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Minnesota Rules: Amendments and Additions

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The State Register is the official source, and only complete listing, for all state agency rulemaking in its various stages. State agencies are required to publish notice of their rulemaking action in the State Register. Published every Monday, the State Register makes it easy to follow and participate in the important rulemaking process. Approximately 80 state agencies have the authority to issue rules. Each agency is assigned specific Minnesota Rule chapter numbers. Every odd-numbered year the Minnesota Rules are published. Supplements are published to update this set of rules. Generally speaking, proposed and adopted exempt rules do not appear in this set because of their short-term nature, but are published in the State Register.

An agency must first solicit Comments on Planned Rules or Comments on Planned Rule Amendments from the public on the subject matter of a possible rulemaking proposal under active consideration within the agency (Minnesota Statutes §§ 14.101). It does this by publishing a notice in the State Register at least 60 days before publication of a notice to adopt or a notice of hearing, or within 60 days of the effective date of any new statutory grant of required rulemaking.

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KEY: Proposed Rules - Underlining indicates additions to existing rule language. ~~Strikeouts~~ indicate deletions from existing rule language. If a proposed rule is totally new, it is designated "all new material." **Adopted Rules** - Underlining indicates additions to proposed rule language. ~~Strikeout~~ indicates deletions from proposed rule language.

Pollution Control Agency

Adopted Permanent Rules Relating to Antidegradation of State Waters

The rules proposed and published at State Register, Volume 40, Number 31, pages 901-922, February 1, 2016 (40 SR 901), are adopted with the following modifications:

7050.0250 ANTIDEGRADATION PURPOSE.

The purpose of the antidegradation provisions in parts 7050.0250 to 7050.0335 is to achieve and maintain the highest possible quality in surface waters of the state. To accomplish this purpose:

- A. existing uses and the level of water quality necessary to protect existing uses shall be maintained and protected;

7050.0255 DEFINITIONS.

Subpart 1. **Applicability.** For purposes of parts 7050.0250 to 7050.0335, the following terms have the meanings given in this part. Terms in parts 7050.0250 to 7050.0335 that are not specifically defined in applicable federal or state law shall be construed in conformance with the context, in relation to the applicable section of the statutes pertaining to the matter and ~~current~~ professional usage as of the effective date of this part.

Subp. 9. **Compensatory mitigation.** "Compensatory mitigation" means the restoration, establishment, or enhancement of surface waters to ~~replace the loss of~~ preserve an existing use ~~resulting from when there is~~ a physical alteration of a surface water after all prudent and feasible alternatives have been implemented to avoid and minimize degradation.

Subp. 11. **Degradation or degrade.** "Degradation" or "degrade" means a measurable change to existing water quality made or induced by human activity resulting in diminished chemical, physical, biological, or radiological ~~conditions~~ qualities of surface waters. For municipal sewage and industrial waste discharges, degradation is calculated at the edge of the mixing zone upon reasonable allowance for dilution of the discharge according to part 7053.0205, ~~subpart 5~~ subparts 5 to 7.

Subp. 21. **High water quality or of high quality.** "High water quality" or "of high quality" means water quality that exceeds, on a parameter-by-parameter basis, levels necessary to support the protection and propagation of aquatic life and recreation in and on the water as described in part 7050.0140, subpart 3.

Subp. 23. **Loading offset.** "Loading offset" means reductions in loading from regulated or unregulated activities, which reductions create additional capacity for proposed net increases in loading. A loading offset must:

- A. occur ~~concurrent~~ concurrently with or prior to the proposed net increase in loading ~~and must~~;
- B. be secured with binding legal instruments between any involved persons for the life of the project that is being offset;
and
- C. occur either adjacent to or upstream of the proposed activity.

Subp. 26. **Net increase in loading or other causes of degradation.** "Net increase in loading or other causes of degradation" means:

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B. when applied to a proposed activity that is regulated by an existing control document, an increase in loading or other causes of degradation exceeding the maximum loading or other causes of degradation authorized through water pollution control conditions specified in the existing control document as of the effective date. Application of new effluent limitations based on improved monitoring data or new water quality standards that are not a result of changes in loading or other causes of degradation within the existing capacity and processes authorized by an applicable control document is not considered a net increase in loading or other causes of degradation.

7050.0260 DETERMINING EXISTING WATER QUALITY.

Subpart 1. **Methods.** Existing water quality shall be determined using methods described in items A to ~~E~~ D. The methods are listed in descending order of priority. Lower priority methods shall be used only if higher priority methods are not reasonably available. More than one method shall be used when a single method does not adequately describe existing water quality.

~~D.~~ Use of a water quality model to characterize existing conditions in the surface water, provided that the model uses data from the same watershed as the surface water under review for existing conditions.

7050.0265 ANTIDegradation STANDARDS WHEN CHANGES IN EXISTING WATER QUALITY ARE REASONABLY QUANTIFIABLE.

Subp. 2. **Protection of existing uses.** The commissioner shall approve a proposed activity only when existing uses and the level of water quality necessary to protect existing uses are maintained and protected. ~~Evaluation of the maintenance and protection of existing uses includes consideration of:~~

~~A. aquatic life that utilizes or is present in or on the surface waters;~~

~~B. recreational opportunities in or on the surface waters;~~

~~C. hydrologic conditions, geomorphic conditions, water chemistry, and habitat necessary to maintain and protect existing aquatic life or recreation in or on the surface waters; and~~

~~D. commercial activity that depends on the preservation of water quality.~~

Subp. 3. **Compensatory mitigation; ~~loss of existing uses.~~**

~~A. Except as provided in item D, The commissioner shall allow compensatory mitigation for the loss of an existing use resulting from as a means to preserve an existing use when there is a physical alterations alteration to a surface water only when all of the following conditions are met:~~

~~(1) prudent and feasible alternatives are not available to avoid or minimize adverse impacts to the existing use surface water;~~

~~(2) the mitigation is sufficient in quality and quantity to ensure replacement of the lost existing use surface water;~~

~~(3) the mitigation is accomplished by:~~

~~(a) restoring a previously impacted surface water of the same type, or other type if required by statute; or;~~

~~(b) when restoring is not a prudent or feasible alternative, establishing or enhancing a surface water of the same type, or other type if required by statute;~~

~~B. For the purposes of subpart 2 and part 7050.0250, item A, existing uses are maintained and protected when regulated activities involving the physical alterations of surface waters are in compliance with item A.~~

~~D. The commissioner shall prohibit the loss of existing uses resulting from physical alterations, regardless of the compensatory mitigation proposed, when the proposed activity would physically alter or otherwise degrade the exceptional characteristics of an outstanding resource value water designated in part 7050.0335.~~

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Subp. 5. **Protection of surface waters of high quality.** Items A to D apply to surface waters the commissioner determines to be of high quality.

B. The commissioner shall approve a proposed activity only when the commissioner makes a finding that lower water quality resulting from the proposed activity is necessary to accommodate important economic or social changes ~~resulting from the proposed activity are important~~ in the geographic area in which degradation of existing high water quality is anticipated. The commissioner shall consider the following factors in determining the importance of economic or social changes:

7050.0270 ANTIDegradation STANDARDS WHEN CHANGES IN EXISTING WATER QUALITY ARE NOT REASONABLY QUANTIFIABLE.

Subp. 4. **Protection of surface waters of high quality.**

C. The commissioner shall issue a control document that authorizes a net increase in loading or other causes of degradation only when the commissioner makes a finding that issuance of the control document accommodates is necessary to accommodate important economic or social change.

7050.0275 EXEMPTIONS FROM PROCEDURES.

Subpart 1. **Class 7 surface waters.** The procedures specified in parts 7050.0280 and 7050.0285 do not apply to proposed activities resulting in a net increase in loading or other causes of degradation to a Class 7 surface water except when, in the commissioner's judgment, there is reasonable risk that the proposed activity would result in:

A. the loss of existing uses and the level of water quality necessary to protect existing uses in the Class 7 surface water and downstream surface waters;

Subp. 2. **Temporary and limited degradation.** The procedures specified in parts 7050.0280 and 7050.0285 do not apply to proposed activities that result in temporary and limited degradation of high water quality when the requirements of items A to D are met.

C. The commissioner shall approve a proposed temporary and limited degradation of high water quality only when:

(2) it would not cause a permanent deviation from exceedance of water quality standards; and

7050.0285 PROCEDURES FOR SECTION 401 CERTIFICATIONS OF INDIVIDUAL FEDERAL LICENSES AND PERMITS.

Subp. 2. **Applicant's antidegradation assessment.** The applicant must provide information specified in part 7050.0280, subpart 2, to the commissioner, unless the applicant is notified that the commissioner is waiving the agency's authority to certify the federal license or permit under part 7001.1460. In addition, the applicant may propose compensatory mitigation for the loss of to the extent allowed by the Clean Water Act to preserve existing uses and the level of water quality necessary to protect the existing uses resulting from when there is a physical alteration. In such cases, the applicant must provide a proposed compensatory mitigation plan that includes:

C. a description of how compensatory mitigation will fully replace establish sufficient quality and quantity of uses to preserve existing uses and the level of water quality necessary to protect existing uses; and

D. a proposal for monitoring and reporting the changes in existing uses and the level of water quality necessary to protect existing uses of the surface waters in which mitigation will occur; and

E. a description of how the compensatory mitigation will be maintained.

Expedited Emergency Rules

Provisions exist for the Commissioners of some state agencies to adopt expedited emergency rules when conditions exist that do not allow the Commissioner to comply with the requirements for emergency rules. The Commissioner must submit the rule to the attorney general for review and must publish a notice of adoption that includes a copy of the rule and the emergency conditions. Expedited emergency rules are effective upon publication in the *State Register*, and may be effective up to seven days before publication under certain emergency conditions.

Expedited emergency rules are effective for the period stated or up to 18 months. Specific *Minnesota Statute* citations accompanying these expedited emergency rules detail the agency's rulemaking authority.

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Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules: Lynx Management Zone

Notice is hereby given that the above entitled rules have been adopted through the process prescribed by Minnesota Statutes, section 84.027, subdivision 13 (b). The statutory authority for the contents of the rule is Minnesota Statutes, sections 97A.045 and 97B.605.

The conditions that do not allow compliance with Minnesota Statutes, sections 97A.0451 to 97A.0459, are as follows: Rule changes are made to comply with a federal court order that directs the Minnesota DNR to implement regulatory and programmatic changes to restrict, modify, or eliminate the incidental taking of Canada Lynx through trapping activities in the core Canada Lynx ranges.

The federal court order remains in effect until the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service issues an incidental take permit, which could require further changes to lynx rules. The 18-month effective time of rules under Minnesota Statutes 84.027 subdivision 13(b) best accommodates the incidental take permit process. Once the incidental take permit is finalized, the DNR will begin a permanent rulemaking process.

Dated: October 19, 2016

Tom Landwehr
Commissioner of Natural Resources

6234.1000 DESCRIPTION OF FURBEARER ZONES.

[For text of subps 1 to 4, see M.R.]

Subp. 5. **Lynx Management Zone.** That portion of the state lying north and east of a line beginning at U.S. Highway 53 at the east boundary of the state, thence along U.S. Highway 53 to the north boundary of the state, is known as the Lynx Management Zone.

6234.2200 USE OF TRAPS.

[For text of subps 1 to 5, see M.R.]

Subp. 5a. **Body-gripping traps; Lynx Management Zone.** In the Lynx Management Zone, a person may not set, place, or operate, except as a water set, any body-gripping trap that has a maximum jaw opening, when set, of greater than five inches and less than 7-1/2 inches measured from the inside edges of the body-gripping portions of the jaws, unless the trap is set:

A. at least three feet above the ground or snow level in a tree;

B. at least three feet above the ground or snow level on a leaning pole six inches or less in diameter; or

C. in a cubby box recessed at least seven inches from the box opening, which must be less than 50 square inches in opening size. A cubby box may be constructed of any material, but must be constructed and set in a manner that allows an animal to enter only through the cubby box opening.

[For text of subps 6 to 12, see M.R.]

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Subp. 13. **Trap staking and tethering; Lynx Management Zone.** In the Lynx Management Zone, except for water sets, all traps must be staked or otherwise secured by tethering chains or cables not more than 18 inches long, in a manner that prevents captured animals from removing the trap from the trap site.

Subp. 14. **Trap tether swivels; Lynx Management Zone.** In the Lynx Management Zone, except for water sets, all leghold traps must have two or more swivels in the tethering chain or cable.

Subp. 15. **Bait restrictions; Lynx Management Zone.** In the Lynx Management Zone, the use of fresh meat, rabbits or hares, or parts of rabbits or hares is prohibited. Other meat may be used as bait if it has been unfrozen and exposed to air for at least 24 hours before being placed in a trap.

Subp. 16. **Sight attractant restrictions; Lynx Management Zone.** In the Lynx Management Zone, the use of suspended flags or other sight attractants within 20 feet of a trap is prohibited.

6234.2400 SPECIAL RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF SNARES.

[For text of subs 1 to 7, see M.R.]

Subp. 8. **Snare loop diameter.** The diameter of a snare loop may not exceed ten inches. In the Lynx Management Zone, the diameter of a snare loop must be at least eight inches when set on land.

Subp. 9. **Snare cable diameter.** Snare cable or wire may not exceed one-eighth inch in diameter. In the Lynx Management Zone, snare cable or wire must be at least 5/64 inch in diameter when set on land.

[For text of subs 10 and 11, see M.R.]

EFFECTIVE PERIOD. The expedited emergency amendments to Minnesota Rules, parts 6234.1000; 6234.2200; and 6234.2400, are effective November 25, 2016.

Official Notices

Pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* §§ 14.101, an agency must first solicit comments from the public on the subject matter of a possible rulemaking proposal under active consideration within the agency by publishing a notice in the *State Register* at least 60 days before publication of a notice to adopt or a notice of hearing, and within 60 days of the effective date of any new statutory grant of required rulemaking.

The *State Register* also publishes other official notices of state agencies and non-state agencies, including notices of meetings and matters of public interest.

Minnesota Department of Health

Division of Health Policy, Health Economics Program

Notice of Public Interest Review Application for New Hospital Beds and Opportunity for Public Comment

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) has received a filing under *Minnesota Statutes* 144.552 requesting public interest review of an intent from PrairieCare to increase the number of licensed beds from 50 to 71 for a psychiatric hospital in the city of Brooklyn Park. The hospital is seeking increase inpatient psychiatric capacity by converting 21 single-occupancy rooms to double occupancy to provide care exclusively for patients who are under age 21 of age on the date of admission.

Under Minnesota Statute, a hospital seeking to increase its number of licensed beds or an organization seeking to obtain a hospital license must submit a plan to MDH. MDH is required to review the plan and issue a finding within 90 days (or up to six months in extenuating circumstances) on whether the plan is in the public interest. Furthermore, *Minnesota Statutes, Sec. 144.553 Subd. 1*, requires that any other organization seeking a hospital license to serve the same, or similar, service area must notify the Commissioner of Health within thirty days of the date of this notice. Electronic copies of documents submitted to MDH for this application are on the Health Economics Program website (<http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/hpsc/hep/moratorium/index.html>).

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Written statements or comments may be submitted to the following address:

Stefan Gildemeister, Director
Health Economics Program
Minnesota Department of Health
P.O. Box 64882
St. Paul, MN 55164-0882

Comments may also be submitted electronically by e-mailing them to Stefan.Gildemeister@state.mn.us. Questions about the public interest review process may be directed to Stefan Gildemeister at 651/201-3554 (Stefan.Gildemeister@state.mn.us) or Nathan Hierlmaier at 651/201-3541 (Nathan.Hierlmaier@state.mn.us).

Department of Human Services

Health Care Purchasing and Delivery Systems Division - Health Care Administration

Public Notice of Maximum Allowable Costs of Medical Assistance Outpatient Prescribed Drugs

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to recipients, providers of services, and to the public of additions to the state Medical Assistance maximum allowable cost (state MAC) list for certain outpatient prescribed drugs.

Minnesota Statute 256B.0625 subd. 13e (e) gives the commissioner the authority to negotiate reimbursement rates for specialty pharmacy products. The commissioner employs a Specialty Maximum Allowable Cost (Specialty MAC) reimbursement methodology for specialty products. Specialty pharmaceutical products include injectable and infusion therapies, biotechnology drugs, antihemophilic factor products, high-cost therapies, and therapies that require complex care.

No earlier than November 15, 2016 the Department may add the following outpatient prescribed drugs to the state MAC list:

Drug UPC Name

ORKAMBI__LUMACAFTOR/IVACAFTOR
TECENTRIQ__ATEZOLIZUMAB
INFLECTRA__INFLIXIMAB-DYYB

These additions are made to bring Medical Assistance reimbursement to pharmacists more closely in line with the actual acquisition cost of the drugs listed above. The Department estimates that there will be a state savings of \$10,000 for State Fiscal Year 2016 (July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017).

This notice is published pursuant to *Code of Federal Regulations*, Title 42, section 447.205, which requires publication of a notice when there is a rate change in the methods and standards for setting payment rates for Medical Assistance services.

Written comments and requests for information may be sent to Pharmacy Program Manager Sara Drake R.Ph., Health Services and Medical Management Division, Health Care Administration, Minnesota Department of Human Services, P.O. Box 64984, St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0984.

State Grants & Loans

In addition to requests by state agencies for technical/professional services (published in the State Contracts Section), the *State Register* also publishes notices about grants and loans available through any agency or branch of state government. Although some grant and loan programs specifically require printing in a statewide publication such as the State Register, there is no requirement for publication in the *State Register* itself. Agencies are encouraged to publish grant and loan notices, and to provide financial estimates as well as sufficient time for interested parties to respond.

SEE ALSO: Office of Grants Management (OGM) at: <http://www.grants.state.mn.us/public/>

Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Biofuels Infrastructure Partnership – Blender Pump Grant Program

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Agriculture is requesting applications for grants for the purchase and installation of E15/25 retrofit infrastructure for existing gasoline fuel pumps at fueling stations in the state.

Purpose

The Minnesota Biofuels Infrastructure Partnership Grant Program (BIP) is funded by the United States Department of Agriculture, the State of Minnesota, and private-sector partners for the primary purpose of increasing consumption of biofuel in the form of ethanol.

This grant pays for a portion of the cost of ethanol blender pumps. The basic amounts of the grant award are:

- Up to 70% of a single blender pump and associated costs, **OR**
- Up to a maximum of \$20,000 per dispenser, whichever is less.

A bonus grant award is possible per pump when a site's benchmarks- are met or exceeded. These benchmarks are:

- **Sales volumes over a million of gallons per year.**
- **Excellent site condition**-no to minimal island corrosion, even-surfaced parking lot, clean and attractive restrooms, etc.

If a remodel is planned that will improve the site condition, the applicant is asked to explain this in the narrative section of the application.

- **Exceptional plans, with specific details for marketing and customer interaction, that will assure successful sales of higher blend ethanol fuels.**

The RFP and associated application materials can be accessed through the MDA RFP website:

<http://www.mda.state.mn.us/grants/grants/blenderpump.aspx>. The deadline for final submission is **Friday, November 18, 2016, at 4:00 pm**, or until funds are depleted, whichever comes first. Applications will be reviewed and awards made periodically over that time.

State Contracts

Informal Solicitations: Informal solicitations for professional/technical (consultant) contracts valued at over \$5,000 through \$50,000, may either be published in the *State Register* or posted on the Department of Administration, Materials Management Division's (MMD) Web site. Interested vendors are encouraged to monitor the P/T Contract Section of the MMD Website at www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us for informal solicitation announcements.

Formal Solicitations: Department of Administration procedures require that formal solicitations (announcements for contracts with an estimated value over \$50,000) for professional/technical contracts must be published in the *State Register*. Certain quasi-state agency and Minnesota State College and University institutions are exempt from these requirements.

Requirements: There are no statutes or rules requiring contracts to be advertised for any specific length of time, but the Materials Management Division strongly recommends meeting the following requirements: \$0 - \$5000 does not need to be advertised. Contact the Materials Management Division: (651) 296-2600 \$5,000 - \$25,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a period of at least seven calendar days; \$25,000 - \$50,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a period of at least 14 calendar days; and anything above \$50,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a minimum of at least 21 calendar days.

Department of Administration

Notice of Availability of Request for Proposal (RFP) for Designer Selection for: Addition of Pavilion at the Governor's Residence – Saint Paul, MN (RECS Project #02GR0010) (State Designer Selection Board Project No. 16-08)

The State of Minnesota, Department of Administration is soliciting proposals from interested, qualified consultants for architectural and engineering design services for the above referenced project.

A full Request for Proposals is available on the Minnesota Department of Administration's website at <http://state.mn.us/admin/government/construction-projects/sdsb/projects> (click 16-08).

A mandatory informational meeting will be held on **Monday, November 21, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. CT** at the Governor's Residence, 1006 Summit Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55105. The meeting will include a tour of the proposed project areas and a review of the scope of work.

Pre-registration for Information Meeting deadline: **Friday, November 18, 2016 at Noon (12:00 p.m.) CT**. Contact Charlye McMillan at charlye.mcmillan@state.mn.us.

Any questions should be directed to **Charlye McMillan** at charlye.mcmillan@state.mn.us. Project questions will be taken by this individual only. Questions regarding this RFP must be received by **Tuesday, November 22, 2016 no later than 12:00 noon Central Time**.

Proposals must be delivered to Charlye McMillan, Executive Secretary, State Designer Selection Board, Real Estate and Construction Services, Room 309, Administration Building, 50 Sherburne Ave., St. Paul, MN 55155 not later than **12:00 noon Central Time on Monday, November 28, 2016**. Late responses will not be considered. (*Please note that State offices are closed Thursday, November 24 and Friday November 25 due to the holiday and will be unable to receive proposals on those days.)

The State of Minnesota is not obligated to complete the proposed project and reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest.

Department of Administration

Notice of Availability of Request for Proposal (RFP) for Designer Selection for: Construction of Minnesota National Guard Training Facilities, Camp Ripley, Little Falls, Minnesota (DMA Project No. 17126) – State Designer Selection Board Project No. 16-09

The State of Minnesota, Department of Administration is soliciting proposals from interested, qualified consultants for architectural and engineering design services for the above referenced project.

A full Request for Proposals is available on the Minnesota Department of Administration's website at <http://state.mn.us/admin/government/construction-projects/sdsb/projects> (click 16-09).

A **non-mandatory** informational meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 22, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. at the Camp Ripley Education Center, 15000 Highway 115, Little Falls, Minnesota 56345-4173**. All firms interested in this meeting should contact Ms. Lois Erickson at lois.r.erickson.nfg@mail.mil to sign up to attend the meeting.

Any questions should be directed to Ms. Lois Erickson at lois.r.erickson.nfg@mail.mil. Project questions will be taken by this individual only. Questions regarding this RFP must be received by **Sunday, November 27, 2016 no later than 8:00 PM Central Time**.

Proposals must be delivered to Charlye McMillan, Executive Secretary, State Designer Selection Board, Real Estate and Construction Services, Room 309, Administration Building, 50 Sherburne Ave., St. Paul, MN 55155 not later than **12:00 noon on Monday, December 5, 2016**. Late responses will not be considered.

The Minnesota National Guard is not obligated to complete the proposed project and reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest.

Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA)

Plant Protection Division – Seed, Weed, and Biotechnology Unit

Notice of Request for Proposal for Seed Quality and Regulatory Compliance Testing

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Agriculture is requesting proposals to confidentially test state-collected regulatory seed samples.

Work is proposed to start January 1, 2017. To obtain a free copy of the Request for Proposal, contact:

Clifford Watrin
Department of Agriculture
Plant Protection Division
Seed, Weed, and Biotechnology Unit
625 Robert St N
St Paul, MN 55155
Phone: 651-201-6531
Email: Clifford.watrin@state.mn.us

This is the only person designated to answer questions by potential responders regarding this request.

Proposals submitted in response to this Request for Proposals must be received at the address above no later than **2:30 p.m., Central Daylight Time, November 30th, 2016**. **Late proposals will NOT be considered**. Faxed or emailed proposals will **NOT** be considered.

This request does not obligate the State to complete the work contemplated in the notice. The State reserves the right to cancel this solicitation. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)

North Hennepin Community College

Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for Wayfinding and Signage Design

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that North Hennepin Community College (NHCC) is soliciting proposals from qualified vendors for Wayfinding and Signage Design services. The full Request for Proposals (RFP) will be available Monday, November 7 at: <http://www.finance.mnscu.edu/facilities/index.html> under “Announcements” then click on “Solicitations”. All requirements and information, as well as proposal delivery instructions will be contained in the RFP.

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Proposals must be delivered to:

Joe Moran, Director of Facilities Services
North Hennepin Community College
7411 85th Avenue North
Learning Resource Center Building, Room LRC 125
Brooklyn Park, Minnesota 55455

Proposals must be received NO later than **5:00 PM, Monday, December 12, 2016**; late responses will not be considered. North Hennepin Community College reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any irregularities or informalities, and to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be its own best interest. This Request for Proposals does not obligate NHCC to award a contract.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) **Lake Superior College** **Request for Bids for Radiographic System DR**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that bids are being solicited for pricing of a Radiographic System DR to be used at Lake Superior College located in Duluth, Minnesota.

For additional information or to request a copy of the Request for Bid, please contact:

Mike Francisco, Purchasing purchasing@lsc.edu
Lake Superior College
2101 Trinity Rd, Duluth MN 55811
Telephone: 218-733-5968/ Fax: 218-733-5977

Sealed proposals are due at the Lake Superior College Business Office by **4:00 PM CT on Monday, November 28th**.

This notice and the Request for Proposal do not obligate the State of Minnesota, Minnesota State Colleges and Universities or Lake Superior College to award a contract; and reserves its right to withdraw from the RFB if it is considered to be in its best interest.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) **Rochester Community and Technical College** **Notice of Availability of Request for Proposal (RFP) for Assessment Planning, Tracking, Reporting Technology Solutions**

The State of Minnesota, acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, on behalf of Rochester Community and Technical College is soliciting proposals from interested and qualified vendors to provide a web-based comprehensive solution to plan, track, and report assessment initiatives and related accreditation evidence across the institution.

To obtain the Request for Proposal, please email June Meitzner at june.meitzner@rctc.edu.

All project questions should be directed to Dr. Greg A. Mosier, Executive Vice President, Academic Affairs, at greg.mosier@rctc.edu.

Proposals are to be mailed to:

June Meitzner
Purchasing Manager
Rochester Community and Technical College
851 30th Ave. SE,
Rochester, MN 55904

and received no later than 3:00 pm CDT, December 16, 2016.

Materials received after this date and time will be returned unopened.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is not obligated to complete the proposed project and reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) St. Cloud Technical & Community College Formal Request for Proposal for Athletic Branding & Logo Development

Response Due Date and Time: **Wednesday, November 23, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. Central Time**

The complete Request for Proposal will be available on Monday, November 7, 2016 on the website <http://www.sctcc.edu/rfp>.

Title of Project: Athletic Branding & Logo Development

Geographic Location Requirements: St. Cloud Technical & Community College, 1540 Northway Drive, St. Cloud, MN 56303

Responses must be received at the location listed below:

St. Cloud Technical & Community College
1540 Northway Drive
St. Cloud, MN 56303
Susan Meyer, Purchasing Agent, Room 1-401
Phone: (320) 308-5973
Fax: (320) 308-5027
E-mail: smeyer@sctcc.edu

Contact for questions: Susan Meyer, Phone: (320) 308-5973 e-mail: smeyer@sctcc.edu

Your response to this Request for Proposal (RFP) must be returned sealed. Sealed responses must be received no later than the due date and time specified above. Late responses cannot be considered and the responses will be rejected.

The laws of Minnesota and MnSCU Board of Trustees policies and procedures apply to this RFP.

All attached General RFP Terms and Conditions, Specifications and Special Terms and Conditions are part of the RFP and will be incorporated into any contract(s) entered into as a result of this RFP.

All responses to this RFP must be prepared as stated herein and properly signed. **Address all correspondence and inquiries regarding this RFP to the Contact person above. This is a request for responses to an RFP and is NOT a purchase order.**

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Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board (IRRRB)

Business Development Division

Request for Proposals to Provide a Loan Management Solution including Software, Licensing, Installation, Training and Support in Eveleth, Minnesota

The IRRRB is requesting proposals from interested, qualified vendors to provide a comprehensive loan management solution for the Iron Range Resource and Rehabilitation Board in Eveleth Minnesota. This will include project management, software installation, data migration, configuration assistance and staff training. Contractor responsibilities and respondent proposal requirements can be obtained from the IRRRB website: <http://mn.gov/irrrb/about-us/work-with-us/> on or after October 31, 2016. Sealed proposals must be received no later than **2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 23, 2016**. Faxed or emailed responses will not be permitted.

Please submit completed proposals to:

Kim Peterson
Contract Coordinator
Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation
PO Box 441, 4261 Highway 53 S.
Eveleth, MN 55734

This request does not obligate the State to complete the work contemplated in this notice. The State reserves the right to cancel this solicitation. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT)

Engineering Services Division

Notice of Potential Availability of Contracting Opportunities for a Variety of Highway Related Technical Activities (“Consultant Pre-Qualification Program”)

This document is available in alternative formats for persons with disabilities by calling Kelly Arneson at (651) 366-4774; for persons who are hearing or speech impaired by calling Minnesota Relay Service at (800) 627-3529.

Mn/DOT, worked in conjunction with the Consultant Reform Committee, the American Council of Engineering Companies of Minnesota (ACEC/MN), and the Department of Administration, to develop the Consultant Pre-Qualification Program as a new method of consultant selection. The ultimate goal of the Pre-Qualification Program is to streamline the process of contracting for highway related professional/technical services. Mn/DOT awards most of its consultant contracts for highway-related technical activities using this method, however, Mn/DOT also reserves the right to use Request for Proposal (RFP) or other selection processes for particular projects.

Nothing in this solicitation requires Mn/DOT to use the Consultant Pre-Qualification Program.

Mn/DOT is currently requesting applications from consultants. Refer to Mn/DOT’s Consultant Services web site, indicated below, to expenses are incurred in responding to this notice will be borne by the responder. Response to this notice becomes public information under the Minnesota Government Data Practices.

Consultant Pre-Qualification Program information, application requirements and applications forms are available on Mn/DOT’s Consultant Services web site at: <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/consult>.

Send completed application material to:

Kelly Arneson
Consultant Services
Office of Technical Support
Minnesota Department of Transportation
395 John Ireland Blvd. - Mail Stop 680
St. Paul, MN 55155

Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT)

Engineering Services Division

Notice Concerning Professional/Technical Contract Opportunities and Taxpayers' Transportation Accountability Act Notices

NOTICE TO ALL: The Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) is now placing additional public notices for professional/technical contract opportunities on Mn/DOT's Consultant Services **website** at: www.dot.state.mn.us/consult

New Public notices may be added to the website on a daily basis and be available for the time period as indicated within the public notice. Mn/DOT is also posting notices as required by the Taxpayers' Transportation Accountability Act on the above referenced website.

Non-State Public Bids, Contracts & Grants

The State Register also serves as a central marketplace for contracts let out on bid by the public sector. The *State Register* meets state and federal guidelines for statewide circulation of public notices. Any tax-supported institution or government jurisdiction may advertise contracts and requests for proposals from the private sector. It is recommended that contracts and RFPs include the following: 1) name of contact person; 2) institution name, address, and telephone number; 3) brief description of commodity, project or tasks; 4) cost estimate; and 5) final submission date of completed contract proposal. Allow at least three weeks from publication date (four weeks from the date article is submitted for publication). Surveys show that subscribers are interested in hearing about contracts for estimates as low as \$1,000. Contact editor for further details.

Besides the following listing, readers are advised to check: <http://www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us/solicitations.htm> as well as the Office of Grants Management (OGM) at: <http://www.grants.state.mn.us/public/>.

Hennepin County

Hennepin County Designer Selection Committee (Dsc)

Advertisement for A/E Services for New Medial Examiner's Facility

The Hennepin County Designer Selection Committee (DSC) will be selecting architectural/engineering firms for design and construction administration services for the following project:

- New Medical Examiner's Facility

To obtain a Request for Proposal, please access the Hennepin County internet site at www.hennepin.us. From the County home page, search for "DSC" in the search box in the middle of the page. From the Hennepin County Designer Selection Committee page, you may view and print the RFP for your use.

A letter of interest is not required for RFP noted above. All proposals received by the deadline noted in the RFP will be reviewed by the Designer Selection Committee. If you experience difficulty locating or downloading the RFP, you may call Adam Sobiech, Hennepin County Property Services, at 612-348-3172.

Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC)

Notice of Call for Bids for 2017 Electrical Infrastructure Program P9

Airport Location: Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport (MAC)
Project Name: 2017 Electrical Infrastructure Program P9
MAC Contract No: 106-2-810
Bids Close At: 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 13 December, 2016

Notice to Contractors: Sealed Bid Proposals for the project listed above will be received by the MAC, a public corporation, at the office thereof located at 6040-28th Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55450, until the date and hour indicated. The

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work includes replacing and re-circuiting lighting in electrical rooms, replacing old and obsolete electrical panels, as well as procuring spare breakers for substation gear. Also included is the cleaning, maintenance and relabeling of electrical distribution equipment. Also included is the removal of door signage and subsequent repainting of doors and surfaces, painting of floors, and replacement of doors and hardware.

Note: You can sign up on our Web site (www.metroairports.org) to receive email notifications of new business opportunities or go directly to https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/MNORGMAC/subscriber/topics?gsp-CODE_RED and choose this and other topics about which you are interested.

Targeted Group Businesses (TGB): The goal of the MAC for the utilization of TGB on this project is 6%.

Bid Security: Each bid shall be accompanied by a "Bid Security" in the form of a certified check made payable to the MAC in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid, or a surety bond in the same amount, running to the MAC, with the surety company thereon duly authorized to do business in the State of Minnesota.

Availability of Bidding Documents: Bidding documents are on file for inspection at the office of Alliance; at the Minnesota Builders Exchange; Dodge Data and Analytics; and NAMC-UM Plan Room. Bidders desiring bidding documents may secure a complete set from: Franz Reprographics; 2781 Freeway Boulevard, Suite 100; Brooklyn Center, MN 55430; PH: 763.503.3401; FX: 763.503.3409. Make checks payable to: Alliance. Deposit per set (refundable): \$150. Requests for mailing sets will be invoiced for mailing charges. Deposit will be refunded upon return of bidding documents in good condition within 10 days of opening of bids.

MAC Internet Access of Additional Information: A comprehensive Notice of Call for Bids for this project will be available on November 14, 2016, at MAC's web address of <http://www.metroairports.org/Airport-Authority/Business-Opportunities/Solicitations.aspx> (construction bids).



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- **Retail store** Open 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. Monday - Friday, 660 Olive Street, St. Paul
- **Phone** (credit cards): 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday - Friday, 651.297.3000 (Twin Cities) or 1.800.657.3757 (nationwide toll-free)
- **On-line orders:** www.minnesotasbookstore.com
- **Minnesota Relay Service:** 711
- **Fax** (credit cards): 651.215.5733 (fax line available 24 hours)
- **Mail orders:** Orders can be sent to Minnesota's Bookstore, 660 Olive Street, St. Paul, MN 55155

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Please allow 2-3 weeks for delivery.

Please make checks payable to "Minnesota's Bookstore."

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