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EQB Announcements

Apply to be a member of the Environmental Quality Board

Applications are open for Board Members from the **3rd Congressional District**. You can find more details about being a board member and information on how to apply at the [Minnesota Secretary of State's website](#). To find out what Congressional District you are located in, view the Secretary of State's [Congressional Maps](#). EQB's mission is to enhance Minnesota's environmental quality for current and future generations by leading interagency work to advance meaningful public engagement and facilitate informed decision-making on critical environmental issues.

Environmental Assessment Worksheets

Project Title: Anoka County State Aid Highway 78 (Hanson Blvd) Expansion Project

Comment Deadline: August 22, 2018

Project Description: The proposed project involves the reconstruction and expansion of an approximately 1.6-mile segment of Anoka County Highway 78 (Hanson Blvd.) from an existing rural two-lane roadway to an urban four-lane divided roadway from 139th Lane/Jay Street to approximately 0.1 miles north of Crosstown Boulevard in the City of Andover. Other improvements include rehabilitation of the bridge over Coon Creek, pedestrian/bicycle enhancements, and new/expanded stormwater management features.

Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU): Anoka County

RGU Contact Person:

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Project Title: Highway 23 Bridge Replacement and Deer Creek Restoration Project

Comment Deadline: August 22, 2018

Project Description: The proposed project will consist of the replacement of the Highway 23 box culvert structure that conveys Deer Creek under the roadway and the restoration of approximately 1,140 linear feet of Deer Creek. The project proposes to remove an existing structurally deficient box culvert structure and replace it with a single span bridge. The stream restoration will restore natural stream geomorphology, improve overall ecological function, and enhance fish passage and habitat. Deer Creek will be slightly realigned to include a restored meander of the watercourse with rock riffles and pools to provide a stream profile that will allow trout passage through the area. An electronic copy of the EAW is available on-line at: <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/d1/projects/hwy23bridge/index.html> The comment period deadline is Wednesday, August 22, 2018.

Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU): Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT)

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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.

- City of St. Michael, Fieldstone Passage EAW, 7-10-18 (5-21-18)

Notices

Governor's Committee on Pollinator Protection August 2, 2018

The Governor's Committee on Pollinator Protection will meet at MNDOT Training Facilities, 1900 County Rd I, Shoreview, MN 55126 on Thursday, August 2, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. For more information on this meeting, please see the meeting packet on the EQB website (<https://www.eqb.state.mn.us/content/governors-committee-pollinator-protection-0>).

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ER Guidance and Updates

Quick Reference: Environmental Assessment Worksheet Guidance

The EQB provides a number of written guidance documents including our Quick Reference: Environmental Assessment Worksheet document. You can find it here:
<https://www.eqb.state.mn.us/sites/default/files/documents/Quick%20Reference%20-%20EAW.pdf>

All of our guidance documents and videos are available on our website, <https://www.eqb.state.mn.us/>, under Environmental Review. EQB staff are also available to answer questions about Environmental Review at Env.Review@state.mn.us or 651-757-2873.