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Weekly announcements and environmental review notices

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Announcements

Draft Minnesota pollinator action framework open for public feedback

The first [draft of the Minnesota pollinator action framework](#) was released on December 1, 2022. We opened a second round of public engagement to gather feedback on the action framework. Visit our [online platform](#) to share your feedback and ideas to help pollinators. The platform will be open until Wednesday, March 15.



REQUIRED PUBLIC NOTICES



Environmental review project notices

EQB publishes environmental review notices provided by responsible governmental units. For more information on a project undergoing environmental review, click on the individual project links below. You can also find information about active projects in your community on the [Environmental Review Projects Interactive Map](#).

Reuter Walton 1136/1160 Project

Location: Maplewood, Ramsey County

Process: Petition

Step: Responsible governmental unit assigned

Responsible governmental unit and contact: City of Maplewood, [Melinda Coleman](#), 651-249-2055

Highway 93 Grade Raise Project (SP 7212-21)

Location: Henderson, Sibley County

Process: Environmental assessment worksheet (EAW)

Step: EAW available

End of comment period: March 23, 2023

Project description: The project will reconstruct and raise a 3.6-mile segment of Highway 93 south of the City of Henderson in Henderson Township, Sibley County. This includes replacing the existing bridge over the Rush River and lengthening it to create a new 212-foot (inside span) main channel bridge over the Rush River as well as constructing a new 270-foot (inside span) relief bridge located north of the 308th Lane intersection. The Henderson South Levee system at Highway 93 will be modified as part of this project.

Link to public documents: [Highway 93 Grade Raise Project \(SP 7212-21\) EAW](#)

Location of public documents: MnDOT District 7, Mankato — Headquarters, 2151 Bassett Drive, Mankato, MN 56001

Responsible governmental unit and contact: Minnesota Department of Transportation, [Forrest Hasty](#), 507-508-4018

Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community Organics Recycling Facility

Location: Prior Lake, Scott County

Process: Environmental assessment worksheet (EAW)

Step: EAW available

End of comment period: March 23, 2023

Project description: The Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community is proposing to develop a new Organics Recycling Facility at 12386 Chestnut Boulevard, Shakopee, Minnesota. The facility will process Source Separated Organic Material from residential and commercial yard and food waste into compost. The compost is either sold on its own or is blended with inert materials for resale as gardening and landscape products.

Link to public documents: [Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community Organics Recycling Facility EAW](#)

Location of public documents: Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, 520 Lafayette Road North, Saint Paul, MN 55155

Responsible governmental unit and contact: Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, [Karen Kromar](#), 651-757-2508

Cambridge Medical Center Replacement Project

Location: Cambridge, Isanti County

Process: Environmental assessment worksheet

Step: Environmental impact statement (EIS) need decision

Responsible governmental unit decision: Negative (no EIS ordered)

Responsible governmental unit decision date: February 6, 2023

Link to public documents: No link to documents provided. See responsible governmental unit contact information below.

Location of public documents: Cambridge City Hall, 300 3rd Ave NE, Cambridge, MN 55008

Responsible governmental unit and contact: City of Cambridge, [Marcia Westover](#), 763-552-3207

Upper Riley Creek Ecological Enhancement Project

Location: Chanhassen, Carver County

Process: Environmental assessment worksheet

Step: Environmental impact statement (EIS) need decision

Responsible governmental unit decision: Negative (no EIS ordered)

Responsible governmental unit decision date: February 9, 2023

Link to public documents: [Upper Riley Creek Ecological Enhancement Project EIS need decision](#)

Location of public documents: Chanhassen City Hall, 7700 Market Blvd, Chanhassen MN, 55427

Responsible governmental unit and contact: City of Chanhassen, [Charlie Howley](#), 952-227-1169

Maple Grove Gravel Mining Area

Location: Maple Grove, Hennepin County

Process: Alternative urban areawide review (AUAR) update

Step: AUAR update available

End of comment period: March 7, 2023

Project description: The City of Maple Grove is updating the Maple Grove Gravel Mining Area Alternative Urban Areawide Review a fifth time, originally approved in 1996. The

2023 Update summarizes development activity in the Gravel Mining Area since 2017 and includes the assumptions in the adopted 2040 Comprehensive Plan Update.

Link to public documents: [Maple Grove Gravel Mining Area](#)

Location of public documents: Maple Grove City Hall, 12800 Arbor Lakes Parkway, Maple Grove, MN, 55311

Responsible governmental unit and contact: City of Maple Grove, [Peter Vickerman](#), 763-494-6046

General notices

Notices published in this section may be required under Minnesota Statute or Rule.

Minnesota Department of Agriculture--Notification of Release of Genetically Engineered Organisms

Notice description: Bayer Crop Science filed a Notification for Release of a Genetically Engineered Organism with the Minnesota Department of Agriculture, MDA notification # 23-NO-05. Notification is for genetically modified CORN, pending USDA-APHIS Biotechnology Regulatory Services (BRS) approval for release in Application AUTH - 0000234098. The counties identified for release include the following: Brown-1 site with 10 acres; Dodge-1 site with 25 acres; Grant-1 site with 10 acres; Lyon-1 site with 10 acres; Redwood-2 sites with 10 acres each; Rice-1 site with 20 acres; Steele-1 site with 20 acres; Waseca-1 site with 20 acres. Project categories include Agronomic Performance (AP), Herbicide Resistance (HR), Insect Resistance (IR), and Marker Gene (MG) and Other (OO).

Contact: [Denise Thiede](#), Minnesota Department of Agriculture, 625 Robert St N., St. Paul, MN 55155, 651-402-3149

Minnesota Department of Agriculture--Notification of Release of Genetically Engineered Organisms

Notice description: Bayer Crop Science filed a Notification for Release of a Genetically Engineered Organism with the Minnesota Department of Agriculture, MDA notification # 23-NO-06. Notification is for genetically modified SUGAR BEET, pending USDA-APHIS Biotechnology Regulatory Services (BRS) approval for release in the following permit identified as AUTH – 0000233244. The counties identified for release include the following: Benton-3 sites with 20 acres each, Freeborn-1 site with 20 acres. Project categories include HR (Herbicide Resistance).

Contact: [Denise Thiede](#), Minnesota Department of Agriculture, 625 Robert St N., St. Paul, MN 55155, 651-402-3149

Minnesota Department of Agriculture--Notification of Release of Genetically Engineered Organisms

Notice description: KWS Seeds LLC filed a Notification for Release of a Genetically Engineered Organism with the Minnesota Department of Agriculture, MDA notification # 23-NO-07. Notification is for genetically modified SUGAR BEET, pending USDA-APHIS Biotechnology Regulatory Services (BRS) approval for release in the following permit identified as AUTH – 0000234240. The counties identified for release include the following: Clay-1 site with 10 acres, Kandiyohi-1 site with 10 acres, Polk-1 site with 160 acres. Project categories include HR (Herbicide Resistance).

Contact: [Denise Thiede](#), Minnesota Department of Agriculture, 625 Robert St N., St. Paul, MN 55155, 651-402-3149

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