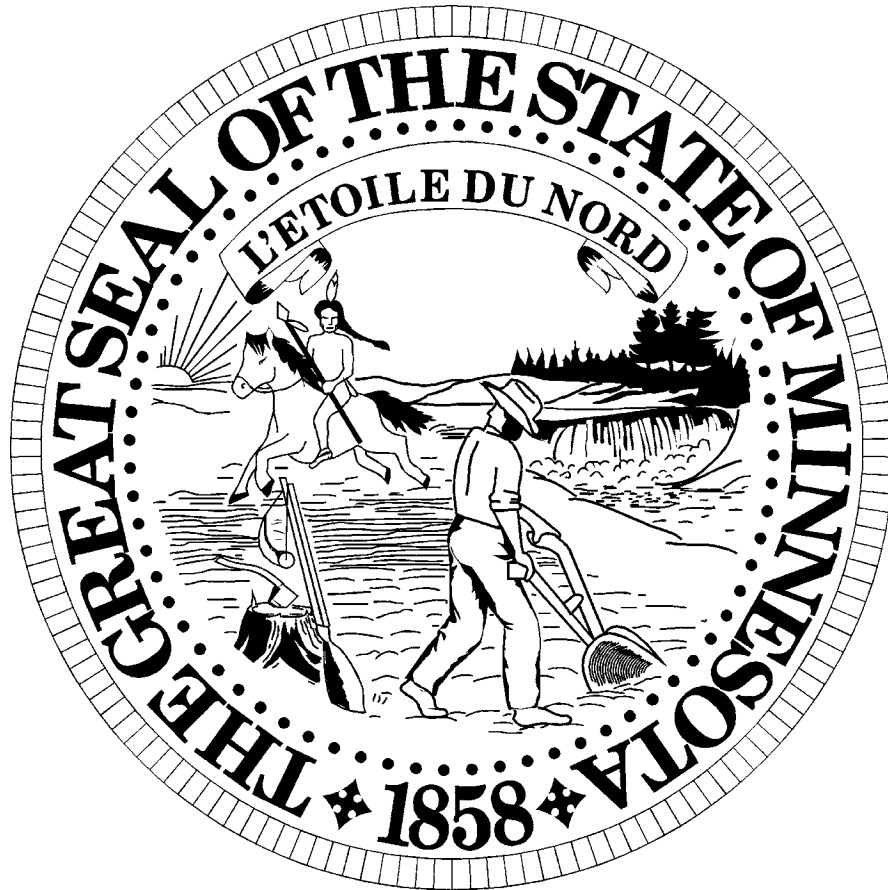


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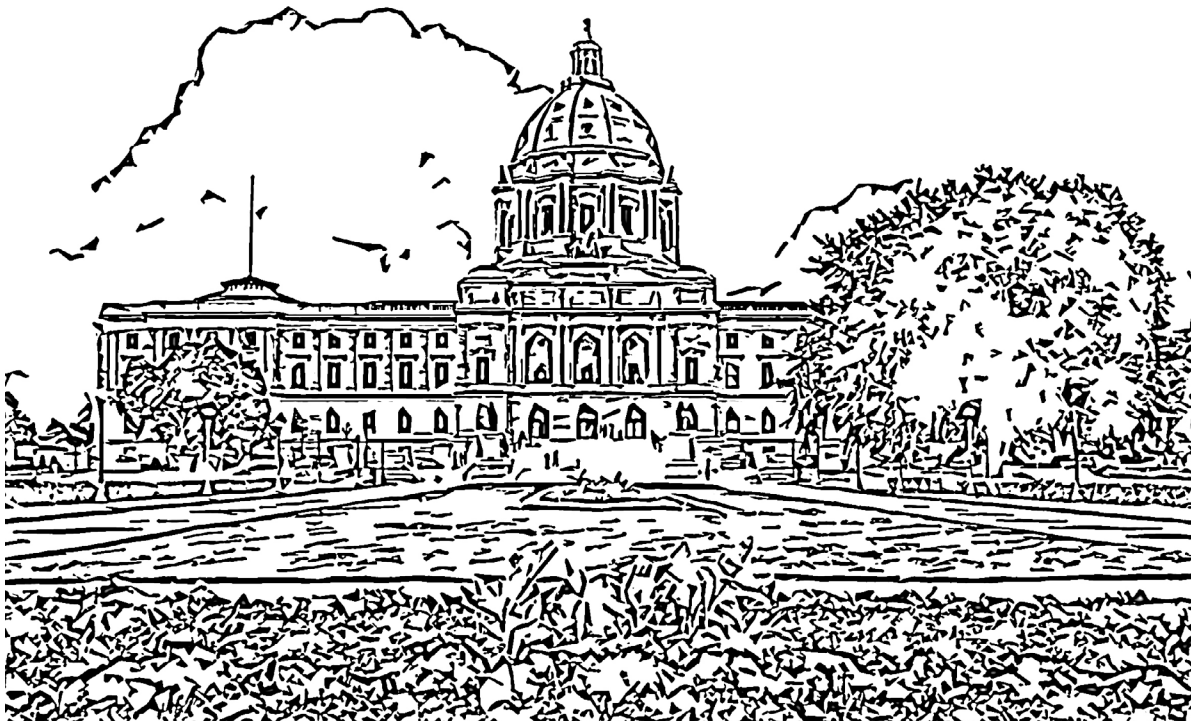
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When rules are first drafted, state agencies publish them as Proposed Rules, along with a notice of hearing, or a notice of intent to adopt rules without a hearing in the case of noncontroversial rules. This notice asks for comment on the rules as 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 Proposed emergency rules, and withdrawn proposed rules, are also published in the State Register.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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Office of the Governor

Executive Order 23-03: Protecting and Supporting the Rights of Minnesota's LGBTQIA+ Community Members to Seek and Receive Gender Affirming Health Care Services

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:

The Minnesota Constitution explains that "Government is instituted for the security, benefit, and protection of the people." All Minnesotans have the right to be free from discrimination, including discrimination on the basis of gender identity and gender expression. Minnesota strives to be a welcoming and supportive place for LGBTQIA+ community members. We uphold the essential values of One Minnesota when all people, including members of the LGBTQIA+ community, are safe, celebrated, and able to live lives full of dignity and joy.

Throughout the course of their lives, transgender, gender diverse, non-binary, and gender queer individuals may decide to seek gender affirming health care services. This deeply personal decision is made with the guidance of medical professionals. Like all medical treatment, gender affirming care must align with standards that ensure safe, appropriate, and well-established practices. The availability of gender affirming health care services is essential to the health and wellness of LGBTQIA+ community members, and is supported by numerous major professional associations—including the American Medical Association, the Minnesota Medical Association, the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, the American Academy of Pediatricians, the Endocrine Society, the Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine, the American Psychological Association, the American Psychiatric Association, the World Professional Association for Transgender Health, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

While gender affirming health care services remain legal and protected in Minnesota, other states have curtailed access to, or even criminalized, this care. In those states, medical professionals providing gender affirming health care services may be subject to civil liability, criminal liability, and professional sanctions. Some states have enacted even harsher restrictions, going so far as to mandate investigations into parents seeking to help their children obtain gender affirming health care services. These actions pose a grave threat to the health of LGBTQIA+ individuals by preventing them from affirming their gender identities through safe and scientifically proven treatments. In Minnesota, we value LGBTQIA+ community members, and we safeguard their rights. LGBTQIA+ people are entitled to respect, compassion, and a free existence as authentic versions of themselves.

We are committed to protecting access to gender affirming health care services. No one who is lawfully providing, assisting, seeking, or obtaining such services should be subject to legal liability or professional sanctions.

Nothing in this Executive Order should be construed to change Minnesota law or to require coverage of services that are not considered medically necessary. Instead, this Executive Order ensures that people in Minnesota are afforded the protections and rights provided under Minnesota law.

Today, Minnesota joins other states and a growing number of municipalities across the country that have acted in solidarity with the LGBTQIA+ community. We stand with this community by maintaining a refuge for those who seek and provide gender affirming health care services.

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For these reasons, I order as follows:

1. **Definitions.** For the purposes of this Executive Order, the terms below are defined as follows:
 - a. “Gender affirming health care services” means all medical, surgical, counseling, or referral services, including telehealth services, that an individual may receive to support and affirm that individual’s gender identity or gender expression and that are legal under the laws of the State of Minnesota.
 - b. “State agencies” means the departments and agencies listed in Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 15.06, subdivision 1, in addition to the Office of Higher Education and the Department of Military Affairs.
2. **State coordination to protect gender affirming health care services.** All state agencies must, to the fullest extent of their lawful authority, pursue opportunities and coordinate with each other to protect people or entities providing, assisting, seeking, or obtaining gender affirming health care services in Minnesota.
3. **Joint administrative bulletin.** By November 1, 2023, the Minnesota Department of Health (“MDH”), the Minnesota Department of Commerce (“Commerce”), the Minnesota Department of Human Services (“DHS”), and the Minnesota Department of Human Rights (“MDHR”) will issue a joint administrative bulletin, based on their direct statutory authority, to health plan companies regarding the availability of health insurance coverage and the provision of health insurance benefits for medically necessary gender affirming health care services.
4. **Agency actions to protect gender affirming health care services.**
 - a. MDH will use its powers, authorities, and duties to the fullest extent possible to take the following actions:
 - i. By December 31, 2023, prepare and present a report to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Legislature summarizing the literature on the scientific evidence about the safety and effectiveness of gender affirming care and its public health effects, and approaches that other jurisdictions have taken to support gender affirming health care services.
 - ii. Pursuant to its authority, including but not limited to Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 62D.01, subdivision 2(b), request attestations from health maintenance organizations, county-based purchasing organizations, and any other health carrier or health plan under its jurisdiction, that they have processes in place to ensure that their contracted health providers are aware they may bill the plan for medically necessary gender affirming health care services.
 - iii. Investigate and take administrative action on any complaints of unfair or deceptive acts or practices by a health maintenance organization related to the denial of medically necessary gender affirming health care services, in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 62D.12, subdivision 1 and 72A.19.
 - iv. To the extent permissible under existing law, accept health maintenance organizations’ determinations that medically necessary gender affirming health care services are comprehensive health maintenance services and therefore not a permissible exclusion under Minnesota Rules 2022, part 4685.0700, subpart 4.
 - v. To the extent permissible under existing law and pursuant to its authority under Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 62D.04, refuse to approve any health maintenance organization contract or evidence of coverage that discriminates against individuals on the basis of sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression, consistent with the joint administrative bulletin referenced in paragraph 3 of this Executive Order.
 - b. Commerce will use its powers, authorities, and duties to the fullest extent possible to take the following

actions:

- i. Pursuant to its authority under Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 60A.03, subdivision 2, and section 62A.02, and by November 1, 2023, request attestation from health plan companies that they have processes in place to affirm that their contracted health providers are aware they may bill for medically necessary gender affirming health care services.
 - ii. Investigate and take administrative action on any complaints of unfair or deceptive acts or practices, in the business of insurance, related to the denial of medically necessary gender affirming health care services, in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 72A.19.
 - iii. To the extent permissible under existing law and pursuant to its authority under Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 62A.02 and 72A.21, refuse to approve any health plan that discriminates against individuals on the basis of sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression, in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 62A.02 and 72A.21, and consistent with the joint administrative bulletin referenced in paragraph 3 of this Executive Order.
 - c. DHS will evaluate the Minnesota Health Care Programs (“MHCP”) Provider Manual for consistency with current standards and recommendations for medically necessary gender affirming health care services. By September 1, 2023, DHS will update the Provider Manual if necessary to ensure that up-to-date, medically necessary gender affirming treatments are covered health services that are eligible for reimbursement by MHCP under Minnesota Rules 2022, part 9505.0210.
 - d. MDHR will use its powers, authorities, and duties, to the fullest extent possible, to file Commissioner’s charges of discrimination, investigate charges of discrimination, file complaints or civil actions, and/or seek injunctive relief when the Commissioner has reason to believe that a health care provider, insurance company, or educational institution has engaged in unfair discriminatory practices, in violation of Minnesota Statutes 2022, Chapter 363A.
5. **No assistance from state agencies to states seeking to penalize gender affirming health care services.**
- a. Except as required by court order, or by Minnesota or federal law, no state agency may provide any information or expend or use time, money, facilities, property, equipment, personnel, or other resources in furtherance of any investigation or proceeding that seeks to impose civil or criminal liability or professional sanctions upon a person or entity for:
 - i. The provision of, securing of, receipt of, or any inquiry concerning gender affirming health care services; or
 - ii. Any assistance given to any person or entity that relates to the provision of, securing of, receipt of, or any inquiry concerning gender affirming health care services.
 - b. To the maximum extent permitted under the United States and Minnesota Constitutions, federal law, and Minnesota law, no state agency will enforce or recognize a judgment from another state terminating parental rights or restricting a parent or legal guardian from contacting their child solely because the parent or guardian sought to obtain or did obtain gender affirming health care services for their child.
 - c. To the maximum extent permitted under the United States and Minnesota Constitutions, federal law, and Minnesota law, no state agency will comply with a subpoena issued in another state seeking information about a person or a person’s child who travels to this state for gender affirming health care services related to potential child protection matters or criminal charges against a parent, guardian, or provider for seeking, obtaining, or providing gender affirming health care services.

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6. **Protection against extradition.** To the maximum extent permitted under the United States and Minnesota Constitutions, and Minnesota Statutes 2022, Chapter 629, and in consultation with the Minnesota Attorney General pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 629.04, I will exercise my discretion to decline requests for the arrest or surrender of any person charged with a criminal violation of a law of another state where the violation alleged involves the provision of, assistance with, securing of, or receipt of gender affirming health care services, unless the acts forming the basis of the prosecution of the crime charged would also constitute a criminal offense under Minnesota law.

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 March 8, 2023.

Tim Walz
Governor

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Steve Simon
Secretary of State

Office of the Governor

Emergency Executive Order 23-04: Providing for Relief from Regulations to Certain Motor Carriers and Drivers Operating 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:

This winter, a pattern of persistent storms and severe weather has resulted in above-average precipitation for most of Minnesota. According to data from the Minnesota State Climatology Office, over 100 climate stations set daily precipitation records this February alone. The increased levels of snow and rain have impacted septic systems across the state, causing septic tanks to take on water, septic system drain fields to flood, and alarms and lift pumps to fail.

Many Minnesotans, particularly those in rural areas, depend on septic systems. Properly functioning septic systems are critical to preventing adverse impacts to public health, water quality, and the environment. Additionally, removal of sewage from septic systems, especially in emergency circumstances, is necessary for the proper maintenance and use of septic systems.

The seasonal load restrictions on Minnesota roads, as described in Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.87 will go into effect in the southeast and metro zones on March 10, 2023, and will go into effect in the south, central, north-central, and north regions in the near future. These seasonal weight restrictions will hinder the efficient removal of sewage from septic systems and increase the risk of harm caused by failing septic systems.

For these reasons, I order as follows:

1. A state of emergency exists in Minnesota, and vehicles used to pump or transport sewage from septic systems are exempted from the seasonal load restrictions on local and state highways and streets imposed in Minnesota

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Statutes 2022, section 169.87, subdivisions 1 and 2, while providing emergency septic system pumping services.

This Executive Order is effective immediately under Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 4.035, subdivision 2, and remains in effect until June 1, 2023.

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 March 10, 2023.

Tim Walz
Governor

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Steve Simon
Secretary of State

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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.

Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA)

Notice of Comment Period for the Proposed Emerald Ash Borer Quarantine for portion of Clay County

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) is accepting comments on the current state emergency quarantine for emerald ash borer, *Agrilus planipennis* (Fairemaire), in Clay County and the proposed state formal quarantine to be implemented April 17, 2023.

Oral and written comments regarding the proposed regulations will be accepted via email or phone through April 14, 2023. Submit comments to Kimberly Thielen Cremers, Minnesota Department of Agriculture, 625 Robert Street North, St Paul, MN 55155, **email:** kimberly.tcremers@state.mn.us, **phone:** (651)201-6329.

For more information on emerald ash borer, including a copy of the emergency quarantine, visit the Minnesota Department of Agriculture website at www.mda.state.mn.us/eab.

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Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA)

Pesticide and Fertilizer Management Division

Notice of Adoption of Water Quality Best Management Practices for Agricultural Use of Clothianidin and Imidacloprid

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) has adopted water quality best management practices (BMPs) for the agricultural use of two neonicotinoid insecticides, clothianidin and imidacloprid. The BMPs were developed by the MDA in consultation with the University of Minnesota Extension and other interested parties to address known impacts from clothianidin and imidacloprid on water resources.

Draft BMPs were announced in the State Register on November 21, 2022 (*47 SR 475*), and public comments were accepted for a 60-day period ending on January 19, 2023. Minor revisions were made to the draft BMPs based on comments received. The final document, “Water Quality Best Management Practices for Agricultural Use of Clothianidin and Imidacloprid,” is now available on the MDA website along with a summary of public comments received (www.mda.state.mn.us/pesticide-fertilizer/pesticide-best-management-practices).

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Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board (CAAPB)

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS for Possible Amendment to Rules Governing Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board, Zoning Map. Minnesota Rules, 2400.2105, Subp. 1 and Subp. 2.; Revisor’s ID Number R-04720

Subject of Rules

The Capitol Architectural and Planning Board requests comments on a possible amendment to rules governing the Zoning Map for the Capitol Area. The Board is considering rezoning properties in three (3) land areas:

1. Land north of the State Office Building where an addition is planned: Rezone from G-2 (Public Open Space) to G-1 (Public Buildings).
2. Land on the southwest corner of Rice Street and University Avenue, with a size equal to or greater than 20,700 square feet: Rezone from G-1 (Public Buildings) to G-2 (Public Open Space).
3. Land on the northeast corner of Rice Street and University Avenue, with a size equal to or greater than 32,000 square feet: Rezone from G-1 (Public Buildings) to G-2 (Public Open Space).

The amount of new public open space added under 2 and 3 above must be equal to or exceed the amount of open space displaced by the addition in 1 above.

Persons Affected

The amendment to the rules would affect visitors to the Minnesota Capitol grounds or the area around the Rice Street and University Avenue intersection, and the businesses, residents and landowners with leases, ownership, and investments adjacent to the properties, and the greater community.

Statutory Authority

Minnesota Statute, 15B.03, Subd. 6 gives the Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board the necessary statutory authority to amend and adopt rules, as follows:

***General rulemaking authority.** The board [Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board] may adopt rules under chapter 14, the Administrative Procedure Act, that it believes are needed and reasonable to accomplish the purposes of this chapter.*

Public Comment

Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on possible changes to the rules via the Office of Administrative Hearings Rulemaking e-comments website at <https://minnesotaoah.granicusideas.com/discussions> until 4:30 p.m. on May 13, 2023. To stay informed during the rulemaking process, sign up to receive updates at the agency's website <https://mn.gov/caapb/> under the topic "Rezoning Rulemaking".

Rules Drafts

The Board is drafting possible rules amendments to the Zoning Map for the Capitol Area and will make the proposed map changes available for public review in April or May 2023. A general description of the areas under consideration for rezoning are identified above under "Subject of Rules." More information about the process for considering a zoning map amendment can be found at the Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board website: <https://mn.gov/caapb/>

Agency Contact Person

Written or oral comments, questions, and requests for more information on these possible rule changes may be directed to Merritt Clapp-Smith, Executive Secretary of the Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board, 204 Administration Building, 50 Sherburne Avenue, Saint Paul, MN 55155. Phone: 651-757-1507 or Email at merritt.clapp-smith@state.mn.us.

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.

Next Steps after Request for Comments

Input from the Request for Comments will be considered in finalizing the details of the proposed rules. The proposed rules will then be released with a "Notice of Hearing" to be held by an Administrative Law Judge. The tentative date for the hearing is June 28, 2023.

NOTE - Only those comments submitted during the 30-day comment period before the hearing date will be included in the record for consideration by the judge. If you submit comments during the "Request for Comments" period, and you want to ensure that the Administrative Law Judge reviews the comments, you should resubmit the comments during the 30-day "Notice of Hearing" period.

Dated: March 6, 2023

Merritt Clapp-Smith, Executive Secretary
Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board

State Board of Investment

Notice to Institutional Investment Management Firms for consideration to potentially Manage a Portion of the Pension Assets and Other Accounts

The Minnesota State Board of Investment (MSBI) retains institutional investment management firms to manage a portion of the pension assets and other accounts under its control. Periodically, the MSBI will conduct a search for institutional investment management firms on an as needed basis. For additional information on the domestic stock,

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international stock, or domestic bond portfolio programs for the MSBI, firms are asked to write to the following address for additional information:

External Manager Program
Minnesota State Board of Investment
60 Empire Drive, Suite 355
St. Paul, MN 55103-3555

Tel.: (651) 296-3328
Fax: (651) 296-9572
E-mail: minn.sbi@state.mn.us

Please refer to this notice in your written request.

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) Notice of Intent to Solicit Comments and Reissue a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)/State Disposal System (SDS) General Permit - MNG640000 Water Treatment Plant Surface Water Discharge General Permit

The authority to develop and issue a general permit is based on the 1979 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) promulgated revisions to the NPDES program regulations, which created a class of permits called general permits. General permits are issued under 40 C.F.R. § 122.28 and Minn. R. 7001.0210. NPDES general permits can be issued in EPA-delegated states if the approved state program includes general permit activities. The EPA approved the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's (MPCA) General Permit Program on December 15, 1987.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the MPCA intends to reissue a NPDES/SDS General Permit (General Permit) for Water Treatment Plants with surface discharges to waters of the state. The General Permit will be issued for a term of approximately five years. Subject to the restrictions of this General Permit and after receiving a written Notice of Coverage (NOC) from the MPCA, facilities meeting the description below are authorized to discharge pollutants as set out in the applicable sections of this General Permit. Comments should be submitted in writing in accordance with the provisions of this Notice.

NOTICE: All water treatment facilities covered under this General Permit use media filters for treatment of potable water.

Filtration is used in the production of drinking water to remove suspended and dissolved solids in the source water by adsorption and straining. Filters are either single media or multi-media, using layers of sands, gravels, anthracite, and other similar media.

To clean the filter, water is passed through the filter opposite the normal direction of flow to backwash and remove material captured in the filter. Compressed air may also be blown through the filter to aid the backwashing process.

Filter backwash water is required to undergo at least 24 hours of detention time prior to discharging to the environment. Detention time allows for the settling of suspended solids. Detention time is typically accomplished through holding ponds or holding tanks. Clarified backwash water may be returned to the head of the plant or discharged to the environment. Only surface water discharges to the environment are regulated under this General Permit.

Water filter backwash solids (WFBS) settled out in holding ponds or tanks are periodically removed. Disposal of WFBS is regulated under this General Permit. There are four options for disposal: wastewater treatment facility, landfilling, use as non-residential construction fill, and land application. The requirements for each of these options is listed in the MPCA Guidelines – Disposal Methods for Water Filter Backwash Solids guidance document.

Facilities covered under this General Permit are either Category 1 or Category 2 facilities. Category 1 facilities

are required to meet technology based effluent limits and Category 2 facilities are required to meet water quality based effluent limits. Further explanation of these categories is on page 7 of the draft permit.

Facilities that do not meet all of the specific requirements for this General Permit and facilities that fail or have failed to comply with a regulation, permit schedule, or compliance order issued by the MPCA are excluded from coverage under this General Permit. They will be required to apply for an individual NPDES/SDS permit.

The MPCA Commissioner has made a preliminary determination to issue this NPDES/SDS General Permit for a term of approximately five years. The preliminary determination to reissue this General Permit is tentative. Interested persons may submit written comments upon the draft permit. The public comment period begins on March 13, 2023 and ends at 4:30 p.m. on May 12, 2023. Comments, petitions, and other requests must be received at the MPCA in writing on or before the public comment period end date.

A copy of the draft general permit, fact sheet, and public notice are available on the MPCA's Public Notices webpage at: <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/publicnotices>. The MPCA will mail or email a copy of the draft permit upon request.

Submitted comments or petitions must state the following information, pursuant to Minn. R. 7001.0110:

1. A statement of the person's interest in the permit application or the draft permit.
2. A statement of the action the person would like the MPCA to take, including specific references to sections in the draft permit.
3. Reasons supporting the person's position, stated with sufficient specificity as to allow the MPCA to investigate the merits of the person's position.

Comments may be submitted:

1. Online at <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/publicnotices>; or
2. By U.S. postal mail to the following addresses:

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
c/o Amanda Wilkens
7678 College Rd, Ste 105
Baxter, MN 56425

Or:

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
c/o Laura Lacquement
714 Lake Ave, Ste 220
Detroit Lakes, MN 56501

If you have questions on the draft permit, public notice, or the MPCA Commissioner's preliminary determination, please contact Amanda Wilkens via phone at 218-316-3891, Laura Lacquement via phone at 218-846-8116, or via email at generalwtppermits.pca@state.mn.us.

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: <https://mn.gov/admin/citizen/grants/>

Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) Pesticide and Fertilizer Management Division Notice of Request for Proposal Developing Markets for Continuous Living Cover

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) is requesting proposals for developing markets for continuous living cover. In 2022, the State Legislature provided funding to the MDA for “grants to organizations in Minnesota to develop enterprises, supply chains, and markets for continuous living cover crops and cropping systems in the early stage of commercial development, including but not limited to regenerative poultry silvopasture systems, Kernza® perennial grain, winter camelina, and elderberry.” The MDA anticipates awarding \$420,000 using a competitive review process. We expect 8-10 grants will be awarded, but the final number depends on the size of awards. The maximum award is \$50,000 and the minimum award is \$10,000. There will be one round of funding available as this is currently one-time funding.

Funding for this project was provided by the Minnesota Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund as recommended by the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR).

Eligible Projects

Projects must aim to develop and accelerate enterprises, supply chains, and markets for CLC crops and cropping systems in the early stage of commercial development in Minnesota. They may not start until the grant contract is signed by all parties and has reached its start date and they must be completed in approximately two years or less. Contracts cannot be extended beyond May 2025. Projects must also be conducted by an organization in Minnesota and limited to one (1) grant per organization.

RFP is available online at www.mda.state.mn.us/developing-markets-clc-crops

Please direct questions to Jen Schaust at the Minnesota Department of Agriculture. All questions should be submitted through writing by email to Jen.Schaust@state.mn.us.

Questions will be accepted until April 6, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. Anonymous questions and answers will be posted on the **RFP Questions and Answers** portion of the Developing Markets for Continuous Living Cover webpage.

Questions should not be submitted through other means. MDA employees are not authorized to provide advice on any applications. Applicants who solicit or receive advice from unauthorized MDA employees may be disqualified from eligibility for a grant award.

Submission of Proposal Deadline

Grant applicants are required to submit proposals through the Minnesota Department of Agriculture **online application system**. Faxed, emailed, or hand delivered proposals will not be considered.

All applications must be received online by 3:00 p.m. CST on April 13, 2023. Late applications will not be considered. The MDA is not responsible for any technical or logistical problems resulting in the MDA not receiving the application on time. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that the submission is received by the MDA before the proposal deadline.

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This request does not obligate the State to award or complete the work contemplated in this notice. The State reserves the right to cancel this RFP if it is considered to be in its best interest. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responders.

Department of Corrections

Request for Proposals for Culturally Specific Program for Corrections-Involved American Indian Adults

PROJECT NAME: Culturally Specific Program for Corrections-Involved American Indian Adults

DETAILS: The Department of Corrections (DOC) requests proposals to provide a culturally specific program for American Indian adults preparing for release from Minnesota Correctional Facilities (MCFs) and/or on correctional supervision residing in Northern Minnesota Counties, specifically within Beltrami and Cass Counties. The program must provide a broad range of services based on participants' needs, demonstrate an improvement to public safety and increase participant self-efficacy and success.

Work is anticipated to start on July 1, 2023.

COPY REQUEST: To get a copy of the Request for Proposals, please send a written request, by email to Malinda.steffan@state.mn.us or follow this link: <https://mn.gov/doc/staff-partners/doing-business-doc/request-proposals/>.

PROPOSAL DEADLINE: Proposals in response to the Request for Proposals in this advertisement must be received via email, mail not later than **4:30 p.m., Central Time, Monday, April 3, 2023. Late proposals will not be considered.** Faxed or mailed proposals will not be considered.

This request does not obligate the State of Minnesota to award a contract or complete the proposed program, and the State reserves the right to cancel this solicitation if it is considered in its best interest. All costs incurred in responding to this solicitation will be borne by the responder.

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.

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, Office of State Procurement (OSP) Website. Interested vendors are encouraged to monitor the P/T Contract Section of the OSP Website at <https://mn.gov/admin/osp> 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 Office of State Procurement strongly recommends meeting the following requirements: \$0 - \$5000 does not need to be advertised; \$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.

Contact the Office of State Procurement at: (651) 296-2600

Department of Administration

Notice of Availability of Request for Proposal (RFP) for Designer Selection for: DHS Food Service Building Renovation at Anoka Metro Regional Treatment Center – RECS Project No. 55AK0055 (SDSB Project # 23-03)

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

A full Request for Proposals is available on the Minnesota Department of Administration's website at <https://mn.gov/admin/government/construction-projects/sdsb/projects/> (click SDSB Project #23-03).

A **mandatory** informational meeting is scheduled for Thursday, **March 16, 2023 at 1:00 pm at the DHS Food Service Building at Anoka Metro Regional Treatment Center, 3301 North 7th Avenue, Anoka, MN 55303.**

Any questions should be directed to Heather Nelson at heather.a.nelson@state.mn.us. Project questions will be taken by this individual only. Questions regarding this RFP must be received by **March 17, 2023** no later than **4:00 p.m.** Central Time.

Proposals must be delivered to SDSB.Proposals.ADM@state.mn.us not later than **Monday March 27, 2023, by 12:00 noon CT**. Late responses will not be considered.

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

Department of Administration

Notice of Availability of Request for Proposal (RFP) for Designer Selection for: SDSB Project #23-04 Iron Range Resources & Rehabilitation Board (IRRRB) Construction of New Giants Ridge Recreation Center – RECS Project No. 43GR0009

The State of Minnesota, acting through Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board, through the State Designer Selection Board, is soliciting proposals from interested, qualified consultants for architectural and engineering design services for the above referenced project.

A full Request for Proposals is available on the Minnesota Department of Administration's website at <https://mn.gov/admin/government/construction-sdsb/projects/> (click SDSB Project #23-04).

A mandatory informational meeting is scheduled for **March 22, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. at the Giants Ridge – South Chalet, 2nd Floor, 6329 Wynne Creek Dr., Biwabik, MN 55708.**

Any questions should be directed to Heather Nelson at heather.a.nelson@state.mn.us. Project questions will be taken by this individual only. Questions regarding this RFP must be received by **March 24, 2023** no later than **4:00 p.m. Central Time**.

Proposals must be delivered to SDSB.Proposals.ADM@state.mn.us not later than **Monday, April 3, 2023, by 12:00 noon CT**. Late responses will not be considered.

Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board is not obligated to complete the proposed project and reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest.

Department of Administration

MMCAP Infuse

Notice of Request for Proposals for Pharmaceutical Wholesaler Distribution Services

MMCAP Infuse is requesting for proposals from vendors for **Pharmaceutical Wholesaler Distribution Services**. MMCAP Infuse is a government-run healthcare product and service group purchasing organization serving governmental entities. For more information on MMCAP Infuse visit: <https://osp.admin.mn.gov/GS-auto>

To obtain a copy of the RFP, please send a request by email to: MMCAP_Infuse.RFP@state.mn.us

Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this notice must be received according to the specifications in the Request for Proposal.

RFP Due Date is April 13, 2023, 2:00 p.m. Central Time.

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

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (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.

State Contracts

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State)

Lake Superior College

Request for Proposals for Campus Security Services

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that bids are being solicited for campus security services for Lake Superior College's campuses in Duluth, MN. Vendor will be responsible for all campus security services, including on-campus security presence, bank deposit deliveries, and responding to medical/safety concerns.

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

Mike Francisco, Purchasing
Lake Superior College
2101 Trinity Road, Duluth MN 55811
P: 218-733-5968 E: purchasing@lsc.edu

The RFP can also be found at <https://www.lsc.edu/rfp/>. Proposals are due at the Lake Superior College Business Office by 12:00pm CT on Friday, April 7th, 2023.

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

Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED)

Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for "Introduction to Blindness, Visual Impairment, and DeafBlindness – Phase II Training" Master Contract

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED), State Services for the Blind (SSB) requests proposals for the purpose of providing training to SSB staff to obtain knowledge and personal experience about blindness and adjustment to blindness to assist them in working more effectively with their customers. The State anticipates issuing multiple contracts for this work. Work is anticipated to start after May 1, 2023.

It is the goal of this project to train select SSB staff about adjustment to blindness and the alternative techniques available to address vision loss. An important aspect of this project is that all training must be conducted in Minnesota and should take place in a center-based classroom and community environment allowing interaction with other students.

COPY REQUEST: To get a copy of the RFP, please go to the DEED contracts webpage at <https://mn.gov/deed/about/contracts/open-rfp.jsp> or send a written request, by email to:

Jennifer Beilke, State Program Administrator
State Services for the Blind
2200 University Ave W. Suite 240
St. Paul, MN 55114
SSBContracts.DEED@state.mn.us
Telephone 651-539-2273

All requirements and information, as well as proposal delivery instructions are contained in the RFP. Inquiries regarding the RFP may be directed by email to Jennifer Beilke, State Services for the Blind SSBContracts.DEED@state.mn.us. Deadline for **inquiries is Monday, March 13, 2023, at 12:00 p.m., CT**. Other department personnel are NOT allowed to discuss the RFP with anyone, including responders, before the proposal submission deadline.

Proposals must be emailed to: Jennifer Beilke, State Services for the Blind, DEED at SSBContracts.DEED@state.mn.us no later than **Monday, March 27, 2023, at 4:30 p.m., CT.**

All costs incurred in responding to the RFP will be borne by the responder. DEED reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any irregularities or informalities, and to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be its own best interest. This RFP does not obligate DEED to award a contract.

Minnesota Historical Society and the Oversight Board of the Statewide Survey of Historical and Archaeological Sites Request for Proposals for Archaeological Survey of Rice County

The Minnesota Historical Society (Society) and the Oversight Board of the Statewide Historical and Archaeological Survey (Board) seek a qualified consultant to conduct an archaeological survey of Rice County. The purposes of the project are to summarize what is known about the early human occupation of the county, update the State Archaeologist's site file with regard to the status of known Precontact and Contact period archaeological sites, and find through field survey unrecorded Precontact and Contact period sites. The cost of the survey should not exceed \$100,000.

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

All bids must be received by Mary Green Toussaint, Contract Manager, by email only at mary.green-toussaint@mnhs.org by 2:00 p.m. Local Time Tuesday, March 28, 2023.

Late proposals will not be considered.

Minnesota Historical Society and the Oversight Board of the Statewide Survey of Historical and Archaeological Sites Request for Proposals for Revising Stone Tools of Minnesota Handbook

The Minnesota Historical Society (Society) and the Oversight Board of the Statewide Survey of Historical and Archaeological Sites (Board) seek a qualified consultant to assist with making final revisions to *Stone Tools of Minnesota*. The purpose of the project is to prepare the *Stone Tools of Minnesota* handbook for publication. The project cost as bid may not exceed \$75,000.

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

All bids must be received by Mary Green Toussaint, Contract Manager, by email only at mary.green-toussaint@mnhs.org by 2:00 p.m. Local Time Tuesday, March 28, 2023.

Late proposals will not be considered.

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.

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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.

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: <https://mn.gov/admin/osp> as well as the Office of Grants Management (OGM) at: <https://mn.gov/admin/citizen/grants/>.

Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) Notice of Call for Bids for 2023 Parking Structure Rehabilitation

Airport Location:	Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport
Project Name:	2023 Parking Structure Rehabilitation
MAC Contract No.:	106-3-671
Bids Close At:	2:00 PM on March 21, 2023
Bid Opening Conference Call:	3:00 PM on March 21, 2023
Teleconference Dial In #:	1-612-405-6798
Conference ID #:	681 090 675#

Notice to Contractors: Electronic Bid Submission for the project listed above will be received by the MAC, a public corporation, via *QuestCDN's website* until the official time and date as displayed in QuestCDN Online.

Note: You can sign up on our web site (<https://metroairports.org/doing-business/solicitations>) to receive email notifications of new business opportunities.

Targeted Group Businesses (TGB): The goal of the MAC for the utilization of Targeted Group Businesses on this project is 2%.

Bid Security: Each bid shall be accompanied by a "Bid Security" in the form of a certified check made payable to the MAC in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid, or a surety bond in the same amount, running

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to the MAC, with the surety company thereon duly authorized to do business in the State of Minnesota.

Availability of Bidding Documents: Bidding documents are on file for inspection at the QuestCDN Online indicated below and at the Minnesota Builders Exchange; Rochester Builders Exchange; Dodge Data and Analytics; and NAMC-UM Plan Room. Bidders desiring bidding documents for personal use may secure a complete digital set at the **QuestCDN website**. Bidders may download the complete set of digital documents for \$22.00, or other fee as determined by QuestCDN, by entering eBidDoc™ #8375347 in the “Search Projects” page. Contact Quest Construction Data Network at (952) 233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance. Hard copy bidding documents will not be made available to Bidders. Bid documents for this project may be viewed for no cost at QuestCDN Online. For this project, bids will **ONLY** be received electronically. Contractors submitting an electronic bid will be charged an additional \$42.00, or other fee as determined by QuestCDN, at the time of bid submission via the online electronic bid service QuestCDN Online.

MAC Internet Access of Additional Information: A comprehensive Notice of Call for Bids for this project will be available on March 13, 2023, at MAC’s web address of <https://metroairports.org/doing-business/solicitations> (construction bids).

Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) Notice of Call for Bids for 2023 Silver Ramp Corrective Work

Airport Location:	Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport
Project Name:	2023 Silver Ramp Corrective Work
MAC Contract No.:	106-3-684
Bids Close At:	2:00 PM on March 21, 2023
Bid Opening Conference Call:	3:00 PM on March 21, 2023
Teleconference Dial In #:	1-612-405-6798
Conference ID #:	681 090 675#

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Note: You can sign up on our web site (<https://metroairports.org/doing-business/solicitations>) to receive email notifications of new business opportunities.

Targeted Group Businesses (TGB): The goal of the MAC for the utilization of Targeted Group Businesses on this project is 5.0%.

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

Availability of Bidding Documents: Bidding documents are on file for inspection at QuestCDN Online indicated below and at the Minnesota Builders Exchange; Rochester Builders Exchange; Dodge Data and Analytics; and NAMC-UM Plan Room. Bidders desiring bidding documents for personal use may secure a complete digital set at the **QuestCDN website**. Bidders may download the complete set of digital documents for \$22.00, or other fee as determined by QuestCDN, by entering eBidDoc™ 8409600 in the “Search Projects” page. Contact Quest Construction Data Network at (952) 233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance. Hard copy bidding documents will not be made available to Bidders. Bid documents for this project may be viewed for no cost at QuestCDN Online. For this project, bids will **ONLY** be received electronically. Contractors submitting an electronic bid will be charged an additional \$42.00, or other fee as determined by QuestCDN, at the time of bid submission via the online electronic bid service QuestCDN Online.

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MAC Internet Access of Additional Information: A comprehensive Notice of Call for Bids for this project will be available on March 13, 2023, at MAC's web address of <https://metroairports.org/doing-business/solicitations> (construction bids).

Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) Notice of Call for Bids for 2023 Terminal 1 Mechanical Room C-1043

Airport Location: Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport
Project Name: 2023 Terminal 1 Mechanical Room C-1043
MAC Contract No.: 106-2-954
Bids Close At: 2:00 PM on April 11, 2023
Bid Opening Conference Call: 3:00 PM on April 11, 2023
Teleconference Dial In #: 1-612-405-6798
Conference ID #: 681 090 675#

Notice to Contractors: Electronic Bid Submission for the project listed above will be received by the MAC, a public corporation, via *QuestCDN's website* until the official time and date as displayed in QuestCDN Online.

Note: You can sign up on our web site (<https://metroairports.org/doing-business/solicitations>) to receive email notifications of new business opportunities.

Targeted Group Businesses (TGB): The goal of the MAC for the utilization of Targeted Group Businesses on this project is 7%.

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

Project Labor Agreement: This project is subject to the MAC's Project Labor Agreement requirements. A copy of the Project Labor Agreement and Contract Riders are included in Appendix B.

Availability of Bidding Documents: Bidding documents are available at QuestCDN Online indicated below and at the Minnesota Builders Exchange; Rochester Builders Exchange; Dodge Data and Analytics; and NAMC-UM Plan Room. Bidders desiring bidding documents for personal use may secure a complete digital set at the *QuestCDN website*. Bidders may download the complete set of digital documents for \$22.00, or other fee as determined by QuestCDN, by entering eBidDocTM #8412871 in the "Search Projects" page. Contact Quest Construction Data Network at (952) 233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance. Hard copy bidding documents will not be made available to Bidders. Bid documents for this project may be viewed for no cost at QuestCDN Online. For this project, bids will ONLY be received electronically. Contractors submitting an electronic bid will be charged an additional \$42.00, or other fee as determined by QuestCDN, at the time of bid submission via the online electronic bid service QuestCDN Online.

MAC Internet Access of Additional Information: A comprehensive Notice of Call for Bids for this project will be available on March 13, 2023, at MAC's web address of <https://metroairports.org/doing-business/solicitations> (construction bids).

