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# **Minnesota Environmental Quality Board**

### NOTICE OF HEARING TO THOSE WHO REQUESTED A HEARING

Proposed Amendment to Rules Governing the Environmental Review Program, Minnesota Rules, 4410.4300, subpart 15

**To persons who requested a hearing.** In accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 14.25, subdivision 1, the Environmental Quality Board is sending this Notice to all persons who requested a hearing.

There will be a hearing. In the January 24, 2011, State Register, on pages 1083 to 1085, the Environmental Quality Board (EQB) published a Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules relating to establishing a mandatory EAW category for Greenhouse Gas Emissions. The Notice stated that the EQB would hold a hearing on the proposed rules if 25 or more persons submitted written requests. We have received a sufficient number of requests for a hearing. The hearing will be conducted as stated in the State Register in the Board Room of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency located at 520 Lafayette Road in St. Paul, starting at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 9, 2011.

**Administrative Law Judge.** Administrative Law Judge Barbara Neilson will conduct the hearing. The judge can be reached at the Office of Administrative Hearings, 600 North Robert Street, P.O. Box 64620, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55164-0620, telephone 651-361-7845, and Fax 651-361-7936. You should direct questions concerning the rule hearing procedure to the administrative law judge.

The EQB Monitor is a biweekly publication of the Environmental Quality Board that lists descriptions and deadlines for Environmental Assessment Worksheets, Environmental Impact Statements, and other notices. The EQB Monitor is posted on the Environmental Quality board home page at <a href="http://www.eqb.state.mn.us/">http://www.eqb.state.mn.us/</a>.

Upon request, the *EQB Monitor* will be made available in an alternative format, such as Braille, large print, or audio tape. For TTY, contact Minnesota Relay Service at 800-627-3529 and ask for Department of Administration. For information on the *EQB Monitor*, contact:

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TTY users may call the Department of Administration at 1-800-627-3529. You should direct questions or comments about the rules to the agency contact person. A copy of the Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules, as published in the State Register on January 24, 2011, is available upon request from the agency contact person.

### ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT WORKSHEETS

EAW Comment Deadline: April 6, 2011

**Project Title: Bennett Lumber Site Redevelopment** 

**Description:** This EAW studies the proposed Bennett Lumber Site Redevelopment project which would result in the redevelopment of three parcels located in south Minneapolis between Colfax Avenue South and Fremont Avenue South directly north of the Midtown Greenway. All three parcels front on the Midtown Greenway which is a recreational trail and a historic district that is listed on the National Register of Historic Places; portions of the East and West Parcels are also located within the historic district. The total project area encompasses approximately 5.6 acres. The developer proposes to develop the properties with up to 710 residential units. The intensity of development proposed is only possible should the properties be rezoned and bonuses added for increased density. The project will be developed in phases and each parcel will be taken through the design and approval process independently. The first parcel to be developed is between Colfax Avenue South and Dupont Avenue South. The redevelopment of the East Parcel as proposed would include up to 230 residential units in a building that ranges in height from 6 stories or 68 feet on the south end of the parcel to 4 stories or 54 feet on the north end of the parcel.

**Special Instructions:** This EAW and supporting information will also be available for review on the City of Minneapolis web site: <a href="http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cped/">http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cped/</a>

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#### Project Title: University of Minnesota Wesbrook Hall Demolition

**Description:** Wesbrook Hall, constructed in 1898, is approved by the University of Minnesota for demolition. Demolition will involve salvaging usable materials, underground utility and tunnel work, removal of the building and site paving, and interim restoration of the site with turf grass.

A copy of the Environmental Assessment Worksheet will be posted on the University of Minnesota Capital Planning and Project Management Web Site, at the following: <a href="http://www.cppm.umn.edu/master\_planning.html">http://www.cppm.umn.edu/master\_planning.html</a>

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#### **Project Title: University of Minnesota Veterinary Anatomy Building Demolition**

**Description:** Veterinary Anatomy, originally completed in 1901, had several additions previously torn down including significant wings in 1915 and 1992. Vacated in 1996 for structural reasons, deconstruction is approved by the University of Minnesota. Deconstruction will involved salvaging brick, disconnection and removal of underground utilities and tunnel, landscape, and sidewalk restoration.

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### **EIS NEED DECISIONS**

The responsible governmental unit has determined the following projects do not require preparations 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*.

- Anoka County Board, County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 116 (Bunker Lake Boulevard NW) Reconstruction Project, Anoka and Ramsey, Anoka County, Minnesota (SP 02-716-11 and City of Ramsey SP #199-020-008), February 22, 2011 (December 13, 2010)
- Big Stone County Board of Commissioners, Big Stone Quarry, February 15, 2011 (December 27, 2010)

## **NOTICES**

## **Minnesota Department of Agriculture**

# **Notification of Releases of Genetically Engineered Organisms**

File No.	Company	Crop	Project	County
11-NO-	Syngenta	Corn	Improved Stress and Drought	Brown, Dakota, Goodhue,
012			Tolerance; Improved Yield	Mower (2), Rice (2), Waseca
11-NO-	Pioneer	Corn	Enhanced Yield; Altered Maturity,	Benton, Blue Earth, Brown,
013			Stalk Attribute, Fertility and Plant	Chippewa, Chisago, Clay,
			Development; Increased Yield and	Cottonwood, Dodge, Faribault,
			Yield Stability; Reduced Plant	Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue,
			Growth	Grant, Houston, Isanti, Jackson,
				Kandiyohi, Lyon, Martin,
				Meeker, Mille Lacs, Morrison,
				Mower, Murray (2), Norman,
				Olmsted, Otter Tail, Pine, Pope,
				Redwood, Renville, Rice,
				Sherburne, Sibley, Stearns,
				Steele, Stevens, Swift, Todd,
				Wabasha, Waseca, Watonwan,
				Wilkin, Winona, Yellow
				Medicine
11-NO-	Syngenta	Soybean	Herbicide Tolerance	Dodge (2), Goodhue, Jackson,
014	-	-		Renville, Steele (2)
11-NO-	Syngenta	Sugarbeet	Virus Resistance	Kandiyohi

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11-NO- 016	Pioneer	Corn	Drought and Cold Tolerance	Same Counties as 11-NO-013
11-NO- 017	Pioneer	Corn	Increased Nitrogen Utilization Efficiency	Same Counties as 11-NO-013
11-NO- 018	Betaseed	Sugarbeet	Plant Quality Modification	Carver (2), Dakota (2)
11-NO- 019	Syngenta	Sugarbeet	Herbicide Tolerance	Clay (3), Freeborn, Kandiyohi, Polk (2), Renville
11-NO- 020	Pioneer	Corn	Insect Resistance; Herbicide Tolerance; Visual and Selectable Markers; Altered Fatty Acid Level, Stalk Attributes and Plant Development; Recombinase and Novel Protein Production; Increased Nitrogen Utilization Efficiency and Transformation Frequency	Same Counties as 11-NO-013
11-NO- 021	Pioneer	Corn	Insect and Disease Resistance; Herbicide Tolerance; Visual and Selectable Markers; Production of Recombinase, Repressor and Novel Protein; Increase Oil Content, Transformation Efficiency; Altered Starch Content, Amino Acid Composition, Feed Properties and Starch Metabolism; Improved Digestibility	Same Counties as 11-NO-013
11-NO- 022	Syngenta	Corn	Insect Resistance; Herbicide Tolerance	Brown, Dakota, Goodhue, Mower (2), Rice (2), Waseca
11-NO- 023	Syngenta	Corn	Herbicide Tolerance	Brown, Dakota, Goodhue, Mower (2), Rice (2), Waseca
File No.	Company	Crop	Project	County
11-NO- 024	Monsanto	Corn	Increased Yield	Blue Earth, Martin, McLeod, Mower, Redwood, Renville, Rice, Steele, Waseca
11-NO- 025	Monsanto	Corn	Insect Resistance	Steele
11-NO- 026	Pioneer	Soybean	Herbicide and Drought Tolerance; Insect, Nematode and Disease Resistance; Enhanced and Increased Yield and Yield Stability; Increased Nitrogen Utilization Efficiency and Oil Content; Altered Plant Development, Stalk Attributes, and Fatty Acid Level	Blue Earth, Chippewa, Clay, Cottonwood, Faribault, Goodhue, Nicollet, Redwood, Renville, Rock, Sherburne, Sibley
11-NO- 027	Pioneer	Soybean	Visual and Selectable Markers; Altered Fatty Acid Level, Starch and Carbohydrate Metabolism, Protein, Feed Properties, Lipid and Oil Profile, Amino Acid and Starch Content; Production of Recombinase, Repressor and Novel Protein; Increased Lysine Level and Oil Content; Improved Nutritional	Blue Earth, Chippewa, Clay, Cottonwood, Faribault, Goodhue, Nicollet, Redwood, Renville, Rock, Sherburne, Sibley

			Quality and Animal Feed Quality	
11-NO-	Pioneer	Soybean	Visual and Selectable Markers;	Blue Earth, Chippewa, Clay,
028			Herbicide Tolerance; Insect and	Cottonwood, Faribault,
			Disease Resistance; Production of	Goodhue, Nicollet, Redwood,
			Recombinase and Novel Protein;	Renville, Rock, Sherburne,
			Altered Fatty Acid Level, Starch and	Sibley
			Carbohydrate Metabolism, Feed	
			Properties, Amino Acid	
			Composition, Lipid Profile, Protein,	
			and Starch Content; Increased Yield	
			Stability and Oil Content; Improved	
			Nutritional Quality and Animal Feed	
			Quality	
11-NO-	Monsanto	Soybean	Herbicide Tolerance	Blue Earth, Redwood, Rock,
029				Swift
11-NO-	ArborGen	Aspen	Altered Growth Rate	Itasca
030				

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