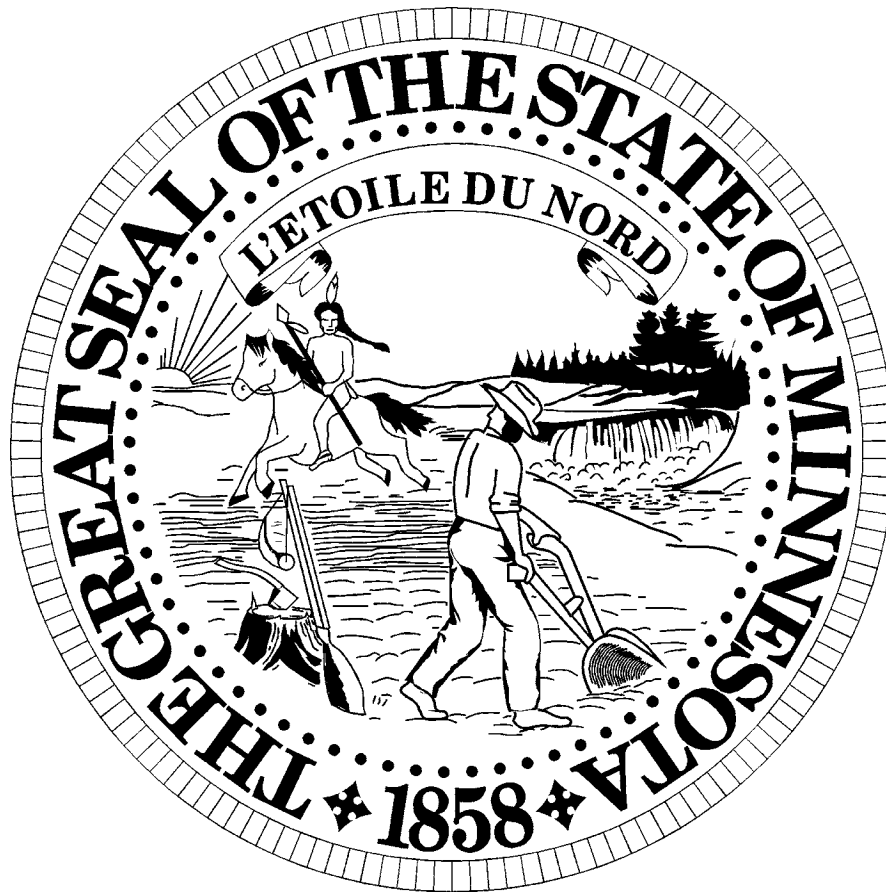


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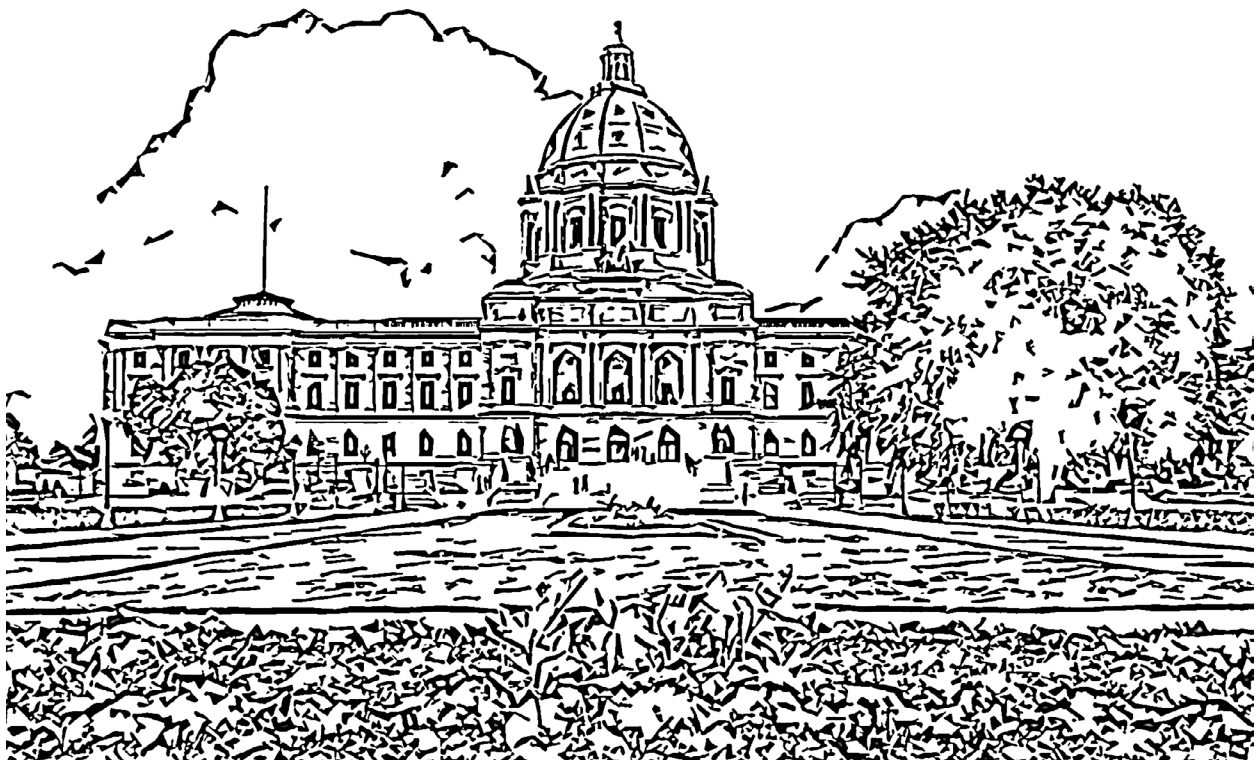
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When rules are first drafted, state agencies publish them as Proposed Rules, along with a notice of hearing, or a notice of intent to adopt rules without a hearing in the case of noncontroversial rules. This notice asks for comment on the rules as proposed. Proposed emergency rules, and withdrawn proposed rules, are also published in the State Register. After proposed rules have gone through the comment period, and have been rewritten into their final form, they again appear in the State Register as Adopted Rules. These final adopted rules are not printed in their entirety, but only the changes made since their publication as Proposed Rules. To see the full rule, as adopted and in effect, a person simply needs two issues of the State Register, the issue the rule appeared in as proposed, and later as adopted.

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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.

Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Division of Ecological and Water Resources

Proposed Expedited Permanent Rules Relating to Invasive Species; Notice of Intent to Adopt Expedited Rules without a Public Hearing

Proposed Amendment to Rules Relating to Invasive Species, *Minnesota Rules*, chapter 6216; Revisor's ID Number R-4640

Introduction. The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) intends to adopt rules under the expedited rulemaking process following the rules of the Office of Administrative Hearings, *Minnesota Rules*, part 1400.2410, and the Administrative Procedure Act, *Minnesota Statutes*, section 14.389. You may submit written comments on the proposed expedited rules until Friday, December 9, 2022.

Agency Contact Person. Submit comments or questions on the rules to Laura Van Riper, Terrestrial Invasive Species Coordinator, at Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, 500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155-4025, phone 651-259-5090, FAX 651-296-1811, or email ais.dnr@state.mn.us.

Subject of the Expedited Rules and Statutory Authority. The proposed expedited rules are about listing prohibited invasive species in Minnesota. Prohibited invasive species are illegal to possess, import, purchase, sell, propagate, transport, or introduce without a permit from the DNR. The following species have been assessed and identified for listing using criteria in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 84D.

Aquatic plants

- common reed – nonnative subspecies (*Phragmites australis* ssp. *australis*, not including *Phragmites australis* ssp. *americanus*)
- yellow floating heart (*Nymphoides peltata*)

Fish

- Eastern mosquitofish (*Gambusia holbrooki*)
- Nile perch (*Lates niloticus*)
- snakehead fish (*Channidae* family)
- tench (*Tinca tinca*)
- tubenose gobies (any fish belonging to the genus *Proterorhinus*)
- walking catfish (*Clariidae* family)

Invertebrates

- golden clam (*Corbicula fluminea*)
- golden mussel (*Limnoperna fortunei*)

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- jumping worms (*Amyntas* and *Metaphire* spp.)
- marbled crayfish (marmorkrebs) (*Procambarus virginalis* or *Procambarus fallax forma virginalis*)
- mitten crabs (*Eriocheir* spp.)

The statutory authority to adopt the rules is Minnesota Statutes, section 84D.12. The statutory authority to adopt the rules under the expedited rulemaking process is Minnesota Statutes, sections 84.027, subd. 13a (a) (2). A copy of the proposed rules is published in the State Register and attached to this notice as mailed. The proposed expedited rules may be viewed on the **DNR rulemaking webpage** at www.dnr.state.mn.us/input/rules/rulemaking.html.

Comments. You have until 4:30 p.m. on Friday, December 9, 2022, to submit written comment in support of or in opposition to the proposed expedited rules and any part or subpart of the rules. Your comment must be in writing and received by the agency contact person by the due date. The agency encourages comment. Your comment should identify the portion of the proposed expedited rules addressed and the reason for the comment. In addition, you are encouraged to propose any change desired. You must also make any comments that you have on the legality of the proposed rules during this comment period. If the proposed expedited rules affect you in any way, the agency encourages you to participate in the rulemaking process.

Public Data. All information you submit in a public comment during formal rulemaking proceedings is public data, including your name and contact information.

Modifications. The agency may modify the proposed expedited rules using either of two avenues: The agency may modify the rules directly so long as the modifications do not make them substantially different as defined in *Minnesota Statutes*, section 14.05, subdivision 2, paragraphs (b) and (c). Or the agency may adopt substantially different rules if it follows the procedure under *Minnesota Rules*, part 1400.2110. If the final rules are identical to the rules originally published in the State Register, the agency will publish a notice of adoption in the State Register. If the final rules are different from the rules originally published in the State Register, the agency must publish a copy of the changes in the State Register.

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

Lobbyist Registration. *Minnesota Statutes*, chapter 10A, requires each lobbyist to register with the State Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board. You may direct questions regarding this requirement to the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board at: Suite #190, Centennial Building, 658 Cedar Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155, telephone 651-539-1180 or 18006573889.

Adoption and Review of Expedited Rules. The agency may adopt the rules at the end of the comment period. The agency will then submit rules and supporting documents to the Office of Administrative Hearings for review for legality. You may ask to be notified of the date that the agency submits the rules. If you want to be so notified or want to receive a copy of the adopted rules or want to register with the agency to receive notice of future rule proceedings, submit your request to the agency contact person listed above.

Date: September 14, 2022

Sarah Strommen, Commissioner

6216.0250 PROHIBITED INVASIVE SPECIES.

[For text of subpart 1, see Minnesota Rules]

Subp. 2. **Aquatic plants.** The following aquatic plants are designated as prohibited invasive species:

- A. African oxygen weed (*Lagarosiphon major*) (Ridley) Moss ex Wagner;
- B. aquarium watermoss or giant salvinia (*Salvinia molesta*) Mitchell;

C. Australian stonecrop (*Crassula helmsii*) (Kirk) Cockayne;

D. brittle naiad (*Najas minor*) Allioni;

E. common reed, nonnative subspecies (*Phragmites australis* ssp. *australis*, not including *Phragmites australis* ssp. *americanus*) (Cav.) Trin. ex Steud;

~~E. F.~~ curly-leaf pondweed (*Potamogeton crispus*) Linnaeus;

~~F. G.~~ Eurasian watermilfoil (*Myriophyllum spicatum*) Linnaeus, including its hybrids;

~~G. H.~~ European frog-bit (*Hydrocharis morsus-ranae*) Linnaeus;

~~H. I.~~ flowering rush (*Butomus umbellatus*) Linnaeus;

~~I. J.~~ hydrilla (*Hydrilla verticillata*) (Carl von Linnaeus) Royle;

~~J. K.~~ Indian swampweed (*Hygrophila polysperma*) (Roxburgh) T. Anders;

~~K. L.~~ purple loosestrife (*Lythrum salicaria*, *Lythrum virgatum*, or any variety, hybrid, or cultivar thereof) Linnaeus;

~~L. M.~~ starry stonewort (*Nitellopsis obtusa*) (N.A. Desvaux) J. Groves;

~~M. N.~~ water aloe or water soldiers (*Stratiotes aloides*) Linnaeus; **and**

~~N. O.~~ water chestnut (*Trapa natans*) Linnaeus; **and**

P. yellow floating heart (*Nymphoides peltata*) (S.G. Gmel.) Kuntze.

Subp. 2a. **Federal noxious weed list.** ~~For purposes of this part, The Aquatic plants listed in Code of Federal Regulations, title 7, section 360.200, are also designated as prohibited invasive species, except for Chinese water spinach (*Ipomoea aquatica*) Forsskal.~~

Subp. 3. **Fish.** The following fish are designated as prohibited invasive species:

A. Amur sleeper (*Perccottus glenii*) Dybowski;

B. bighead carp (*Hypophthalmichthys nobilis*) Richardson;

C. black carp (*Mylopharyngodon piceus*) (Richardson) Peters;

D. crucian carp (*Carassius carassius*) Linnaeus;

E. Eastern mosquitofish (*Gambusia holbrooki*) Girard;

~~E. F.~~ Eurasian minnow (*Phoxinus phoxinus*) Linnaeus;

~~F. G.~~ European perch (*Perca fluviatilis*) Linnaeus;

~~G. H.~~ grass carp (*Ctenopharyngodon idella*) Valenciennes;

~~H. I.~~ largescale silver carp (*Hypophthalmichthys harmandi*) Sauvage;

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~~I. J.~~ northern snakehead fish (*Channa argus*) Cantor;

~~J. K.~~ Oriental weatherfish (*Misgurnus anguillicaudatus*) Cantor;

~~K. L.~~ Prussian carp (*Carassius gibelio*) Bloch;

~~L. M.~~ roach (*Rutilus rutilus*) Linnaeus;

~~M. N.~~ round goby (*Neogobius melanostomus*);

~~N. O.~~ rudd (*Scardinius erythrophthalmus*) Linnaeus;

~~O. P.~~ ruffe (*Gymnocephalus cernuus*) Linnaeus;

~~P. Q.~~ sea lamprey (*Petromyzon marinus*) Linnaeus;

~~Q. R.~~ silver carp (*Hypophthalmichthys molitrix*) Valenciennes;

~~R. S.~~ stone moroko (*Pseudorasbora parva*) Temminck & Schlegel;

~~T.~~ tench (*Tinca tinca*) Linnaeus;

~~S. U.~~ tubenose ~~goby~~ gobies (any fish belonging to the genus *Proterorhinus* including (*Proterorhinus semilunaris*), Heckel, or (*Proterorhinus marmoratus*), Pallas);

~~T. V.~~ wels catfish (*Silurus glanis*) Linnaeus;

~~U. W.~~ western mosquitofish (*Gambusia affinis*) Baird & Girard;

~~V. X.~~ white perch (*Morone americana*) Gmelin; and

~~W. Y.~~ zander (*Sander lucioperca*) or (*Stizostedion lucioperca*) Linnaeus.

Subp. 3a. **Federal injurious wildlife list; fish.** Fish listed in Code of Federal Regulations, title 50, section 16.13, are designated as prohibited invasive species, except for salmonids listed as unregulated nonnative species in part 6216.0270.

Subp. 4. **Invertebrates.** The following invertebrates are designated as prohibited invasive species:

A. faucet snail (*Bithynia tentaculata*) Linnaeus;

B. golden clam (*Corbicula fluminea*) O.F. Müller;

C. golden mussel (*Limnoperna fortunei*) Dunker;

D. jumping worms (*Amyntas* and *Metaphire* spp.) Kinberg;

E. marbled crayfish (*marmorkrebs*) (*Procambarus virginalis* or *Procambarus fallax forma virginalis*);

~~B. F.~~ New Zealand mud snail (*Potamopyrgus antipodarum*) Gray;

~~C. G.~~ quagga mussel (*Dreissena bugensis*) Andrusov;

D. H. red swamp crayfish (*Procambarus clarkii*) Girard;

E. I. yabby (*Cherax destructor*) Clark; and

F. J. zebra mussel (*Dreissena* spp.).

Subp. 4a. **Federal injurious wildlife list; mollusks and crustaceans.** Mollusks and crustaceans listed in Code of Federal Regulations, title 50, section 16.13, are designated as prohibited invasive species.

[For text of subpart 5, see Minnesota Rules]

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 22-22: Directing State Agencies to Pursue Federal Funding for Clean Hydrogen Market Development in Minnesota

I, **Tim Walz, Governor of the State of Minnesota**, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, issue the following Executive Order:

Minnesota has made great strides in reducing carbon emissions from the electricity sector, with emissions down 29 percent from 2005 to 2018. This significant progress is important to Minnesota's future but falls short of our statutory greenhouse gas emission targets and the greenhouse gas emission reduction goals set by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change ("IPCC"). To achieve these carbon reduction goals and address our changing climate, we need to make significant reductions in other economic sectors such as transportation, agriculture, and industry.

Hydrogen has emerged as a potentially critical resource for reducing emissions in many activities that are difficult to decarbonize, such as ammonia fertilizer production, aviation, long-duration energy storage, long-haul transportation, and other industrial activities. Development of low-carbon, low-cost hydrogen could help bring the emissions reduction successes seen in the energy sector to other sectors of the economy.

Development of hydrogen markets in Minnesota would build on successes such as those seen at the University of Minnesota's West Central Research and Outreach Center in Morris, which has been a global leader in the early-stage development of unique production pathways for using renewable wind energy to generate green hydrogen and low-carbon ammonia for nitrogen fertilizers. Producing hydrogen from clean energy in greater Minnesota and using that homegrown hydrogen in local industries could drive economic development.

The federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 ("IIJA") provides \$8 billion in United States Department of Energy funding to promote the development of at least four regional hydrogen hubs nationwide. With our region's capacity and pilot scale infrastructure to produce large volumes of low-carbon hydrogen and our unique potential to reduce carbon emissions from industries such as mining and agriculture, federal hydrogen hub funding from the IIJA or other sources could come to a regional application that includes Minnesota. The recently released Climate Action

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Framework, which commits to working toward the IPCC's emission reduction goals, identifies the development of hydrogen hubs as an important State Action Step. To date, Minnesota has signed onto two separate Memoranda of Understanding with other states to work to bring these federal dollars to our region to build the clean hydrogen economy.

As hydrogen markets develop, we have an opportunity to analyze how they can address current disparities, incorporating feedback from consultation with Tribal Nations and the perspectives of people of color, indigenous people, rural Minnesotans, and other populations who experience disproportionate impacts from climate change.

As we engage with other states and entities that are applying for regional hydrogen hub funding, it will be possible to advocate for and prioritize the development of hydrogen markets in a manner that builds on our success as a global leader in renewable ammonia and that equitably benefits Minnesotans and the climate.

For these reasons, I order as follows:

1. The Department of Commerce will conduct an evaluation of our State's regulatory preparedness in anticipation of the development of hydrogen production, distribution, and use. The Department of Commerce will coordinate this evaluation with the Departments of Transportation, Agriculture, Employment and Economic Development, Natural Resources, the Pollution Control Agency, Public Utilities Commission, and any other agency or office with relevant jurisdiction.
2. The Departments of Commerce, Agriculture, Transportation, Employment and Economic Development, and the Pollution Control Agency will consult Tribal Nations to identify and consider their interests related to hydrogen production and distribution and engage in ongoing communication and collaboration. Consultation will begin no later than December 16, 2022.
3. The Departments of Commerce, Agriculture, Transportation, Employment and Economic Development, and the Pollution Control Agency will engage with historically disadvantaged communities, representatives from labor unions, utilities, and research facilities, including the University of Minnesota and the Agricultural Utilization Research Institute, to address environmental justice and workforce concerns related to hydrogen production and distribution and to identify potential strategies to mitigate concerns. The initial convening will occur no later than December 16, 2022.
4. The Department of Commerce will engage with neighboring states, utilities, the University of Minnesota, the Agricultural Utilization Research Institute, and private entities exploring hydrogen hub funding opportunities, may enter into data sharing agreements as needed and permitted under the law, and will seek to participate in the development of hydrogen hub applications that would impact Minnesotans with the goal of ensuring that any funding applications prioritize:
 - a. The production of hydrogen from renewable resources.
 - b. The development of hydrogen markets and infrastructure that is reliable, safe, and affordable.
 - c. The reduction of carbon emissions from industries difficult to decarbonize, such as fertilizer production, long-haul transportation, long-duration energy storage, and mining.
 - d. Consultation with Tribal Nations.
 - e. Robust community engagement and input, including with people of color, indigenous people, rural Minnesotans, and other populations who experience disproportionate impacts from climate change.
 - f. The creation of high-wage, high-benefit jobs, equitably available to Minnesotans.
5. The Department of Commerce will engage with utilities, the University of Minnesota, the Agricultural Utilization Research Institute, and private entities to evaluate the technological readiness of existing pilot

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production of green hydrogen in Minnesota and identify steps needed to scale up existing green hydrogen production to a commercial scale.

This Executive Order is effective fifteen days after publication in the State Register and filing with the Secretary of State. It will remain in effect until rescinded by proper authority or until it expires in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 4.035, subdivision 3.

A determination that any provision of this Executive Order is invalid will not affect the enforceability of any other provision of this Executive Order. Rather, the invalid provision will be modified to the extent necessary so that it is enforceable.

Signed on October 25, 2022.

Tim Walz
Governor

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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 (DEED) Notice of Public Hearing by the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development with Respect to a Proposed Project and the Provision of Funds from the Minnesota Job Creation Fund Program under Minnesota Statutes 116J.8748

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (“DEED”) will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, November 16, 2022, at 1:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as reasonably possible at 180 East Fifth Street, 12th Floor, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101 on a proposal to provide funding through the Minnesota Job Creation Fund Program (“JCF”) pursuant to authority granted under *Minnesota Statutes* 116J.8748 and *Minnesota Rules* Chapter 4301. This hearing is conducted in accordance with *Minnesota Statutes* 116J.994, Subd. 5.

Description of Project and Proposed JCF Funding:

Clow Stamping Company, Inc (NAICS 332119) is looking to expand in Nisswa (Crow Wing), Minnesota. The company provides world class metal stampings to several different industries that include agriculture, recreational vehicles, lawn and garden equipment, lighting, exercise equipment as well as parts for refrigeration and the oil and gas industries. The company is considering an onsite expansion. This would add 100,000 sq ft of manufacturing space onto their existing 285,000 sq ft facility. The total project cost is \$18,899,615 with \$14,899,615 in new construction which will be rebated at 7.5%. Costs ineligible for rebate include machinery and equipment. The company expects to create

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65 jobs over the next two (2) years at an average cash wage of \$17.50 per hour. All jobs will qualify for a job creation award. The company has requested a Minnesota Investment Fund loan in the amount of \$450,000, which may be forgiven if job creation and wage goals are met. Other assistance through local partners is being considered. The project may be eligible for a job creation award of up to \$340,000 and a capital investment rebate of up to \$500,000 depending on final project specifications.

All interested persons may appear and be heard at the time and place set forth above. Persons interested in participating via teleconference should contact Tom Washa, Minnesota Job Creation Fund Program Manager at (651) 259-7483 or Tom.Washa@state.mn.us prior to the date of the hearing for instructions on how to participate in the conference call.

Interested persons may mail written comments to Tom Washa at 1st National Bank Building, 332 Minnesota Street, Suite E200 St. Paul MN 55101 or e-mail Tom.Washa@state.mn.us prior to the date of the hearing set forth above. All persons who appear at the meeting or participate via teleconference will be given an opportunity to express their views with respect to the proposal to award funds from the Minnesota Job Creation Fund.

Minnesota Department of Revenue Official Notice: Cigarette Sales Tax – Rate Change

Pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes*, section 297F.25, the Commissioner of Revenue has determined that the new cigarette sales tax rate will be 69.2 cents per pack of 20 cigarettes. For packs of cigarettes with other than 20 cigarettes, the tax must be adjusted proportionally. This rate is effective for sales on or after January 1, 2023.

Publication Date: October 31, 2022

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/open-rfp.jsp>

Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) Office of Civil Rights

Request for Proposal: SFY 2023 Certified Small Business Micro Grant Program

MnDOT requests responses from Minnesota-based Certified Small Businesses to financially assist them with their eligible expenses that increases their business capacity and/or industry knowledge to assist in their pursuit of MnDOT projects/contracts.

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Responses must be received no later than 02:00 p.m. Central Standard Time on April 28, 2023 or until funding is exhausted. Late responses will not be considered.

To view the RFP go to: mndot.gov/civilrights/requests-for-proposals.html.

For more information, visit: mndot.gov/civilrights/micro-grant.html.

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.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State) Notice of Bid and Contracting Opportunities

Minnesota State is now placing additional public notices for contract opportunities, goods/commodities and related services on its Vendor and Supplier Opportunities website (<https://www.minnstate.edu/vendors/index.html>). 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.

If you have any questions regarding this notice or are having problems viewing the information on the Vendor and Supplier Opportunities website, please email the Minnesota State Procurement Unit at Sourcing@MinnState.edu.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State) Minnesota West Community & Technical College Notice of Request for a Massey Ferguson MF8680

The State of Minnesota, acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, on behalf of Minnesota West Community and Technical College, is requesting proposals for a Massey Ferguson 8680 tractor with less than 7000 hours. Delivery required by December 9, 2022.

To receive a copy of the proposal, please email mike.devries@mnwest.edu

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Proposals must be sealed with a notation on the outside of the envelope stating: Bid for Massey Ferguson MF8680 DELIVER IMMEDIATELY.

Mail or delivered (faxes and email will not be accepted) sealed proposals must be delivered no later than November 11, 2022 by 12:00pm:

Minnesota West Community & Technical College
Attn: Mike DeVries
1011 First Street West
Canby MN 56220

PROPOSAL CLOSE DATE is November 11, 2022 at 12:00 pm CST

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State)

Minnesota West Community & Technical College

Notice of Request for PT2012 Maktest Electronic Testbench

The State of Minnesota, acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, on behalf of Minnesota West Community and Technical College, is requesting proposals for an Maktest PT2012 electronic fuel injection test bench. Delivery required by March 17 2023.

To receive a copy of the proposal, please email mike.devries@mnwest.edu

Proposals must be sealed with a notation on the outside of the envelope stating: Bid for Maktest PT2012 electronic testbench DELIVER IMMEDIATELY.

Mail or delivered (faxes and email will not be accepted) sealed proposals must be delivered no later than November 11, 2022 by 12:00pm:

Minnesota West Community & Technical College
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Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State)

System Office, Marketing and Communications

Request for Proposals for a media buyer to support marketing and communication efforts for Minnesota Future Together Grant

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State) is requesting proposals for a media buying agency to assist with making media purchases during the 2022-2023 academic year, as well as assisting with creative. The selected vendor will supply media recommendations and proposals to assist Minnesota State in promoting the Minnesota Future Together Grant at our 33 colleges and universities.

Minnesota State must receive all responses to this RFP no later than 4:00 P.M. Central Time on Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2022. Proposal must be emailed to:

Barbara Hein, Director of Marketing
Barbara.Hein@MinnState.edu

Inquiries about this RFP must be directed to:

Barbara Hein, Director of Marketing
Telephone: 651-201-1429
E-mail: Barbara.hein@minnstate.edu

For a complete copy of the RFP and required submission materials, please visit the RFP website at <https://www.minnstate.edu/vendors/>. Click on General Opportunities and Follow the Media Buying Link for Minnesota State.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State)

Winona State University

Request for Proposals (RFP) for Winona State University Ewarrior: Digital Life and Learning Program to Provide a Laptop Service Program for HP and Mac Laptops

Notice is hereby given that Winona State University is seeking proposals for A LAPTOP SERVICE PROGRAM FOR HP AND MAC LAPTOPS.

Proposal specifications are available by contacting Laura Mann, Purchasing Director, PO Box 5838, 106 Somsen Hall, Winona, MN 55987 or via email to lmann@winona.edu.

Sealed proposals must be received by Laura Mann, Purchasing Director, at Winona State University, PO Box 5838 or 175 West Mark Street, Business Office, Somsen Hall 106, Winona, MN 55987, by Tuesday, November 15, 2022 3:00 pm CST.

Winona State University reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any irregularities or informalities in proposals received.

Minnesota House of Representatives

Sergeant-At-Arms Office

Notice of Request for Bid for Printing of Personalized Stationery, Envelopes and Business Cards for 2023-2024

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN that the Minnesota House of Representatives is seeking bids from qualified printers to provide printing services for the 134 Members of the Minnesota House of Representatives.

All work must be done in-house unless specifically approved by the House.

All bids must be submitted no later than December 2, 2022, at 2 p.m. on the forms accompanying the specifications in a sealed envelope and delivered to:

Lori Hodapp, Chief Sergeant at Arms
Room G-85, State Office Building,
100 Rev Dr Martin Luther King JR Blvd
St. Paul, MN 55155-1298

A copy of the Request for Bid packet and specifications can be obtained by contacting:

Lori Hodapp
651.296.3641
Lori.Hodapp@house.mn

Other department personnel are not allowed to discuss the Request for Bid with anyone, including responders, before the proposal submission deadline.

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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 call the Consultant Services Help Line at 651-366-4611, Monday – Friday, 9:00am – 4:00pm.



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