

# EQB Monitor

EQB announcements and environmental review notices

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## ***EQB announcements***

### **May Environmental Quality Board meeting**

**Wednesday, May 18, 1 – 4 p.m.**

**Join in-person or online**

At this regular board meeting, the board will welcome new board members, hear subcommittee and program updates, discuss possible approaches to the environment and energy report card, and hear public comment. Please stay for an open house following the meeting to socialize and celebrate the return to in-person board meetings. More information about the meeting, including the meeting packet and Webex link, can be found on the [board meeting webpage](#).



## Implementing tools for climate adaptation and planning in Minnesota

*Climate Change and Environmental Review Speaker Series*

**Monday, May 23, 1 – 2 p.m.**

[Join online](#)

This speaker session will include a discussion of how responsible governmental units can use Minnesota climate data, resources and tools for environmental assessment worksheets.

Featuring:

- Louise Miltich, Energy Program Director — Minnesota Department of Commerce
- Dr. Kenneth Blumenfeld, Senior Climatologist — Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Division of Ecological and Water Resources' State Climatology Office

Throughout the [Climate Change and Environmental Review Pilot Program](#), EQB is hosting a monthly speaker series open to anyone that will feature presentations by technical experts about incorporating climate information into environmental assessment worksheets.

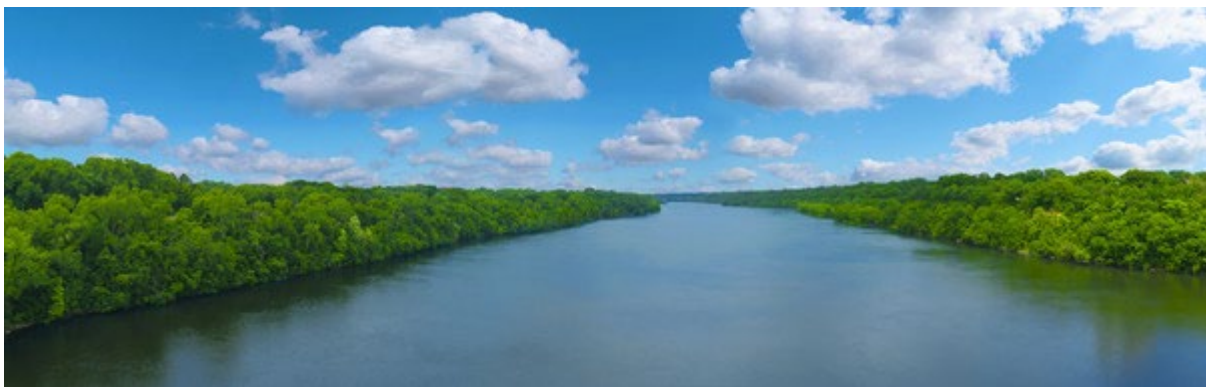
### Registration open for participation in Climate Change and Environmental Review Pilot Program

EQB is seeking local responsible governmental units (RGUs) and consultants interested in participating in a pilot program that will assess the efficiency and effectiveness of climate information by testing a draft revised environmental assessment worksheet. Participants will benefit from shared learning as well as training provided by technical experts.

Registration is open to all RGUs and consultants, regardless of whether you are actively reviewing a project. This cohort-based program will begin in early 2022. [Register now!](#)

If you are not eligible to register, but would like to receive updates about the Pilot Program, please [sign-up here](#).

## *Environmental Review Program 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](#).

## Windsong Farm Gold Club North Course

**Location:** Independence, Hennepin County

**Process:** Environmental assessment worksheet (EAW)

**Step:** Environmental assessment worksheet available

**End of comment period:** June 9, 2022

**Project description:** Fox Lake, LLC proposes to construct an 18 hole golf course north of the existing Windsong Farm Golf Club south course which will be located on a 125.6-acre tract of land. The land is comprised of rolling farmland, forests and wetlands. The project is privately owned and funded.

**Link to public documents:** [Windsong Farm Gold Club North Course EAW](#)

**Location of public documents:** Independence City Hall, 1920 County Road 90, Independence, MN 55359

**Responsible governmental unit and contact:** City of Independence, [Mark Kaltsas](#), 612-567-8786

## 324 and 332 Broadway Avenue Building Demolition

**Location:** Albert Lea, Freeborn County

**Process:** Environmental assessment worksheet

**Step:** Environmental impact statement (EIS) need decision

**Responsible governmental unit decision:** Negative (no EIS ordered)

**Record of decision date:** April 25, 2022

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

**Location of public documents:** Albert Lea City Hall, 221 E Clark Street, Albert Lea, MN 56007

**Responsible governmental unit and contact:** City of Albert Lea, [Ian Rigg](#), 507-377-4330

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# Submit an environmental review notice to the *EQB Monitor*

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To submit a notice for publication:

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