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### EQB Announcements

## Citizen Board Member Opening - 4th Congressional District

Applications are now open for an EQB Citizen Board Member in the 4th Congressional District. The 4th Congressional District includes St. Paul and surrounding suburbs such as Woodbury, Maplewood, Roseville, New Brighton, White Bear Lake, and Stillwater.

The position is for a four-year term starting January 1, 2020. The position is open until filled. For details and to apply: <https://commissionsandappointments.sos.state.mn.us/agency/details/107>

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## Environmental Assessment Worksheets

### Project Title: Dakota County State Aid Highway 88 Reconstruction Project

**Comment Deadline:** September 11, 2019

**Project Description:** Dakota County is proposing a project in Randolph Township to reconstruct County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 88. The project consists of the reconstruction of an approximately 4.6-mile stretch of Dakota CSAH 88 from Trunk Highway (TH) 56 to the eastern Dakota County line and a new CSAH 88/TH 56 intersection. West of Finch Court, CSAH 88 will be realigned to the north and constructed as a new two-lane rural roadway. New local roadways will be constructed that connect the existing alignment, Felton Avenue and 296th Street. The jurisdiction of the existing CSAH 88 alignment will be transferred to Randolph Township and portions of it will be removed. East of Finch Court, CSAH 88 will be reconstructed as a two-lane roadway along the existing CSAH 88 corridor. As the Responsible Governmental Unit, Dakota County has prepared an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) for the proposed project. The EAW is available at [www.co.dakota.mn.us/Transportation/PlannedConstruction/CR88/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.co.dakota.mn.us/Transportation/PlannedConstruction/CR88/Pages/default.aspx).

Comments will be accepted through September 11th and should be submitted to Jacob Rezac, Dakota County Project Manager.

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

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### Project Title: Josh Bonnsetter Feedlot

**Comment Deadline:** September 11, 2019

**Project Description:** Josh Bonnsetter proposes to construct and operate a new 1,440 animal unit swine finishing feedlot (4,800 head) in Section 24, Lowville Township, Murray County. The proposed project includes one total confinement barn with a below-ground concrete liquid manure storage area; one animal mortality storage building; one stormwater infiltration basin; one water well and a driveway. A copy of the Notice of Availability and the EAW can be found on the MPCA website at the following address: <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/eaw>

**Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU):** Pollution Control Agency

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## **Project Title: Mahler Aggregate Mine**

**Comment Deadline:** September 11, 2019

**Project Description:** Mahler Aggregate Mine is a proposed 130-acre expansion of an existing 25-acre aggregate mine located on 184.9 acres of land in the City of Hanover. The operation will include sand and gravel mining, a wash plant, concrete recycling, and stormwater management.

Public comments on this EAW will be accepted by the City of Hanover until 4:30 pm on September 11, 2019.

**Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU):** City of Hanover

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## **Project Title: North Loop Green Project**

**Comment Deadline:** September 11, 2019

**Project Description:** This EAW studies the proposed North Loop Green Project located at 405 and 408 4th Avenue North and 328 and 330 North 4th Street in Minneapolis. The proposed North Loop Green Project will result in the redevelopment of an approximately 3.40-acre site. The site consists of six parcels, which are currently surface parking lots, plus a 0.8-acre air rights easement and is bounded by N 5th Street, N 3rd Avenue, and BNSF freight rail and NorthStar Commuter Rail tracks in downtown Minneapolis. The project anticipates accommodating 450 residential units, 370,000 square feet of office, 20,000 square feet of retail/restaurant, and 590 parking stalls. A five-level parking ramp will be constructed from up to two levels below ground up to N 5th Street.

Copies of the EAW will be available for review at the downtown Minneapolis Central Library located at 300 Nicollet Mall, and in the office of the City's CPED, Land Use, Design and Preservation Section at 250 S. 4th Street, Room 300 Public Service Center. Notice will be published in the EQB Monitor on Monday, August 12, 2019. Public comments on the EAW must be made within the 30-day comment period, which ends at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 11, 2019. It is anticipated that the Zoning and Planning Committee at its regular

meeting on Thursday, October 17, 2019, or at a subsequent meeting, will receive a report and recommendation from City staff, hear comment from all parties and consider the adequacy of this EAW and the need for an Environmental Impact Statement for this proposal. The City Council will act on the recommendation of this Committee at a subsequent meeting on Friday, October 25, 2019.

This EAW and supporting information will also be available for review on the City of Minneapolis web site: [http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cped/planning/cped\\_eaw](http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cped/planning/cped_eaw). Copies of this EAW can also be provided to individuals by email. For further information or to submit comments on the EAW, contact Hilary Dvorak, Principal City Planner, at 612.673.2639 or via email [hilary.dvorak@minneapolismn.gov](mailto:hilary.dvorak@minneapolismn.gov).

**Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU):** City of Minneapolis

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## Notices

# Anderson Family Farm Partnership Determination

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) has reviewed your July 10, 2019, transmittal letter, Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) petition request, and additional supporting documentation provided in your subsequent emails. Based upon our review of applicable Environmental Quality Board (EQB) rules, the MPCA is hereby notifying EQB, the Petitioner's Representative and Stearns County of our decision that the proposed Anderson Family Farms Partnership swine farrowing feedlot (Project) exceeds the Minn R. 4410.4300, subp. 29.A. **mandatory** threshold for Environmental Review. Therefore, an EAW must be prepared for the Project as proposed. Consequently, because the Project meets the mandatory threshold for Environmental Review, the MPCA will not conduct any further analysis of your EAW petition request and will not act to deny or approve the petition.

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# Minnesota DNR Rotenone Application Project on Moody Lake - Rescheduled from Fall of 2018 to Fall of 2019

The DNR Section of Fisheries Management is planning a rotenone treatment on the lakes below:

Lake	DOW#	Township	Range	Section(s)
Moody Lake	180339	135N	28W	29, 32

The DNR Section of Fisheries Management is planning a reclamation project this Fall of 2019. This is a re-notification since the proposed 2018 treatment was delayed and will now occur this Fall of 2019. The project involves the boat application of powdered rotenone (5%) to eliminate competing fish species (largemouth bass, fathead minnow and walleye) in Moody Lake. Endangered or threatened species are not present in these lakes. The goal for this project is to produce walleyes for stocking in state waters for 2 years and afterwards, improve the diversity and size structure of the fishery. Specifics regarding the projects are as follows:

Rotenone application will be done by 2 boats with staff from the Division of Fish and Wildlife with a target concentration of 3 ppm. The target species for the treatment are largemouth bass, fathead minnow and walleye. A successful rotenone application will eliminate those species from the lake and competition for food resources. Walleyes will be restocked in the spring of 2020, Yellow Perch in 2021 and, if available, male Bluegill which will reach large sizes and won't overpopulate like the species does in many other waters. A Catch and Release Regulation was enacted on the lake in March 2018 with the goal of maintaining quality sized fish in a small (42 acre) fishery. Moody Lake is completely encompassed within the Bertha Moody State Aquatic Management Area and only walk-in/carry-in access is available, making for a unique fishing experience in the Brainerd Lakes Area.

**For general information about this project, contact:**

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