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EQB Announcement

EQB 2020 Spring Updates on Projects

In these times of social distancing, EQB remains committed to engaging Minnesotans on pressing environmental issues. COVID-19 has brought unique challenges to Minnesota communities and institutions. Despite this, EQB's work is charging ahead. We have a number of exciting projects underway that we look forward to discussing with Minnesotans in the coming months. Read our [spring memo](#) for highlights on current projects:

<https://www.eqb.state.mn.us/eqb-spring-2020-project-updates>

Joint Environmental Assessment / Environmental Assessment Worksheet - EIS Need Decision

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Dates of Determinations: March 30, 2020 (EAW), May 12, 2020 (EA)

Determinations: Negative Declarations (no Environmental Impact Statement)
Link to Document: <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/d2/projects/2021/hwy200-walker/resources.html>

Final Environmental Impact Statement

Merriam Junction Sands FEIS

Comment Deadline: June 15, 2020

Project Description: Scott County has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement for Merriam Junction Sands. The Merriam Junction Sands project is proposing the addition of sandstone mining and processing of silica sand to an existing sand/gravel and limestone

mining operation. The project encompasses 682 acres across multiple parcels located in Louisville Township, just south of US Highway 169 and Trunk Highway 41 intersection. The EIS compared 6 different alternatives and a no-build scenario. The comment period will be open from June 1, 2020 – June 15, 2020.

Link to Document: <https://www.scottcountymn.gov/MJS>

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