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Environmental Assessment Worksheets

Comment Deadline: May 28, 2014

Project Title: Central Draw Storage Facility (CDSD) Overflow Project: Phase II - Phase V

Project Description: The Central Draw Storage Facility (CDSF) Overflow Project Phase II-V will provide a controlled emergency overflow outlet for runoff from 100-year flood precipitation events, from upstream developed lands in South Washington Watershed District's Northern Watershed to the Mississippi River, and stabilizes existing and anticipated erosion and flood damage in the East Ravine.

RGU: South Washington Watershed District

Contact Person: Matt Moore Administrator 2302 Tower Drive Woodbury, MN 55125 Phone: 651-714-3729 Fax: 651-714-3721 Email: mmoore@ci.woodbury.mn.us

Project Title: Heartland Colony Feedlot Expansion

Project Description: Heartland Hutterian Brethren, Inc. proposes to build two; 103'x213' total confinement swine finishing facilities with 8' deep concrete manure storage pits below the buildings in Section 16 of Fountain Prairie Township, Pipestone County. The facility will house 4,800 market swine and add 1,440 animal units to their existing permit.

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

In addition to the Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW), the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's draft NPDES/SDS Permit for the project will also be available for public comment beginning May 5, 2014. The contact person for the NPDES/SDS Permit is George Schwint at 320-441-6971.

RGU: Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Contact Person: Charles Peterson

Planner Principal Environmental Review Unit – 4th Floor Resource Management and Assistance Division Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 520 Lafayette Road North St. Paul, MN 55155-4194 651-757-2856 charles.peterson@state.mn.us

Project Title: Radio Tower Bay Wetland Restoration Project

Project Description: Radio Tower Bay is a shallow-water wetland located in the Lower St. Louis River Area of Concern that is degraded with logging-era wood waste. The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources intends to remove the anthropogenic waste and restore native wetland communities.

Radio Tower Bay (RTB) is 75-acre shallow water wetland within the St. Louis River Estuary. The bay is located within the City of Duluth, Minnesota, approximately 16 river miles upstream from Lake Superior and 0.5 miles downstream from Boy Scout Landing, a public water access on St. Louis Bay.

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will accept written comments on the Environmental Assessment Worksheet during the public review and comment period, which concludes Wednesday, May 28, 2014, at 4:30 p.m.

RGU: Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Contact Person: Written comments should be submitted to: Ronald Wieland, EAW Project Manager Environmental Policy and Review Unit Division of Ecological and Water Resources Department of Natural Resources 500 Lafayette Road St. Paul, MN, 55155-4025

Electronic or e-mail comments may be sent to <u>Environmentalrev.dnr@state.mn.us</u> with "Radio Tower Bay EAW" in the subject line. If submitting comments electronically, include name and mailing address. Written comments may also be sent by fax to (651) 296-1811.

A copy of the EAW is available for public review at:

- DNR Library, 500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155
- DNR Northeast Region, 1201 East Highway 2, Grand Rapids, MN 55744
- Hennepin Co.- Minneapolis Central Library, Government Documents, 2nd Floor, 300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, MN 55401-1992
- Duluth Public Library, 520 W Superior St., Duluth, MN 55802

The EAW is also posted on the DNR's website at http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/index.html

(Click on "Public Input", then select "Radio Tower Bay EAW" from the scroll-down list under "Environmental Review").

Additional copies may be requested by calling (651) 259-5157.

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 Natural Resources, Rochester Sand and Gravel Milestone Materials North Quarry, April 2, 2014 (April 4, 2011)

Draft AUAR Available

Comment Deadline: May 28, 2014

Project Title: Twin Cities Army Ammunition Plan (TCAPP) Redevelopment Project

Project Description: As the designated Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU), the City of Arden Hills has prepared a Draft Alternative Urban Areawide Review (AUAR) under the Minnesota Environmental Policy Act for the proposed Twin Cities Army Ammunition Plant (TCAAP) Redevelopment Project. The AUAR study area is 427 acres owned by Ramsey County and located within the broader TCAAP site in Arden Hills. An additional 2.5 acres owned by Ramsey County Parks has also been evaluated for future development. The AUAR study area is bounded by County Road (CR) 96 on the south, Trunk Highway (TH) 10 and I-35W on the west, State of Minnesota property on the north, and the National Guard's Arden Hills Army Training Site (AHATS) on the east.

Based on the existing Arden Hills zoning code, allowed uses within the AUAR study area include retail, non-retail commercial (i.e., office, light industrial), residential, and park (i.e., recreational). Two development scenarios were studied in the AUAR.

The **Zoning Scenario** is consistent with the City's approved comprehensive plan and the associated development limits including in the City's current zoning code. It includes up to 1,500 residential units, 500,000 square feet of retail, and 1,700,000 square feet of non-retail commercial.

The **Maximum Development Scenario** uses the same land use framework but increases the amount of development to maximum density based on the anticipated capacity of the transportation network. This scenario includes up to 2,500 residential units, 550,000 square feet of retail, and 1,950,000 square feet of non-retail commercial.

Copies of the Draft AUAR are being distributed to agencies on the current Minnesota Environmental Quality Board list. The Draft AUAR may be accessed electronically on the City of Arden Hill's website at <u>http://www.cityofardenhills.org/DocumentCenter/View/859</u>, and paper copies are available for review at the Minneapolis Central Branch of the Hennepin County Public Library (300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis) and the Ramsey County Library in Mounds View (2576 County Road 10, Mounds View).

RGU: City of Arden Hills

Contact Person: Written comments should be addressed to:

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Notices

Minnesota Department of Agriculture Notification of Releases of Genetically Engineered Organisms

MDA <u>Notification</u> 14-NO-053	<u>Applicant</u> M.S. Technologies	<u>Crop</u> Soybean	Project Category Herbicide Tolerant	<u>County(s)</u> Blue Earth(2), Clay, Grant, Kandiyohi(2), Lac Qui Parle, Norman, Polk, Renville(5) Rice, Sibley, Stevens, Swift, Wilkin, Yellow Medicine
14-NO-055	Pioneer Hi-Bred	Corn	Product Quality Herbicide Tolerant, Transformation Aids, Visual & Selectable Markers, Agronomic Agronomic Properties, Insect Resistance	Blue Earth(3), Clay(3), Kandiyohi(3), Renville
For additional information contact: Dr. Steve Malone Minnesota Department of Agriculture				

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