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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](#).

Some governmental units are completing environmental review using the draft revised Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) form that includes information about greenhouse gases and climate change. These reviews are noted below with a star (*) in front of the project title.

Proposed demolition of the Justus Ramsey House

Location: St. Paul, Ramsey County

Process: Petition

Step: Environmental assessment worksheet (EAW) need decision

Responsible governmental unit decision: Negative (no EAW ordered)

Responsible governmental unit decision date: November 21, 2022

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

Responsible governmental unit and contact: City of St. Paul, [Josh Williams](#), 651-266-6659

Cedar Meadows Residential Development

Location: Northfield, Dakota County

Process: Environmental assessment worksheet (EAW)

Step: EAW available

End of comment period: December 29, 2022

Project description: The residential development project proposed by Terrace Companies is a 61.94-acre residential development within the City of Northfield, Dakota County, MN. Multiple residential unit types are proposed including approximately 53 detached villas, 26 single family units, 16 units (8 buildings) of twin homes/duplexes, 12 units (4 buildings) of Triplexes, 63 units (1 building) of Senior co-op, and an Outlot A intended for development of apartment buildings. In addition, the necessary road infrastructure, a park, several wetland areas and buffers, and storm water ponds are proposed as part of the project.

Link to public documents: [Cedar Meadows Residential Development EAW](#)

Location of public documents: Northfield City Hall, 801 Washington Street, Northfield, MN 55057

Public meeting date, time, location: December 15, 2022, 6 p.m., Northfield City Hall, 801 Washington Street, Northfield, MN 55057

Responsible governmental unit and contact: City of Northfield, [Mikayla Schmidt](#), 507-645-3059

Owatonna Residential Development

Location: Owatonna, Steele County

Process: Environmental assessment worksheet (EAW)

Step: Environmental impact statement (EIS) need decision

Responsible governmental unit decision: Negative (no EIS ordered)

Responsible governmental unit decision date: March 1, 2022

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

Location of public documents: City Hall, 540 West Hills Circle, Owatonna, MN 55060

Responsible governmental unit and contact: City of Owatonna, [Greg Kruschke](#), 507-774-7317

Mississippi Landing Mixed-Use

Location: Otsego, Wright County

Process: Environmental assessment worksheet (EAW)

Step: Environmental impact statement (EIS) need decision

Responsible governmental unit decision: Negative (no EIS ordered)

Responsible governmental unit decision date: November 19, 2022

Link to public documents: [Mississippi Landing Mixed-Use EIS need decision](#)

Location of public documents: City of Otsego City Hall, 13400 90th St NE, Otsego, MN 55330

Responsible governmental unit and contact: City of Otsego, [D. Daniel Licht](#), 763-441-4414

Windsong Farm Golf Club North Course

Location: Independence, Hennepin County

Process: Environmental assessment worksheet (EAW)

Step: Environmental impact statement (EIS) need decision

Responsible governmental unit decision: Negative (no EIS ordered)

Responsible governmental unit decision date: November 15, 2022

Link to public documents: [Windsong Farm Golf Course Club North Course EIS need decision](#)

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

***Xcel Energy / City of Becker AUAR**

Location: Becker, Sherburne County

Process: Alternative urban areawide review (AUAR)

Step: Draft AUAR

End of comment period: December 29, 2022

Project description: The City of Becker and Xcel Energy are partnering on an Alternative Urban Areawide Review (AUAR) for an area of land adjacent to the Sherco Power Plant in Becker. Several parcels within the boundary of the proposed AUAR are owned by Xcel Energy to serve as a buffer around the power plant. Xcel Energy and the City of Becker are collaborating to develop this land with uses that can benefit from the existing infrastructure, support community development, and replace some of the tax base that will be lost when the plant closes. The City's currently adopted 2040 Comprehensive Plan guides most of this land as heavy industrial because the land is uniquely suited to accommodate such uses.

Link to public documents: [Xcel Energy / City of Becker draft AUAR](#)

Location of public documents: City of Becker City Hall, 12060 Sherburne Ave SE, Becker, MN, 55308

Responsible governmental unit and contact: City of Becker, [Jacob Sanders](#), 763-200-4242

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