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ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT WORKSHEETS

EAW Comment Deadline: June 12, 2013

Project title: Currie Park Lofts (Phase 1: Five15 on the Park; Phase 2: to be named), Hennepin County

Project Description: This EAW studies Phase 1 and Phase 2 (of a potential 3 phase development) of the Currie Park Lofts project. The total project area encompasses 2.41 acres of land along 15th Avenue S., between 4th and 6th Street S. near the Cedar-Riverside LRT station. Two new 6-story, 74-foot tall buildings are proposed to be developed as Phase 1 and Phase 2 would consist of a total of approximately 369 rental housing units, 5,650 SF of ground-level neighborhood-serving retail space with structured and enclosed parking on site that accommodates 344 spaces. Special Instructions: This EAW and supporting information will also be available for review on the City of Minneapolis website: http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cped/planning/cped_eaw

RGU: City of Minneapolis

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Project Title: Future County Road Extension from TH 610 to CSAH 30 in Maple Grove, Hennepin County, Minnesota

Project Description: The project includes preservation of a footprint for the future four-lane divided county road between County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 30 and Trunk Highway (TH) 610 in Maple Grove and an interchange with (Interstate) I-94. The planned design of the I-94 interchange includes a ramp to eastbound I-94, a loop to the westbound lanes of the future county road, and auxiliary lanes on I-94 between TH 610 and Maple Grove Parkway.

Copies of the EAW which documents the purpose and need for the project, along with the anticipated social, economic and environmental impacts, are available for public viewing beginning **May 13, 2013**, during regular business hours at the following locations:

- Minnesota Department of Transportation, Metro District
1500 W. County Rd B2, Roseville, MN 55113
- Minnesota Department of Transportation Library
395 John Ireland Blvd., St. Paul, MN 55155
- Maple Grove Library
8001 Main St. N., Maple Grove, 55369
- Minneapolis Public Library
300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, MN 55401

Information on the project is also available on the project website at:

<http://www.dot.state.mn.us/metro/projects/610west/>

The EAW comment period will begin on **May 13, 2013**. Written comments will be accepted through **June 12, 2013**. Comments should be submitted to the MnDOT Project Environmental Coordinator listed below.

RGU: Minnesota Department of Transportation

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EA/EAW AVAILABLE

Project Title: Southeastern Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery, Fillmore County, City of Preston

Project Description: The proposed project will construct a new State Veterans Cemetery in Fillmore County at Preston, Minnesota. The project will provide approximately 37,140 interment sites on 58 acres. The project includes an administration/public information center building, committal service shelter, flag/assembly area, walkway, maintenance building/service yard, roads, utilities, site furnishings, and landscaping.

RGU: Minnesota Department of Administration Real Estate and Construction Services (RECS)

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Project Title: Replacement Passenger Terminal, Rochester International Airport

Project Description: The City of Rochester is proposing to replace their existing public passenger terminal. The preferred alternative is a new 68,000 square foot public passenger terminal adjacent to the existing passenger terminal and includes surface transportation improvements for terminal access along with airside pavement improvements.

RGU: Rochester International Airport, City of Rochester

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The EA can be viewed at the airport's website, www.flyrst.com

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*.

- City of Saint Paul, Lowertown Ballpark (Ramsey County), April 23, 2013 (March 4, 2013).
- City of Eagan, The Parkview aka Dakota Path Redevelopment Project (Dakota County), April 16, 2013 (February 18, 2013).
- Rice County, Motokazieland Recreational Park (Wells Township), April 23, 2013 (March 4, 2013).

- Lake County, North Shore Homes Development (Unorganized Territory #2), April 23, 2013 (October 15, 2013).
- City of Maplewood, 3M Research and Development Building, (Ramsey County), April 29, 2013 (March 4, 2013).

AUAR ORDERED

Project Title: Draft AUAR Order – East Village Development

Project Description: As the Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU), the City of Minneapolis is ordering an Alternative Urban Areawide Review (AUAR) process for the East Village Development.

The AUAR review area includes a five-block area in downtown Minneapolis, with three blocks bounded by South 3rd Street, 5th Avenue South, South 4th Street, and Chicago Avenue South. The additional two blocks are bounded by South 4th Street, 5th Avenue South, South 5th Street, and Park Avenue South.

Two development scenarios are proposed for study in the AUAR, both of which are consistent with the Minneapolis Comprehensive Plan. Allowed uses within these five blocks include office, retail, hotel, residential, and park.

Minimum Development Scenario: up to 1,400,000 square feet of office; 410 residential units (or 350 residential units and a 150 room/110,000 square foot hotel); 80,000 square feet of retail; and 1,925 parking spaces; all concentrated on the three blocks along South 3rd Street. The two blocks along South 5th Street are proposed for park use.

Maximum Development Scenario: up to 2,580,000 square feet of office; 335 residential units (or 275 residential units and 150 room/110,000 square foot hotel); 105,000 square feet of retail; and 2,725 parking spaces; all concentrated on the three blocks along South 3rd Street and extending along 5th Avenue South for approximately 1/3 of the block ending at South 5th Street. The majority of the two blocks along South 5th Street is proposed for park use.

The park area under both scenarios is consistent with the plaza/park plan proposed by the Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority and being evaluated under the Multi-Purpose Stadium EIS.

RGU: City of Minneapolis

The public is invited to comment on the proposed development boundary and scenarios to be evaluated in the AUAR prior to issuance of a final AUAR order. The comment period will begin on **May 13, 2013**. Comments will be accepted through **June 12, 2013** and should be addressed to:

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AUAR UPDATE AVAILABLE

Project Title: The COR (formerly Ramsey Town Center) AUAR Update

Project Description: Notice is hereby given that the City of Ramsey has prepared an Alternative Urban Areawide Review (AUAR) Update for The COR. The purpose of this AUAR Update document is to update the environmental review pursuant to Minnesota Rules. Deadline for comments is 6/12/13.

RGU: City of Ramsey

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NOTICES

Notification of Releases of Genetically Engineered Organisms

File Number	Company	Crop	Project	County
13-NO-072	BetaSeed	potato	Fungus Resistant	Clay, Dakota, Scott
13-NO-073	Syngenta	corn	Improved biomass processing	Dakota, Faribault, Mower, Rice, Waseca

For more information contact Dr. Steve Malone, Minnesota Department of Agriculture, 625 Robert St N., St. Paul, MN 55155, 651-201-66531, stephen.malone@state.mn.us