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## Updated Environmental Review Distribution List

The updated distribution list for environmental review documents is available on the [EQB website](#). Based on feedback from the EQB Environmental Review Survey, the distribution list has been reformatted to allow for easier distribution of environmental review documents. The updated list provides comprehensive steps on how to properly distribute documents for Environmental Assessment Worksheets, Environmental Impact Statements, and Alternative Urban Area-wide Reviews.

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## Environmental Assessment Worksheets

The following EAWs have a comment deadline of November 16, 2016

### Project Title: Molenaar Gravel Mine

**Project Description:** Duininck, Inc. is proposing the expansion and continued operation of an existing 39-acre gravel mining operation located in portions of the SW1/4 and SE1/4 of Section 1, Sacred Heart South Township, Renville County, Minnesota.

**Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU):** Renville County

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### Project Title: CSAH 9 Reconstruction (SAP-056-609-005), Otter Tail County, MN

**Project Description:** Otter Tail County has prepared final plans for the reconstruction of CSAH 9 located in northwestern Otter Tail County. The overall goals of the reconstruction project are to:

- Improve traffic and pedestrian safety;
- Correct geometric limitations;
- Upgrade mobility for regional traffic that links local growth areas and regional centers;
- Minimize property disruption; and
- Minimize/mitigate environmental impacts.

**Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU):** Otter Tail County

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The following EAW has an extended comment deadline of November 2, 2016

### Project Title: Flint Hills Resources - Pine Bend Technology and Efficiency Improvement Project

**Project Description:** Flint Hills Resources Pine Bend, LLC (Proposer) proposes to construct at its Pine Bend Refinery (Facility) in Rosemount, Minnesota. The Project includes three separate technology and efficiency improvements, including process efficiency improvements by means of heat recovery, replacement and modernization of aging equipment, and more efficient use of existing equipment (Project), at its Facility in Rosemount, Minnesota. 1. The Coker Replacement Project replaces two older and less efficient delayed coking process units

and the largest emitting heaters of Nitrogen Oxides (NOx) – an air pollutant - with one new delayed coking unit, and a single more efficient heater. Coking is a thermal cracking process that upgrades long chain hydrocarbon molecules (commonly used for asphalt cement) into shorter chain molecules used to make higher value products such as gasoline and diesel fuels. 2. The Diesel Selectivity Project to increase Facility flexibility to produce higher volumes of ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel from its distillate hydrocracker. 3. The Naphtha Processing Improvement Project to improve the Facility's naphtha (gasoline blend stock) hydrotreating (desulfurization) capability.

**Please note:** The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) has revised Part 16.a. of the EAW and is distributing this revision for review and comment through November 2, 2016. Information intended to be included in Part 16.a. of the original EAW was inadvertently omitted. The revision will replace pages 27 through the first paragraph on Page 36 of the EAW. Extension of EAW Comment Period from October 26, 2016 to November 2, 2016.

A copy of the Notice of Availability and the EAW can be found on the MPCA website at the following address: <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/index.php/topics/environmental-review/environmental-assessment-worksheets-and-environmental-impact-statements.html>

Mandatory Category Rule Citation: Minn. R. 4410.4300, Subp. 15 (B), Air pollution

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## Environmental Assessment Worksheet Need Decision

The noted responsible governmental unit has made a decision regarding the need for an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) in response to a citizen's petition.

- Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, DNR Proposal to Stock Muskellunge in Gull Lake (Denied)

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## 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*.

- Shell Rock River Watershed District, Fountain Lake Restoration Project, 10-6-16 (8-8-16)