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## EQB Announcements

### Citizen Board Member Opening - 4th Congressional District

Applications are now open for an EQB Citizen Board Member in the 4th Congressional District. The 4th Congressional District includes St. Paul and surrounding suburbs such as Woodbury, Maplewood, Roseville, New Brighton, White Bear Lake, and Stillwater.

The position is for a four-year term starting January 1, 2020. The position is open until filled. For details and to apply: <https://commissionsandappointments.sos.state.mn.us/agency/details/107>

## Citizen Environmental Review Survey

The Environmental Quality Board, which oversees the state's Environmental Review program, is undergoing a continuous improvement project to monitor and improve the effectiveness of Environmental Review. Minnesota citizens who have participated in the Environmental Review process during this calendar year are asked to consider taking 10 minutes to complete the survey at the link below. Engagement in the process may include: reviewed a document, attended a public meeting, wrote a comment, contacted staff, etc.  
<http://survey.mn.gov/s.asp?k=156822169253>

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## Environmental Assessment

### Project Title: L&O Power 115 kV Transmission Line

**Comment Deadline:** October 10, 2019

**Project Description:** L & O Power is proposing to construct 7 miles of new 115 kV transmission line along 90th Ave, Pipestone County between the Holland and Pipestone Substations. The EA document is available for public comment and is available for review by contacting the Pipestone County Environmental Office, 119 2nd Ave. SW, Suite 13, Pipestone, MN 56164 or by visiting <https://www.edockets.state.mn.us/EFiling/search.jsp> and entering "18" as the year and "786" as the number in the "Docket Number" search field. Comments and questions may be submitted to: Kyle Krier, Pipestone County Conservation and Zoning.

**Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU):** Pipestone County

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## Notice

# Notice of Permit Decision in the Matter of the Application of Minnesota Power for the Mesaba Junction 115 kV Transmission Line and Associated Facilities in the City of Hoyt Lakes

**Project Description:** In a resolution approved on September 9, 2019 the City of Hoyt Lakes City Council determined that the environmental assessment adequately addressed potential environmental effects of the Mesaba Junction 115 kV transmission line project and issued a conditional use permit to Minnesota Power. The permit authorizes construction of approximately 5.4 miles of new 115 kV line along the existing Laskin-Hoyt Lakes transmission line corridor.

The City of Hoyt Lakes conducted a local review and permit process as is allowed under Minnesota Statutes Chapter 216-E.05. The City conducted a public hearing on August 20, 2019 and accepted written comments until September 3, 2019. The only comments received were included in a letter from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency dated September 3, 2019, requesting that the City note that Section 401 Water Quality Certification may be required and identifying a mis-labeled creek name in the document.

**Inquiries about the project should be directed to:**

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