Avenue W, Duluth, MN 55802

To afford an opportunity for all interested persons, agencies and groups to comment on the EA, a public hearing / open house meeting has been scheduled for April 4, 2013, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Cambridge Armed Forces Reserve Community Center, 505 Spirit River Drive, Cambridge, Minnesota. Individuals with a disability who need a reasonable accommodation to participate in the public meeting, please contact the MnDOT Project Manager or the Minnesota Relay Service at the telephone numbers listed below.

The EA can be made available in alternative formats by contacting the Affirmative Action Office at 651-366-4723 or 1-800-657-3774 (Greater Minnesota); 711 or 1-800-627-3529 (Minnesota Relay).

Copies of the EA are being distributed to agencies on the current MEQB list and others. The comment period will begin on **March 18, 2013**. Comments will be accepted through **April 17, 2013**, at the MnDOT website at <http://www.mndot.gov/nlx> or in writing to the MnDOT Project Manager listed below.

**RGU:** Minnesota Department of Transportation

**Contact Person:** Julie Carr, Project Manager  
Minnesota Department of Transportation  
395 John Ireland Boulevard  
Saint Paul, MN 55155-1800  
Phone: 651-366-3198

## ALTERNATIVE URBAN AREAWIDE REVIEW UPDATE AVAILABLE

*Comment Deadline: April 1, 2013*

### **Project Title: Northeast Industrial Service Area AUAR Update**

**Project Description:** The city of Mankato is updating the Northeast Industrial Service Area AUAR located in the northeast quadrant of US Hwy 14 and TH 22. This site has seen development which has been within the review assumptions and mitigation of the original AUAR completed in 2005. The area includes approximately 750 acres and 4,470,000 square feet of new building area and the required public infrastructure extensions including water, sanitary sewer, roads and stormwater systems.

Minn. R. § 4410.3610, subp 7 indicates that state agencies have ten (10) working days from the receipt of the AUAR update to file an objection to the updated analysis. Any objections should be sent to the contact person below:

**RGU:** City of Mankato

**Contact Person:** Paul Vogel  
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City of Mankato  
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## ALTERNATIVE URBAN AREAWIDE REVIEW UPDATE ADOPTED

### **Project Title: Oxbow Commons/610 Crossings**

**Project Description:** On May 13, 2002, the Brooklyn Park City Council approved Resolution #2002-141 approving the Alternative Urban Areawide Review (AUAR) for Oxbow Commons/Muir Park Village/97th Avenue. In 2008 and 2011, updates to the original AUAR were prepared and subsequently approved. On January 14, 2013, another update of the AUAR was available for public comment for three additional development scenarios. On February 25, 2013, the Brooklyn Park City Council approved Resolution #2013-31 approving the AUAR.

The Final AUAR can be found here:

<http://citysearch.brooklynpark.org/website/comdev/Planning/610crossingAUAR.pdf>

**RGU:** City of Brooklyn Park

## EIS NEED DECISIONS

The noted responsible governmental unit has determined the following project does 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*.

- Minnesota Department of Transportation, Trunk Highway 169 – Elk River to Zimmerman, Sherburne County, February 1, 2013 (November 1, 2010)

## NOTICES

### NOTIFICATION OF RELEASES OF GENETICALLY ENGINEERED ORGANISMS

File Number	Company	Crop	Project	County
13-NO-037	Dow AgroSciences	soybean	Insect resistant, Herbicide tolerant	Renville(2)
13-NO-038	Dow AgroSciences	corn	Herbicide tolerant, Insect resistant	Brown(2), Fillmore, Houston
13-NO-039	Dow AgroSciences	corn	Herbicide tolerant, Agronomic properties	Brown(2), Fillmore, Houston
13-NO-040	Dow AgroSciences	corn	Herbicide tolerant	Becker, Cottonwood, Kandiyohi, McLeod, Otter Tail, Pope, Renville(3), Sibley(2), Stearns(2), Watanwon, Wilkin
13-NO-041	Dow AgroSciences	corn	Herbicide tolerant	Benton, Blue Earth, Clay, Faribault, Goodhue, Le Sueur, Pope, Redwood(4), Rice, Sherburne, Stearns,
13-NO-042	Dow AgroSciences	corn	Herbicide tolerant	Brown, Dakota(2), Fillmore(3), Freeborn, McLeod, Olmsted(2), Sibley, Waseca, Winona
13-NO-043	Bayer CropScience	soybean	nematode resistant, Herbicide tolerant	Becker (2), Clay
13-NO-044	University of Minnesota	wheat	Fungal disease resistant	Dakota
13-NO-045	Syngenta	corn	Insect resistant, Agronomic properties	Dakota, Faribault, Goodhue, Mower(2), Rice, Waseca
13-NO-046	Syngenta	corn	Herbicide tolerant	Dakota, Faribault, Goodhue, Mower(2), Rice, Waseca
13-NO-047	Dow AgroSciences	soybean	Insect resistant, Herbicide tolerant	Fillmore
13-NO-048	Dow AgroSciences	corn	Herbicide tolerant, Insect resistant	Brown(2), Fillmore, Houston

<b>File Number</b>	<b>Company</b>	<b>Crop</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>County</b>
13-NO-049	Bayer CropScience	soybean	Herbicide tolerant	Becker(2), Big Stone, Clay(2), Le Sueur, Olmsted, Otter Tail, Polk(3), Swift,
13-NO-050	Monsanto	corn	Herbicide tolerant, Insect resistant	Brown(2), Fillmore
13-NO-051	Syngenta	corn	Herbicide tolerant	Freeborn(6)
13-NO-052	Bayer CropScience	soybean	Herbicide tolerant	Becker(2), Big Stone, Clay, Le Sueur, Otter Tail, Swift

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