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Environmental Assessment Worksheets

The following EAWs have a comment deadline of September 21, 2016

Project Title: 3M B229 Parking Ramp Project EAW

Project Description: 3M Company is proposing to demolish an existing parking ramp (including 1,556 parking spaces) and construct a new 4-level parking ramp in the same location. The new ramp will include approximately 1,866 stalls. The project will also include an adjacent surface parking lot.

Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU): City of Maplewood

RGU Contact Person:

Michael Martin City Planner/Economic Development Coordinator Maplewood City Hall 1830 County Road B East Maplewood, Minnesota 55109 651-249-2303 michael.martin@maplewoodmn.gov

Project Title: Hengel Gravel Pit (May Township)

Project Description: Hengel Ready Mix and Construction, Inc. is proposing to create a new 125 acre gravel pit located 11 miles northwest of their current facility between Baxter and Pillager, MN. The new pit would be used for Class 5 gravel production and will consist of excavation and crushing activities only.

Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU): Cass County

RGU Contact Person: Paul Fairbanks Planner Cass County Courthouse, PO Box 3000 Walker, Minnesota 56484 218-547-7287 paul.fairbanks@co.cass.mn.us

Project Title: 5th Street Ventures, LLC New Multiple Dock License

Project Description: The Lake Minnetonka Conservation District (LMCD), Responsible Government Unit (RGU), has received a New Multiple Dock License application from 5th Street Ventures, LLC. This site is located within the Seton Channel of Lake Minnetonka at 4681 Shoreline Drive in Spring Park, MN 55384. The site maintains 1,421 feet of 929.4 feet of shoreline to the west and all along the southern property line. This site is licensed by the LMCD as a commercial marina. The proposal is to maintain the existing dock with 13 Boat Storage Units (BSUs) and to add an additional 28 BSU's (providing for a total of 41 BSUs). The application will be reviewed under LMCD Code sections 2.03, "Multiple Docks, Mooring Areas, Commercial Docks, and Launching" taking into consideration Ordinance 217 for Qualified Commercial Marinas.

The LMCD Board of Directors approved the Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) for the proposed application at their August 10th meeting. The LMCD is accepting public comments on the proposed application through Wednesday, September 21st. Those comments can be submitted to the LMCD office at 5341 Maywood Road, Suite 200, Mound, MN 55364. Comments and questions can be directed to the LMCD office via email, <u>Imcd@Imcd.org</u>, or telephone, 952-745-0789.

Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU): Lake Minnetonka Conservation District

RGU Contact Person:

Jim Brimeyer Interim Executive Director 5341 Maywood Road, Suite 200 Mound, Minnesota 55364 952-745-0789 Imcd@Imcd.org

Environmental Impact Statement Need Decision

The noted responsible governmental unit has determined the following project does not require preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement. The dates given are, respectively, the date of the determination and the date the Environmental Assessment Worksheet notice was published in the EQB *Monitor*.

 Lake Minnetonka Conservation District, Howard's Point Multiple Dock and Mooring Area License, 8-10-16 (6-20-16)

Alternative Urban Areawide Review Adoption

Project Title: Minnesota United MLS Stadium and Surrounding Mixed-Use Urban Village

The City of Saint Paul adopted the Minnesota United MLS Stadium and Surrounding Mixed-Use Urban Village AUAR on August 9, 2016.

Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU): City of Saint Paul

RGU Contact Person:

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Notices

Rotenone Application Project Planned by DNR Section of Wildlife Management

The DNR Section of Wildlife Management is planning a rotenone treatment on the shallow lake listed below:

Lake	DOW#	Township	Range	Section(s)
Simon	61003400	122,123N	37W	4,5;27,28,32-34

The project involves the application of powdered rotenone, a federally and state registered pesticide, to eliminate the existing undesirable fish community in Simon Lake. The treatment will be conducted sometime in the fall of 2016, dependent on weather conditions and lake levels. Endangered or threatened species are not present in the lake. The basin will be lowered

by 2.0 feet below the run out elevation prior to the application to prevent downstream movement of rotenone. Lower water levels will also reduce the amount of chemical needed by approximately one-third. Project goals are to improve waterfowl habitat and water quality.

Rotenone application will be done under the water surface using a semi-closed aspirator system by licensed pesticide applicators. A powdered rotenone\sand\gelatin mixture may be used for treating groundwater springs within the exposed lakebed. Target treatment concentration is 4.0 ppm. Black bullhead, fathead minnow, and yellow perch are the target fish species. Benefits of the project will be an increase in the abundance of submerged aquatic vegetation, increase in the abundance of aquatic invertebrates, and an improvement in water quality.

For general information about this project contact Kevin Kotts - Area Wildlife Manager (320-634-7339) or Todd Call - Shallow Lake Specialist (320-634-7341).

Buffer Map is Available for Review and Implementation

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources has released the map of public waters and public ditches requiring permanent vegetative buffers or alternative water quality practices. The buffer map shows landowners and local governments where protective vegetative buffers of 16.5 feet or an average of 50 feet are required. The map is available at <u>www.mndnr.gov/buffers</u>. For those wanting to download the statewide data layer, it is available at <u>https://gisdata.mn.gov/dataset/env-buffer-protection-mn</u>.

The project now turns to implementation, with these deadlines:

- Nov 1, 2017: 50-foot average width, 30-foot minimum width, buffers must be in place on lands adjacent to public waters and identified and mapped on the buffer map.
- Nov. 1, 2018: 16.5-foot minimum width buffers must be in place on lands adjacent to public ditches as identified and mapped on the buffer map.

The Board of Water and Soil Resources, soil and water conservation districts, and local governments will work with landowners on any questions about buffers or alternative water quality practices.