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# EQB Announcement

## Adopting the Documents: “Feasibility of Solar Development on State-Managed Closed Landfills: A Report to the Legislature” & “2020 Minnesota State Agency Pollinator Report”

At the November 2020 Environmental Quality Board (EQB) meeting, the EQB considered resolutions to adopt the “Feasibility of Solar Development on State-Managed Closed Landfills: A Report to the Legislature” and “2020 Minnesota State Agency Pollinator Report.” A motion to adopt the solar report was moved by Public Board Member Bryan Murdock and seconded by Public Board Member Alan Forsberg. The motion passed with 10 Board Members in favor and four not present and the resolution was adopted. The EQB approved and adopted the “Feasibility of Solar Development on State-Managed Closed Landfills: A Report to the Legislature” and orders that it be sent to the Minnesota Legislature.

A motion to adopt the pollinator report was moved by BWSR Chair Gerald Van Amburg and seconded by Public Board Member Bryan Murdock. The motion passed with eight Board Members in favor, two opposed, and four not present and the resolution was adopted. The EQB approved and adopted the “2020 Minnesota State Agency Pollinator Report” and continued development of the civic engagement framework for pollinator protection.

November Board Meeting Recording and Handouts can be found:

<https://www.eqb.state.mn.us/content/november-18-2020-environmental-quality-board-meeting>

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## Environmental Assessment Worksheet Need Decision

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

**Petition Title:** Improvements to Renville County Ditch No. 77 in Limbo Creek  
**Decision:** Denied, November 3, 2020

**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.

**Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU):** Renville County Drainage Authority  
**RGU Contact:** Seth Sparks, 320-523-3746, [seths@renvillecountymn.com](mailto:seths@renvillecountymn.com)

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# Scoping Environmental Assessment Worksheet and Draft Scoping Decision Documents

## Martin Marietta - North Quarry Reduction and Rainbow Quarry Expansion

**Comment Deadline:** December 23, 2020

**Project Description:** Martin Marietta proposes to continue mining aggregate from its two quarries (North Quarry & Rainbow Quarry) located at 1450 Division Street, Waite Park, Minnesota. Martin Marietta plans to use its entire property for mining operations, with contraction of the North Quarry from 129 acres approved in the applicable CUP to 120 acres, and expansion of the Rainbow Quarry from 52.25 acres approved in the current CUP to approximately 95 acres.

**Link to Document:** <https://www.ci.waitepark.mn.us/DocumentCenter/View/2724/Martin-Marietta-North-and-Rainbow-Quarry>

**RGU:** City of Waite Park

**RGU Contact:** Jon Halter, 320-252-6822, [jhalter@sehinc.com](mailto:jhalter@sehinc.com)

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