

**RESOLUTION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD**  
*as approved November 14, 2012*

**Minnesota Environment and Energy Report Card**  
**as Mandated by Executive Order 11-32**

WHEREAS, Governor Dayton issued Executive Order 11-32 on November 16, 2011. Among other directives, the Executive Order requires that:

*By November 15, 2012, the EQB shall prepare an environmental and energy report card that identifies metrics which the State of Minnesota can use to measure its performance and progress protecting Minnesota's valuable air, water and land resources. Once initially established, the environment and energy report card shall be an annual report with renewed priorities, initiatives, and goals and an updated report card;*

WHEREAS, to address this charge, a multidisciplinary team of state agency staff used existing data to develop a report card intended to aid general understanding of the present conditions of Minnesota's environment, and energy production and use;

WHEREAS, the team developed the report card by selecting key indicators, providing graphical and narrative descriptions of the indicators, and providing narrative discussion and questions intended to foster public discourse about environmental policy;

WHEREAS, a draft report card was reviewed by two ad hoc advisory groups of invited participants convened on August 3 and August 21, 2012, and the draft report was subsequently revised and refined; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Environment and Energy Report Card will be used in future public discussions including the Citizen Forums to be held in November and December 2012 in Rochester, Bloomington, Duluth, Worthington, St. Cloud, and Moorhead, and the Environmental Congress to be held in March 2013 in St. Paul.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Minnesota Environmental Quality Board approves the Minnesota Environment and Energy Report Card; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Minnesota Environment and Energy Report Card will be forwarded to the Governor in fulfillment of Executive Order 11-32.