# MINNESOTA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD

Governor's Executive Order 11-32 Environment and Energy Report Card Metrics Review 10-17-2012

## Land Section - Metrics

- Percent of land in major land-use categories
- Percent of cropland managed using conservation tillage
- Percent of cropland in grassland and wetland conservation programs
- Percent of forest land in different management categories (timber management, reserves, etc.)
- Abundance of wetlands in Minnesota
- Population levels of seven selected wildlife species
- Solid waste management metric

### Water Section - Metrics

- Gallons of water used by major use category
- Nitrate levels in community drinking water systems
- Status of watershed monitoring in Minnesota
- Percentage of lakes and streams meeting water quality standards
- Clarity changes in Minnesota lakes
- Total suspended solid concentrations in the Mississippi River (above and below Minnesota River confluence)
- Changes in municipal wastewater phosphorous discharges
- Rate of growth of water bodies infested with Zebra Mussels (in the Upper Great Lakes States)
- Population trends for selected fish species

## **Energy Section - Metrics**

- BTU consumption per capita, and per \$ GSP
- Energy consumption by end use sector
- Energy consumption by energy type
- Electricity consumption by source (2000 vs. 2010)
- Renewable energy consumption by source
- Transportation fuel consumption and ethanol production and consumption
- Renewable energy generation
- Energy efficiency in electricity and natural gas

## Climate Section - Metrics

- Greenhouse gas emissions by economic sector
- Per capita greenhouse gas emissions
- Average annual temperature
- Changes in heavy precipitation
- Dew point indicator
- Ice-in/ice-out dates indicator

### Air Section - Metrics

- Minnesota Air Quality (over last 10 years, as a percent of National Ambient Standard)
- Number of Air Quality Alert Days (since 2006)
- Point source air emissions (since 1999)
- Mercury emission reductions (since 2005)
- Major sources of air pollution