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Rules to be Adopted After a Hearing. After receiving comments and deciding to hold a public hearing on the rule, an agency drafts its rule. It then publishes its rules with a notice of hearing. All persons wishing to make a statement must register at the hearing. Anyone who wishes to submit written comments may do so at the hearing, or within five working days of the close of the hearing. Administrative law judges may, during the hearing, extend the period for receiving comments up to 20 calendar days. For five business days after the submission period the agency and interested persons may respond to any new information submitted during the written submission period and the record then is closed. The administrative law judge prepares a report within 30 days, stating findings of fact, conclusions and recommendations. After receiving the report, the agency decides whether to adopt, withdraw or modify the proposed rule based on consideration of the comments made during the rule hearing procedure and the report of the administrative law judge. The agency must wait five days after receiving the report before taking any action.

Rules to be Adopted Without a Hearing. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes § 14.22, an agency may propose to adopt, amend, suspend or repeal rules without first holding a public hearing. An agency must first solicit Comments on Planned Rules or Comments on Planned Rule Amendments from the public. The agency then publishes a notice of intent to adopt rules without a public hearing, together with the proposed rules, in the State Register. If, during the 30-day comment period, 25 or more persons submit to the agency a written request for a hearing on the proposed rules, the agency must proceed under the provisions of §§ 14.1414.20, which state that if an agency decides to hold a public hearing, it must publish a notice of intent in the State Register.

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.

Environmental Quality Board

Proposed Permanent Rules Relating to Environmental Review: Mandatory Categories; DUAL NOTICE: Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules Without a Public Hearing Unless 25 or More Persons Request a Hearing, and Notice of Hearing if 25 or More Requests for Hearing Are Received; Revisor’s ID Number RD-04157

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Introduction. The Environmental Quality Board intends to adopt rules without a public hearing following the procedures in the rules of the Office of Administrative Hearings, Minnesota Rules, parts 1400.2300 to 1400.2310, and the Administrative Procedure Act, Minnesota Statutes, sections 14.22 to 14.28. If, however, 25 or more persons submit a written request for a hearing on the rules by 4:30 p.m. on January 7, 2019, the Environmental Quality Board will hold the following two public hearings.

The first hearing, in Room 100, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, 520 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155, starting at 10:00 am on Wednesday, January 23, 2019 and, the second hearing at Great River Regional Library, 1300 W St. Germain St., St Cloud, MN 56301, starting at 10:30am on Monday January 28, 2019. To find out whether the Environmental Quality Board will adopt the rules without a hearing or if it will hold the hearings, you should contact the agency.
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Agency Contact Person. Submit any comments or questions on the rules or written requests for a public hearing to the Environmental Quality Board contact person. The Environmental Quality Board contact person is:

Erik Cedarleaf Dahl
Environmental Quality Board,
520 Lafayette Rd. St. Paul, MN, 55101,
651-757-2364 (phone), 651-757-2343 (fax), erik.dahl@state.mn.us.

You may also review the proposed rule and submit written comments via the Office of Administrative Hearings Rulemaking e-comments website at https://minnesotaoah.granicusideas.com/discussions.

Subject of Rules and Statutory Authority. The proposed rules are about Environmental Review: definitions, RGU selection process, Mandatory EAW Categories, Mandatory EIS Categories, Exemptions, Required notices, Licensing of Explorers, Content of an application for drilling permit, Abandonment of Exploratory Borings. The statutory authority to adopt the rules is Minnesota Statutes, section 116D.04, subdivisions 2a(a), 4a, 5a; Minnesota Statutes 116D.045, subdivision 1; Laws of Minnesota 2013, Chapter 114, Article 4, Section 105; Laws of Minnesota 2015, Chapter 4, Article 4, Section 121; Minnesota Statutes 116C.991; Laws of Minnesota 2015, Chapter 4, Section 33. A copy of the proposed rules is published in the State Register and attached to this notice as mailed.

Comments. You have until 4:30 p.m. on January 7, 2019 to submit written comment in support of or in opposition to the proposed rules or any part or subpart of the rules. Your comment must be in writing and received by the agency contact person by the due date. Comment is encouraged. Your comments should identify the portion of the proposed rules addressed, the reason for the comment, and any change proposed. You are encouraged to propose any change that you desire. Any comments that you have about the legality of the proposed rules must also be made during this comment period.

Request for a Hearing. In addition to submitting comments, you may also request that the Environmental Quality Board hold a hearing on the rules. You must make your request for a public hearing in writing, which the agency contact person must receive by 4:30 p.m. on January 7, 2019. You must include your name and address in your written request. In addition, you must identify the portion of the proposed rules that you object to or state that you oppose the entire set of rules. Any request that does not comply with these requirements is not valid and the agency cannot count it when determining whether it must hold a public hearing. You are also encouraged to state the reason for the request and any changes you want made to the proposed rules.

Withdrawal of Requests. If 25 or more persons submit a valid written request for a hearing, the Environmental Quality Board will hold a public hearing unless a sufficient number of persons withdraw their requests in writing. If enough requests for hearing are withdrawn to reduce the number below 25, the agency must give written notice of this to all persons who requested a hearing, explain the actions the agency took to effect the withdrawal, and ask for written comments on this action. If a public hearing is required, the agency will follow the procedures in Minnesota Statutes, sections 14.131 to 14.20.

Alternative Format/Accommodation. Upon request, this information can be made available in an alternative format, such as large print, braille, or audio. To make such a request or if you need an accommodation to make this hearing accessible, please contact the agency contact person at the address or telephone number listed above.

Modifications. The Environmental Quality Board might modify the proposed rules, either as a result of public comment or as a result of the rule hearing process. It must support modifications by data and views submitted to the agency or presented at the hearing. The adopted rules may not be substantially different than these proposed rules unless the Environmental Quality Board follows the procedure under Minnesota Rules, part 1400.2110. If the proposed rules affect you in any way, the Environmental Quality Board encourages you to participate in the rulemaking process.
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Cancellation of Hearing. The Environmental Quality Board will cancel the hearing(s) scheduled for January 23, 2019 and January 28, 2019 (in St. Cloud) if the Environmental Quality Board does not receive requests for a hearing from 25 or more persons. If you requested a public hearing, the Environmental Quality Board will notify you before the scheduled hearings whether the hearings will be held. You may also call the agency contact person at 651-757-2364 after January 7, 2019 (4:30pm) to find out whether the hearing will be held.

Notice of Hearing. If 25 or more persons submit valid written requests for a public hearing on the rules, the Environmental Quality Board will hold a hearing following the procedures in Minnesota Statutes, sections 14.131 to 14.20. The Environmental Quality Board will hold the hearings on the dates and at the times and places listed above. The hearings will continue until all interested persons have been heard. Administrative Law Judge, Laura Sue Schlatter is assigned to conduct the hearings. Judge Laura Sue Schlatter can be reached at the Office of Administrative Hearings, 600 North Robert Street, P.O. Box 64620, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55164-0620, telephone (651) 361-7875, and fax (651) 539-0310.

Hearing Procedure. If the Environmental Quality Board holds a hearing, you and all interested or affected persons, including representatives of associations or other interested groups, will have an opportunity to participate. You may present your views either orally at the hearing or in writing at any time before the hearing record closes. All evidence presented should relate to the proposed rules. You may also submit written material to the Administrative Law Judge to be recorded in the hearing record for five working days after the public hearing ends. At the hearing the Administrative Law Judge may order that this five-day comment period is extended for a longer period but not more than 20 calendar days. Following the comment period, there is a five-working-day rebuttal period when the agency and any interested person may respond in writing to any new information submitted. No one may submit new evidence during the five-day rebuttal period. The Office of Administrative Hearings must receive all comments and responses submitted to the Administrative Law Judge via the Office of Administrative Hearings Rulemaking e-comments website at https://minnesotaoah.granicusideas.com/discussions no later than 4:30 p.m. on the due date. All comments or responses received will be available for review at the Environmental Quality Board or on the Environmental Quality Board website at https://www.eqb.state.mn.us/content/eqb-mandatory-categories-rulemaking. This rule hearing procedure is governed by Minnesota Rules, parts 1400.2000 to 1400.2240, and Minnesota Statutes, sections 14.131 to 14.20. You may direct questions about the procedure to the Administrative Law Judge.

The agency requests that any person submitting written views or data to the Administrative Law Judge before the hearing or during the comment or rebuttal period also submit a copy of the written views or data to the agency contact person at the address stated above.

Statement of Need and Reasonableness. The statement of need and reasonableness summarizes the justification for the proposed rules, including a description of who will be affected by the proposed rules and an estimate of the probable cost of the proposed rules. It is now available from the agency contact person. You may review or obtain copies for the cost of reproduction by contacting the agency contact person. The SONAR will be available at the Environmental Quality Board’s website here: https://www.eqb.state.mn.us/content/eqb-mandatory-categories-rulemaking.

Lobbyist Registration. Minnesota Statutes, chapter 10A, requires each lobbyist to register with the State Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board. Ask any questions about this requirement of the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board at: Suite #190, Centennial Building, 658 Cedar Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155, telephone (651) 539-1180 or 1-800-657-3889.

Adoption Procedure if No Hearing. If no hearing is required, the agency may adopt the rules after the end of the comment period. The Environmental Quality Board will submit the rules and supporting documents to the Office of Administrative Hearings for a legal review. You may ask to be notified of the date the rules are submitted to the office. If you want either to receive notice of this, to receive a copy of the adopted rules, or to register with the agency to receive notice of future rule proceedings, submit your request to the agency contact person listed above.

Adoption Procedure after a Hearing. If a hearing is held, after the close of the hearing record, the Administrative Law Judge will issue a report on the proposed rules. You may ask to be notified of the date that the Administrative Law Judge’s report will become available, and can make this request at the hearing or in writing to the Administrative Law
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Judge. You may also ask to be notified of the date that the agency adopts the rules and the rules are filed with the Secretary of State by requesting this at the hearing or by writing to the agency contact person stated above.

Order. I order that the rulemaking hearing be held at the date, time, and location listed above.

Date: November 5, 2018

Dave Frederickson
Chair, Environmental Quality Board

4410.0200 DEFINITIONS AND ABBREVIATIONS.

Subp. 1b. Acute hazardous waste. “Acute hazardous waste” has the meaning given in part 7045.0020.

Subp. 5a. Auxiliary lane. “Auxiliary lane” means the portion of the roadway that:

A. adjoins the through lanes for purposes such as speed change, turning, storage for turning, weaving, or truck climbing; and

B. supplements through-traffic movement.

Subp. 9b. Compost facility. “Compost facility” means a facility used to compost or co-compost solid waste, including:

A. structures and processing equipment used to control drainage or collect and treat leachate; and

B. storage areas for incoming waste, the final product, and residuals resulting from the composting process.


Subp. 40b. Institutional facility. “Institutional facility” means a land-based facility owned or operated by an organization having a governmental, educational, civic, or religious purpose such as a school, hospital, prison, military installation, church, or other similar establishment or facility.

Subp. 43. Local governmental unit. “Local governmental unit” means any unit of government other than the state or a state agency or the federal government or a federal agency. Local governmental unit includes watershed districts established pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103D, soil and water conservation districts, watershed management organizations, counties, towns, cities, port authorities, housing authorities, and the Metropolitan Council.

Subp. 52a. Mixed municipal solid waste land disposal facility. “Mixed municipal solid waste land disposal facility” has the meaning given in part 7035.0300.

Subp. 59a. Petroleum refinery. “Petroleum refinery” has the meaning given in Minnesota Statutes, section 115C.02, subdivision 10a.
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Subp. 71a. **Refuse-derived fuel.** “Refuse-derived fuel” means the product resulting from techniques or processes used to prepare solid waste by shredding, sorting, or compacting for use as an energy source. It has the meaning given in Minnesota Statutes, section 115A.03, subdivision 25d.

Subp. 82a. **Silica sand.** “Silica sand” has the meaning given in Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.99, subdivision 1.

Subp. 82b. **Silica sand project.** “Silica sand project” has the meaning given in Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.99, subdivision 1.


4410.0500 **RGU SELECTION PROCEDURES.**

Subp. 4. **RGU for EAW by order of EQB.** If the EQB orders an EAW pursuant to part 4410.1000, subpart 3, item C, the EQB shall, at the same time, designate the RGU for that EAW.

Subp. 6. **Exception.** Notwithstanding subparts 1 to 5, the EQB or the EQB chair may designate, within five days of receipt of the completed data portions of the EAW, a different RGU for the project if the EQB determines the designee has greater expertise in analyzing the potential impacts of the project.

4410.4300 **Mandatory EAW Categories.**

Subp. 2. **Nuclear fuels and nuclear waste.** Items A to F designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

A. For construction or expansion of a facility for the storage of high level nuclear waste, other than an independent spent-fuel storage installation, the EQB shall be the RGU.

Subp. 3. **Electric-generating facilities.** Items A to D designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

A. For construction of an electric power generating plant and associated facilities designed for or capable of operating at a capacity of between 25 megawatts and 50 megawatts, the EQB shall be the RGU, or more but less than 50 megawatts and for which an air permit from the PCA is required, the PCA is the RGU.

B. For construction of an electric power generating plant and associated facilities designed for and capable of operating at a capacity of 25 megawatts or more but less than 50 megawatts or more, environmental review shall be conducted according to parts 7849.1000 to 7849.2100 and 7850.1000 to 7850.5600 and for which an air permit from the PCA is not required, the local governmental unit is the RGU.

C. For construction of an electric power generating plant and associated facilities designed for and capable of operating at a capacity of 50 megawatts or more, the PUC is the RGU, and environmental review must be conducted according to parts 7849.1000 to 7849.2100 and chapter 7850.

D. For construction of a wind energy conversion system, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 216F.01, designed for and capable of operating at a capacity of 25 megawatts or more, the PUC is the RGU, and environmental review must be conducted according to parts 7849.1000 to 7849.2100 and chapter 7850.
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review must be conducted according to chapter 7854.

Subp. 4. Petroleum refineries. For expansion of an existing petroleum refinery facility that increases its refinery’s capacity by 10,000 or more barrels per day or more, the PCA shall be is the RGU.

Subp. 5. Fuel conversion facilities.

A. Items A and B. Subitems (1) and (2) designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

A. (1) For construction of a new fuel conversion facility for the conversion of coal, peat, or biomass sources to gaseous, liquid, or solid fuels if that facility has the capacity to utilize 25,000 dry tons or more per year of input, the PCA shall be is the RGU.

B. (2) For construction or expansion of a new fuel conversion facility for the production of alcohol fuels that would have or would increase its capacity to produce 5,000,000 or more gallons or more per year of alcohol produced, the PCA shall be is the RGU.

B. A mandatory EAW is not required for the projects described in Minnesota Statutes, section 116D.04, subdivision 2a, paragraph (b).

Subp. 6. Transmission lines. For construction of a transmission line at a new location with a nominal capacity of between 70 kilovolts and 100 kilovolts with 20 or more miles of its length in Minnesota, the EQB shall be the RGU. For construction of a high-voltage transmission lines and associated facilities designed to and capable of operating at a nominal voltage of 100 kilovolts or more, as defined in part 7850.1000, the PUC is the RGU. Environmental review must be conducted according to parts 7849.1000 to 7849.2100 and 7850.1000 to 7850.5600.

Subp. 7. Pipelines. Items A to D designate the RGU for the type of project listed. For construction, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 216G.01, subdivision 2, of a pipeline, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 216G.01, subdivision 3, or 216G.02, subdivision 1, the PUC is the RGU. Environmental review must be conducted according to chapter 7852 and Minnesota Statutes, chapter 216G.

A. For routing of a pipeline, greater than six inches in diameter and having more than 0.75 miles of its length in Minnesota, used for the transportation of coal, crude petroleum fuels, or oil or their derivates, the EQB shall be the RGU.

B. For the construction of a pipeline for distribution of natural or synthetic gas under a license, permit, right, or franchise that has been granted by the municipality under authority of Minnesota Statutes, section 216B.36, designed to operate at pressures in excess of 275 pounds per square inch (gauge) with a length greater than:

(1) five miles if the pipeline will occupy streets, highways, and other public property; or

(2) 0.75 miles if the pipeline will occupy private property;

the EQB or the municipality is the RGU.

C. For construction of a pipeline to transport natural or synthetic gas subject to regulation under the federal Natural Gas Act, United States Code, title 15, section 717, et. seq., designed to operate at pressures in excess of 275 pounds per square inch (gauge) with a length greater than:

(1) five miles if the pipeline will be constructed and operated within an existing right-of-way; or

(2) 0.75 miles if construction or operation will require new temporary or permanent right-of-way;

the EQB is the RGU. This item shall not apply to the extent that the application is expressly preempted by federal law, or
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under specific circumstances when an actual conflict exists with applicable federal law.

D. For construction of a pipeline to convey natural or synthetic gas that is not subject to regulation under the federal Natural Gas Act, United States Code, title 15, section 717, et seq., or to a license, permit, right, or franchise that has been granted by a municipality under authority of Minnesota Statutes, section 216B.36, designed to operate at pressures in excess of 275 pounds per square inch (gauge) with a length greater than 0.75 miles, the EQD is the RGU.

Items A to D do not apply to repair or replacement of an existing pipeline within an existing right-of-way or to a pipeline located entirely within a refining, storage, or manufacturing facility.

Subp. 8. Transfer facilities. Items A and B to C designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

A. For construction of a new facility designed for or capable of transferring 300 tons or more of coal per hour or with an annual throughput of 500,000 tons of coal from one mode of transportation to a similar or different mode of transportation; or the expansion of an existing facility by these respective amounts, the PCA shall be the RGU.

B. For construction of a new facility or the expansion by 50 percent or more of an existing facility for the bulk transfer of hazardous materials with the capacity of 10,000 or more gallons per transfer, if the facility is located in a shoreland area, a delineated flood plain, floodplain, a state or federally designated wild and scenic rivers district, the Minnesota River Project Riverbend area, or the Mississippi headwaters area, the PCA shall be the RGU.

C. The PCA is the RGU for a silica sand project that:

(1) is designed to store or is capable of storing more than 7,500 tons of silica sand; or

(2) has an annual throughput of more than 200,000 tons of silica sand.

[For text of subp 9, see M R]

Subp. 10. Storage facilities. Items A to € H designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

A. For construction of a new facility designed for or capable of storing more than 7,500 tons of coal or with an annual throughput of more than 125,000 tons of coal; or the expansion of an existing facility by these respective amounts, the PCA shall be the RGU.

B. For construction of a new major facility on a single site designed for or capable of storing 1,000,000 gallons or more of hazardous materials, as defined in part 7151.1200, that results in a designed storage capacity of 1,000,000 gallons or more of hazardous materials, the PCA shall be the RGU.

C. For expansion of an existing major facility, as defined in part 7151.1200, with a designed storage capacity of 1,000,000 gallons or more of hazardous materials when the expansion adds a net increase of 1,000,000 gallons or more of hazardous materials, the PCA is the RGU.

D. For expansion of an existing facility that has less than 1,000,000 gallons in total designed storage capacity of hazardous materials when the net increase in designed storage capacity results in 1,000,000 gallons or more of hazardous materials, the PCA is the RGU.

€. E. For construction of a new facility designed for or capable of storing on a single site 100,000 gallons or more of liquefied natural gas, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 299F.56, subdivision 14, or synthetic gas, or anhydrous ammonia, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 216B.02, subdivision 6b, the PCA shall be PUC is the RGU, except as provided in item G.

F. For construction of a new facility designed for or capable of storing on a single site 100,000 gallons or more of anhydrous ammonia, the MDA is the RGU, except as provided in item G.
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G. For construction of a new facility designed for or capable of storing on a single site 100,000 gallons or more of a combination of liquefied natural gas, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 299F.56, subdivision 14; synthetic gas, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 216B.02, subdivision 6b; or anhydrous ammonia, the PUC is the RGU.

H. The PCA is the RGU for a silica sand project that:

1. is designed to store or is capable of storing more than 7,500 tons of silica sand; or

2. has an annual throughput of more than 200,000 tons of silica sand.

Subp. 12. Nonmetallic mineral mining. Items A to D designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

A. For development of a facility for the extraction or mining of sand, gravel, stone, or other nonmetallic minerals, other than peat, which will excavate 40 or more acres of land to a mean depth of ten feet or more during its existence, the local governmental unit shall be the RGU.

B. For construction of a new or expansion of an existing warehousing or light industrial facility equal to or in excess of the following thresholds, expressed as gross floor space, the local governmental unit shall be the RGU:

1. unincorporated area, 150,000 square feet;
2. third or fourth class city, 300,000 square feet;
3. second class city, 450,000 square feet; and
4. first class city, 600,000 square feet.

B. For construction of a new or expansion of an existing industrial, commercial, or institutional facility, other than a warehousing or light industrial facility, equal to or in excess of the following thresholds, expressed as gross floor space, the local governmental unit shall be the RGU:

1. second class city, 300,000 square feet; and
2. first class city, 400,000 square feet.

Subp. 16. Hazardous waste. Items A to D designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

A. For construction of a new or expansion of an existing hazardous waste disposal facility, the PCA shall be the RGU.

B. For construction of a new facility for hazardous waste processing facility with a capacity of 1,000 or more ki-
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lograms per month, storage or treatment that is generating or receiving 1,000 kilograms or more per month of hazardous waste or one kilogram or more per month of acute hazardous waste, the PCA shall be the RGU.

C. For expansion of an existing facility for hazardous waste processing facility storage or treatment that increases the facility’s capacity by ten percent or more, the PCA shall be the RGU.

[For text of item D, see M.R.]

Subp. 17. Solid waste. Items A to G designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

A. For construction of a mixed municipal solid waste land disposal facility for up to 100,000 cubic yards of waste fill per year, the PCA is the RGU.

B. For expansion by 25 percent or more of previously permitted capacity of a mixed municipal solid waste land disposal facility for up to 100,000 cubic yards of waste fill per year, the PCA is the RGU.

[For text of item C, see M.R.]

D. For construction or expansion of a mixed municipal solid waste energy recovery facility or incinerator; or the utilization use of an existing facility for the combustion of mixed municipal solid waste or refuse-derived fuel, with a permitted capacity of 30 tons or more per day of input, the PCA is the RGU.

E. For construction or expansion of a mixed municipal solid waste compost facility or a refuse-derived fuel production facility with a permitted capacity of 50 tons or more per day of input, the PCA is the RGU.

F. For expansion by at least ten percent but less than 25 percent of previously permitted capacity of a mixed municipal solid waste land disposal facility for 100,000 cubic yards or more of waste fill per year, the PCA is the RGU.

[For text of item G, see M.R.]

Subp. 18. Wastewater systems. Items A to F designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

A. For expansion, modification, or replacement of a municipal sewage collection system resulting in an increase in design average daily flow of any part of that system by 1,000,000 gallons per day or more if the discharge is to a wastewater treatment facility with a capacity less than 20,000,000 gallons per day or for expansion, modification, or replacement of a municipal sewage collection system resulting in an increase in design average daily flow of any part of that system by 2,000,000 gallons per day or more if the discharge is to a wastewater treatment facility with the capacity of 20,000,000 gallons or greater, the PCA shall be the RGU.

B. For expansion, modification, or replacement of a municipal sewage collection system resulting in an increase in design average daily flow of any part of that system by 2,000,000 gallons per day or more if the discharge is to a wastewater treatment facility with the capacity of 20,000,000 gallons or greater, the PCA is the RGU.

B. C. For expansion or reconstruction modification of an existing municipal or domestic wastewater treatment facility which that results in an increase by 50 percent or more and by at least 200,000 gallons per day of its the facility’s average wet weather design flow capacity, or the PCA is the RGU.

D. For construction of a new municipal or domestic wastewater treatment facility with an average wet weather design flow capacity of 200,000 gallons per day or more, the PCA shall be the RGU.

E. For expansion or reconstruction modification of an existing industrial process wastewater treatment facility which that increases its the facility’s design flow capacity by 50 percent or more and by at least 200,000 gallons per day or more, or the PCA is the RGU.

F. For construction of a new industrial process wastewater treatment facility with a design flow capacity of 200,000 gallons per day or more, 5,000,000 gallons per month or more, or 20,000,000 gallons per year or more, the PCA
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shall be is the RGU. This category does not apply to industrial process wastewater treatment facilities that discharge to a publicly owned treatment works or to a tailings basin reviewed pursuant according to subpart 11, item B.

For text of subps 19 and 19a, see M.R.

Subp. 20. Campgrounds and RV parks. For construction of a seasonal or permanent recreational development, accessible by vehicle, consisting of 50 or more sites, or the expansion of such a facility by 50 or more sites, the local governmental unit shall be is the RGU.

Subp. 20a. Resorts, campgrounds, and RV parks in shorelands. The local governmental unit is the RGU for construction or expansion of a resort or other seasonal or permanent recreational development located wholly or partially in shoreland, accessible by vehicle, of a type listed in item A or B:

For text of items A and B, see M.R.

Subp. 21. Airport projects. Items A and B designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

A. For construction of a paved, new airport runway, the DOT, local governmental unit, or the Metropolitan Airports Commission shall be is the RGU.

B. For construction of a runway extension that would upgrade an existing airport runway to permit usage by aircraft over 12,500 pounds that are at least three decibels louder than aircraft currently using the runway, the DOT, local governmental unit, or the Metropolitan Airports Commission shall be is the RGU. The RGU shall be is selected according to part 4410.0500, subpart 5.

Subp. 22. Highway projects. Items A to C designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

A. For construction of a road on a new location over one mile in length that will function as a collector roadway, the DOT or local governmental unit shall be is the RGU.

B. For construction of additional travel through lanes or passing lanes on an existing road for a length of two or more miles, exclusive of auxiliary lanes, the DOT or local governmental unit shall be is the RGU.

C. For the addition of one or more new interchanges to a completed limited access highway, the DOT or local governmental unit shall be is the RGU.

For text of subps 23 and 24, see M.R.

Subp. 25. Marinas. For construction or expansion of a marina or harbor that results in a 20,000 or more square foot total or a 20,000 or more square foot increase of water surface area used temporarily or permanently for docks, docking, or maneuvering of watercraft, the local governmental unit shall be is the RGU.

Subp. 26. Stream diversion. For a diversion, realignment, or channelization of any designated trout stream, or affecting greater than 500 feet of natural watercourse with a total drainage area of ten or more square miles unless exempted by part 4410.4600, subpart 14, item E, or 17, the DNR or local governmental unit shall be is the RGU.

Subp. 27. Wetlands and Public waters, public waters wetlands, and wetlands. Items A and B designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

A. For projects that will change or diminish the course, current, or cross-section of one acre or more of any public water or public waters wetland except for those to be drained without a permit according to Minnesota Statutes, chapter 103G, the DNR or local governmental unit shall be is the RGU.

B. For projects that will change or diminish the course, current, or cross-section of 40 percent or more or five or more acres of types 3 through 8 wetland of 2.5 acres or more cause an impact, as defined in part 8420.0111, to a total of one acre or more of wetlands, excluding public waters wetlands, if any part of the wetland is within a shoreland area, a delineated flood plain, a state or federally designated wild and scenic rivers district, the Minnesota River Proj-
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ect Riverbend area, or the Mississippi headwaters area, the local government unit shall be the RGU.

Subp. 28. Forestry. Items A and B designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

A. For harvesting of timber for commercial purposes on public lands within a state park, a historical area, a wilderness area, a scientific and natural area, a wild and scenic rivers district, the Minnesota River Project Riverbend area, the Mississippi headwaters area, or a critical area that does not have an approved plan under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.09 or 116G.07, the DNR shall be the RGU.

B. For a clearcutting of 80 or more contiguous acres of forest, any part of which is located within a shoreland area and within 100 feet of the ordinary high water mark of the lake or river, the DNR shall be the RGU.

Subp. 30. Natural areas. For projects resulting in the permanent physical encroachment on lands within a national park, a state park, a wilderness area, state lands and waters within the boundaries of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area, or a scientific and natural area, or state trail corridor when the encroachment is inconsistent with laws applicable to or the management plan prepared for the recreational unit, the DNR or local governmental unit shall be the RGU.

Subp. 31. Historical places. For the destruction, in whole or part, or the moving of a property that is listed on the National Register of Historic Places or State Register of Historic Places, the permitting state agency or local governmental unit shall be the RGU, except this does not apply to projects reviewed under section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, United States Code, title 16, section 470306108, or the federal policy on lands, wildlife and waterfowl refuges, and historic sites pursuant to United States Code, title 49, section 303, or projects reviewed by a local heritage preservation commission certified by the State Historic Preservation Office pursuant to Code of Federal Regulations, title 36, sections 61.5 and 61.7. This subpart does not apply to a property located within a designated historic district if the property is listed as “noncontributing” in the official district designation or if the State Historic Preservation Office issues a determination that the property is noncontributing.

Subp. 36. Land use conversion, including golf courses. Items A and B designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

A. For golf courses, residential development where the lot size is less than five acres, and other projects resulting in the permanent conversion of 80 or more acres of agricultural, native prairie, forest, or naturally vegetated land, the local governmental unit shall be the RGU, except that this subpart does not apply to agricultural land inside the boundary of the Metropolitan Urban Service Area established by the Metropolitan Council.

B. For projects resulting in the conversion of 640 or more acres of forest or naturally vegetated land to a different open space land use, the local governmental unit shall be the RGU.

Subp. 36a. Land conversions in shoreland.

A. For a project proposing a permanent conversion that alters 800 feet or more of the shoreline in a sensitive shoreland area or 1,320 feet or more of shoreline in a nonsensitive shoreland area, the local governmental unit is the RGU.

B. For a project proposing a permanent conversion that alters more than 50 percent of the shore impact zone if the alteration measures at least 5,000 square feet, the local governmental unit is the RGU.

Subp. 37. Recreational trails. If a project listed in items A to F will be built on state-owned land or funded, in whole or part, by grant-in-aid funds administered by the DNR, the DNR is the RGU. For other projects, if a governmental unit is sponsoring the project, in whole or in part, that governmental unit is the RGU. If the project is not sponsored by a unit

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of government, the RGU is the local governmental unit. For purposes of this subpart, “existing trail” means an established corridor in current legal use.

A. Constructing a trail at least ten 25 miles long on forested or other naturally vegetated land for a recreational use other than snowmobiling or cross-country skiing, unless exempted by part 4410.4600, subpart 14, item D; or constructing a trail at least 20 miles long on forested or other naturally vegetated land exclusively for snowmobiling or cross-country skiing.

B. Designating at least 25 miles of an existing trail for a new motorized recreational use other than snowmobiling. When designating an existing motorized trail or existing corridor in current legal use by motor vehicles, the designation does not contribute to the 25-mile threshold under this item. When adding a new recreational use or seasonal recreational use to an existing motorized recreational trail, the addition does not contribute to the 25-mile threshold if the treadway width is not expanded as a result of the added use. In applying items A and B, if a proposed trail will contain segments of newly constructed trail and segments that will follow an existing trail but be designated for a new motorized use, an EAW must be prepared if the total length of the quotients obtained by dividing the length of the new construction by ten miles and the length of the existing but newly constructed and newly designated trail by 25 miles, equals or exceeds one segment is at least 25 miles.

[For text of items C to F, see M.R.]

4410.4400 MANDATORY EIS CATEGORIES.

[For text of subp 1, see M.R.]

Subp. 2. Nuclear fuels and nuclear waste. Items A to D designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

A. For the construction or expansion of a nuclear fuel or nuclear waste processing facility, including fuel fabrication facilities, reprocessing plants, and uranium mills, the DNR shall be the RGU for uranium mills; otherwise, the PCA shall be is the RGU.

B. For construction of a high level nuclear waste disposal site, the EQB shall be is the RGU.

C. For construction or expansion of an independent spent-fuel storage installation, the Department of Commerce is the RGU.

D. For construction of an away-from-reactor facility for temporary storage of spent nuclear fuel, the Public Utilities Commission shall be PUC is the RGU.

For construction of a low level nuclear waste disposal site, the MDH shall be is the RGU.

Subp. 3. Electric-generating facilities. For construction of a large electric power generating plant, as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 216E.01, subdivision 5, the PUC is the RGU. Environmental review shall must be conducted according to parts 7849.1000 to 7849.2100 and 7850.1000 to 7850.5600.

Subp. 4. Petroleum refineries. For construction of a new petroleum refinery facility, the PCA shall be is the RGU.

Subp. 5. Fuel conversion facilities. Items A and B designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

A. For construction of a new fuel conversion facility for the conversion of converting coal, peat, or biomass sources to gaseous, liquid, or solid fuels if the facility has the capacity to utilize use 250,000 dry tons or more per year of input, the PCA shall be is the RGU.

B. For construction of a new or expansion of an existing fuel conversion facility for the production of alcohol fuels which would have or would increase its the facility’s capacity by 50,000,000 or more gallons per year of alcohol produced if the facility will be in the seven-county Twin Cities metropolitan area or by 125,000,000 or more gallons per year of alcohol produced if the facility will be outside the seven-county Twin Cities metropolitan area, the PCA shall
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be is the RGU.

C.  A mandatory EIS is not required for projects described in Minnesota Statutes, section 116D.04, subdivision 2a, paragraph (c).

Subp. 6.  **Transmission lines.**  For construction of a high-voltage transmission line and associated facilities, as defined in part 7850.1000, the PUC is the RGU.  Environmental review shall must be conducted according to parts 7849.1000 to 7849.2100 and 7850.1000 to 7850.5600.

*[For text of subp 7, see M.R.]*

Subp. 8.  **Metallic mineral mining and processing.**  Items A to C and B designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

A.  For mineral deposit evaluation involving the extraction of 1,000 tons or more of material that is of interest to the proposer principally due to its radioactive characteristics, the DNR shall be the RGU.

B.  A.  For construction of a new facility for mining metallic minerals or for the disposal of tailings from a metallic mineral mine, the DNR shall be the RGU.

C.  B.  For construction of a new metallic mineral processing facility, the DNR shall be the RGU.

Subp. 9.  **Nonmetallic mineral mining.**  Items A to C designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

A.  For development of a facility for the extraction or mining of peat which will utilize 320 acres of land or more during its existence, the DNR shall be the RGU.

B.  For development of a facility for the extraction or mining of sand, gravel, stone, or other nonmetallic minerals, other than peat, which will excavate 160 acres of land or more to a mean depth of ten feet or more during its existence, the local governmental unit shall be the RGU.

*[For text of item C, see M.R.]*

*[For text of subp 10, see M.R.]*

Subp. 11.  **Industrial, commercial, and institutional facilities.**  Items A and B designate the RGU for the type of project listed, except as provided in items C and D:

A.  For construction of a new or expansion of an existing warehousing or light industrial facility equal to or in excess of the following thresholds, expressed as gross floor space, the local governmental unit is the RGU:

(1)  unincorporated area, 375,000 square feet;

(2)  third or fourth class city, 750,000 square feet;

(3)  second class city, 1,000,000 square feet; and

(4)  first class city, 1,500,000 square feet.

B.  For construction of a new or expansion of an existing industrial, commercial, or institutional facility, other than a warehousing or light industrial facility, equal to or in excess of the following thresholds, expressed as gross floor space, the local governmental unit shall be the RGU:

*[For text of subitems (1) and (2), see M.R.]*

(3)  second class city, 750,000 square feet; and

(4)  first class city, 1,000,000 square feet.

*[For text of items C and D, see M.R.]*
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Subp. 12. **Hazardous waste.** Items A to C designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

[Cite text of items A and B, see M.R.]

C. For construction or expansion of a facility for hazardous waste processing facility storage or treatment, if the facility is located in a water-related land use management district; or in an area characterized by soluble bedrock, the PCA shall be the RGU.

Subp. 13. **Solid waste.** Items A to E designate the RGU for the type of project listed:

A. For construction of a mixed municipal solid waste land disposal facility for 100,000 cubic yards or more of waste fill per year, the PCA is the RGU.

B. For construction or expansion of a mixed municipal solid waste land disposal facility in a water-related land use management district; or in an area characterized by soluble bedrock, the PCA is the RGU.

C. For construction or expansion of a mixed municipal solid waste energy recovery facility or incinerator; or the utilization use of an existing facility for the combustion of mixed municipal solid waste or refuse-derived fuel; with a permitted capacity of 250 or more tons or more per day of input, the PCA is the RGU.

D. For construction or expansion of a mixed municipal solid waste compost facility or a refuse-derived fuel production facility when the construction or expansion results in a facility with a permitted capacity of 500 tons or more tons per day of input, the PCA is the RGU.

E. For expansion by 25 percent or more of previous capacity of a mixed municipal solid waste land disposal facility for 100,000 cubic yards or more of waste fill per year, the PCA is the RGU.

[For text of subps 14 and 14a, see M.R.]

Subp. 15. **Airport runway projects.** For construction of a paved and lighted airport runway of 5,000 feet of length or greater, the DOT or local government unit shall be the RGU.

Subp. 16. **Highway projects.** For construction of a road on a new location which is four or more lanes in width and two or more miles in length, the DOT or local government unit shall be the RGU.

[For text of subps 17 and 18, see M.R.]

Subp. 19. **Marinas.** For construction of a new or expansion of an existing marina, harbor, or mooring project on a state or federally designated wild and scenic river, the local government unit shall be the RGU.

Subp. 20. **Wetlands and Public waters and public water wetlands.** For projects that will eliminate a public water or public waters wetland, the DNR or the local government unit shall be the RGU.

[For text of subps 21 to 24, see M.R.]

Subp. 25. **Incineration of Incinerating wastes containing PCBs.** For the incineration of incinerating wastes containing PCBs for which an EIS is required by Minnesota Statutes, section 116.38, subdivision 2, the PCA shall be the RGU.

[For text of subps 26 to 28, see M.R.]

**4410.4600 EXEMPTIONS.**

[For text of subps 1 to 9, see M.R.]

Subp. 10. **Industrial, commercial, and institutional facilities.** The following projects are exempt:

[For text of item A, see M.R.]

B. The Construction of a warehousing, light industrial, commercial, or institutional facility with less than 4,000 square feet of gross floor space; and with associated parking facilities designed for 20 vehicles or less, is exempt.
C. Construction of a new parking facility for less than 100 vehicles if the facility is not located in a shoreland area, a delineated floodplain, a state or federally designated wild and scenic rivers district, the Minnesota River Project Riverbend area, or the Mississippi headwaters area is exempt.

[For text of subp 11, see M.R.]

Subp. 12. Residential development. The following projects are exempt:

A. Construction of a sewered residential development, of:

    (1) less than ten units in an unincorporated area;

    (2) less than 20 units in a third or fourth class city;

    (3) less than 40 units in a second class city; or

    (4) less than 80 units in a first class city, no part of which is within a shoreland area, a delineated floodplain, a state or federally designated wild and scenic rivers district, the Minnesota River Project Riverbend area, or the Mississippi headwaters area is exempt.

[For text of item B, see M.R.]

C. Construction of a single residence or multiple residence with four dwelling units or less and accessory appurtenant structures and utilities is exempt.

[For text of subp 13, see M.R.]

Subp. 14. Highway projects. The following projects are exempt:

A. Highway safety improvement projects are exempt.

B. Installation of traffic control devices, individual noise barriers, bus shelters and bays, loading zones, and access and egress lanes for transit and paratransit vehicles is exempt.

C. Modernization of an existing roadway or bridge by resurfacing, restoration, or rehabilitation that may involve the acquisition of minimal amounts of right-of-way is exempt.

D. Roadway landscaping, or construction of bicycle and pedestrian lanes, paths, and facilities within an existing right-of-way are exempt.

E. Any stream diversion, realignment, or channelization within the right-of-way of an existing public roadway associated with bridge or culvert replacement is exempt.

F. Reconstruction or modification of an existing bridge structure on essentially the same alignment or location that may involve the acquisition of minimal amounts of right-of-way is exempt.

[For text of subps 15 to 17, see M.R.]

Subp. 18. Agriculture and forestry. The following projects are exempt:

A. Harvesting of timber for maintenance purposes is exempt.

B. Public and private forest management practices, other than clearcutting or the application of pesticides, that involve less than 20 acres of land are exempt.

[For text of subps 19 to 26, see M.R.]

Subp. 27. Recreational trails. The projects listed in items A to F are exempt. For purposes of this subpart, “existing trail” means an established corridor in current legal use.
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For text of items A to F, see M.R.

G. Paving a trail located on an abandoned railroad grade retired in accordance with Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, part 1152.

H. Adding a new motorized use to an existing motorized trail or trail segment where the trail is located only on an abandoned railroad grade retired in accordance with Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, part 1152.

4410.5200 EQB MONITOR; PUBLICATION REQUIREMENTS.

Subpart 1. Required notices. Governmental units are required to publish notice of the items listed in items A to R in the EQB Monitor, except that this part constitutes a request and not a requirement with respect to federal agencies.

A. When a project has been noticed pursuant to item D, separate notice of individual permits required by that project need not be made unless changes in the project are proposed that will involve new and potentially significant environmental effects not considered previously. No decision granting a permit application for which notice is required to be published by this part shall be effective until 30 days following publication of the notice.

For text of subitem (1), see M.R.

(2) For notice of public sales of permits for or leases to mine iron ore, copper-nickel, or other minerals on state-owned or administered mineral rights, Minnesota Statutes, sections 93.16, 93.335, and 93.351, and part 6125.0500, the DNR is the permitting authority.

For text of subitems (3) and (4), see M.R.

For text of items B to R, see M.R.

For text of subps 2 and 3, see M.R.

4410.7904 LICENSING OF EXPLORERS.

An applicant shall comply with Minnesota Statutes, section 156A.071, subdivision 2, and parts 4727.0400 to 4727.0900, relating to the regulation of exploratory boring.

4410.7906 PROCEDURE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A DRILLING PERMIT.

Subp. 2. Content of an application for drilling permit. An application for a drilling permit shall be filed by the applicant with the board EQB and shall include:

For text of items A and B, see M.R.

C. the applicant’s explorer’s license, issued under Minnesota Statutes, section 156A.071, subdivision 2, and parts 4727.0400 to 4727.0900.

For text of items D to J, see M.R.

For text of subps 3 and 4, see M.R.

4410.7926 ABANDONMENT OF EXPLORATORY BORINGS.

Pursuant According to Minnesota Statutes, section 116C.724, subdivision 2, clause (1), any abandonment, whether temporary or permanent, shall comply with the state drilling and drill hole abandonment and restoration rules governing exploratory boring under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 156A, and parts 4727.1000 to 4727.1300, 4727.1250.

TERM CHANGE. The term “shall be the RGU” is changed to “is the RGU” wherever it appears in Minnesota Rules, chapter 4410.
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 Employment and Economic Development, Minnesota Housing and Department of Human Services


The state submits its CAPER to HUD annually as one of the conditions of receiving federal housing and community development funding through the Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnerships, Emergency Solutions Grants, Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS, and the national Housing Trust Fund programs. The CAPER provides information to measure the state’s progress during the past year in meeting assistance goals and priorities identified in the Consolidated Plan. The CAPER includes a summary and analysis of progress made on identified actions that state agencies have elected to undertake to affirmatively further fair housing and overcome impediments to fair housing.

A draft of the 2018 CAPER and PER will be available for public review and comment beginning November 13, 2018, at www.mnhousing.gov and http://mn.gov/deed/government/financial-assistance/community-funding/ and ending at close of business November 27, 2018. Printed copies of the CAPER can be obtained by calling Minnesota Housing Finance Agency at 1-800-657-3769 or (651) 296-7608, or TTY (651) 297-2361.

Written public comments on the CAPER and PER must be submitted by November 27, 2018 to: CAPER, Minnesota Housing Finance Agency; 400 Wabasha Street, Suite 400; St. Paul, MN 55102; via fax to (651) 296-8139 or by email to mn.housing@state.mn.us. To ensure consideration of your comments, type “CAPER” in the subject line of your e-mail.

The State will consider any comments from individuals or groups received in writing and a summary of the written comments on the CAPER and PER and the State’s responses will be included in the final CAPER. The CAPER and PER will be submitted to HUD on or before December 31, 2018.

Investment Advisory Council

Official Meeting Notice

The Investment Advisory Council of the Minnesota State Board of Investment will meet on Monday, November 19, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. at the Retirement Systems Building, Room 106 (Main Floor), 60 Empire Drive, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Department of Labor and Industry

Notice of Certification of Highway and Heavy Prevailing Wage Rates

The Commissioner of Labor & Industry will certify prevailing wage rates for Highway and Heavy construction projects in all ten regions on Wednesday, November 14, 2018. These rates were identified by annual survey of highway and heavy construction projects in Minnesota collected by the Department.
Wage rate determinations are available online at:
http://dli.mn.gov/business/employment-practices/prevailing-wage-information

Questions regarding determinations may be directed to the following:

Division of Labor Standards & Apprenticeship
443 Lafayette Road N
St. Paul, MN 55155

Phone: 651-284-5091
Email: dli.prevwage@state.mn.us

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA)
Request for Comments on a Planned Rule Amendment to Operator Training Requirements, Minn. R. pt. 7048.1000; Revisor’s ID Number R-04566

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is requesting comments from affected or interested parties on a planned amendment to rules governing the hours of training required to renew certification for operators of land disposal facilities (Type IV Operator Certification). The planned amendments will only affect Minn. R. pt. 7048.1000.

Plain-Language Summary of the Request for Comments. This is the MPCA’s legal notice of its intent to begin the rulemaking process to make an amendment to rules governing the training required for certified operators of land application facilities. This is the first opportunity for public comment and input on this rule project. We want your feedback to inform us about the ideas described under the Subject of Rules section below. If you have comments or ideas about the amendment being considered, please submit them in writing according to the Public Comment section below. Submitting your ideas and information at this early stage in rulemaking allows us more time to address issues, and helps to ensure informed decision-making.

Subject of Rules. The MPCA is considering making a single change to the training requirements for the operators of Type IV disposal facilities where sewage sludge or semi-solids from industrial or commercial operations are applied to the land. The operators of these facilities must be certified and in order to renew their certification, must currently complete nine hours of training every three years. The MPCA has found that the necessary training content can be provided in less time and is seeking comment about its intent to reduce the number of recertification training hours to six hours every three years.

Persons Affected. The persons affected by this rule change will be the approximately 650 Type IV operators who are certified to work in Minnesota. The MPCA believes that Type IV operators will benefit from the reduction of training hours by having the rules reflect the actual training time needed and by being able to complete re-certification training in one day.

Statutory Authority. Minnesota Statutes § 116.41, subd. 2 authorizes the MPCA to develop standards of competence for persons operating and inspecting various classes of disposal facilities.

The agency shall develop standards of competence for persons operating and inspecting various classes of disposal facilities. The agency shall conduct training programs for persons operating facilities for the disposal of waste and for inspectors of such facilities, and shall charge such fees as are necessary to cover the actual costs of the training programs. All fees received shall be paid into the state treasury and credited to the Pollution Control Agency training account and are appropriated to the agency to pay expenses relating to the training of disposal facility personnel.

The agency shall require operators and inspectors of such facilities to obtain from the agency a certificate of competence. The agency shall conduct examinations to test the competence of applicants for certification, and shall
require that certificates be renewed at reasonable intervals. The agency may charge such fees as are necessary to cover the actual costs of receiving and processing applications, conducting examinations, and issuing and renewing certificates. Certificates shall not be required for a private individual for land-spreading and associated interim and temporary storage of sewage sludge on property owned or farmed by that individual.

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on these possible rules in writing until 4:30 p.m. on December 14, 2018. The MPCA will not publish a notice of intent to adopt the rules until at least 60 days have elapsed from the date of this request for comments.

The state rulemaking process requires agencies to seek and consider information on specific topics relating to the rule amendments being considered. The MPCA requests that interested persons submit:

- Information regarding the possible economic effect of the possible rule amendments.
- Information pertaining to the cumulative effect of the possible rule amendments. Cumulative effect means the impact that results from incremental effects of the proposed rule in addition to other rules, regardless of what state or federal agency has adopted the other rules.
- Information on the potential effect on local government ordinances or regulations as described in Minnesota Statutes § 14.128. The MPCA does not anticipate that the rule amendments will require a local government to adopt or amend an ordinance or other regulation. Local governments may submit written information to the contrary.

Rule Drafts. Information about the proposed amendment and rulemaking activities will be posted on https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/amendments-operator-training-requirements, and you are encouraged to register at GovDelivery to receive notice and information about this rulemaking.

MPCA Contact Person. Written comments, questions, and requests for more information on this possible amendment should be directed to:

Carol Nankivel  
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency  
520 Lafayette Road North, St. Paul, Minnesota, 55155-4194  
Telephone: 651-757-2597; Toll-free: 1-800-657-3864; Fax 651-297-1456  
Email: carol.nankivel@state.mn.us

Alternative Format. Upon request, the MPCA can make this information available in an alternative format, such as large print, braille, or audio. To make such a request, please contact the MPCA contact person at the address or telephone number listed above.

NOTE: Comments received in response to this notice will be considered by the MPCA in the development of proposed rules but will not necessarily be included in the formal rulemaking record submitted to the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ). The MPCA is required to submit to the ALJ only those written comments received in response to the rules after they are proposed. If you want the ALJ to review your comments, you must resubmit them when the MPCA publishes proposed rules for public comment.

Date October 26, 2018  
John Linc Stine, Commissioner  
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA)  
Notice of Intent to Reissue a National Pollutant Discharge State Disposal System (SDS) General Permit MNG960000 Land Application of Industrial By-Products

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) proposes to reissue a SDS General Permit (general permit) authorization to land apply wastes generated from food and beverage processing facilities or similar industrial by-product. These wastes are generally suitable for use as soil amendments and provide plant
nutrients. Examples of facilities that may qualify for coverage under this general permit are dairy processors, meat and poultry processors, vegetable processors, soft drink and beer manufacturers, livestock truckwashes, ethanol facilities, and other industries that have similar waste streams. This is the reissuance of an existing general permit, which expires at midnight on November 30, 2018.

This general permit will provide timely reissuance without the delay of individual permit issuance procedures and will cover approximately 45 facilities. The general permit has a duration of approximately five years. The public comment period begins November 13, 2018, and ends at 4:30 p.m. on December 12, 2018.

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 State Disposal System (SDS) permit can apply to numerous facilities and is known as a general permit.

Persons wishing to land apply or store an industrial by-product under the terms of this general permit shall submit an SDS permit application and meet all applicability criteria listed below. Facilities that do not meet all of these applicability criteria listed below will be evaluated for issuance of an individual SDS permit under Minn. R. ch. 7001.

Characterization of the industrial by-product at the time of permit application must indicate that all of the eligibility requirements in this part would be met:
1. The industrial by-product cannot be a hazardous waste.
2. Concentration of any of the analytes in the industrial by-products cannot exceed the limits identified in Table 1. By-products cannot be diluted or mixed with other materials before this determination has been made.

**Table 1. Concentration limits for industrial by-products.**

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3. Annual application rates of the industrial by-product cannot exceed the annual sodium application rate limitation of 170 pounds per acre per year.

4. The following industrial by-products would not qualify for coverage under this permit:
a. Egg shells managed in accordance with Minn. R. ch. 7035 (Beneficial Use Rules);
b. Industrial by-products from the processing of sugar beets;
c. Animal manures and paunch manure covered under Minn. R. ch. 7020 (Feedlot Rules);
d. Dead animals; and
e. Residuals from the treatment of drinking water or conditioning of industrial process water managed in accordance with Minn. R. ch. 7035 (Beneficial Use Rules) or covered under general permit MNG820000 or MNG640000 (water treatment plant general permits).
f. Solid or liquid wastes generated at these facilities as part of their operations, such as vehicle maintenance, shipping and cooling water.
g. Sediment from floor drains and from flammable and sediment traps at vehicle wash facilities.
The SDS general permit contains requirements for site selection, management (application rates, control of runoff, separation distances, etc.), record keeping, and reporting. General conditions, which are a part of all SDS permits, are included as part of this general permit. Staging and storage areas and/or structures is allowed under the general permit, but must be managed in accordance with specific provisions, based on the length and method of storage.

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. 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 email at emily.schnick@state.mn.us.

Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission
Notice of Public Hearing to Consider Amendments to the Sentencing Guidelines

THE MINNESOTA SENTENCING GUIDELINES COMMISSION WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING on Thursday, December 13, 2018, at 1:30 p.m. in Room 1100, of the Minnesota Senate Building, 95 University Ave. W., Saint Paul, MN 55155. The public hearing is being held to consider a non-legislative proposal to modify the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines and Commentary §§ 1.B., Definitions; 2.B., Criminal History; 2.G., Convictions for Attempts, Conspiracies, and Other Sentence Modifiers; 4.A., Sentencing Guidelines Grid; 5.A., Offense Severity Reference Table; 5.B., Severity Level by Statutory Citation; and 6. Offenses Eligible for Permissive Consecutive Sentences; to renumber § 8, Targeted Misdemeanor List, as Appendix 4; and to establish a new § 8 designating a list of severe violent offenses.

A copy of the proposed modifications is available free of charge on the agency’s website at mn.gov/sentencing-guidelines or by contacting the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission by mail at 658 Cedar Street, Suite G-58, St. Paul, MN 55155, or telephone at (651) 296-0144. Persons with hearing or speech disabilities may contact us via their preferred Telecommunications Relay Service. If you need special accommodations to attend, please contact the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission as soon as possible. This notice is available in alternative formats upon request. All interested persons are encouraged to attend the hearing and offer comments. Persons wishing to speak may register in advance by contacting the Commission’s office at the above address or telephone number, or by e-mail at sentencing.guidelines@state.mn.us.

The Commission will hold the record open for five calendar days after the public hearing to accept written comment, after which the Commission will meet to formally adopt or reject the proposed modifications. The date, time, and location for such a meeting has been tentatively established as December 20, 2018, at 1:30 p.m. in Room 1100 of the Minnesota Senate Building, 95 University Ave. W., Saint Paul, MN 55155. If adopted, modifications become effective August 1, 2019, unless the Legislature by law provides otherwise.
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/

Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED)

Notice of Grant Opportunity

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) places notice of any available grant opportunities online at https://mn.gov/deed/about/contracts/

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

Multistate Contracting Alliance for Pharmacy (MMCAP)

Notice of Request for Proposals Contract(s) for Pharmaceutical Wholesaler Distribution Services

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

To request a copy of the RFP go to http://www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us/process/admin/postings.asp

Questions may be addressed to MMCAP.RFP@state.mn.us

Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this notice must be received at the address specified in the Request for Proposals no later than December 31, 2018, 12 Noon. 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.
Minnesota Department of Agriculture
Notice of Contract Opportunity for Agricultural Research and Evaluation of the Clean Water Fund

PROJECT NAME: Agricultural Research and Evaluation of the Clean Water Fund

DETAILS: The Minnesota Department of Agriculture, Pesticide and Fertilizer Management Division (MDA) is requesting proposals from scientists and researchers to conduct research related to clean water in agricultural areas of the State, including research to evaluate the effectiveness of agricultural conservation practices, identify underlying processes that affect water quality, and develop technologies to target critical areas of the landscape.

Proposals should quantify agricultural conservation practices effectiveness related to nutrient source reduction, off-site movement, and treatment in the State of Minnesota. Proposals should focus on the water quality effects of individual practices and/or the cumulative effects of multiple conservation practices. Proposals must include a cost effectiveness component, as well as an education and outreach plan to benefit the people of Minnesota. See the Request for Proposals (RFP) for information on the project priorities. MDA may award multiple projects from this RFP.

Work is anticipated to start after January 15, 2019.

COPY REQUEST: To get a copy of the RFP, please send a written request, by email, to:

Aicam Laacouri
Clean Water Research Coordinator
Email: Aicam.Laacouri@state.mn.us

PROPOSAL DEADLINE: Proposals submitted in response to the RFP in this advertisement must be received no later than 3:00 p.m. Central Time, on Thursday, November 29, 2018. Late proposals will not be considered. Fax and email proposals 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 this solicitation. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

Completed and Current Funded Projects
For a list of Clean Water research projects supported by MDA, please visit: www.mda.state.mn.us/clean-water-research-projects.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State)
Inver Hills Community College
Notice of Request for Proposals for Mechanical and Physical Plant Systems Repair

Notice of Request for Proposal for the desire to secure a service provider to support the repair and maintenance of, but not limited to, the physical plant, boilers chillers, pumps, motors, mechanical equipment and assorted plumbing on an as needed and emergency call basis.

Walkthrough’s are planned for Friday November 16th from 9 am to 11am. To receive a complete copy of the proposal, http://minnstate.edu/vendors/index.html

Proposals must be sealed with a notation on the outside of the envelope stating: Mechanical and Physical Plant Systems Repair proposal – DELIVER IMMEDIATELY
State Contracts

Mail or deliver (faxes and email will not be accepted) sealed proposal must be delivered no later than 12:00pm Tuesday, November 27th, 2018 to:

Inver Hills Community College
Purchasing Department
2500 East 80th Street, Inver Grove Heights, MN 55076
Attn: Karla Colwell
Phone (651)450-3871

PROPOSAL CLOSE DATE IS Tuesday, November 27th 2018- 12:00P.M.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State)  
Minnesota State University, Mankato  
Notice of Availability of Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Construction Manager as Constructor (CM) Services for: Sports Dome Construction Project

The State of Minnesota, acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, on behalf of Minnesota State University, Mankato, is soliciting proposals from interested, qualified consultants for Construction Manager as Constructor (CM) services for the above referenced project.

A full Request for Qualifications is available on the Minnesota State University, Mankato website, [http://www.mnsu.edu/fpurchas/](http://www.mnsu.edu/fpurchas/), click on the project RFQ 110388020.

An information meeting will be held on Thursday, November 15, 2018 at 1:30 PM on the Minnesota State University, Mankato campus in the Myers Field House, Room 129. All firms interested in this meeting should contact Joe Montag by email at: joe.montag@mnsu.edu to confirm attendance. Attendees should plan to park in the University Visitor Parking Lot located south of the Centennial Student Union. The link to the campus map with the parking lot identified is: [http://www.mnsu.edu/parking/maps.html](http://www.mnsu.edu/parking/maps.html).

Proposal statements of qualifications must be delivered to:

Donna Hensel, Coordinator
Minnesota State University, Mankato
358 Wiecking Center
415 Malin Street
Mankato, MN 56001

not later than 4:00 pm, Tuesday, November 27, 2018. Late responses will not be considered.

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 (Minnesota State)  
Metropolitan State University  
Request for Safety and Security Services

NOTICE IS HEARBY GIVEN that Metropolitan State University will receive proposals for security services. RFP specifications will be available on November 13th 2018 and received back no later than 4:00 PM on December 21st 2018.

Copies of this RFP can be obtained from Thomas R. Maida at (Thomas.Maida@metrostate.edu) 651- 793-1725. Metropolitan State University reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, or portions thereof, or to waive any irregularities or informalities, in proposals received.
State Contracts

Metropolitan State University desires to purchase safety and security services for a period of five years from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2024.

Contacts
Prospective responders who have any questions regarding this request for proposal may call or write:

Name: Thomas R. Maida
E-mail: (Thomas.Maida@metrostate.edu)
Title: Director of Public Safety and Auxiliary Services
Address: 700 East Seventh Street, St Paul, MN, 55106.
Phone: 651-793-1725

Other personnel are NOT allowed to discuss the request for proposal with anyone, including responders, before the proposal submission deadline.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State)

Normandale Community College
Notice of availability of Request for Proposal (RFP) for Normandale Community College Classroom and College Services Center Commissioning Agent

The State of Minnesota, acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, on behalf of Normandale Community College, is soliciting proposals from interested, qualified consultants to be the Commissioning Agent for the above referenced project.

A full request for proposal is available on the MN State website at [http://www.minnstate.edu/vendors/index.html](http://www.minnstate.edu/vendors/index.html) or by emailing Nissa Passmore at Nissa.passmore@normandale.edu and requesting such RFP. No phone call requests will be accepted.

A voluntary informational meeting is scheduled for Wednesday November 21, 2018 at 10am CST at Normandale 9700 France Avenue South Bloomington Minnesota 55431 in room A2570.

Any questions should be directed by email only to Nissa Passmore at nissa.passmore@normandale.edu. Project questions will be taken by this individual only. Questions regarding this RFP must be received by 1 pm on Monday, November 26, 2018

Proposals must be delivered to Patrick Buhl/Nissa Passmore, Normandale Office Manager 9700 France Avenue South Bloomington Minnesota 55431 not later than December 7, 2018 at 1pm CST. Late responses will not be considered.

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 (Minnesota State)

Riverland Community College
Notice of availability of Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Riverland Community College – Albert Lea Campus: Transportation, Trade and Industrial Education Center Construction Manager as Constructor

The State of Minnesota, acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, on behalf of Riverland Community College, is soliciting qualification proposals from interested, qualified contractors to be the construction manager for the above referenced project.
State Contracts

A full request for proposal is available on the MN State website at [http://www.minnstate.edu/vendors/index.html](http://www.minnstate.edu/vendors/index.html).

A mandatory informational meeting is scheduled for Tuesday November 27, 2018 at 2:00 pm CST at Riverland Community College – Albert Lea Campus, 2200 Riverland Drive, Albert Lea, MN 56007 in the lobby.

Any questions should be directed by email only to Brad Doss, CFO at [brad.doss@riverland.edu](mailto:brad.doss@riverland.edu). Project questions will be taken by this individual only. Questions regarding this RFQ must be received by 5:00 pm on Friday, November 30, 2018.

Proposals must be delivered to Brad Doss, Riverland Community College, 1900 8th Avenue NW, Austin, MN 55912 not later than December 7, 2018 at 2:00 pm CST. Late responses will not be considered.

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 Historical Society (MNHS)
Request for Bids for Construction and Exhibit Services

The Minnesota Historical Society is seeking bids from qualified and experienced contractors for Construction and Finishing Services for a new exhibit at the Minnesota History Center. This project includes construction of new sheetrock walls, with windows and doors and incorporated into some walls; a glass fronted display case; wooden display platforms; and finishing and painting of the entire gallery. The project is located in the 5000 SF “Gallery C”. This project is planned to begin February 4, 2019 with completion by February 22, 2019.

The Request for Proposal is available by contacting Mary Green Toussaint, Contract/Purchasing Manager, Minnesota Historical Society, by e-mail only: [mary.green-toussaint@mnhs.org](mailto:mary.green-toussaint@mnhs.org)

There is a mandatory pre-bid meeting on Monday, November 19, 2018, starting at 1:30 at the Minnesota History Center.

Proposals must be received by Mary Green Toussaint, MNHS Contract/Purchasing Manager, or her agent by 2:00 CST, Tuesday, December 4, 2018. Late proposals will not be accepted. Authorized agents for receipt of proposals are staff located at the Information Desk on the 1st floor of the Minnesota History Center, 345 Kellogg Boulevard West, St. Paul, Minnesota 55102.

Teachers Retirement Association
Request For Proposal for Board of Trustee Election and Voting Services

Minnesota Statutes, Section 354.06, subd. 1 provides that the election of active and retired representatives of the TRA Board of Trustees must be chosen by ballot in a manner fixed by the Board of Trustees. The main duty under the proposed contract is to provide election administration services for the TRA active member election. The candidates with the highest two vote totals will serve on the TRA Board of Trustees. The newly elected board representatives will begin four-year terms on July 1, 2019.

Detailed requirements for responding to this Request for Proposal (RFP) are posted on the TRA web site ([www.minnesotatra.org](http://www.minnesotatra.org)) or may be requested by writing by email or letter:

John Wicklund, Chief Finance Officer
Minnesota Teachers Retirement Association
60 Empire Drive, Suite 400
Saint Paul, MN  55103-4000
Email: [jwicklund@minnesotatra.org](mailto:jwicklund@minnesotatra.org)
State Contracts

The cost of the preparation and presentation associated with the response to this “Request for Proposal” is the responsibility of the responding firm.

All proposals must be received by **Monday December 17, 2018 by 2:30 p.m.** Central Standard Time by:

Carol Diedrich, Executive Assistant
Minnesota Teachers Retirement Association
60 Empire Drive, Suite 400
Saint Paul, MN  55103-4000

Staff of the Minnesota Teachers Retirement Association will evaluate all proposals received by the deadline. Action on this RFP is expected to be completed by December 31, 2018.

**Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) Engineering Services Division**

**Notices Regarding Professional/Technical (P/T) Contracting**

**P/T Contracting Opportunities:** MnDOT is now placing additional public notices for P/T contract opportunities on the MnDOT’s Consultant Services website. 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.

**Taxpayers’ Transportation Accountability Act (TTAA) Notices:** MnDOT is posting notices as required by the TTAA on the MnDOT Consultant Services website.

**MnDOT’s Prequalification Program:** MnDOT maintains a Pre-Qualification Program in order to streamline the process of contracting for highway related P/T services. Program information, application requirements, application forms and contact information can be found on MnDOT’s Consultant Services website. Applications may be submitted at any time for this Program.

**MnDOT Consultant Services website: www.dot.state.mn.us/consult**

If you have any questions regarding this notice, or are having problems viewing the information on the Consultant Services website, please all the Consultant Services Help Line at 651-366-4611, Monday – Friday, 9:00am – 4:00pm.
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/.

Dakota County, Dakota County Community Development Agency and Dakota County Regional Railroad Authority
Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for Lobbying Services in the State of Minnesota

Notice is hereby given that Dakota County, the Dakota County Community Development Agency (CDA) and the Dakota County Regional Railroad Authority (RRA) are soliciting Request for Proposals from interested and qualified parties for the purpose of lobbying services to be provided in the State of Minnesota. The County, the CDA and the RRA seek to contract with one or more individuals or firms to represent their interests and policy goals to the State Legislature, executive branch and other stakeholders, and to provide consultation regarding these activities.

This Request for Proposals is being reissued to clarify the process for submitting joint venture proposals.

A full Request for Proposals is available at Dakota County’s website: www.co.dakota.mn.us/Government/DoingBusiness/BidProposalsInformation

Proposals are due by Monday, November 19, 2018 at 4:30 PM CST.

Neither the County, nor the CDA, nor the RRA shall be liable for any pre-contractual expenses incurred by proposers in response to this Request for Proposals.

Hennepin County Consultant Selection
Advertisement for A/E Services

Hennepin County, through a staff consultant selection group, is selecting architectural/engineering firms for design and construction administration services for the Franklin Library Interior Modifications project.

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 selection group. If you experience difficulty locating or downloading the RFP, you may call Adam Sobiech, Hennepin County Facility Services, at 612-348-3172.

Minnesota's Bookstore