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Environmental Assessment Worksheet Need Decisions

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

- Wright County, Wright County Road 17 Gravel and Sand Mine (Approved)

Environmental Assessment Worksheets

Project Title: CSAH 34 Reconstruction and Perham to Pelican Rapids Regional Trail Segment

Comment Deadline: September 26, 2018

Project Description: The Otter Tail County, Highway Department (OTC) is proposing reconstruction of approximately 6.4 miles of County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 34 (SAP 056-635-011) in conjunction with the construction of the first segment of the Perham to Pelican Rapids Regional Trail (SP 056-090-013) that will run parallel to the alignment of the reconstructed highway. The project is needed to meet the current demands on CSAH 34 by providing a safe transportation corridor that serves the current and projected traffic volumes and types that meets State Aid Rules. The project will also serve to establish the new Perham to Pelican Rapids Regional Trail, which is a County-planned, state and federally funded, pedestrian and bicycle (multi-use) transportation corridor. The EA-EAW, which assess potential environmental impacts of the project, will be available to view electronically at <http://www.co.otter-tail.mn.us/1393/CSAH-34-Project> and during business hours at the following location: Otter Tail County Highway Department 505 S. Court Street, Suite 1 Fergus Falls, MN 56537 The 30-day public comment period for the -EA-EAW shall begin on August 27, 2018. The purpose of this notice is to provide citizens the opportunity to comment on the EA-EAW. Individuals or representatives are welcome to submit written comments prior to 4:00 p.m. on September 26, 2018. Comments may be submitted to: Mr. Charles Grotte, P.E. County Engineer Otter Tail County Highway Department 505 S. Court Street, Suite 1 Fergus Falls, MN 56537 cgrotte@co.ottertail.mn.us

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Environmental Impact Statement Need Decisions

The noted responsible governmental units have determined the following projects do 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.

- City of Melrose, Melrose CSAH 13 Bridge Relocation and Sauk River Realignment, 8-16-18 (6-25-18)
- City of Fergus Falls, Fergus Falls Regional Treatment Center Phase 2 Demolition Project, 8-6-18 (6-11-18)
- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, CJ Swine, LLC Swine Facility, 8-14-2018 (6-18-18)
- City of Minnetonka, Dominion EAW, 7-23-18 (5-7-18)

Environmental Impact Statement Draft Supplements

Project Title: Fargo-Moorhead Flood Risk Management Project Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement

Comment Deadline: September 27, 2018

Project Description: The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has prepared a Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS) for the Fargo-Moorhead Flood Risk Management Project (the Project) located in Cass and Richland Counties, North Dakota, and Clay and Wilkin Counties, Minnesota. The project proposer, the Diversion Authority, proposes changes to the previous Project that was evaluated in the May 2016 Final EIS. The DSEIS evaluated the Project changes as a new alternative (Plan B). Plan B includes the following modifications to the previous Project:

- Dam/Southern Embankment Relocation: Associated changes in the relocation of the Red River and Wild Rice River control structures.
- Eastern and Western Tieback Levee Relocation: These relocations change approximately 10 miles of embankment construction footprint area. Under the revised project, Wolverton Creek would enter the Red River downstream of the dam. Based on this relocation of the Eastern Tieback, three 10-foot by 10-foot box culverts are required to cross Wolverton Creek, and the city of Comstock ring levee is no longer needed.
- Operations: Change in operations from allowing 17,000 cubic-feet-per-second (cfs) through town, to 21,000 cfs. • Full period of record: DNR evaluated Plan B using a 100-year flood event

calculated with the full period of record hydrology. The DSEIS describes the project's effects on hydrology, aquatic and terrestrial resources, cultural resources, land use, infrastructure, socioeconomics; DNR Dam Safety, Public Water Works and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) regulations, as well as proposed mitigations. DNR will accept comments on the DSEIS beginning August 28, 2018 and ending September 27, 2018.

A copy of the DSEIS is available for public review at: • DNR Library, 500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155 • DNR Northwest Region, 2220 Bemidji Ave. Bemidji, MN 56601 • Minneapolis Central Library, 300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, MN 55401, Government Documents, 2nd Floor • Moorhead Public Library, 118 5th St S, Moorhead, MN 56560 • Fergus Falls Public Library, 205 E. Hampden, Fergus Falls, MN 56537 • Fargo Public Library Downtown, 102 3rd Street North, Fargo, ND 58102

The DSEIS and accompanying appendices are also available to download on the DNR's website at: http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/input/environmentalreview/fm_flood_risk/index.html

Written comments will be accepted until September 27, 2018 at 4:30PM. Submit comments in one of three ways: Mail: Attn: Jill Townley, Project Manager Minnesota Department of Natural Resources 500 Lafayette Road, Box 25 St. Paul, MN 55155-4025 Email: environmentalrev.dnr@state.mn.us Subject Line: "Fargo-Moorhead" Please include your name. Fax: ATTN: Jill Townley, Project Manager (651) 297-1500.

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