

## The *EQB Monitor*

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## EQB Announcements

**Environmental Quality Board Meeting: February 17, 2021**

We invite you to join the Environmental Quality Board (EQB) at their [next Board meeting](#) on February 17, 2021 from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm.

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, the EQB will convene its February Board meeting virtually through the WebEx platform. Instructions for connecting to WebEx are included on page five of the Board packet.

### [Access link to February 17, 2021 Board Meeting](#)

The meeting will address one decision and two informational objectives:

- Elect an EQB Vice Chairperson
- Discuss findings from Jill Lindsey Harrison's book *From the Inside Out: The Fight for Environmental Justice within Government Agencies*
- Review updates to the Environmental Quality Board work plan

Accessibility: This material can be provided in different forms, like large print, braille, or on a recording. Please contact EQB staff at least one week prior to the event at [info.EQB@state.mn.us](mailto:info.EQB@state.mn.us) to arrange an accommodation.

## **EQB wants to hear from you! Integrating climate information into the Environmental Review Program**

The Environmental Quality Board (EQB) is considering changes to integrate climate information into the Environmental Review Program. EQB would like input on draft recommendations before making final decisions on any program changes. Learn more about the project and how you can participate by visiting EQB's [Climate Change and Environmental Review webpage](#). There will be opportunities to participate throughout the spring. Updates will be posted on the website and in the *EQB Monitor*.

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## **Citizen Petition**

**Petition Title:** W. Lorentz Construction Sioux Quartzite Quarry

**Responsible Governmental Unit (RGU):** Pollution Control Agency

**RGU Contact:** Charles Peterson, 651-757-2856, [charles.peterson@state.mn.us](mailto:charles.peterson@state.mn.us)

On February 3, 2021, EQB received notice from the Pollution Control Agency (the designated RGU) that no permit applications had been submitted for this project. Per the requirements in MR 4410.1100 Subp. 9, the petition will remain in effect for one year from the date on which it was filed with the EQB (November 9, 2020). During that time, a prohibition on final governmental decisions (MR 4410.3100) remains in effect for any proposed project for which the nature and location is substantially similar to the project identified in the petition.

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# Environmental Assessment Worksheets

## Hiawatha Maintenance Facility Expansion

**Comment Deadline:** March 11, 2021

**Project Description:** This EAW studies the proposed Hiawatha Maintenance Facility Expansion located at 1911 East 26th Street, 1860 East 28th Street and 2717 Longfellow Avenue in Minneapolis. The Minneapolis Public Works Department is proposing to expand their Hiawatha Maintenance Facility, located at 1911 East 26th Street, into the property immediately to the south. This will involve the relocation and consolidation of water distribution maintenance office, shop, yard and vehicle/equipment storage functions, and sewer and stormwater office staff from elsewhere, requiring the demolition of the former Roof Depot warehouse building, and construction of approximately 328,000 square feet of new buildings, and parking (surface and structured) for an additional 360 City and personal vehicles.

**Link to Document:** [http://www2.minneapolismn.gov/cped/planning/cped\\_eaw](http://www2.minneapolismn.gov/cped/planning/cped_eaw)

**RGU:** City of Minneapolis

**RGU Contact:** Hilary Dvorak, 612-673-2639, [hilary.dvorak@minneapolismn.gov](mailto:hilary.dvorak@minneapolismn.gov)

## Silver Lake Dredging and Dam Modification Project

**Comment Deadline:** March 11, 2021

**Project Description:** The Silver Lake Dredging and Dam Modification Project (proposed Project) involves several improvements to Silver Lake, including dredging accumulated sediments, modifying the existing dam, and constructing riffle features to restore river functions.

**Link to Document:** <https://arcg.is/1XiaTq>

**RGU:** City of Rochester

**RGU Contact:** Wendy Turri, 507-328-2400, [wturri@rochestermn.gov](mailto:wturri@rochestermn.gov)

## Warroad Safe Harbor Project

**Comment Deadline:** March 11, 2021

**Project Description:** The proposed Project is a continuation of work completed in 1980 to comply with the federal Rivers and Harbors Act. It would consist of excavating a navigable channel into Lake of the Woods and improving the existing harbors, including installing

stabilization measures; adding boat slips and docks; and constructing two parking lots, one stormwater pond, and a new walking trail adjacent to the existing harbor.

**Link to Document:** <https://www.warroadmn.org/>

**RGU:** City of Warroad

**RGU Contact:** Kathy Lovelace, 218-386-1454, [CityAdmin@warroadmn.org](mailto:CityAdmin@warroadmn.org)

## Riverstone South

**Comment Deadline:** March 11, 2021

**Project Description:** Riverstone South is proposed on 78.63 acres of land in southwestern Anoka County. The project will include 165 detached single-family homes, 78 detached townhomes, and parkland with tree preservation. Site development will include installation of municipal sewer and water, mass grading, and stormwater management practices. Comments on this development can be submitted to the City through March 11, 2021.

**Link to Document:** <https://www.ci.ramsey.mn.us/769/Riverstone-South>

**RGU:** City of Ramsey

**RGU Contact:** Tim Gladhill, 763-433-9826, [tgladhill@cityoframsey.com](mailto:tgladhill@cityoframsey.com)

## Cragun's Legacy Golf Course Expansion and Residential Development

**Comment Deadline:** March 11, 2021

**Project Description:** Cragun's Resort proposes to construct a residential development, expand the Legacy Golf Courses by adding nine (9) new golf holes, and recondition the existing golf course. The project includes sixty-six (66) single residential housing lots integrated into the course expansion using a conservation design approach. The project area includes 826.3 acres, with 353 acres associated with the residential development and golf course expansion, and 473.3 acres within the existing golf course reconditioning.

**Link to Document:** [www.crowwing.us](http://www.crowwing.us)

**RGU:** Crow Wing County

**RGU Contact:** Jacob Frie, 218-824-1124, [jacob.frie@crowwing.us](mailto:jacob.frie@crowwing.us)

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## Environmental Impact Statement Need Decision

The noted responsible governmental unit has determined the following project does not require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

# US 52 Southbound Reconstruction

**Decision:** Negative (no EIS required), January 25, 2021

**Link to Document:** <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/d6/projects/hwy52-hader-southbound-improvements/documents.html>

**RGU:** Department of Transportation

**RGU Contact:** Jai Kalsy, 507-286-7545, [jai.kalsy@state.mn.us](mailto:jai.kalsy@state.mn.us)

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\*Links to environmental review documents were provided by the RGU. In the event that the link does not work, you may contact the RGU directly to request either a paper or electronic copy of the documents. If you are not able to connect with the RGU, please email EQB staff at [Env.Review@state.mn.us](mailto:Env.Review@state.mn.us), call 651.757.2873, or visit our [website](#).\*

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