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EQB Announcement

July 2020 ERIS Meeting

We invite you to join the Environmental Quality Board (EQB) Environmental Review Implementation Subcommittee (ERIS) at their <u>next meeting on July 15 from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm</u>.

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, the ERIS meeting will convene its July Board meeting virtually through the WebEx platform. Instructions for connecting to WebEx are included on page six of the Board packet.

Access Link to the July 15, 2020 ERIS Meeting

The ERIS will address two informational items:

- Review and discuss the draft Environmental Review Data Management Plan and 2019 Performance Report framework and metrics
- Engage ERIS members and members of the public in a discussion on the draft proposed framework for integrating greenhouse gas (GHG) quantification and assessment requirements into the Environmental Review Program

Accessibility: This material can be provided in different forms, like large print, braille, or on a recording. Please contact EQB staff at least one week prior to the event at <u>info.EQB@state.mn.us</u> to arrange an accommodation.

Citizen Petition

The following petition has been filed with the EQB requesting preparation of an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW). The EQB has assigned the indicated unit of government to review the petition and decide on the need for an EAW.

Petition Name: Sinnott Hot Mix Asphalt Plant Project Responsible Government Unit (RGU): City of Rice Lake

On July 8th, 2020, EQB received notice from the City of Rice Lake (the designated RGU) that no permit applications had been submitted for this project. Per the requirements in <u>MR</u> <u>4410.1100 Subp. 9</u>, the petition will remain in effect for one year from the date on which it was filed with the EQB (July 2nd, 2020). During that time, a prohibition on final governmental decisions (<u>MR 4410.3100</u>) remains in effect for any proposed project for which the nature and location is substantially similar to the project identified in the petition.

Environmental Assessment Worksheets

Kettle River Development

Comment Deadline: August 12, 2020

Project Description: Moxness Development Group is proposing a residential development along Kettle River Boulevard, south of 258th Street in the City of Wyoming. This development includes 72 single family homes and 76 townhomes on approximately 90.86 acres within the shoreland district for Tyra Slough. Construction will also include stormwater infrastructure, internal roads, and utilities. Comments on this development will be received through August 12, 2020.

Link to Document: https://wsbeng.sharefile.com/d-sea82abbe83445c48

RGU: City of Wyoming RGU Contact: Fred Weck, 651-462-4947, <u>fweck@wyomingmn.org</u>

Project Green Jay

Comment Deadline: August 12, 2020

Project Description: The proposed project is located adjacent to the south of Brown Avenue, east of 110th Street, in Waseca, Minnesota. The project consists of site grading, building pad construction, and constructing an approximate 220,000 square foot building for vegetable processing on approximately 47 acres of land.

Link to Document: No link to electronic copies of the documents was provided by the RGU. For copies of the documents, see RGU contact information below.

RGU: City of Waseca RGU Contact: Tom Kellogg, 507-835-9716, <u>cityengineer@ci.waseca.mn.us</u>

Fillmore County Solar Project, LLC

Comment Deadline: August 12, 2020

Project Description: Fillmore County Solar Project, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Savion, LLC, is developing the Fillmore County Solar Project, a 45 megawatt (MW) solar energy generation project situated on approximately 558 acres (Project Area) of private agricultural land in southwest Fillmore County, Minnesota. The planned generation capacity of the project is 45 MW.

Link to Document: https://www.fillmorecountysolarprojecteaw.com/

RGU: Fillmore County RGU Contact: Cristal Adkins, 507-765-3325, <u>cadkins@co.fillmore.mn.us</u>

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Willow River Dam Restoration Project

RGU: Department of Natural Resources **RGU Contact:** Becky Horton, 651-259-5122, <u>becky.horton@state.mn.us</u>

Date of Determination: July 2, 2020

Determination: Negative (no EIS required) Link to Document: <u>https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/input/environmentalreview/willowriver/index.html</u>

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