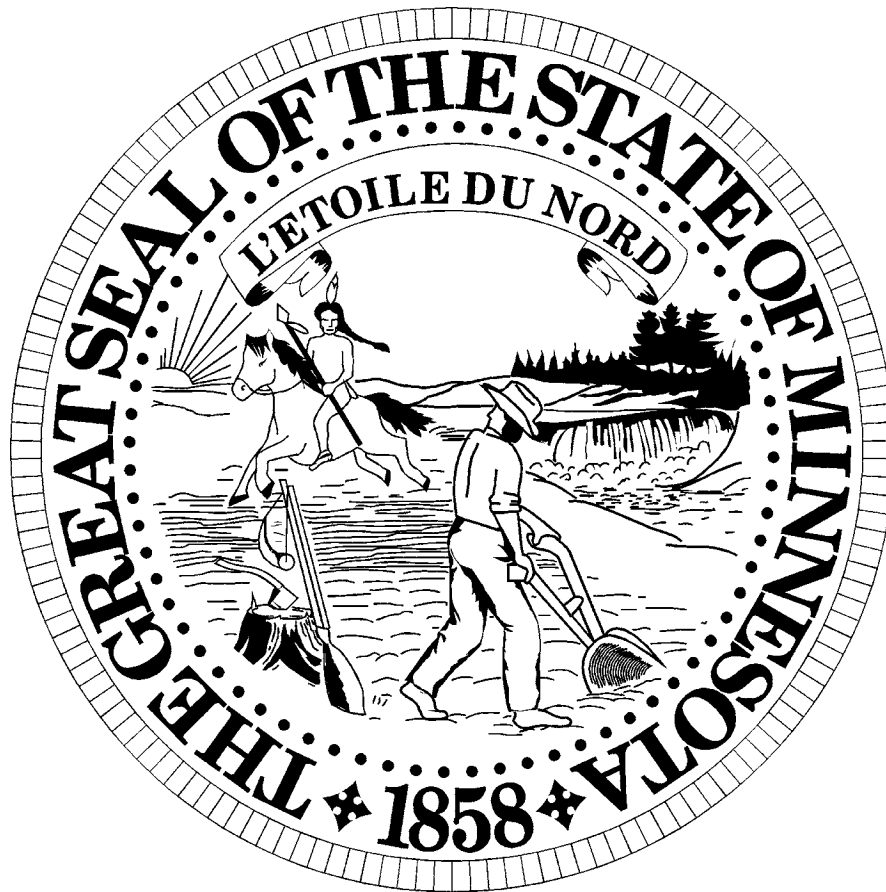


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Provisions exist for the Commissioners of some state agencies to adopt expedited rules when conditions exist that do not allow the Commissioner to comply with the requirements for normal rules. The Commissioner must submit the rule to the attorney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

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

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.

Department of Natural Resources

Adopted Expedited Game and Fish Rules: Special Spring Turkey Hunts

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 content of the rules is Minnesota Statutes, sections 97A.435, 97A.465 and 97B.111.

The following conditions do not allow compliance with Minnesota Statutes, sections 97A.0451 to 97A.0459. The rule provides special turkey hunting opportunities for military personnel and persons who have a physical disability and accommodates the time needed by special hunt organizers to coordinate and report the number of hunters that are interested and the areas they wish to hunt.

Dated: 3/7/2017

Tom Landwehr
Commissioner of Natural Resources

6236.1060 TURKEY HUNT QUOTAS.

Subpart 1. Open areas and permit quotas. The following wild turkey permit areas are open for the 2017 spring wild turkey season. An unlimited number of permits are available for periods C to F. Periods A and B have the following quotas on numbers of permits:

| 2017 Spring Wild Turkey Permit Area Quotas | | |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Permit Area | Period | |
| | A April 12-18 | B April 19-25 |
| 5 | | |
| 501 | 1,835 | 1,835 |
| 502 | 125 | 125 |
| 503 | 900 | 900 |
| 504 | 200 | 200 |
| 505 | 650 | 650 |
| 506 | 350 | 350 |
| 507 | 1,600 | 1,600 |
| 508 | 750 | 750 |
| 509 | 75 | 75 |
| 510 | 500 | 500 |
| 511 | 20 | 20 |
| 512 | 5 | 5 |

Subp. 2. Permits for disability hunts. For the spring wild turkey season, the following permits are available for disability hunts:

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A. for wild turkey permit area 505, two additional permits per periods A and B are available for individuals with disabilities participating in a special hunt on the Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge. Capable Partners is the sponsoring nonprofit organization;

B. for wild turkey permit area 507, one additional permit per periods A and B is available for individuals with disabilities participating in a special hunt on the Sand Prairie Wildlife Management Area. Capable Partners is the sponsoring nonprofit organization;

C. Camp Ripley Military Reservation in wild turkey permit area 507 is open for individuals with disabilities participating in a special hunt. One nonhunting mentor must accompany each disabled hunter. The Minnesota Disabled American Veterans Outdoors Program is the sponsoring nonprofit organization;

D. for wild turkey permit area 507, eight additional permits per periods A and B are available for individuals with disabilities participating in a special hunt. Midwest Outdoors Unlimited is the sponsoring nonprofit organization; and

E. for wild turkey permit area 510, four additional permits per periods A and B are available for individuals with disabilities participating in a special hunt on the Becklin Homestead Park Wildlife Management Area. Capable Partners and the Isanti County Sportsman's Club are the sponsoring nonprofit organizations.

6236.1075 SPECIAL HUNTS FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL.

For the spring wild turkey season, the following permits are available for special hunts for military personnel:

A. Camp Ripley Military Reservation is open for persons with approval from the Camp Ripley Department of Military Affairs; and

B. for Arden Hills Army Training Site in wild turkey permit area 507, up to an additional 20 permits per periods A and B are available. The Department of Military Affairs is the sponsoring organization.

EXPIRATION. Minnesota Rules, parts 6236.1060, subpart 2; and 6236.1075, expire July 1, 2017.

Executive Orders

The governor has the authority to issue written statements or orders, called Executive Orders, as well as Emergency Executive Orders. The governor's authority is specified in the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, Article V, and in *Minnesota Statutes* § 4.035. Emergency Executive Orders, for protection from an imminent threat to health and safety, become effective immediately, are filed with the secretary of state, and published in the *State Register* as soon as possible after they are issued. Other Executive Orders become effective 15 days after publication in the *State Register* and filing with the secretary of state. Unless otherwise specified, an executive order expires 90 days after the date the governor who issued the order vacates office.

Office of the Governor

Executive Order 17-02: Providing for Emergency Relief from Regulations to Motor Carriers and Drivers Operating in Minnesota Transporting Forage

I, **Mark Dayton, Governor of the State of Minnesota**, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

Whereas, the governors of Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas have declared emergencies due to wildfires in their regions;

Whereas, these wildfires have caused a shortage of forage in Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas;

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Whereas, transport of forage through the State of Minnesota is needed to provide disaster relief to cattlemen affected by this shortage;

Whereas, Minnesota is committed to assisting the citizens of Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas, by supporting the transport of resources emerging from or traveling through the State; and

Whereas, strict compliance with the permit and fee requirements of Minnesota Statutes, sections 169.86, 169.862 and 169.865, allowing oversize and overweight divisible loads under certain circumstance will prevent or hinder efforts to provide this time sensitive assistance.

Now, Therefore, I hereby order that:

1. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, I hereby suspend the regulatory provisions of Minnesota Statutes, sections 169.86, 169.862 and 169.865, to the extent that those provisions require a permit to transport oversize and overweight loads of forage.

2. Suspension of these provisions applies to loads transported on all highways within Minnesota, excluding the interstate system, and those loads which do not exceed a maximum of 90,000 pounds gross weight, do not exceed the maximum axle weight limit determined under the non-primary highway maximum gross weight table in Minnesota Statutes, section 169.824, by more than twelve and one-half percent (12.5%), do not exceed the legal maximum axle weight limit of 20,000 pounds, and comply with posted limits on roads and bridges.

3. This order is intended to allow vehicles transporting forage to be oversize within the limits prescribed in Minnesota Statutes, section 169.862 (total outside width of the vehicle or load may not exceed 12 feet and the total height of the loaded vehicle may not exceed 15 feet); and overweight, not exceeding 90,000 pounds gross weight, without a permit, but only for the duration of this order.

4. In accordance with Title 49 C.F.R. § 390.23, the declarations of emergency issued by the Governors of Kansas and Oklahoma provide relief from the requirements contained in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations, Title 49 C.F.R. Parts 390-399 to those interstate and intrastate carriers who are providing direct assistance for the immediate restoration of essential supplies (such as feed). The relief from Title 49 C.F.R. Parts 390-399 provided in this order is valid for the duration of the motor carrier's assistance in the disaster relief effort or the duration of this order, whichever is less.

5. Notwithstanding the language in paragraph 4, nothing in this order relieves motor carriers and drivers from regulations pertaining to driver qualifications; driving of commercial motor vehicles; commercial drivers' licenses; drug and alcohol testing for drivers; or equipment, parts, and accessories necessary for the safe operation of vehicles.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 4.035, subdivision 2, this Peacetime Emergency Executive Order is effective immediately and must be filed with the Secretary of State and published in the State Register as soon as possible after its issuance. This Peacetime Emergency Executive Order shall remain in effect until 11:59 pm on April 8, 2017, and can be extended by the Executive Council or the Legislature in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 12.31, subdivision 2.

In Testimony Whereof, I have set my hand on this 24th day of March, 2017.

Mark Dayton
Governor

Filed According to Law:

Steve Simon
Secretary of State

Commissioner's Orders

Various agency commissioners are authorized to issue "commissioner's orders" on specified activities governed by their agency's enabling laws. See the *Minnesota Statutes* governing each agency to determine the specific applicable statutes. Commissioners' orders are approved by assistant attorneys general as to form and execution and published in the *State Register*. These commissioners orders are compiled in the year-end subject matter index for each volume of the *State Register*.

Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR)

Commissioner's Order: Designation of State Forest Road #0510

Date: March 1, 2017

Statutory authority: Minnesota Statutes, 89.71, subd.1

- Supersedes
- Supplements Southern Minnesota State Forests Access Planning Unit (November, 2008)

BACKGROUND

Minnesota Statutes, 89.002, subd. 3, directs the Commissioner of Natural Resources to provide a system of state forest roads for access to state forest land and other forest land under the Commissioner's authority. This statute authorizes the Commissioner to develop a system of forest roads to provide access to state lands in order to manage, protect, and develop forest lands and their resources consistent with the forest resource management policy.

Minnesota Statutes, 89.71, subd. 1, provides that the commissioner must designate and undesignate state forest roads by written order published in the State Register.

All notice and procedural requirements outlined in Minnesota Statutes, and other applicable rules and law, have been complied with.

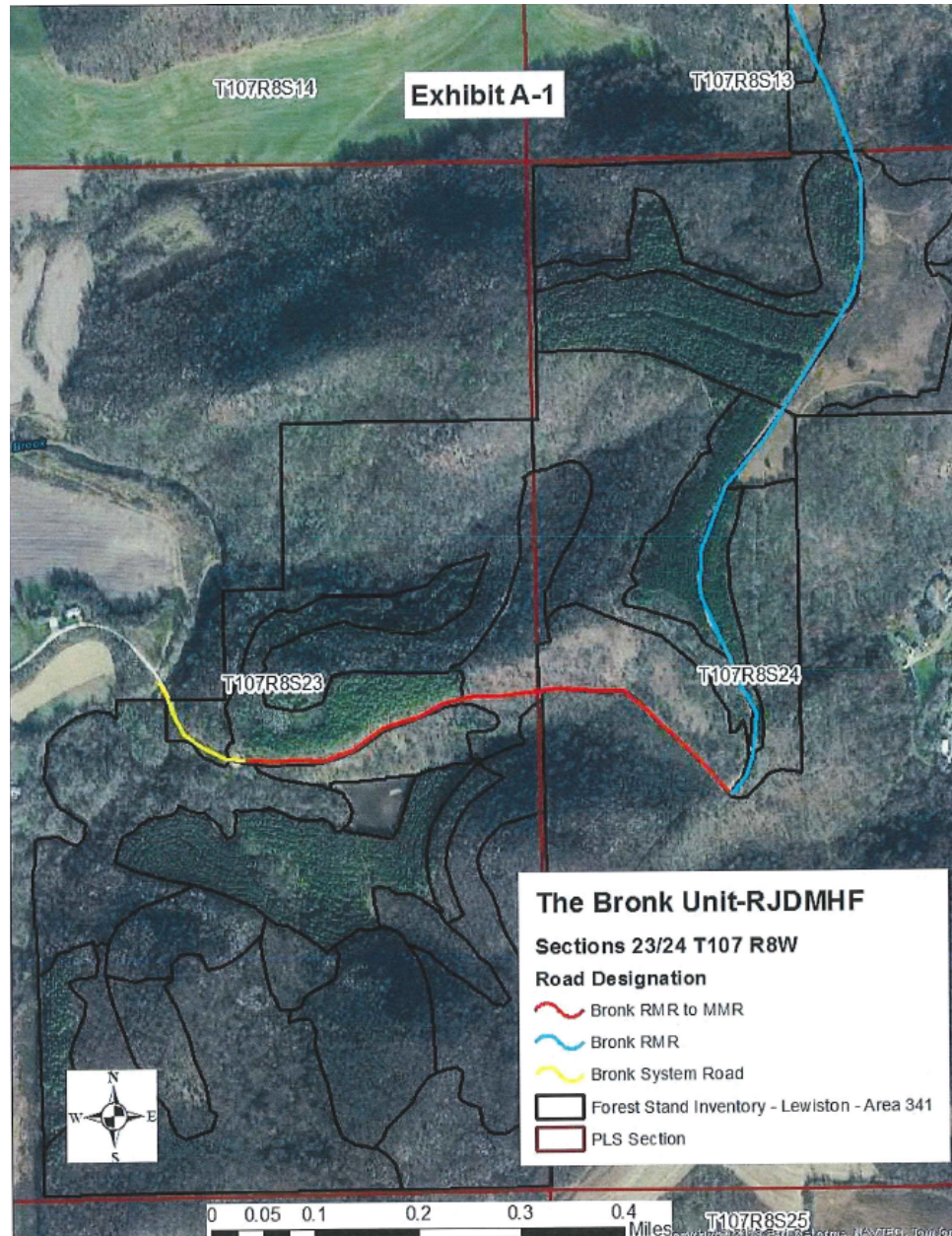
This Commissioner's order will designate one route. The route identified in *Exhibit A-1 (#0510)* was classified as a resource management route and will now be designated as a minimum maintenance road (MMR). The route is sustainable, and provides access to state lands, a state bike trail, and a parking area. The designation is expected to reduce unauthorized motorized use in adjacent forest areas.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, pursuant to authority vested in me by law, including *Minnesota Statutes*, section 89.71, subdivision 1, that the designation of state forest road identified in *Exhibit A-1* shall become effective on March 1, 2017.

Date: 3/7/2017

Tom Landwehr, Commissioner



Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Commissioner's Order: Undesignation of State Forest Road #0692

Date: March 1, 2017

Statutory authority: Minnesota Statutes, 89.71, subd. 1

Supersedes

Supplements Forest Classification & Road/Trail Designation Plan for the Cloquet Valley State Forest & DNR Forestry-Administered Lands in Southern St. Louis & Carlton Counties (December 2008)

BACKGROUND

Minnesota Statutes, 89.002, subd. 3, directs the Commissioner of Natural Resources to provide a system of state forest roads for access to state forest land and other forest land under the Commissioner's authority. This statute authorizes the Commissioner to develop a system of forest roads to provide access to state lands in order to manage, protect, and develop forest lands and their resources consistent with the forest resource management policy.

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Minnesota Statutes, 89.71, subd. 1, provides that the commissioner must designate and undesignate state forest roads by written order published in the State Register.

All notice and procedural requirements outlined in Minnesota Statutes, and other applicable rules and law, have been complied with.

Exhibit A-1: State forest road #0692 is located in Township 54N Range 12W Section 1. This minimum maintenance road (MMR) is within an Aquatic Management Area, managed by MNDNR Fisheries, and is closed to motorized uses other than snowmobiles and special circumstances. This road will still be utilized as a resource management route (RMR) for accessing timber in the future. There are no designated OHV routes in this area.

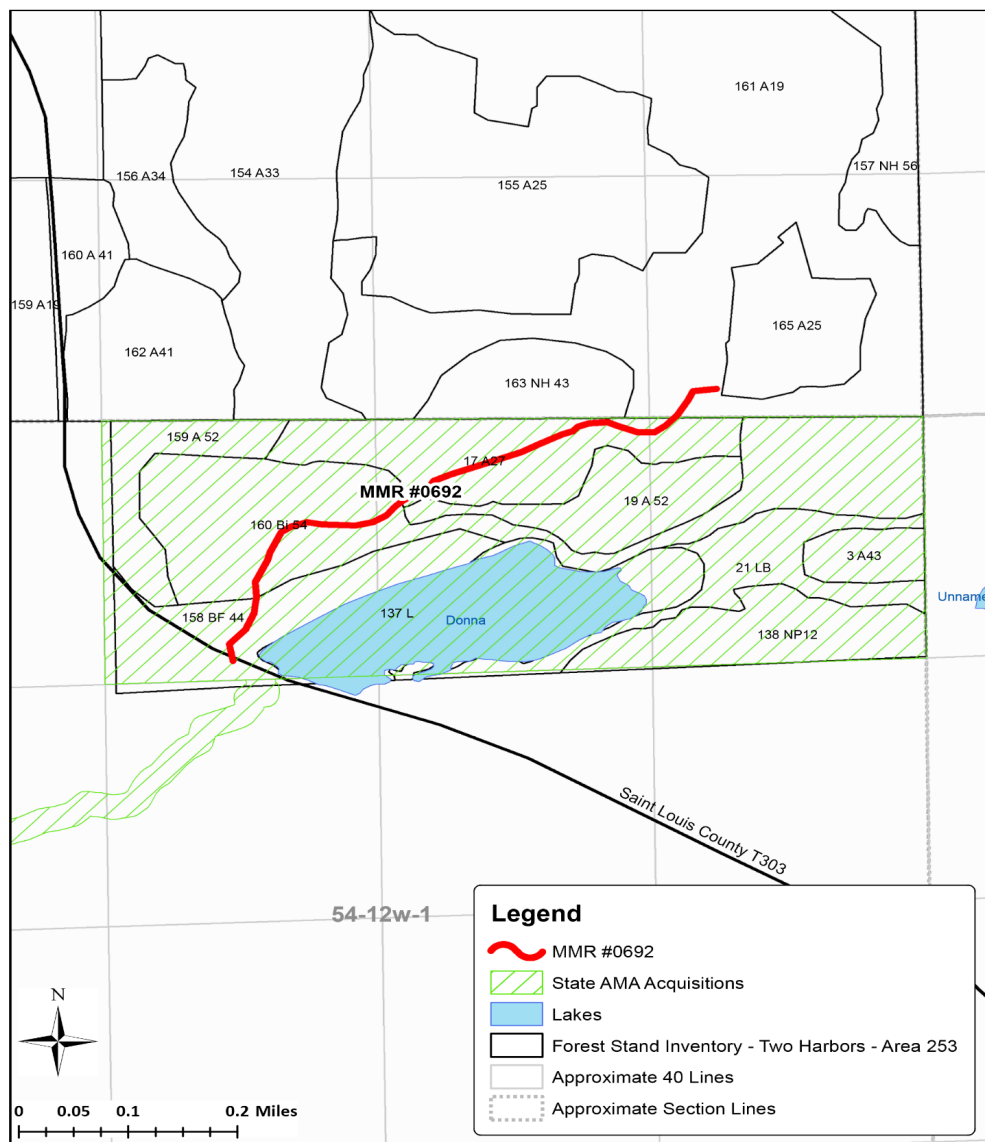
ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, pursuant to authority vested in me by law, including *Minnesota Statutes*, section 89.71, subdivision 1, that the designation of state forest road identified in **Exhibit A-1** shall become effective on March 1, 2017.

Date: 3/7/2017

Tom Landwehr, Commissioner

Exhibit A-1



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.

Department of Health

Public Hearing Regarding the Minnesota Department of Health Application to the Federal Department of Health and Human Services for Federal Fiscal Year 2017 Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant Funding

The Minnesota Department of Health will sponsor a public hearing to obtain comments on the proposed uses of the Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant funds during federal fiscal year 2017. Further information on the use of those funds is available upon request.

The public hearing will be conducted as part of a meeting of the State Preventive Health Advisory Committee held Friday, **April 7, 2017** at the Minnesota Department of Health, Orville Freeman Building, 625 Robert Street North, St. Paul, MN in Meeting Room B-149. The meeting and public hearing will begin at 1:30 p.m. Any person or group may submit either written or oral comments at the meeting.

Written comments must be submitted by noon Thursday, April 6, to the address below.

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Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority Notice of Public Hearing on Revenue Obligations

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority (the "Authority") with respect to a proposal to issue revenue bonds or other obligations on behalf of Saint Mary's University of Minnesota (the "University"), as owner and operator of Saint Mary's University of Minnesota, at the Authority's office at 380 Jackson Street, Suite 450, St. Paul, Minnesota on **April 19, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.**

Under the proposal, the Authority would issue its revenue bonds or other obligations in an original principal amount of up to approximately \$5,750,000 to finance in part a project (the "Project") consisting of the acquisition, construction, improvement and equipping of a three-story Science and Learning Center of approximately 50,000 square feet as an addition to Adducci Science Center (formerly known as Hoffman Science Hall), to be used for classrooms and laboratories; all to be owned and operated by the University and located on the University's main campus, the principal street address of which is 700 Terrace Heights, Winona, Minnesota.

At said time and place the Authority shall give all parties who appear or have submitted written comments an opportunity to express their views with respect to the proposal to undertake and finance the Project.

Dated: April 3, 2017.

By Order of the
Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority
Barry W. Fick
Executive Director

Official Notices

Department of Human Services (DHS)

Health Care Administration

Public Notice Regarding Changes to Payment Rates and Methodologies, and Services under the Medical Assistance Program

This notice is published pursuant to Code of Federal Regulations, title 42, part 447, section 205 (42 CFR § 447.205), which requires publication of a notice when there is any significant proposed change in the methods and standards for setting payment rates for Medicaid services. The Department is making these changes in order to comply with changes to federal and state law governing payment to providers who dispense prescription drugs. We are publishing this notice in anticipation of future state legislation with a retroactive effective date. We will publish additional notice if any of the information in this notice conflicts with future legislative action.

Information regarding the legislation is available by calling the House of Representatives Public Information Office at (651) 296-2146 (voice) or (651) 296-9896 (TTY) or 1-800-657-3550 (Greater Minnesota) or 1-800-627-3529 (TTY); or the Senate Information Office at (651) 296-0504 (voice) or (651) 296-0250 (TTY); for Greater Minnesota call 1-888-234-1112 (voice) or 1-888-234-1216 (TTY).

Effective April 4, 2017, or upon legislative approval, the Department shall reimburse providers for dispensing prescription drugs at the lower of:

- The actual acquisition cost of the prescription drug, plus a professional dispensing fee;
- The state established maximum allowable cost, plus a professional dispensing fee; or
- The provider's usual and customary charge to the general public.

The Department will establish actual acquisition costs equal to the National Average Drug Acquisition Cost (NADAC). The Department may establish a maximum allowable cost for drugs when survey data indicates that pharmacies can purchase the drug at a price lower than NADAC or in instances that a NADAC price is not published for the drug. For drugs for which NADAC is not reported and the maximum allowable cost is not calculated, the Department establishes the actual acquisition cost to equal wholesale acquisition cost minus two percent.

The Department establishes the actual acquisition cost of drugs acquired through the federal 340B drug-pricing program at the 340B ceiling price established by the Health Resources and Services Administration. For drugs without an established 340B ceiling price, the Department shall establish the actual acquisition cost at wholesale acquisition cost minus 24.6 percent.

The payment rate for hemophilia factor products is the maximum allowable cost set by the Department. The maximum allowable cost is established on a product specific basis based on marketplace data.

The Department will also pay an additional 2% of the ingredient cost to reimburse providers for the Minnesota Wholesale Drug Tax.

The professional dispensing fee is \$11.35 per prescription.

These changes are estimated to result in a net spending increase of \$968,000 in the MA program in state fiscal year 2017, and a net spending increase of \$3,875,000 in state fiscal year 2018.

For more information, or questions about submitting or reviewing comments, please contact Chad Hope at 651-431-2504 or Chad.Hope@state.mn.us. Comments may also be mailed to Chad Hope at PO Box 64983, St Paul, MN 55164. Comments may be reviewed by appointment at the Elmer L. Anderson Human Services building located at 540 Cedar St, St Paul, MN 55101.

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA)

Notice of Intent to Reissue a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)/State Disposal System (SDS) General Permit MNG490000 Nonmetallic Mining/Associated Activities

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) proposes to issue an NPDES/SDS General Permit to cover facilities discharging to waters of the state of Minnesota. This is the reissuance of an existing general permit, which expired at midnight on October 31, 2016. This general permit covers facilities within the boundary of the state of Minnesota that:

- a. Discharge stormwater to waters of the state, including groundwater, from the construction sand and gravel, industrial sand, dimension stone, crushed and broken limestone, crushed and broken granite, crushed and broken stone (not elsewhere classified) mining and quarrying areas, asphalt production areas, (including portable asphalt plants), concrete block and brick, concrete products (other than block and brick), and ready-mix concrete, as well as aggregate dredging operations and uncontaminated asphalt and concrete rubble recycling at sites already listed.
- b. Discharge mine site dewatering to waters of the state, including groundwater, from construction sand and gravel, industrial sand, dimension stone, crushed and broken limestone, crushed and broken granite, and crushed and broken stone (not elsewhere classified) mining and quarrying areas.
- c. Non-stormwater discharges that meet the requirements of this permit and occur at the permitted facilities which do not discharge to surface waters of the state.

The authority to develop and issue a general permit is based Minn. R. 7001.0210 which provides authority to the MPCA to issue a single permit to a category of Permittees that are the same or substantially similar. This single NPDES/SDS permit can apply to numerous facilities and is known as a general permit. This general permit will provide for timely discharge authorization without the delay associated with individual permit issuance procedures and will cover more than two hundred facilities.

The NPDES/SDS general permit includes monitoring and reporting requirements and general conditions consistent with those established for individual permits. Those facilities not currently under consideration for general permit coverage may submit a Notice of Intent to request consideration for coverage.

The Commissioner's determination that the general permit should be reissued is tentative. Interested persons are invited to submit written comments upon the proposed permit action. The public comment period commences April 3, 2017, and terminates at 4:30 p.m. on May 3, 2017. Any comments received no later than 4:30 p.m. on the last day of the comment period will be considered in the formulation of final determination.

Comments should be submitted in writing to Emily Schnick, Staff Permit Writer, Industrial Division, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, 520 Lafayette Road North, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155-4194.

A copy of the draft general permit, fact sheet, and public notice are available on the MPCA's website at: <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/news/data/index.cfm?PN=1>

If you have questions on this draft permit, the public notice or the Commissioner's preliminary determination, please contact Emily Schnick via telephone at 651-757-2699 or via e-mail at emily.schnick@state.mn.us.

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Watershed Division

Notice of Availability of the Draft Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) and Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategy (WRAPS) Reports and Request for Comment

Public Comment Period Begins: April 3, 2017

Public Comment Period Ends: May 3, 2017

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is requesting comments on the Draft Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District TMDL and WRAPS Reports. The draft WRAPS and TMDL reports are available for review at:

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<https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/tmdl/ramsey-washington-metro-watershed-district-watershed-restoration-and-protection-strategy>.

Written comments on the draft WRAPS and TMDL reports must be sent to the MPCA contact person listed below by May 3, 2017, 4:30 p.m. The comments should indicate whether they are about the WRAPS or the TMDL. The MPCA will prepare responses to comments received and make any necessary revisions of the two documents. Subsequent to the revision(s), the draft TMDLs will be submitted to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for approval; the WRAPS will be forwarded to the MPCA Commissioner for approval.

Required by the federal Clean Water Act, a TMDL is a scientific study that calculates the maximum amount of a pollutant that a waterbody can receive and still meet water quality standards for that pollutant. It is a process that identifies all the sources of the pollutant causing an impairment and allocates necessary reductions among them.

This TMDL study addresses five impairments in the Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District, located in the upper Mississippi River Basin. The Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District encompasses portions of a number of communities including White Bear Lake, Vadnais Heights, Gem Lake, Little Canada, Maplewood, Landfall, North St. Paul, St. Paul, Oakdale, Woodbury, Roseville, and Shoreview.

Battle Creek, Fish Creek, Bennett Lake and Wakefield Lake within the Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District are impaired for both aquatic life use and aquatic recreation use. Stormwater runoff and stream bank erosion are having negative effects on the watershed's water quality. Urban development in the watershed has resulted in runoff that carries excess phosphorus, sediment, and bacteria into bodies of water that degrades water quality and is harmful to aquatic life.

The WRAPS summarizes past efforts to monitor and improve water quality, and identifies future strategies for restoring and protecting water quality in the watershed. Key water quality improvement strategies for the watershed district include reducing streambank erosion, reducing in-lake nutrients, and improving stormwater management.

Agency Contact Person: Written comments and requests for more information should be directed to:

Brooke Asleson
MPCA – Metro Area
520 Lafayette Road North
St. Paul, Minnesota 55155
Telephone: 651-757-2205
Fax: 651-297-8676
Email: brooke.asleson@pca.state.mn.us

TTY users may call the MPCA teletypewriter at 651-282-5332 or 800-657-3864.

Preliminary Determination on the draft WRAPS and TMDL Reports: The MPCA Commissioner has made a preliminary determination to approve this WRAPS and will submit this TMDL Report to the EPA for final approval. A draft TMDL Report and factsheet are available for review at the MPCA office at the address listed below and at the MPCA Website: <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/tmdl/ramsey-washington-metro-watershed-district-watershed-restoration-and-protection-strategy>. Suggested changes will be considered before the documents are finalized and the TMDL Report is sent to the EPA for approval.

Written Comments: You may submit written comments on the conditions of the draft WRAPS and TMDL Reports or on the Commissioner's preliminary determination. Written comments must include the following:

1. A statement of your interest in the draft WRAPS and TMDL Reports;
2. A statement of the action you wish the MPCA to take, including specific references to sections of the draft documents that you believe should be changed; and
3. The reasons supporting your position, stated with sufficient specificity as to allow the Commissioner to investigate the merits of your position.

Petition for Public Informational Meeting: You also may request that the MPCA Commissioner hold a public informational meeting. A public informational meeting is an informal meeting that may be held to solicit public comment and statements on

matters before the MPCA, and help clarify parts of the document and resolve issues. A petition requesting a public informational meeting must include the following information:

1. A statement identifying the matter of concern;
2. The information required under items 1 through 3 of “Written Comments,” identified above;
3. A statement of the reasons for holding a public informational meeting; and
4. The issues that you would like addressed at the public informational meeting.

Petition for Contested Case Hearing: You also may submit a petition for a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a formal hearing before an administrative law judge that provides evidence on issues requested to be change. In accordance with Minn. R. 7000.1900, the MPCA will grant a petition to hold a contested case hearing if it finds that: (1) there is a material issue of fact in dispute concerning the application or draft WRAPS and/or TMDL Reports; (2) the MPCA has the jurisdiction to make a determination on the disputed material issue of fact; and (3) there is a reasonable basis underlying the disputed material issue of fact or facts such that the holding of the contested case hearing would allow the introduction of information that would aid the MPCA in resolving the disputed facts in making a final decision on the draft WRAPS and/or TMDL Reports. A material issue of fact means a fact question, as distinguished from a policy question, whose resolution could have a direct bearing on a final MPCA decision. A petition for a contested case hearing must include the following information:

1. A statement of reasons or proposed findings supporting the MPCA decision to hold a contested case hearing according to the criteria in Minn. R. 7000.1900, as discussed above; and
2. A statement of the issues proposed to be addressed by a contested case hearing and the specific relief requested or resolution of the matter.

In addition and to the extent known, a petition for a contested case hearing should also include the following information:

1. A proposed list of prospective witnesses to be called, including experts, with a brief description of proposed testimony or summary of evidence to be presented at a contested case hearing;
2. A proposed list of publications, references, or studies to be introduced and relied upon at a contested case hearing; and
3. An estimate of time required for you to present the matter at a contested case hearing.

MPCA Decision:

The written comments, requests, and petitions submitted on or before the last day of the public comment period will be considered in the final decision on the WRAPS and TMDL Reports. If the MPCA does not receive written comments, requests, or petitions during the public comment period, the MPCA staff as authorized by the Commissioner, will make the final decision on the draft TMDL Report.

Board of Water and Soil Resources

Notice of Request for Comment on a Proposed Policy and Plan for the Implementation of the Minnesota Buffer Program

The Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) is requesting public review and comment on a proposed policy and a draft Plan to support the implementation of Minnesota Statutes §103F.48, relating to water resources riparian protection requirements on public waters and public drainage systems.

The Buffer Law was enacted in 2015, subsequently amended in 2016, and includes the following provisions:

- Requires landowners to establish and maintain buffers adjacent to public waters and public drainage ditches;
- Requires soil and water conservation districts to identify other waters for inclusion in local water plans;
- Exempts certain land uses and areas from the riparian protection requirement;
- Allows landowners to meet the buffer requirements through other conservation practices that will protect water quality;
- Requires soil and water conservation districts to assist landowners in complying with the riparian protection requirement; and
- Authorizes counties and watershed districts to elect to enforce the buffer requirements via, ordinance, rule, or other official control and administrative penalty order;
- Provides for enforcement by BWSR when a county or watershed districts elect not to; and
- Provides for an appeal of an administrative penalty order to BWSR.

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BWSR is considering the following policy and Plan for Buffer Program implementation:

- *Policy 9: BWSR's Review of County and Watershed District Buffer Rules, Ordinances and Official Controls* establishes processes that BWSR will use to review county and watershed district rules, ordinances or other official controls for the enforcement of the riparian protection and water quality practices requirements of Minn. Stat. §103F.48.

- *Administrative Penalty Order (APO) Plan for Buffer Law Implementation* includes an overview of the enforcement responsibilities of soil and water conservation districts, counties, watershed districts and BWSR related to the riparian protection and water quality practices requirements of Minn. Stat. §103F.48, a model county and watershed district administrative penalty order plan for use when these entities choose to use APO as an enforcement mechanism, and the APO plan that BWSR will use when it is the enforcement authority.

These documents are located on the BWSR website (www.bwsr.state.mn.us/buffers).

Information and comments will be accepted until **4:30 p.m. on May 3, 2017**. Comments may be submitted via email to buffers.bwsr@state.mn.us. Alternatively, comments may be submitted by U.S. mail as follows:

David Weirens
Assistant Director for Programs and Policy
Board of Water and Soil Resources
520 Lafayette Road
St. Paul, MN 55155

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 State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)

Funding opportunity for Institutional Grants for Serving Corrections and Disabilities

General Information

Under the auspices of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006, Minnesota State System Office is authorized to support institutions serving youth or adults such as correctional facilities, organizations serving ex-offenders and institutions serving individuals with disabilities. The Perkins Act requires that up to 1% of allocated state funds must be reserved to serve these populations.

Purpose

Currently, Minnesota State is requesting proposals which will support two primary goals: (1) To provide assistance to institutions which will assist persons through career and technical education (CTE) services and activities that will upgrade skills and increase career opportunities toward personal economic self-sufficiency; and (2) To assist in the development of career and education services and activities which could be replicated elsewhere in the State.

Funds made available under the Perkins Act are for providing **supplemental support NOT supplanting** of any current funding for programs and services. Funds are awarded on a competitive basis through an RFP process, which by the Perkins Act must be posted in the state register.

The System Office anticipates providing a maximum of two to three (2-3) grant awards to interested parties. This request for proposals does not obligate the System Office to award a contract all rights are reserved to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest. Any contract executed under this RFP will be dependent upon the amount of funds received from the US Office of Career, Technical and Adult Education.

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Applications will be accepted **ONLINE ONLY and must be received by May 18, 2017. No faxed or emailed applications will be accepted.** To review RFP details and apply online, refer to: <https://sites.google.com/site/correctionsrfp/>

Please submit any inquiries regarding eligibility or grant requirements to:

Eva Scates-Winston
Minnesota State System Office
30 Seventh Street East, Ste 350
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55101
(651) 201-1680
eva.scates-winston@minnstate.edu

Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) Request for Proposals (RFP) – State Fiscal Year 2018-19 Minnesota Youth at Work Competitive Grants

The Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) announces the availability of an estimated \$3,180,600 in state funding to:

- Provide students with information about education and training requirements for careers in high-growth, in demand occupations; and/or,
- Serve youth from communities of color who are underrepresented in the workforce; and/or,
- Serve youth with disabilities

Grant awards may range up to \$850,000 under this RFP. Eligible applicants or “eligible organizations” are specifically defined as being either a local government unit, nonprofit organization, community action agency, or a public school district.

In awarding grants under this subdivision, eligible applicants:

- Must have demonstrated effectiveness in administering youth workforce programs and must leverage nonstate or private sector funds.
- Must be youth-serving organizations with significant capacity and demonstrable youth development experience and outcomes to operate a youth workforce development project.

If a program is not operated by a local unit of government or a workforce development board, the grant recipient must coordinate the program with the local workforce development board.

An e-mailed proposal, consisting of one Adobe Acrobat (.PDF) file containing all required components must be received at DEED by **4:30 p.m. Friday, April 28, 2017**. E-mails should be sent to john.r.olson@state.mn.us. The State shall not be responsible for any errors or delays caused by technology-related issues, even if they are caused by the State.

The RFP, as well as answers to Frequently Asked Questions can be downloaded from:
<http://www.mn.gov/deed/about/contracts/open-rfp.jsp>

This Request For Proposal does not obligate the State to award a contract or complete the project, and the state reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest.

NOTE: The RFP is available in alternative formats upon request. To receive a copy of the RFP (MS-Word or alternative format), please contact:

John Olson
Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development
Workforce Development Division/Office of Youth Development
First National Bank Building
332 Minnesota Street, Suite E-200
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-1351
John.R.Olson@state.mn.us or 651/259-7547

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Bureau of Mediation Services

Applications Accepted for Funding Under the Minnesota Area Labor-Management Committee Program for Fiscal Year 2018 Grants

The Bureau of Mediation Services is now accepting applications for funding of new or existing Area Labor-Management Committee programs pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 179.81-.85 and Bureau of Mediation Services Rules, Chapter 5520.

The purpose of the program is to improve labor-management relations and enhance economic development in a geographic area of the state or within a specific industry through labor-management cooperation.

Grants will be based on each applicant's financial need and the ability to demonstrate program goals, objectives and work plans which address specific outcomes. The applicant may address all or a combination of the following points:

1. Increase participation in the labor-management cooperative process.
2. Increase in shared decision making between labor and management.
3. Enhance the level of knowledge regarding issues that affect the workplace.
4. Enhance the economic development climate in the area or industry of operation.
5. Maintain or enhance the number of specialized joint labor-management programs designed to increase the efficiency of services to the area or an industry.
6. Other evidence of positive labor-management program results attained through joint cooperative methods.

Persons interested in applying for such funds may secure an application form and policies on the Bureau's website: mn.gov/bms/labormgmt/ or by requesting them from:

Carol Clifford
Bureau of Mediation Services
1380 Energy Lane, Suite Two
St. Paul, Minnesota 55108-5253
(651) 649-5423
E-mail: carol.clifford@state.mn.us

Applications for funding for fiscal year 2018 must be postmarked or received by **May 15, 2017**.

Josh Tilsen
Commissioner

Minnesota Department of Human Services

Mental Health Division

Notice of Request for Proposals to provide Housing with Supports to Adults with Serious Mental Illness

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Human Services is requesting proposals to provide Housing with Supports for Adults with Serious Mental Illness.

The Mental Health Division is seeking proposals from qualified responders to provide supportive services for persons living with serious mental illnesses who are also experiencing homelessness, long-term homelessness, or exiting institutions such as hospitals or nursing homes who have complex needs and face high barriers to obtaining and maintaining housing. Qualified responders are Minnesota counties and tribes, mental health service providers, and other social service agencies with experience serving the proposed target populations. In order to assure that the housing and service needs of racial, ethnic, and cultural communities are met, the Division is specifically seeking grantees that include culturally diverse service providers and/or who provide services to disparately impacted individuals.

Services provided will assist persons to transition to and sustain permanent supportive housing which meets the permanent supportive housing evidence-based practice fidelity standards. Awards will be made in amounts no greater than \$500,000. Approximately \$3.5 million is available to be awarded.

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Work is proposed to start July 2017. For more information, or to obtain a copy of the Request for Proposal, contact:

Jennifer McNertney
Department of Human Services
Mental Health Division
P.O. Box 64981
444 Lafayette Road North, St. Paul, MN 55155 0981
Phone: (651) 431-2334, Fax: (651) 431-7418
Jennifer.mcnertney@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 **4:00 p.m., Central Time, May 12, 2017. Late proposals will not be considered.** Faxed or e-mailed proposals will not be considered.

The RFP can be viewed by visiting the Minnesota Department of Human Services RFP web site:
<http://mn.gov/dhs/partners-and-providers/grants-rfps/>

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 Pollution Control Agency Notice of Request for Grant Application for Fiscal Year 2017 Environmental Assistance Grants

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is issuing this Request for Grant Applications (RFGA) to solicit projects for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 Environmental Assistance (EA) Grant Program.

Applications for financial assistance will be accepted starting **April 4, 2017**, for Sustainable Brewing and Distilling technical assistance projects. The deadline for application submittal is no later than **2:00 p.m. Central Time, May 2, 2017.**

Approximately \$25,000 is available for one FY 2017 EA grant award to encourage outcome-oriented, economically-driven approaches to advancement of sustainable brewing and distilling practices. The FY 2017 EA Grant RFGA provides detailed information on eligible applicants, grant award amount, minimum matching fund requirement, and the process by which applicants may apply for a grant. The RFGA is available on the MPCA's EA Grants Program webpage at *<https://www.pca.state.mn.us/about-mpca/environmental-assistance-grants>*. The webpage also provides downloadable application forms and links to applicable statutes and rules.

The EA Grant Round is a competitive application process. Grant offer and award are contingent on available funding, MPCA approval of final workplan and budget, and the execution of a grant agreement. Eligible applicants/applications will be evaluated and ranked by MPCA review teams to determine the projects that best meet the environmental outcomes outlined in the RFGA.

This notice is issued under authority provided in Minn. Stat. § 115A.0716, Subd. 1 and Minn. Rules Parts 9210.0800 to 9210.0855. Applications must be electronically submitted by the applicable deadline to *grants-loans.pca@state.mn.us*.

If you experience difficulty in accessing the MPCA webpage or in electronically submitting your application, please contact the MPCA at *grants-loans.pca@state.mn.us* (with subject line: "EA Question") prior to the submittal deadline.

Department of Transportation Office of Transit

Notice of Intent to Conduct an Annual Intercity Bus Industry Consultation and Application Solicitation

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) Office of Transit will conduct an Annual Industry Consultation and application workshop in support of the Minnesota Intercity Bus Program on May 10, 2017 from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m. at the MnDOT Central Office, 395 John Ireland Boulevard, Saint Paul, Minnesota.

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The industry consultation is the primary opportunity for potential applicants and other interested parties to learn more about the program and provide input on issues affecting the industry. At a minimum, the consultation will involve discussion of the following topics:

- 1) An overview of the upcoming intercity bus funding application, to be awarded for calendar year 2018 in August 2017.
- 2) The May 10, 2017 launch of the application solicitation period for calendar year 2018 (prospective grantees may make application for projects spanning from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018).
- 3) A discussion of interest in expanding service to new markets via the development of additional ICB feeder networks around the state?

The Office of Transit administers State and Federal funding (including funds provided under 49 USC 5311(f)), to support intercity bus transportation services to non-urbanized communities of Minnesota. Public, private, and non-profit entities are eligible to apply for operating, capital, and marketing assistance.

We would like interested parties to RSVP at least one week prior to the consultation meeting (by May 3). An application workshop will also be held on May 10 following the industry consultation. A teleconference option will be offered for those who are unable to attend in person. To RSVP or to submit written questions or comments, please contact Robert Clarksen, Intercity Bus Program Coordinator, at Robert.Clarksen@state.mn.us. Further information is available at the Intercity Bus program website at <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/transit/grants/5311f/index.html>.

While attendance at the industry consultation is not a requirement for program eligibility, participation is strongly encouraged as this is an opportunity to dialogue with state staff and other members of the intercity transportation industry regarding the intercity passenger transportation network in and beyond Minnesota.

Department of Transportation

Office of Transit

Notice of Intent to Release Applications to fund Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Capital Grant Program

The Minnesota Department of Transportation (MNDOT) Office of Transit is releasing applications for the 2018 publicly funded program year:

- Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities Capital Grant Program

Applications will be posted no later than April 4, 2017 on the MNDOT Office of Transit Website at: www.dot.state.mn.us/transit

The Elderly and Persons with Disabilities Capital Grant Program, FTA Circular 9070, is a capital assistance grant program providing 80 percent funding for mobility management and the purchase of wheelchair-accessible buses for private non-profit organizations to serve elderly and/or people with disabilities, public bodies that coordinate services for the elderly and people with disabilities, Tribes in Minnesota;

or any public body that certifies to the State that non-profits in the area are not readily available to carry out the services provides federal (Section 5310) financial assistance for public transit services to eligible recipients, which include:

- a. a private non-profit organization, if public transportation service provided by State and local governmental authorities under Section 5310(a)(1) is unavailable, insufficient, or inappropriate; or
- b. a governmental authority that:
 - (1) is approved by the state to coordinate services for elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities; or
 - (2) certifies that there are not any non-profit organizations readily available in the area to provide the special services.

The code assigned to the Section 5310 program in the Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance is 20.513.

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Applications for the **Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Capital Grant Program** are Due on the following dates:

Transit Coordination Assistance Projects (TCAP) Applications for the Large Urban Area must be submitted to MnDOT's Office of Transit no later than **4:00 p.m. Central Daylight time on June 30, 2017.**

Applications must be submitted to MnDOT's Office Transit no later than **4:00 p.m. Central Daylight time on June 30, 2017.** In addition to the final submittal date vehicle applications must meet the requirements of public notice for intent to apply by **June, 9th 2017.**

For further information, please contact:

John Groothuis
395 John Ireland Blvd., MS 430
St. Paul, MN 55155
Phone: 651-366-4187
E-mail: john.groothuis@state.mn.us

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 Request for Proposals for Medical Products Distribution

The Department of Administration, on behalf of the Minnesota Multistate Contracting Alliance for Pharmacy (MMCAP), is requesting proposals for Medical Products Distribution. MMCAP is a government-run Pharmacy, and Healthcare Product and Services group purchasing organization, serving governmental entities. For more information, go to www.mmcap.org.

To request a copy of the RFP, go to MMCAP.HPS.RFP@state.mn.us, or write to:

MMCAP Healthcare Products & Services
State of Minnesota, Department of Administration
50 Sherburne Avenue, Suite 112
St. Paul, MN 55155

Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this notice, must be received according to the specifications in the Request for Proposals no later than **May 16, 2017 4:30p.m. Central Time.** Late proposals will not be considered.

The State reserves the right to cancel this solicitation. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

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Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)

Request for Proposal: Design of Minnesota State Viewbook and Poster

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State) is requesting proposals from qualified vendors for graphic design and print coordination of the 2017-2018 Minnesota State Viewbook.

Specifications for each proposal are available by visiting the Web site: www.minnstate.edu/system/marcomm/rfp.html or by contacting Michelle Schroeder, Minnesota State, 30 7th St. E., Suite 350, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101, phone (651) 201-1830, or request by email: michelle.schroeder@minnstate.edu.

Sealed proposals must be received by **4:00 PM CDT, MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2017**.

This request does not obligate Minnesota State to complete the proposed project, and the system reserves the right to cancel this solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest.

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Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)

Request for Proposal: Economic Impact Study

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State) is requesting proposals from qualified vendors for a state-wide Economic Impact Study.

Specifications for each proposal are available by visiting the Web site: www.minnstate.edu/system/marcomm/rfp.html or by contacting Michelle Schroeder, Minnesota State, Wells Fargo Place, 30 7th St. E., Suite 350, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101, phone (651) 201-1830, or request by email: michelle.schroeder@minnstate.edu.

Sealed proposals must be received by **4:00 PM CDT, MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2017**.

This request does not obligate Minnesota State to complete the proposed project, and the system reserves the right to cancel this solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest.

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Minneapolis Community and Technical College

ADDENDUM: Request for Proposal (RFP) for Consultation, Design and Configuration of College Website Content Management System

March 28, 2017

To All Responders:

The following will be posted on the:

Minneapolis Community and Technical College (MCTC) Website - <https://www.minneapolis.edu/MCTC-bids>

Minnesota State Registrar on April 3, 2017 - <https://mn.gov/admin/bookstore/>

Minnesota State Campus Service Cooperative on April 3, 2017 - <http://www.mnscu.edu/system/csc/sourcing/RFP.html>.

A question and response period has been added to the RFP process

Questions are to be emailed directly to Lauren.Potempa-Giamarese@minneapolis.edu

Questions must be received by 12 p.m. on Monday, April 10

Responses to questions will be posted by end-of-day on Tuesday, April 11 on the Minneapolis Community & Technical College Website only - <https://www.minneapolis.edu/MCTC-bids>.

An additional addendum will not be posted to the State Registrar with question responses

The deadlines for the following tasks have been modified:

| Deadline | Tasks |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Monday, April 10, 2017 - 12 p.m. | RFP Questions submitted |
| Tuesday, April 11, 2017 | Question responses posted to MCTC Website |
| Tuesday, April 18, 2017 - 12 p.m. | Deadline for RFP proposal submissions |
| Tuesday, April 18, 2017 - 12:30 p.m. | Opening of RFP proposal submissions in MEC Conference Room M.0210 |
| Friday, April 21, 2017 | Review RFP proposals |
| Friday, April 21, 2017 | Finalists notified |
| Monday-Tuesday, May 1-2, 2017 | Finalists presentation |
| Wednesday, May 10, 2017 | Complete selection decision process |
| Wednesday, May 10, 2017 | Finalists notified of selection decision |
| June 31, 2018 | Deadline for executing contract (tentative) |
| Spring 2018 | Deadline for soft launch of web design (tentative) |

SPECIAL NOTE: This Request for Proposal (RFP) does not obligate Minnesota State, its Board of Trustees or Minneapolis Community and Technical College to award a contract or complete the proposed project and each reserves the right to cancel this RFP if it is considered to be in its best interest. Proposals must be clear and concise. Proposals that are difficult to follow or that do not conform to the RFP format or binding specifications may be rejected. Responding vendors must include the required information called for in this RFP. Minnesota State reserves the right to reject a proposal if required information is not provided or is not organized as directed. Minnesota State also reserves the right to change the evaluation criteria or any other provision in this RFP by posting notice of the change(s) on Minnesota State Campus Services Cooperative website: <http://www.mnscu.edu/system/csc/sourcing/RFP.html>.

Addendums and responses to vendor questions to the RFP will be posted on Minneapolis Community & Technical College website: <https://www.minneapolis.edu/MCTC-bids>

For this RFP, posting on the captioned web site above constitutes written notification to each vendor. Vendors should check the site daily and are expected to review information on the site carefully before submitting a final proposal.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)

Minnesota State University Moorhead

RFQ for the Pre-Qualification of Subcontractors

McGough Construction, on behalf of Minnesota State University Moorhead (“Owner”) is soliciting for the pre-qualification of subcontractors to participate in a competitive bid process for the South Snarr Dormitory Renovation project located at 1104 7th Avenue South, Moorhead, MN. Pre-qualification documents can be found in the “03-Instructions to Bidders” folder located at the following link. <https://mcgoughconstruction.box.com/s/bl4kqv0hghuwafwah0m9erjuygkt547k>

Pre-qualification forms are due on **April 13th @ 2:00pm**. If you have any questions please contact Patrick Peltier @ 701-639-6290.

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Normandale Community College

Child Care Services- RFP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the Normandale Community College Request for Proposal (RFP) for Child Care services on its Bloomington, MN campus.

To receive a copy of the full RFP, please visit <http://www.mnscu.edu/system/csc/sourcing/RFP.html>.

Proposals are due by **2 PM, Friday, April 28, 2017** and must be addressed to Chris Mikkelsen, Director of Auxiliary Services, Normandale Community College, 9700 France Avenue South, Bloomington, MN 55431.

Any questions should be in the form of an RFI and directed to Chris Mikkelsen at email: Chris.Mikkelsen@Normandale.edu. Late responses will not be considered.

This solicitation does not commit Normandale Community College to award a contract, to pay any cost incurred in the preparation of a proposal, or to procure a contract for the articles of goods or services. The College reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals received as a result of this request and to cancel in part or in its entirety this request for proposals, if it is in the best interest of the College to do so. The College further reserves the right to reject all proposals received as a result of this request, and either maintain its current contract or manage and operate its own child care services without the benefit of a contract.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)

Northland Community and Technical College

Notice of Request for Campus Food Service & Catering Services for Northland Community & Technical College

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northland Community & Technical College Request for Proposal (RFP) for campus food service and catering services. To receive a copy of the full RFP, please contact Michelle Bakken either by telephone (218) 683-8572 or email at michelle.bakken@northlandcollege.edu.

Proposals are due by **2:00 p.m. central time, Friday, May 5, 2017** and are to be addressed to Michelle Bakken, Northland Community and Technical College, 1101 Highway One East, Thief River Falls, MN 56701. Any questions should be in the form of an RFI and directed to shannon.jesme@northlandcollege.edu. All responses to questions will be posted at www.northlandcollege.edu/rfp. Late responses will not be considered.

MN State is not obligated to complete the proposed project and reserves the right to cancel the solicitation.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)

Pine Technical & Community College

Formal Request for Proposal for Welding Equipment

Response Due Date and Time: Friday, April 14, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. Central Time

Synopsis of equipment: Welding Equipment with pricing for educational institutions, tax exempt, and quotes good for 60 days.

| Quantity | Unit of Measure | Miller part # | Product Description |
|----------|-----------------|---------------|--|
| 12 | EA | 907366 | XMT 350MPA |
| 12 | EA | 951291 | S-74MPa plus wire feeder |
| 12 | EA | 300405 | Industrial Mig 4/0 Dinse kit |
| 12 | EA | 300972 | Coolmate 1.3, 115 V/AC 1.3 gallon capacity |
| 12 | EA | 194744 | RFCS-14HD (foot control) |

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| Quantity | Unit of Measure | Miller part # | Product Description |
|----------|-----------------|---------------|---|
| 12 | EA | 195377 | Adapter Torch-initial style water (#18 #20) |
| 12 | EA | | 25' 300 AMP stinger w/50MM Dinse connect |
| 12 | EA | | 25' 300 AMP ground w/50MM Dinse connect |
| 12 | EA | 195286 | Gas valve kit for XMT350 |
| 12 | EA | WP-18-12-R | Braided 12.5 ft. torch package |
| 12 | EA | WP-9-12-R | A-125, Rubber 12.5 ft. torch package |
| 24 | EA | 16530 | Flowmeter Argon/CO2 80 PSIG |
| 12 | EA | MB54-510L | Toughcut acetylene outfit w/o acc, CGA 510 |
| 12 | EA | H753 | Regulator mount flashback arrestors |
| 12 | EA | M14TX25 | Twin hose grade "T" 1/4" x 25' BB fittings (safe for all gases) |
| 1 | EA | 1-5130-1 | Thermal Dynamics CUTMASTER 52 208/230 volt plasma cutter |

Responses must be received at the location listed below:

Pine Technical & Community College
Attn: Jason Spaeth, Dean of Continuing Education & Customized Training
900 Fourth Street SE
Pine City, MN 55063

Carl Pederson, Accounting Officer
Phone: (320) 629-4527
E-mail: pedersonc@pine.edu

Contact for questions: Carl Pederson, Phone: (320) 629-4527 e-mail: pedersonc@pine.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.*

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)

St. Cloud Technical & Community College

Formal Request for Proposal for Carpentry House Built on Blocks

Response Due Date and Time: **Friday, April 7, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. Central Time**

The complete Request for Proposal will be available on Monday, March 6, 2017 on the website <http://www.sctcc.edu/rfp>.

Title of Project: Carpentry House Built on Blocks

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

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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.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU)

Winona State University

Notice of Availability of Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Winona State University Education Village – Phase 1 Roof Package project

Kraus Anderson Construction Company, acting on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges & Universities, on behalf of the Winona State University, is soliciting qualifications proposals from interested, qualified firms for the Phase 1 Roof Package portion of the Winona State University Education Village project.

A full Request for Qualifications will be available on April 3, 2017 at the offices of Kraus-Anderson Construction Company, or at the following websites: <http://www.franzrepro.com/>, click on “public plan rooms” or at www.bexroch.com and www.laxbx.com click on “plan room”.

Project questions shall be referred to the appropriate person listed in the Request for Qualifications. Qualifications from interested firms must be delivered to Andy Johnson, Project Manager, Kraus-Anderson Construction Company, 416 South Broadway, Rochester, MN 55904, not later than **2:00 PM, April 19, 2017**. Late responses will not be considered.

Kraus-Anderson Construction Company and Minnesota State Colleges and Universities are not obligated to complete the proposed project and reserve the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest.

Minnesota Judicial Branch

2nd Judicial District

Request for Proposal for Defense Counsel

The Second Judicial District is using this competitive selection process to obtain proposals from a qualified person, organization, or law firm to contract for the provision of legal counsel as Defense Counsel to participants in the district’s four Treatment Court programs.

The request for proposal does not obligate the Second Judicial District to award a contract. The Second Judicial District reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest.

Interested party’s submissions must be in writing and received by the Second Judicial District no later than **4:30 CST, April 14, 2017**. The sealed proposal must include three (3) paper copies and sent to the following address; no electronic submissions will be accepted:

Second Judicial District
Attention: Dustin Rockow
900 Ramsey County Courthouse
15 West Kellogg Boulevard West
St. Paul, MN 55102

A complete copy of the Request for Proposal may be found on the Minnesota Judicial Branch website (in the News and Announcements/Public Notices section) at www.mncourts.gov

Minnesota State Lottery Request for Proposals for Sponsorship Agreements

Description of Opportunity

The Minnesota State Lottery develops sponsorship agreements throughout the year with organizations, events, and sports teams to create excitement for lottery players, to interest new players and increase the visibility of lottery games. The Lottery encourages and continually seeks new sponsorship agreements to help achieve current Lottery marketing goals.

Proposal Content

A sponsorship proposal presented to the Lottery should meet the following three criteria:

- 1. Maximize Lottery Visibility** – the event, sports or tie-in proposal should draw a large number of desired participants (typically 50,000 or more) whose demographics match the Lottery player profile. The Lottery is interested in effectively delivering its message of fun and entertainment to Minnesota adults whose demographics skew primarily towards those aged 25-64, with a household income of \$35,000-\$75,000, and having an educational background of some college or higher. The Lottery does not market to those under the age of 18, and family events with high levels of children present are generally not accepted. Attendance, on-site signage visibility and paid media exposure will be critical components that will be evaluated.
- 2. Enhance Lottery Image-** – the event, sports or tie-in proposal should inherently project the attitude that the Lottery is a fun and socially acceptable part of the community. The Lottery's presence should fit well within the lineup of other sponsors. The Lottery is interested in creating opportunities whereby the sponsorship can translate into sales revenue, either via on-site sales from a Lottery booth, from sales-generating promotions with Lottery retailers or from joint programs with the sponsor's media partners.
- 3. Provide Promotional Extensions** – the event, sports or tie-in proposal should offer exciting, value-added ways to interact with our players and have opportunities to motivate attendees, listeners and viewers to participate in and purchase Lottery games. The proposal must include proper staffing availability or other considerations to help the Lottery implement any appropriate promotional extension ideas.

Proposals should address all pertinent elements of the sponsorship and how the Lottery criteria as stated above and on the Evaluation Form are to be met. To view or print copies of the Request for Proposal go to <http://www.mnlottery.com/vendorops.html>

This Solicitation does not obligate the state to award a contract or pursue a proposed sponsorship opportunity, and the state reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest.

Questions

Questions concerning this Solicitation should be directed to:

Jason LaFrenz, Marketing Director
Minnesota State Lottery
2645 Long Lake Road
Roseville, MN 55113
Telephone: (651) 635-8230
Toll-free: 1-888-568-8379 ext. 230
Fax: (651) 297-7496
TTY: (651) 635-8268
E-mail: jasonla@mnlottery.com

Other personnel are not authorized to answer questions regarding this Solicitation.

Response Delivery

All responses must be in writing and delivered to the contact noted above. Proposals will be accepted on an ongoing basis.

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Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA)

Request for Proposals for Audit Services

The Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) requests proposals from qualified certified public accounting firms interested in auditing and providing audit opinions on PERA's Schedule of Employer Allocations and Schedule of Pension Amounts by Employer in accordance with Statement No. 68 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, and the auditing standards of the American Institute of Public Accountants. The audit opinion will be relied upon by PERA's management, the PERA Board of Trustees, and employers participating in PERA's three cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plans and their auditors. This request for proposal (RFP) complies with Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 16C, and Minnesota Statutes Section 353.

The goal of this RFP is to evaluate and select a certified public accounting firm to audit and provide audit opinions on PERA's GASB 68 schedules for a 24-month period commencing July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2019. The resulting contract may be extended beyond the initial two-year term in one year increments at a price mutually agreed upon by both parties; however, the number of one-year extensions may not exceed three years.

A copy of the RFP for audit services is available on PERA's website at <http://www.mnpera.org> Alternatively, to request a copy of the RFP, or for Responders who have any questions regarding this RFP, please contact:

Jim Riebe, Principal Accounting Officer, Public Employees Retirement Association
60 Empire Drive, Suite 200
St. Paul, MN 55103
Email: jim.riebe@mnpera.org
Telephone: (651) 201-2643

Responses to this RFP must be received at the address above no later than **Friday, May 5, 2017 at 3:00 CT**. Late proposals and proposals received in any way other than that described in the RFP will not be considered.

This request does not obligate the State to complete the work contemplated in this notice. The State reserves the right to cancel the 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/>.

Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC)

Notice of Call for Bids for 2017 Airside Bituminous Rehabilitation/Electrical Construction

Project Location: Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport
Project Name: 2017 Airside Bituminous Rehabilitation/Electrical Construction
MAC Contract No. 106-1-280
Bids Close At: 2:00 PM on April 11, 2017

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. This project provides for the removal and replacement of elevated and in-pavement runway guard lights, airfield signs retrofitted with LED, and airfield lighting control upgrade of CPU's.

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?qsp=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 Targeted Group Businesses on this project is 4%.

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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 TKDA, the Minnesota Builders Exchange, Dodge Data and Analytics, and NAMC-UM Plan Room. Bidders desiring bidding documents may secure a complete set from: TKDA; 444 Cedar Street, Suite 1500; St. Paul, MN, 55101; PH: (651) 292-4400; FX: (651) 292-0083. Make checks payable to: TKDA; Deposit per set (refundable): \$100.00. 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 March 27, 2017, 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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