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**Environmental Quality Board**

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING THE STATEMENT OF NEED AND REASONABLENESS TO THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE LIBRARY**

**Proposed Rules of the Environmental Quality Board Governing Environmental Review, Minnesota Rules, 4410.0200, 4410.0500, 4410.4300, 4410.4400, 4410.5200, 4410.7904, 4410.7906, 4410.7926, 4410.4600. Revisor's ID Number R-04157**

I certify that on November 19, 2018, when the Notice of Intent to Adopt Rule Without a Hearing was mailed, I submitted an electronic copy of the Statement of Need and Reasonableness to the Legislative Reference Library via email to [sonars@lrl.leg.mn](mailto:sonars@lrl.leg.mn). I mailed this copy to comply with Minnesota Statutes, sections 14.131 and 14.23. A copy of the cover letter is attached to this Certificate.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Erik Dahl'.

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**To:** 'sonars@lrl.leg.mn'  
**Cc:** Dahl, Erik (EQB)  
**Subject:** EQB: R-04157 SONAR & exhibits for Legislative Reference Library  
**Attachments:** SONAR\_November 8\_2018\_RD-04157.pdf; Exhibits 1 through 5.pdf

November 19, 2018

Dear Librarian:

The Environmental Quality Board (EQB or Board) is proposing amendments to rules relating to the Environmental Review Program (Minnesota Rules chapter 4410), including: RGU selection process, Mandatory Environmental Assessment Worksheet categories, Mandatory Environmental Impact Statement categories, definitions to support the mandatory categories, categories of exemptions for environmental review, Required notices, Licensing of Explorers, Content of an application for drilling permit, Abandonment of Exploratory Borings (Revisor's ID Number R-04157). Also included in this rulemaking:

- Rules relating to silica sand projects (Revisor's ID Number RD-4305).
- Rules relating to Recreational trails (Revisor's ID Number RD-4381).

EQB published a *Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules Without a Public Hearing Unless 25 or More Persons Request a Hearing*, and *Notice of Hearing if 25 or More Requests for Hearing Are Received* in the State Register on November 13, 2018 after the Environmental Quality Board held a meeting on September 19, 2018. The Notice was mailed according to section 14.14 or 14.22.

The Environmental Quality Board prepared a Statement of Need and Reasonableness. As required by Minnesota Statutes, sections 14.131 and 14.23, the Department is sending the Library an electronic copy of the Statement of Need and Reasonableness at the same time we are mailing our Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules.

If you have questions, please contact me at 651-757-2364.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure: Statement of Need and Reasonableness and Exhibits

