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Environmental Assessment Worksheets (EAW)

Comment Deadline: September 2, 2015

Project Title: Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport (MSP) Hotel and Skyway

Project Description: This project, located on a vacant parcel near the MSP post office, includes construction of an approximately 300-room, 12-story hotel with a conference facility and a skyway connection to Terminal 1–Lindbergh at the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport (MSP). The proposed project will use existing airport utility infrastructure. Demolition and removal of remnant building materials from previous facilities on the project site will be required.

Copies of the Draft Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) are being distributed to agencies on the current MEQB list and others. The Draft EAW is available on the MAC's website at: http://www.metroairports.org/Airport-Authority/Metropolitan-Airports-Commission/Administration/Publications.aspx, under Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport.

A public hearing will be conducted on Tuesday, September 8, 2015, by the Metropolitan Airports Commission Planning, Development and Environment Committee to receive comments on the Draft EAW. The meeting will be held at 10:30 a.m. at the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, Room 3048A, Terminal 1-Lindbergh. Written comments may be submitted to the address below through Wednesday, September 9, 2015.

RGU: Metropolitan Airports Commission

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Project Title: CSAH 24 Southeast Collector (SEC) - North Project

Project Description: The County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 24 Southeast Collector - North Project involves construction of a two-lane roadway for approximately one mile along a new alignment from Trunk Highway (TH) 19 to (CSAH) 25. Intersection improvements, including turn lanes, are proposed at the intersections of CSAH 24/TH 19 and CSAH 24/CSAH 25. A future paved bituminous bicycle/pedestrian trail is proposed along the west side of the CSAH 24 roadway. The project also includes stormwater ponding sites. The project is scheduled for construction starting in 2016.

The EAW, which documents the purpose and need of the project, alternatives evaluation process, and anticipated social, economic, and environmental impacts, is available on the County website at http://www.co.goodhue.mn.us/335/Projects. Copies of the EAW will also be available for review during business hours at the following locations:

- Goodhue County Public Works
 2140 Pioneer Road, Red Wing, MN 55066
- Cannon Falls Library
 918 River Road, Cannon Falls, MN 55009
- Rochester Public Library
 101 Second Street SE, Rochester, MN 55904

Copies of the EAW are being distributed to agencies on the current Minnesota EQB list and other interested parties. The comment period will begin on August 3, 2015. Comments will be accepted through September 2, 2015.

RGU: Goodhue County

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Project Title: Sunrise River (Bixby Park) Water Quality Improvement Wetland

Project Description: This project proposed by the Comfort Lake Forest Lake Watershed District (CLFLWD) will improve the function of an existing ditched wetland complex located in Bixby Park, City of Forest Lake. The project will enhance wetland habitat and improve downstream surface water quality for Comfort Lake, the Sunrise River and ultimately the St. Croix River.

RGU: Comfort Lake Forest Lake Watershed District

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Project Title: TH 101 Improvements from CSAH 14 (Pioneer Trail) to CSAH 61 (Flying Cloud Drive)

Project Description: This project involves 1.2 miles of safety and capacity improvements along Trunk Highway (TH) 101 between Pioneer Trail (CSAH 14) and Flying Cloud Drive (CSAH 61) in the City of Chanhassen, Minnesota. The project includes reconstruction and realignment of TH 101 from a two-lane undivided roadway to a four-lane divided roadway with turn lanes at key intersections. A paved multi-use trail is proposed along both sides of TH 101 from Pioneer Trail to Creekwood Drive and along the east side only from Creekwood Drive to CSAH 61. On the south end, the roadway will connect to a new roundabout being constructed as part of a separate project. The purpose of the project is to improve traffic safety, capacity, and connectivity issues on TH 101 between CSAH 14 (Pioneer Trail) and CSAH 61 (Flying Cloud Drive) in the City of Chanhassen, Minnesota.

The comment period for this project will be August 3, 2015 through September 3, 2015. A copy of the EAW can be accessed from City of Chanhassen's website at www.ci.chanhassen.mn.us/101gap. It will also be available in hard copy at the following locations:

- Chanhassen Public Library, 7711 Kerber Boulevard, Chanhassen, MN 55317
- Hennepin County Library, 300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, MN 55401

RGU: City of Chanhassen

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Project Title: Joe and Chris Wieneke Farms

Project Description: Joe and Chris Wieneke ("Proposer") operate a 2,739 Animal Unit ("AU") beef and swine operation in Section 27, and a 720 AU swine feedlot in adjacent Section 22 of Lismore Township in Nobles County. The Project consists of constructing a new total confinement, swine finishing barn with a maximum capacity of 2,400 head (720 AU). The Proposer will construct the new barn at the existing feedlot in the SE 1/4 of Section 22.

A copy of the Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) will be posted on the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) website, at the following: http://www.pca.state.mn.us/news/eaw/index.html. Written comments on the EAW should be

submitted to Patrice Jensen. A copy of the EAW may also be obtained by contacting Beth Tegdesch at 651-757-2100.

In addition to the EAW, the MPCA's draft NPDES/SDS Permit will also be available for public comment beginning August 5, 2015. The contact person for the NPDES/SDS Permit is George Schwint at 320-894-5866.

RGU: Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

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Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Need Decisions

The noted responsible governmental unit has determined the following project does not require preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The dates given are, respectively, the date of the determination and the date the Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) notice was published in the EQB Monitor.

- Rice Creek Watershed District, Hanson Park Comprehensive Water Management Project, 7-22-15 (6-8-15)
- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, Rebco Pork II, 7-27-15 (6-8-15)

Alternative Urban Areawide Review (AUAR) Update

Comment Deadline: August 14, 2015

Project Title: Victoria Southwest Area AUAR Update

Project Description: This document serves as an update to the Victoria Southwest Area AUAR that was approved in 2004. The 2004 AUAR together with this Addendum serve as the environmental review and updating for the Southwest Area within Victoria, Minnesota, per Minnesota State Statute. Pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota State Statute, the City of Victoria is the Local Government Unit for the AUAR. The majority of the area subject to the AUAR has been developed in accordance with the approved AUAR. This update is required because 5 years has passed since original adoption. No other significant changes have occurred in the area. This update outlines any changes since approval of the AUAR and analyzes potential future impacts associated with development of remaining vacant lands in the subject area.

RGU: City of Victoria

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City of Victoria

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