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Environmental Assessment Worksheets

EAW Comment Deadline: December 11, 2013

Project Title: Wolverton Creek Restoration and Sediment Reduction Project

Project Description: The Buffalo-Red River Watershed District (BRRWD) proposes the development of Wolverton Creek Restoration and Sediment Reduction Project, in Clay and Wilkin Counties, Minnesota. The project requires an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) because it will change or diminish the course, current, or cross-section of one acre or more of any public water or public wetland (Subp. 27) and the remeandering of the channel will cause the realignment of more than 500 feet of the natural watercourse (Subp. 26). Project components include the establishment of expanded permanent vegetated buffers along Wolverton Creek, the installation of side inlet sediment controls or other appropriate sediment control best management practices (BMPs) along Wolverton Creek and tributary waterways and ditches, and the restoration of Wolverton Creek including remeandering of the channel and establishment of a floodplain. In addition to expanded vegetative buffers and sediment controls installed adjacent to Wolverton Creek, installation of bufferstrips and sediment reduction BMPs will occur along a number of tributaries throughout the Wolverton Creek Watershed. The channel restoration project is located in Sections 9, 16, 21, 22, 27, 34, Holy Cross Township, T137N, R48W, Clay County; Sections 4, 9, 10, 14, 15, 23, 26, 35, Wolverton Township, T136N, R48W, Wilkin County; Sections 1, 2, 12, Roberts Township, T135N, R48W, Wilkin County; and Sections 7, 17, 18, Mitchell Township, T135N, R47W, Wilkin County. The

total estimated project costs are \$5 to \$10 million. The project is a cooperative undertaking between the BRRWD, the Clay and Wilkin Soil and Water Conservation Districts, State, and Federal agencies. The combination of expanded vegetated bufferstrips, channel restoration, and sediment control BMPs will restore the functions of Wolverton Creek corridor to enhance wildlife habitat, improve water quality, and reduce local flood damages. The total project area affects approximately 900 acres. Wolverton Creek has a drainage area of 103.7 square miles. Wolverton Creek outlets into the Red River of the North.

An Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) has been prepared and is available upon written request to the BRRWD at Box 341, Barnesville, MN 56514. Written comments concerning the EAW will be received until December 11, 2013. The comments shall address the accuracy and completeness of the material contained in the EAW, potential impacts that may warrant further investigation before the project is commenced, and the need for an Environmental Impact Statement on the proposed project.

RGU: Buffalo-Red River Watershed District

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Project Title: Dem-Con Recovery & Recycling Facility

Project Description: The Dem-Con Recovery & Recycling Facility (Facility) is permitted to accept the following for processing and transfer Municipal Solid Waste (MSW), Construction and Demolition (C&D) waste, recyclable materials, non-hazardous industrial wastes, white goods, and yard waste. The proposed modification would increase the MSW capacity of the Facility from 500 tons/day (tpd) to 700 tpd which triggers a mandatory Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW).

A copy of the EAW will be posted on the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) website, at the following: <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/news/eaw/index.html>. Written comments on the EAW should be submitted to Kevin Kain. A copy of the EAW may also be obtained by contacting Beth Tegdesch at 651-757-2100.

In addition to the EAW, the MPCA's draft Solid Waste Permit will also be available for public comment beginning November 8, 2013. The contact person for the Solid Waste Permit is Lisa Mojsiej at 651-757-2373.

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AUAR Update Adopted

Project Title: Downtown East Development - Final AUAR Adopted

Project Description: The City of Minneapolis has prepared a Final Alternative Urban Areawide Review (AUAR) under the Minnesota Environmental Policy Act for the Downtown East Development. The Final AUAR was sent to review agencies, and the comment period ended October 23, 2013. No objections were raised. The City of Minneapolis adopted the Downtown East Final AUAR on November 1, 2013. The Final AUAR is available at the following website: <http://www.minneapolismn.gov/cped/planning/WCMS1P-112712>.

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