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## Environmental Assessment Worksheets

### Project Title: Portland and Washington Mixed-Use Development

**Comment Deadline:** February 13, 2019

**Project Description:** This EAW studies the proposed mixed-use redevelopment project of an approximately 1.75-acre site at 500 – 530 3rd Street South and 240 Portland Avenue in Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota (the Site). The Site is currently occupied by a surface parking lot and fire station. The proposed project would include up to approximately 6,400 square feet of retail, up to

30,000 square feet of relocated fire station space, up to 350 residential units, and up to 600 off-street parking spaces. 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, January 14, 2019. Public comments on the EAW must be made within the 30-day comment period, which ends at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 13, 2019.

It is anticipated that the Zoning and Planning Committee at its regular meeting on March 7, 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 would then act on the recommendation of this Committee at a meeting on March 15, 2019, or at a subsequent meeting. 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).

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## Environmental Impact Statement Need Decisions

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*.

- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, Daley Farms of Lewiston, LLP – 2018 Dairy Expansion, 1-4-19 (10-22-18)
- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, Scotch Prairie Farms, LLC Dairy Feedlot Expansion, 1-4-19 (9-3-18)

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## Environmental Assessment/Environmental Assessment Worksheet

### Project Title: I-94 UBOL Resurfacing Maple Grove to Rogers and Brockton Interchange

**Comment Deadline:** February 13, 2019

**Project Description:** The I-94 UBOL Resurfacing and Brockton Interchange Project will resurface 9.6 miles of the existing pavement on I-94 from the I-494/I-694 interchange in Maple Grove to TH 101 in Rogers, Minnesota. The project also includes the construction of a new interchange to the east of Brockton Lane in the City of Dayton.

Finally, the project will also involve the addition of a new travel lane in both the westbound and eastbound directions of I-94 from TH 610 to TH 101; pavement improvements and expansion of the Elm Creek Rest Area; modifying trails/sidewalks within the MnDOT right of way to make them ADA compliant; replacing deficient stormwater management systems; and constructing a commercial vehicle enforcement lane in the westbound direction between CSAH 81 and TH 101 in the City of Rogers.

The EA/EAW, which outlines the purpose of the project and assesses the anticipated social, economic, and environmental impacts of the project, will be available to review electronically at <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/i94-mg-clearwater/index.html> and during business hours at the following locations: • MnDOT Metro District Office, 1500 West County Road B2, Roseville, MN 55113 • Maple Grove Library, 8001 Main Street N, Maple Grove, MN 55369 • Maple Grove City Hall, Engineering, 12800 Arbor Lakes Parkway N, Maple Grove, MN 55369 • Dayton City Hall, 12260 S Diamond Lake Road, Dayton, MN 55327 • Rogers Library, 21300 John Milless Drive, Rogers, MN 55374 • Rogers City Hall, 22350 S Diamond Lake Road, Rogers, MN 55374 • Hennepin County Library – Minneapolis Central, Environmental Conservation Library, Government Documents, 2nd Floor, 300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, MN 55401 • MnDOT Library, 395 John Ireland Boulevard, St. Paul, MN 55155.

The 30-day public comment period for the EA/EAW will be Monday, January 14, 2019 through Wednesday, February 13, 2019. An open house/public hearing will be held on Tuesday, January 29, 2019 at the Maple Grove Government Center EOC from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

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## Environmental Review Announcements

### 2019 EQB Monitor Schedule

The [2019 EQB Monitor Schedule](#) is now available. See the schedule for *EQB Monitor* publications, the submission deadlines, and 10-day and 30-day comment period deadlines.

## Request for Proposals for Enterprise Environmental Review and Technical Services Master Contract

**Qualified contractors with expertise in preparing environmental review documents, preparing technical analyses and/or expertise in public engagement practices may be eligible to apply to be listed on an Enterprise Environmental Review Master Contract.**

Public and private projects in MN can have impacts on our air, land and water resources. For over four decades, Minnesota Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) has helped minimize damage to Minnesota's environment by requiring that certain projects go through an environmental review (ER) process before getting governmental permits or approvals. The ER process provides an opportunity for public comment and produces a document that identifies: 1) potential environmental effects of the proposed project and; 2) ways to reduce negative environmental effects.

Environmental review is conducted by a Responsible Government Unit (RGU). Under MEPA, RGUs have authority and responsibility to prepare environmental review documents (Environmental Assessment Worksheets, Environmental Impact Statements and Alternative Urban Areawide Reviews) that provide information concerning environmental effects of a proposed project to project proposers, governmental decision makers and the public and, when applicable, engage stakeholders in the process.

## Who will be able to use the contract?

This Program will be available for use by state agencies and other local government entities as well as non-profit organizations eligible under the State's cooperative purchasing venture ("CPV") program. CPVs are established pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 16C.03, subdivision 10 and includes, but is not limited to, counties, cities, school districts, higher education and non-profit organizations.

For more information on becoming a qualified CPV member, follow this link <http://www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us/cpv2.htm>, or contact the Office of State Procurement Helpline at (651)296-2600. If you are a CPV and have worked with a competent, qualified contractor in the past that you think should be considered, please forward this information and suggest they submit an application.

## What services will be offered?

The Minnesota Department of Administration is introducing the Enterprise Environmental Review and Technical Services Master Contract Program (the "Program") to support state agencies and governmental units with the preparation of environmental review and decision documents, and analyses in technical specialties. Once the ER Master Contract process is complete, contractors will remain on the list for two years with the possibility of an additional three year extension, depending utilization. Contractors who apply will be able to select the services they want to offer (i.e. developing complete environmental review documents and/or developing specific types of stand-alone studies like traffic studies, wildlife studies, assessments of archeological and historic resources, etc. and/or assisting with implementation of best practices for communication and public engagement).

## Applicants may select one or more of the following Sub-categories included in the RFP:

1. Environmental Review
  - EAW
  - EIS
  - AUAR
2. Public Engagement
  - Communications
  - Editing/Technical Writing
  - Public/Stakeholder Engagement
3. Community Assessment
  - Health Assessment
  - Social Impacts Assessment
  - Economic Impacts Analysis
  - Traffic and Transportation Impact Assessment
  - Greenhouse Gas Assessment
  - Cultural Impacts Assessment
4. Technical Assessment
  - Land Use
  - Geology, Hydrogeology and Soils
  - Ecological
  - Water Resources
  - Air
  - Contamination/ Hazards Materials/ Wastes
  - Cumulative Potential Effects Assessment
  - GIS Data Analysis

## How to apply to the RFP

The Request for Proposals will be open from January 2, 2019 through 4:30 PM on March 4, 2019.

In order to submit an application, you need to register. For more information on becoming a registered SWIFT vendor, please go to <https://mn.gov/mmb/accounting/swift/vendor-resources/> or contact the SWIFT Supplier Portal Assistance line at (651)201-8100, Option 1.

If you are already a registered vendor, here is the link to submit an application:

[https://supplier.swift.state.mn.us/psp/fmssupap\\_1/SUPPLIER/ERP/c/PORTAL\\_COMPONENTS\\_AU.AUC\\_LOGIN.GBL](https://supplier.swift.state.mn.us/psp/fmssupap_1/SUPPLIER/ERP/c/PORTAL_COMPONENTS_AU.AUC_LOGIN.GBL)

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