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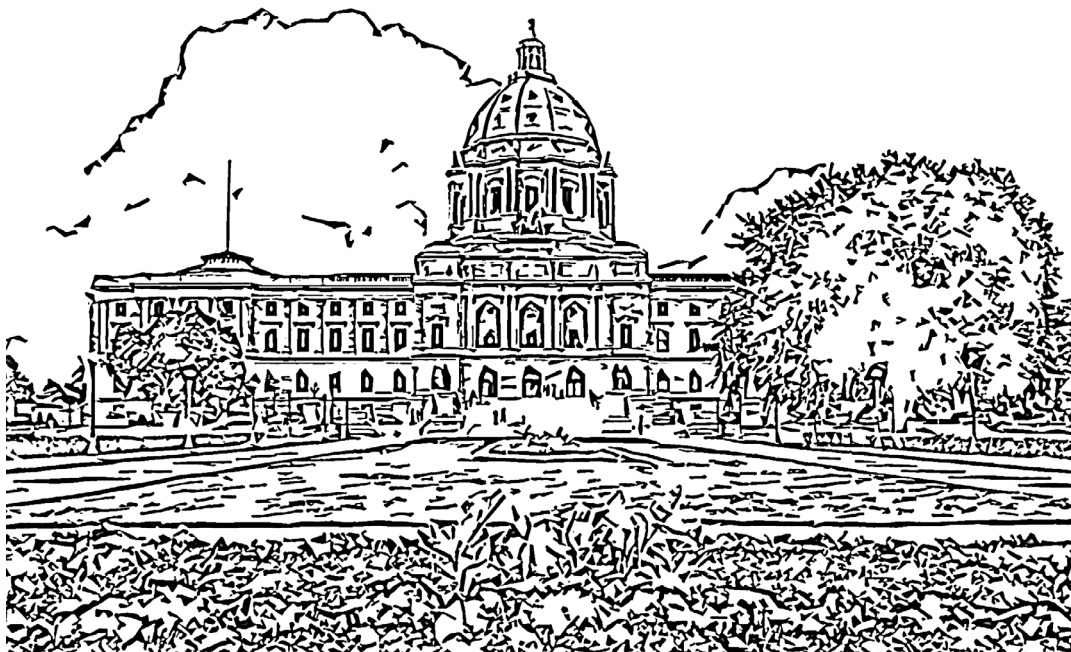
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The State Register is the official source, and only complete listing, for all state agency rulemaking in its various stages. State agencies are required to publish notice of their rulemaking action in the State Register. Published every Monday, the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

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

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 Proposed emergency rules, and withdrawn proposed rules, are also published in the State Register.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

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

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

Minnesota Department of Health

Health Regulation Division

Proposed Permanent Rules Governing Mortuary Science; DUAL NOTICE: Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules without a Public Hearing Unless 25 or More Persons Request a Hearing, and Notice of Hearing if 25 or More Requests for Hearing Are Received; Revisor’s ID Number R-4882; CAH docket 23-9000-41364

Proposed Rules Related to Disposition of the Dead, Natural Organic Reduction, and Transfer Care Specialists

Introduction. The Minnesota Department of Health intends to adopt rules without a public hearing following the procedures in the rules of the Court of Administrative Hearings, *Minnesota Rules*, parts 1400.2300 to 1400.2310, and the Administrative Procedure Act, *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.22 to 14.28. You may submit written comments and/or a written request that a hearing be held on the proposed rules until **4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 28, 2026**.

Hearing. If 25 or more persons submit a written request for a hearing on the rules by **4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 28, 2026**, the agency will hold a virtual public hearing on **Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.** You can participate in the virtual hearing, which will be conducted by an Administrative Law Judge from the Court of Administrative Hearings, via WebEx by using this link along with the associated access code and password:

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For a video and audio connection, join the hearing through an internet connection:

- Web link: **Webex Meeting Link**
- Webinar Number (access code): # 2485 739 0510
- Password: # h9iHdM8zyR2 (49443689 when dialing from a phone or video system)

For audio-only connection, join the virtual hearing by telephone:

- Call: 1-855-282-6330 United States Toll Free

To find out whether the agency will adopt the rules without a hearing or if it will hold the hearing, you should contact the agency contact person or check the agency website at <https://www.health.state.mn.us/facilities/providers/mortsci/dispositionrfc.html> after January 28, 2026, and before April 21, 2026.

Subject of Rules. The proposed rules are about natural organic reduction facilities, transfer care specialists, and regulations for funeral establishments and crematories.

Statutory Authority. The statutory authority to adopt these rules is Minnesota Statutes, section 149A.03.

Publication of proposed rules. A copy of the proposed rules is published in the *State Register*. The proposed rules may be viewed at: <https://www.health.state.mn.us/facilities/providers/mortsci/dispositionrfc.html>

Statement of Need and Reasonableness. The statement of need and reasonableness (SONAR) contains a summary of the justification for the proposed rules, a description of who will be affected by the proposed rules, and an estimate of the probable cost of the proposed rules. You may review or obtain copies for the cost of reproduction by contacting the agency contact person. The SONAR may also be viewed at: <https://www.health.state.mn.us/facilities/providers/mortsci/dispositionrfc.html>

Agency Contact Person. The agency contact person is Celeste Marin at Minnesota Department of Health, 625 Robert Street, PO Box 64900, Saint Paul, MN 55164-0900, (651) 201-4849, or celeste.marin@state.mn.us. You may contact the agency contact person with questions about the rules.

Public Comment. You have until **4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 28, 2026**, to submit written comment in support of or in opposition to the proposed rules or any part or subpart of the rules.

Your comment must be in writing and received by the due date. Your comments should identify the portion of the proposed rules addressed, the reason for the comment, and any change you propose. Any comments that you have about the legality of the proposed rules must be made during this comment period. All evidence that you present should relate to the proposed rules. If the proposed rules affect you in any way, the agency encourages you to participate. All comments or responses received are public data and will be available for review.

Submit written comments via the **Court of Administrative Hearings Rulemaking eComments website** (<https://mn.gov/oah/forms-and-filing/ecomments/>), by U.S. Mail delivered to the Court of Administrative Hearings, 600 North Robert Street, P.O. Box 64620, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55164-0620, or by fax 651-539-0310.

All comments or responses received are public data and will be available for review on the eComments website or on the Agency's website at <https://www.health.state.mn.us/facilities/providers/mortsci/dispositionrfc.html>.

Request for a Hearing. In addition to submitting comments, you may also request that the agency hold a public hearing on the rules. You must make your request for a public hearing in writing by **4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 28, 2026**. You must include your name and address in your written request for hearing. You must identify the portion of the proposed rules that you object to or state that you oppose the entire set of rules. You are also encouraged to state the reason for the request and any changes you want made to the proposed rules. Any request that does not comply with these requirements is not valid and the agency cannot count it when determining whether it must hold a public hearing.

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

Cancellation of Hearing. The agency will cancel the hearing scheduled for Tuesday, April 21, 2026, if the agency does not receive requests for a hearing from 25 or more persons. If you requested a public hearing, the agency will notify you before the scheduled hearing whether the hearing will be held. You may also call the agency contact person at 651-201-4849 after **Wednesday, January 28, 2026**, to find out whether the hearing will be held. On the scheduled day, you may check for whether the hearing will be held by calling 651-201-4849 or going online at <https://www.health.state.mn.us/facilities/providers/mortsci/dispositionrfc.html>

Notice of Hearing. If 25 or more persons submit valid written requests for a public hearing on the rules, the agency will hold a hearing following the procedures in *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.131 to 14.20. The agency will hold the hearing on the date and at the time and place listed above. The hearing will continue until 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21, 2026, or until all interested persons have been heard, whichever occurs first. Administrative Law Judge Suzanne Todnem is assigned to conduct the hearing. Judge Todnem can be reached by contacting William Moore, Rules Coordinator, Court of Administrative Hearings, 600 North Robert Street, P.O. Box 64620, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55164-0620, telephone 651-361-7893, and william.t.moore@state.mn.us.

Hearing Procedure. If the agency holds a hearing, you and all interested or affected persons, including representatives of associations or other interested groups, will have an opportunity to participate. You may present your views orally at the hearing or in writing at any time before the hearing record closes. All evidence presented should relate to the proposed rules.

You may also submit written material to the Administrative Law Judge to be recorded in the hearing record for five working days after the public hearing ends. At the hearing, the Administrative Law Judge may order this five-day comment period extended for a longer period but for no more than 20 calendar days.

After the comment period, there is a five-working-day rebuttal period when the agency and any interested person may respond in writing to any new information submitted. No one may submit new evidence during the five-day rebuttal period.

The Court of Administrative Hearings must receive all comments and responses submitted to the Administrative Law Judge via the ***Court of Administrative Hearings Rulemaking eComments website*** (<https://mn.gov/oah/forms-and-filing/ecomments/>) no later than 4:30 p.m. on the due date. If using the eComments website is not possible, you may submit post-hearing comments in person or via United States mail addressed to Judge Todnem at the address listed above. All comments or responses received are public data and will be available for review on the eComments website.

This rule hearing procedure is governed by *Minnesota Rules*, parts 1400.2000 to 1400.2240, and *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 14.131 to 14.20. You may direct questions about the procedure to the Administrative Law Judge, through William Moore, the CAH Rules Coordinator listed above.

Modifications. The agency may modify the proposed rules either as a result of public comment or as a result of the rule hearing process. It must support modifications by data and views submitted during the public comment and rule hearing process. The adopted rules may not be substantially different than these proposed rules unless the agency 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*.

Adoption Procedure if No Hearing. If no hearing is required, the agency may adopt the rules after the end of the

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comment period. The agency will submit the rules and supporting documents to the Court of Administrative Hearings for a legal review. You may ask to be notified of the date the rules are submitted to the office. If you want to receive notice of this, to receive a copy of the adopted rules, or to register with the agency to receive notice of future rule proceedings, submit your request to the agency contact person listed above.

Adoption Procedure after a Hearing. If a hearing is held, after the close of the hearing record, the Administrative Law Judge will issue a report on the proposed rules. You may ask to be notified of the date that the Administrative Law Judge's report will become available and can make this request at the hearing or in writing to the Administrative Law Judge. You may also ask to be notified of the date that the agency adopts the rules and the rules are filed with the Secretary of State, or register with the agency to receive notice of future rule proceedings by requesting this at the hearing or by writing to the agency contact person stated 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 about 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 1-800-657-3889.

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

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

Signed, Wendy Underwood
Deputy Commissioner
Minnesota Department of Health
Dated December 19, 2025

4610.2810 DEFINITIONS.

Subpart 1. **Bulking agents.** "Bulking agents" means a carbon-rich material used to increase porosity, assist moisture balance, reduce odors, and facilitate aeration in the decomposition process. Bulking agents include alfalfa, straw, tree and shrub parts that have been chipped or shredded, or similar woody vegetation that has been chipped or shredded, as well as other similarly carbon-rich materials.

Subp. 2. **Natural organic reduction.** "Natural organic reduction" has the meaning given in Minnesota Statutes, section 149A.02, subdivision 30b.

Subp. 3. **Prion disease.** "Prion disease" means a fatal neurodegenerative disorder caused by misfolded proteins in the brain. Prion diseases include, among others without limitation, Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, variably Protease-Sensitive Prionopathy, Sporadic Fatal Insomnia, and Gerstmann-Straussler-Scheinker disease.

4610.2815 RECORD KEEPING.

When a document is to be completed as required in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 149A, each document must be clearly titled and contain all information required of the document by statute, including the decedent's full legal name.

4610.2816 FLUSH BOWL WITH WATER CONNECT.

If a preparation room has both a flush bowl with water connections as provided in Minnesota Statutes, section 149A.92, subdivision 2, and a direct drain, only the flush bowl may be used to dispose of embalming waste and bodily fluids.

4610.2817 VENTILATION.

Subpart 1. **Ventilation systems.** Ventilation systems for preparation rooms must be maintained in a sanitary condition and free of rust and debris.

Subp. 2. **Ventilation exhaust fans.** Ventilation exhaust fans, as described in Minnesota Statutes, section 149A.92, subdivision 3, must not be blocked or covered.

4610.2830 MAINTENANCE; CREMATORIES.

Upon request during a survey, investigation, inspection, or other licensing activity, the licensee must provide the department access to or copies of documentation that the human cremation system, as described in Minnesota Statutes, section 149A.95, subdivision 2, has been maintained in a manner that ensures safe operation and that adheres to the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 149A.

4610.2835 MAINTENANCE; ALKALINE HYDROLYSIS.

Upon request during a survey, investigation, inspection, or other licensing activity, the licensee must provide the department access to or copies of documentation that the human alkaline hydrolysis system, as described in Minnesota Statutes, section 149A.941, subdivision 2, has been maintained in a manner that ensures safe operation and that adheres to the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 149A.

4610.2840 INITIAL TRAINING DEADLINE; TRANSFER CARE SPECIALIST.

Transfer care specialist applicants must complete the training under Minnesota Statutes, section 149A.47, subdivision 4, paragraph (a), within the six months before the date the application for registry is submitted.

4610.2845 SUPERVISION OF TRANSFER CARE SPECIALISTS.

Subpart 1. **Supervision.** A transfer care specialist is allowed to have only one supervising licensed mortician. In the event that the supervising licensed mortician is off duty for a time period of no more than 30 days, a different licensed mortician employed or contracted by the same funeral establishment may temporarily supervise and direct the transfer care specialist.

Subp. 2. **Change in supervision; change in funeral establishment.** A transfer care specialist must:

A. provide the department with the name of the transfer care specialist's supervising mortician and funeral establishment as part of the registration application; and

B. notify the department of any changes to the transfer care specialist's supervising mortician or funeral establishment, or both, no later than 30 calendar days after the change occurs.

4610.2847 REGISTRATION DISPLAY.

The registration card for a transfer care specialist employed by a funeral establishment must be conspicuously displayed at all times in the transfer care specialist's place of employment. "Conspicuously displayed" means located where a member of the general public within the transfer care specialist's place of employment is able to observe and read the license.

4610.2850 NATURAL ORGANIC REDUCTION FACILITIES.

A licensed natural organic reduction facility must be located inside of a building.

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4610.2855 NATURAL ORGANIC REDUCTION PROHIBITED.

A decedent whose cause of death was known to be, or reasonably suspected to be, a prion disease is not eligible for natural organic reduction as a method of final disposition. A licensee is considered compliant with this requirement if the licensee obtains a letter from the decedent's attending physician or a medical examiner stating the decedent was not known to have, nor suspected of having, a prion disease at the time of death.

4610.2856 REDUCED REMAINS.

Subpart 1. **Release of reduced remains.** The reduced remains must be released in enclosed containers. The finished compost must not have any visible mold growth at the time it is released to the person or persons with legal right to control disposition. The establishment must provide care instructions to the recipient of the reduced remains to carry out the final disposition of the reduced remains. The instruction sheet must:

- A. state that the final dispersal must comply with all applicable federal, Tribal, state, and local laws regarding final dispersal;
- B. discourage the sale or use of reduced remains for commercial purposes; and
- C. provide instructions and best practices for inhibiting unwanted microbes such as mold while waiting for final dispersal.

Subp. 2. **Donated compost.** If the person or persons who have the legal right to control disposition do not want to retain all reduced remains, the facility may disperse or donate any excess reduced remains. A donation constitutes release to an authorized party under Minnesota Statutes, section 149A.955, subdivision 26.

Subp. 3. **Donating compost.** Facilities must have a location to disperse donated compost and unclaimed reduced remains. The location may be owned by the facility or owned or controlled by a third party who has a written agreement with the facility to accept compost. The facility must not knowingly donate compost for use to grow food for sale for human consumption. Containers of donated compost and unclaimed reduced remains awaiting final dispersal must be stored indoors in a way that inhibits mold growth and vector infestation. Containers of donated compost must not block walkways or methods of egress or be stored in a way that creates falling or tripping hazards.

4610.2857 LABORATORY RESULTS.

Samples required under Minnesota Statutes, section 149A.955, subdivision 23, clauses (3) to (6), must be submitted to:

- A. one or more laboratories certified under parts 4740.2010 to 4740.2120. The laboratory or laboratories must be certified to analyze the substances presented to it by the facility, as required by Minnesota Statutes, section 149A.955, subdivision 23, clause (4); or
- B. a laboratory that is certified as Seal of Testing Assurance (STA) approved by the United States Composting Council.

4610.2858 EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS.

Subpart 1. **Prohibited additions to vessel.** The following items and materials must not be used as bulking agents and must not be placed inside the vessel:

- A. wood or other organic material that has been painted, glued, or chemically or pressure treated without regard to whether the wood or other organic material is or is not chipped or shredded;
- B. construction and demolition debris without regard to whether the debris is or is not chipped or shredded;
- C. acids, alkaline agents, or other solvents;

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D. insects, worms, or other animals;

E. materials that will not compost other than a noncompostable tag described in Minnesota Statutes, section 149A.955, subdivision 16; and

F. materials that, if present inside the vessel during all or part of the natural organic reduction process, would create a risk to health or safety.

Subp. 2. **Vessel requirements.** The vessel must:

A. be leak-proof and capable of withstanding heating to the required temperature for the required period;

B. enable accurate testing and recording of temperature designed to measure from the middle of the interior of the vessel and the accurate collection of any other data required by the natural organic process used by the natural organic reduction facility; and

C. prevent vectors from entering the vessel and control odors.

Subp. 3. **Measuring and recording equipment.** Each vessel must have its own thermometer or similar instrument for measuring the heat inside the vessel. The readings of the instrument must be recorded and saved with the records for each decedent along with the records required in Minnesota Statutes, section 149A.955, subdivision 28.

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

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

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

Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Fish and Wildlife Division

Proposed Expedited Permanent Rules Relating to Fur Farms; Notice of Intent to Adopt Expedited Rules Without a Public Hearing

Proposed Adoption of Rules Relating to Fur Farms, *Minnesota Rules*, parts 6242.1500, 6242.1550, 6242.1600, 6242.1800, 6242.1900, 6242.1950, 6242.2000, 6242.2100, 6242.2200, 6242.2300; Revisor's File Number R-4974

Introduction. The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (Department) intends to adopt rules under the expedited rulemaking process following the rules of the Court 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 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 19, 2026.

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Subject of the Expedited Rules. The proposed expedited rules are about regulations for fur farms. Consistent with recent legislative direction, this rulemaking addresses longstanding challenges that arose from regulating game farms and fur farms under the same statute and rules. Game farms are primarily licensed to breed and propagate game birds while fur farms are licensed for breeding and propagation of furbearing mammals. These two types of operations differ in purpose, animal species, and associated risks. After the Minnesota Legislature amended the game farm rules to exclude fur farms in 2024, fur farms have had no governing rules in place pending adoption of new rules. Minnesota currently has 24 licensed fur farm operations; and additional operations that meet the statutory definition may be active without a license.

In 2024, the Minnesota Legislature responded to the need for clearer, more effective oversight of fur farms by creating separate statutory sections for game farms and fur farms and directing the Department to adopt new rules specific to fur farms. Game farms remain under existing rules, while Minnesota Session Law 2024, Chapter 116, Article 6, Sections 2 and 3 require the Department to adopt fur farm rules addressing licensing, inspection, acquisition, monitoring, carcass disposal, and recordkeeping. Together, the rules the Department has been directed to adopt will strengthen the framework for identifying problems early, ensuring consistent practices, and reducing the chance that undetected issues could contribute to the spread of wildlife diseases.

6242.1500 Definitions; Scope.

This rule part establishes key definitions and the scope of the fur farm rules. It clarifies that the statutory definition of “fur-bearing animal” in Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.015, applies to these rules and that a “farmed animal” is the subset of those fur-bearing species that are listed on an individual licensee’s fur farm license. The rule also incorporates the existing definition of “reportable disease” from Minnesota Rules, part 1721.0020, to support statewide animal-health reporting requirements. Finally, this section states that parts 6242.1500 to 6242.2300 apply to all fur farm licenses issued by the commissioner.

6242.1550 Fur Farm License; Application.

This rule part requires that a fur farm license identify the species of fur-bearing animals authorized for breeding or propagation and requires applicants to provide specific information when applying for a license. This includes the applicant’s name and mailing address; the business name and address if different; an approved identification number; the species to be listed on the license; and, for new fur farms, a description of how the facility will meet the requirements for animal care in part 6242.1600, subpart 1. These provisions support the prevention and control of wildlife disease by ensuring that facilities meet established standards for animal health and containment.

6242.1600 Fur Farm Requirements.

This rule part requires fur farm licensees to meet specific standards for the care and housing of farmed fur-bearing animals, including providing clean, secure enclosures that support normal movement and species-typical behaviors; maintaining health and sanitation; and supplying appropriate food and water. It also requires licensees to allow the commissioner to inspect the premises, facilities, animals, and records upon request, and to notify the commissioner of any escaped animal within 24 hours. Additionally, it establishes the commissioner’s authority to recapture or destroy escaped animals that are not recovered by the licensee within 72 hours of notice to the commissioner or that pose a risk to wildlife, domestic animals, or public safety. Consultation with the fur farm operator is required, except in situations needing immediate action. These provisions help prevent and control the spread of disease by ensuring animals are securely housed, healthy, and promptly managed if they escape.

6242.1800 Acquiring of Fur Farm Animals.

This rule part restricts acquisitions to ensure that fur farm licensees obtain captive-reared furbearers only from licensed operators or other authorized sources, promoting accountability and reducing the risk of unregulated or illegal animal transfers. This requirement also helps prevent the introduction and spread of disease between facilities and wild populations.

6242.1900 Sale or Disposal of Fur Farm Animals.

This rule part establishes detailed requirements for the sale, transfer, shipment, import, and disposal of fur farm animals. Licensees must document all sales and disposals using a receipt or invoice that includes key details about the actions. Operators must submit original documents to the Department’s Division of Enforcement, provide copies

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to purchasers, and retain records for inspection. Shipments by common carrier must include documentation attached to containers. Importing animals into Minnesota requires a certificate of veterinary inspection issued by a licensed veterinarian. Carcasses must be disposed of by rendering, incineration, composting, or burial in compliance with state and federal regulations, with methods designed to prevent wildlife access and protect water and surrounding properties.

6242.1950 Disease Testing and Reporting.

This rule part requires fur farm licensees to prepare and follow a disease monitoring and response plan, conduct routine inspections, and establish protocols for veterinary care and reporting of suspected or confirmed diseases. Licensees must notify the Department of elevated mortality within 24 hours and immediately report any known or suspected reportable diseases. The rule authorizes the Department, in coordination with the Board of Animal Health and Department of Health, to require diagnostic testing, quarantine, and other response measures when disease risks are identified. Testing must be performed by licensed veterinarians and approved laboratories, with results reported promptly. These provisions strengthen early detection, accountability, and coordinated response to disease threats that could affect both farmed and wild furbearers.

6242.2000 Required Fur Farm Records.

This rule part requires fur farm licensees to maintain complete and up-to-date records of all animal acquisitions, births, sales, disposals, and deaths in a form that is legible and readily available for inspection by the commissioner. Records and related receipts must be entered within 48 hours, retained for three years, and made available for inspection upon request. Maintaining these records helps prevent and control wildlife diseases by enabling traceability of animals and rapid identification of potential disease risks.

6242.2100 License Renewal and Annual Reports.

This rule part establishes annual licensing and reporting requirements for fur farms. Licensees must renew their license and pay fees by January 1 to maintain continuous licensure, and failure to do so results in a lapse until approval is granted. In addition, license holders must submit an annual report to the Department's Division of Enforcement by January 15 demonstrating compliance with statutory and rule requirements. These provisions ensure timely renewals, continuous oversight, and accountability through annual reporting.

6242.2200 Threatened or Endangered Species.

This rule part clarifies that a fur farm license does not authorize possession, breeding, or sale of species listed as threatened or endangered by either the state or federal government unless the fur farm operator has identified the species on the fur farm license, and it was lawfully obtained.

6242.2300 Violations, Enforcement and Suspension.

This rule part establishes the enforcement framework for fur farm licenses and clarifies the consequences of violations. It authorizes the Department to take enforcement actions—including suspension or revocation of a license, issuance of citations, or other actions consistent with statutory authority—against operators who violate parts 6242.1500 to 6242.2300. The rule also prohibits fur farm operators from obtaining or selling fur-bearing animals, animal parts, or animal products while their license is under suspension, except when specifically authorized by the commissioner. Suspended licenses cannot be reinstated without a new application and facility reinspection, and licenses that remain under suspension through the following year are revoked. This ensures compliance with regulatory standards, maintains oversight of fur farm operations, and provides a clear process for addressing violations and managing suspended licenses.

Statutory Authority. The statutory authority to adopt these rules is Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.106, subdivisions 6, 8, and 12. The statutory authority to adopt the rules under the expedited rulemaking process is Minnesota Statutes, section 84.027, subdivision 13a(a)(1), which does not require offering a hearing.

Publication of proposed rules. A copy of the proposed rules is published in the State Register and attached to this notice as mailed. A free copy of the rules is available upon request from the agency contact person listed below. The proposed expedited rules may be viewed on the *DNR rulemaking webpage* at mndnr.gov/input/rules.

Agency Contact Person. Submit comments or questions on the rules to Jason Abraham, Season Management

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Specialist, at Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, 500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155, telephone 651-259-5197, or email jason.abraham@state.mn.us.

Public Comment. You have until **4:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 19, 2026**, 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. 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 Department encourages you to participate in the rulemaking process.

Submit written comments to the agency contact person listed above.

All comments or responses received are public data and will be available for review at the Department.

Modifications. The Department may modify the proposed expedited rules using either of two avenues: The Department 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 Department 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 Department 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 Department must publish a copy of the changes in the *State Register*.

Adoption and Review of Expedited Rules. The Department may adopt the rules at the end of the comment period. The Department will then submit rules and supporting documents to the Court of Administrative Hearings for review for legality. You may ask to be notified of the date that the Department 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 Department to receive notice of future rule proceedings, submit your request to the agency contact person 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 about 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.

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.

Date: 12/18/2025

/s/ SARAH STROMMEN
Sarah Strommen, Commissioner

6242.1500 DEFINITIONS: SCOPE.

Subpart 1. Definitions.

A. The definitions in this subpart and in Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.015, apply to parts 6242.1500 to 6242.2300.

B. “Farmed animal” means a fur-bearing animal of a species listed on a licensee’s fur farm license.

C. “Reportable disease” means a disease included on the Board of Animal Health’s reportable animal disease list under part 1721.0020, subpart 7.

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Subp. 2. **Scope.** Parts 6242.1500 to 6242.2300 apply to a fur farm license issued by the commissioner.

6242.1550 FUR FARM LICENSE; APPLICATION.

Subpart 1. **Species specified on license.** A fur farm license must specify the species of fur-bearing animals that may be bred or propagated by the license holder.

Subp. 2. **Application requirements.** An application for a fur farm license must include:

- A. the name and mailing address of the individual completing the application;
- B. the name and mailing address of the business for which a license is requested, if different than item A;
- C. one of the following identification numbers:
 - (1) federal employee identification number;
 - (2) Minnesota tax identification number; or
 - (3) Social Security number;
- D. the species of fur-bearing animals to be listed on the license; and
- E. for a new fur farm, a description of how the requirements in part 6242.1600, subpart 1, will be achieved.

6242.1600 FUR FARM REQUIREMENTS.

Subpart 1. **Animal care.** A fur farm licensee must:

- A. provide clean, secure enclosures that allow animals to move normally, meet animal social needs, prevent escape, and prevent contact with wildlife. Enclosures must include shelter to protect animals from excessive heat in summer and cold in winter. Animals must be housed with compatible species and separated from those that may cause stress or harm;
- B. provide enclosures of sufficient size and design to allow each animal to:
 - (1) stand upright in a normal posture without crouching;
 - (2) lie in a fully extended position with all limbs outstretched;
 - (3) turn around freely; and
 - (4) engage in normal species-typical behaviors, such as grooming and accessing feed and water;
- C. maintain facilities to ensure animal health and welfare, including regular cleaning and sanitation, effective pest control, and wildlife exclusion measures to prevent contact between wild animals and farmed fur-bearing animals;
- D. provide clean, species-appropriate food stored to prevent spoilage and contamination and provide access to feed at least daily except when animals have continuous access to food through an automatic or self-feeding system or when less frequent feeding is appropriate for the species and environmental conditions. Food must be uncontaminated, wholesome, palatable, and of sufficient quantity and nutritive value to maintain animals in good health; and
- E. ensure animals have access to potable water or are watered at least daily and more often as necessary to

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maintain normal hydration. Water receptacles must be kept clean.

Subp. 2. **Inspections.** A person who obtains a fur farm license must allow the commissioner to inspect the premises, facilities, animals, and records required under part 6242.2000 upon request.

Subp. 3. **Escaped animals.**

A. A person who obtains a fur farm license must notify the commissioner within 24 hours if an escaped farmed animal is not recaptured and must allow the commissioner to destroy or recapture the animal that escapes if the animal:

(1) is not recaptured within 72 hours of providing notice; or

(2) poses a risk to native wildlife, domestic animals, or public safety.

B. Except as provided under item C, the commissioner must consult with the licensee before intervening under item A.

C. Prior consultation is not required when immediate action is necessary to address a risk or prevent further harm to native wildlife, domestic animals, or public safety.

6242.1800 ACQUIRING FUR FARM ANIMALS.

A fur farm licensee may acquire fur-bearing animals only if the animals are captive reared and are acquired from a licensed fur farm operator or other person exempt from the licensing requirement.

6242.1900 SALE OR DISPOSAL OF FUR FARM ANIMALS.

Subpart 1. **Record requirement.** For each sale or disposal of a farmed animal, the fur farm licensee must complete an invoice or a sales receipt. The invoice or receipt must include the following:

A. name, address, and fur farm license number of the licensee;

B. name and address of the purchaser or person to whom sale or disposal is made;

C. species and number of animals; and

D. identification numbers if the animals are marked with tags, bands, or tattoos.

Subp. 2. **Routing.** The original sales receipt or invoice for a farmed animal must be submitted to the Division of Enforcement as soon as possible but no later than within seven days. A copy must be given to the person to whom sale or disposal is made at the time of the transaction. A second copy must be retained by the licensee and is subject to inspection by the commissioner.

Subp. 3. **Shipping animals by common carrier.** When fur-bearing animals, animal parts, or animal products are shipped by common carrier or are transported other than by the person to whom sale or disposal is made, a copy of the receipt or invoice or other documentation of the contents of the package must be attached to the outside of the container or to one of the containers if a single shipment is made in several containers.

Subp. 4. **Certificate of veterinary inspection for imported animals.** A licensee must obtain a certificate of veterinary inspection for any fur-bearing animals imported into Minnesota, and the certificate must meet the requirements of part 1721.0040. The certificate must be issued by a licensed veterinarian and must accompany the animals at the time of import.

Subp. 5. **Disposal of carcasses.**

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A. Fur farm licensees must dispose of all animal carcasses in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local requirements. Acceptable disposal methods include:

- (1) rendering, when applicable, according to Minnesota Statutes, section 35.82;
- (2) incineration using a device compliant with part 7011.1215 and any other applicable ordinances or regulations;
- (3) composting according to part 1721.0740;
- (4) disposal in a licensed, permitted landfill operating in compliance with applicable state and local requirements; and
- (5) burial according to part 1721.0700 and any other state and local requirements.

B. All disposal methods must be conducted in a manner that prevents access to wildlife and protects groundwater, surface water, and adjacent properties from contamination.

6242.1950 DISEASE TESTING AND REPORTING.

Subpart 1. **Disease preparedness plan.** A person applying for a fur farm license must submit a disease monitoring and response plan to the commissioner at the time of application. The plan must include:

- A. protocols for routine visual inspections of farmed animals by personnel, including the licensee or the licensee's employees or agents, who have received training on the normal appearance, behavior, and health of the animals from the licensee or an animal health professional;
- B. protocols for responding to illness or death of a farmed animal, including prompt veterinary consultation;
- C. procedures for reporting suspected or confirmed reportable diseases to the commissioner; and
- D. procedures for notifying the Board of Animal Health of reportable diseases, as appropriate, according to part 1721.0020.

Subp. 2. **Mortality reporting requirements.**

A. Fur farm licensees must notify the commissioner as soon as possible but not longer than 24 hours after a mortality event that exceeds any of the following thresholds:

- (1) double the average weekly mortality, based on the prior 12 months of records and adjusted for the current population of farmed animals;
- (2) 15 percent of the population of farmed animals in a seven-day period if no records are available under subitem (1); or
- (3) more than 15 farmed animals within seven days if fewer than 100 animals are contained.

B. If any threshold in item A is exceeded, the commissioner must, in consultation with the Board of Animal Health and the Department of Health, require diagnostic testing unless the cause of mortality is unrelated to disease, such as flooding, fire, or predation.

C. A licensee must notify the commissioner immediately if the licensee knows or reasonably should know that a farmed animal on the licensee's premises is infected with, is exposed to, or shows clinical signs of a reportable disease.

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Notification under this item must be made even if the disease is also reported to the Board of Animal Health.

Subp. 3. Testing administration and reporting.

A. Samples for testing under subpart 2, item B, must be collected by a licensed veterinarian. Testing must be conducted by a laboratory approved by the National Animal Health Laboratory Network or another laboratory approved by the commissioner based on demonstrated capability to perform the required tests in accordance with nationally recognized diagnostic standards. Unless state or federal funds are available for this purpose, testing must be conducted at the licensee's expense up to \$500. The Department of Natural Resources must pay any costs that exceed \$500.

B. The licensee must report test results to the commissioner within three business days after receiving the results.

Subp. 4. Quarantine and investigation.

A. If a farmed animal poses a threat to wild animals because it is infected with, is exposed to, or shows clinical signs of a reportable disease or other contagious or infectious dangerous disease that poses a risk to wild animals, the commissioner must:

(1) assess the risk of disease transmission; and

(2) coordinate with the Board of Animal Health to require the licensee to implement site-specific quarantine procedures until the threat is abated, unless the evaluation under subitem (1) determines that immediate quarantine is not necessary to prevent disease transmission, such as when an animal has been euthanized, securely contained, or otherwise eliminated as a disease risk.

B. The commissioner must assess the threat and coordinate the disease response with the Board of Animal Health, the Department of Health, and other affected public health or animal health authorities.

Subp. 5. Testing to protect wild animals. If a farmed animal poses a threat to wild animals because it is infected with, is exposed to, or shows clinical signs of a reportable disease or other contagious or infectious dangerous disease, the commissioner must assess the risk of disease transmission and must coordinate with the Board of Animal Health to determine whether testing is required.

6242.2000 REQUIRED FUR FARM RECORDS.

Subpart 1. Record keeping. Fur farm licensees must keep records for all species in a form that is legible and readily available for inspection. Records must include:

A. for each animal acquired other than by birth on the licensee's fur farm, the sex, if known, and species of the animal; the name and address of the source from which acquired; the date of acquisition; and the number of any band, tag, or tattoo attached to the animal before or after acquisition;

B. for each animal born on the licensee's fur farm, the sex, species, and date of birth of the animal and the number of any band, tag, or tattoo subsequently attached to the animal;

C. the records required under part 6242.1900, subpart 1; and

D. for each farmed animal that dies or is destroyed on the licensee's fur farm, the sex, species, and date of death of the animal and the number of any band, tag, or tattoo attached to the animal.

Subp. 2. Entering, retaining, and inspecting records. Records required under this part must be entered into the record book within 48 hours of the birth, transaction, acquisition, death, or disposal of a farmed animal, animal part, or animal product. Records must be maintained for three years after the year of creation. All required records and receipts

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must be available for inspection by the commissioner upon request.

6242.2100 LICENSE RENEWAL AND ANNUAL REPORTS.

Subpart 1. **License renewal deadline.** A person licensed to operate a fur farm must submit their renewal application and the renewal fee on or before January 1 each year to maintain continuous licensure.

Subp. 2. **Expiration and lapse in licensure.** A person who fails to submit the required application and fee by January 1 is not considered licensed for the subsequent license year until the required application and fee are received by the commissioner.

Subp. 3. **Reports.** License holders must submit an annual report to the Division of Enforcement by January 15. The report must include copies of all records maintained under parts 6242.1900, subpart 1, and 6242.2000, subpart 1, that were created since the previous annual report.

6242.2200 THREATENED OR ENDANGERED SPECIES.

A fur farm license is not a license to possess, breed, propagate, sell, or dispose of any state-listed or federally listed threatened or endangered species, unless the state-listed or federally listed threatened or endangered species is specifically listed on the fur farm license and has been lawfully obtained.

6242.2300 VIOLATIONS, ENFORCEMENT, AND SUSPENSION.

Subpart 1. **Violations and enforcement.** A violation of parts 6242.1500 to 6242.2300 is subject to enforcement action, including suspension or revocation of the fur farm license, issuance of a citation, or other actions consistent with the department's enforcement authority under Minnesota Statutes, sections 97A.201 to 97A.255.

Subp. 2. **Operating under a suspended license.** Fur farm operators may not obtain or sell fur-bearing animals, animal parts, or animal products under a suspended license unless authorized by the commissioner. Licenses that are under suspension cannot be reinstated until an application is resubmitted and the applicant's facility has been reinspected. A license that remains under suspension until the following year is revoked.

Minnesota Board of Pharmacy

Proposed Expedited Permanent Rules Relating to Prescription Label Information; Notice of Intent to Adopt Expedited Rules Without a Public Hearing

Proposed Amendment to Rules Governing Prescription Bottle Labeling, *Minnesota Rules 6800.3400*; Revisor's ID Number R-04894

Introduction. The Minnesota Board of Pharmacy intends to adopt rules under the expedited rulemaking process following the rules of the Court 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 **4:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 12th, 2026.**

Subject of the Expedited Rules. The proposed expedited rules are about accessible prescription drug labels and would allow pharmacists to include the following on the prescription label:

1. The complete and unabbreviated generic name of the drug; and
2. Instructions written in plain language explaining the patient-specific indications for the drug if the patient-specific indications are indicated on the prescription.

Statutory Authority. The statutory authority to adopt these rules under the expedited rulemaking process is Minnesota Laws 2024, Regular Session, Chapter 127, Article 60, Subd. 25.

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Publication of proposed rules. 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 at: <https://mn.gov/boards/pharmacy/public/rulemaking.jsp>.

Agency Contact Person. The agency contact person is Katrina Howard at Board of Pharmacy, 335 Randolph Ave, Ste. 230, St. Paul, MN 55102, phone (651-201-2825), fax (651-215-0951), and Katrina.howard@state.mn.us. You may contact the agency contact person with questions about the rules.

Public Comment. You have until **4:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 12, 2026**, 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 by the due date. 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.

Submit written comments via the Court of Administrative Hearings Rulemaking eComments website (<https://mn.gov/oah/forms-and-filing/ecomments/>), by U.S. Mail delivered to the Court of Administrative Hearings, 600 North Robert Street, P.O. Box 64620, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55164-0620, or by fax (651) 539-0310].

All comments or responses received are public data and will be available for review on the eComments website.

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*.

Of note, the agency published a similar notice in the State Register on October 28, 2024, and now seeks to issue this revised notice while concurrently notifying the Board's Rulemaking Notification listserv, which required updating at the time of initial publication.

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 Court 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, subscribe to the Board's Rulemaking Updates listserv. This can be done on the Board of Pharmacy's website under Subscribe for E-Mail Updates, or submit your request to the agency contact person listed above for further assistance.

Lobbyist Registration. *Minnesota Statutes*, chapter 10A, requires each lobbyist to register with the State Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board. You may direct questions about 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.

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Date: 12/15/2025

Aaron Patterson
Executive Director, Board of Pharmacy

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6800.3400 PRESCRIPTION LABELING.

Subpart 1. **Requirements applicable to all drugs.** Except for radiopharmaceuticals, all drugs dispensed to or for a patient, other than an inpatient of a hospital must be labeled with the following information:

[For text of items A to J, see Minnesota Rules]

K. ~~after July 1, 2008~~, any dispensed legend drug, or nonlegend drug not dispensed in the manufacturer's original container, must be labeled with its physical description, including any identification code that may appear on tablets and capsules. This requirement does not apply to drugs dispensed as part of an investigational drug study.

Subp. 1a. **Additional labeling information.** After January 1, 2026, except for radiopharmaceuticals, all drugs dispensed to or for a patient, other than an inpatient of a hospital, may also be labeled with the following information:

A. the complete and unabbreviated generic name of the drug; and

B. instructions written in plain language explaining the patient-specific indications for the drug if the patient-specific indications are indicated on the prescription.

[For text of subparts 2 to 5, see Minnesota Rules]

Exempt Rules

Exempt rules are excluded from the normal rulemaking procedures (*Minnesota Statutes* §§ 14.386 and 14.388). They are most often of two kinds. One kind is specifically exempted by the Legislature from rulemaking procedures, but approved for form by the Revisor of Statutes, reviewed for legality by the Office of Administrative Hearings, and then published in the State Register. These exempt rules are effective for two years only.

The second kind of exempt rule is one adopted where an agency for good cause finds that the rulemaking provisions of *Minnesota Statutes*, Chapter 14 are unnecessary, impracticable, or contrary to the public interest. This exemption can be used only where the rules:

- (1) address a serious and immediate threat to the public health, safety, or welfare, or
- (2) comply with a court order or a requirement in federal law in a manner that does not allow for compliance with *Minnesota Statutes* Sections 14.14-14.28, or
- (3) incorporate specific changes set forth in applicable statutes when no interpretation of law is required, or
- (4) make changes that do not alter the sense, meaning, or effect of the rules.

These exempt rules are also reviewed for form by the Revisor of Statutes, for legality by the Office of Administrative Hearings and then published in the *State Register*. In addition, the Office of Administrative Hearings must determine whether the agency has provided adequate justification for the use of this exemption. Rules adopted under clauses (1) or (2) above are effective for two years only. The Legislature may also exempt an agency from the normal rulemaking procedures and establish other procedural and substantive requirements unique to that exemption.

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

Department of Public Safety

Adopted Exempt Permanent Rules Relating to Loss of Consciousness or Voluntary Control

7410.2500 LOSS OF CONSCIOUSNESS OR VOLUNTARY CONTROL.

[For text of subparts 1 to 4, see Minnesota Rules]

Subp. 5. **Review of driver's condition.** Except as otherwise provided in items A to E G, a driver who has experienced

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a loss of consciousness or voluntary control shall submit an annual physician's statement on a form prescribed by the commissioner, regarding the driver's medical history, present situation, and the prognosis with respect to the driver's ability to operate a motor vehicle with safety to the driver and others.

[For text of items A to E, see Minnesota Rules]

F. A driver does not need to submit an annual physician's statement if:

- (1) a single nonepileptic seizure was responsible for the driver's loss of consciousness or voluntary control;
- (2) the driver has been free from episodes of loss of consciousness or voluntary control for five years from the date of the incident under subitem (1);
- (3) the driver has not been prescribed or taking any antiseizure medication for five years from the date of the incident under subitem (1); and
- (4) a physician has indicated that no further review of the driver's condition is necessary due to the driver being in good health and the risk of reoccurrence for the condition responsible for causing a loss of consciousness or voluntary control is minimal.

G. A driver does not need to submit an annual physician's statement if:

- (1) the driver has been free from episodes of loss of consciousness or voluntary control for ten years;
- (2) the driver has not been prescribed or taking any antiseizure medication for ten years; and
- (3) a physician has indicated that no further review of the driver's condition is necessary due to the driver being in good health and the risk of reoccurrence for the condition responsible for causing a loss of consciousness or voluntary control is minimal.

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 25-14: Providing for Emergency Relief to Motor Carriers and Drivers Transporting Propane and Diesel 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:

The federal government failed to release funds for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program on time, resulting in elevated demand and increased propane and diesel fuel deliveries in December. Approximately ten percent of Minnesota households, or over 200,000 homes, use propane gas as their primary heating fuel. With the onset of winter and extremely cold temperatures over the past month, demand for propane and diesel fuel is high across the country, resulting in low inventory throughout the Midwest. Additionally, several terminals have reported a complete lack of

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no. 1 diesel fuel. It may take a month, or longer, to get supply and inventory levels back to normal due to the federal government's delays.

Minnesota Statutes 2025, section 221.0314, subdivision 9, adopts federal safety regulations, including hours of service requirements for drivers. Minnesota Statutes 2025, section 221.0269, provides: "The governor may declare an emergency and grant relief from any of the regulations incorporated in section 221.0314 to carriers and drivers operating motor vehicles in Minnesota to provide emergency relief during the emergency."

Reliable access to propane and diesel will be critical to the safety of Minnesotans in the cold weeks and months ahead. Temporary relief is needed to allow for the continued movement of these fuels, as carriers and drivers provide necessary and time-sensitive assistance to our state. Strict enforcement of certain hours of service regulations would prevent or hinder the efficient transportation of these essential supplies.

For these reasons, I order as follows:

1. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 2025, section 221.0269, subdivision 1, a state of emergency exists in Minnesota that requires relief from regulations incorporated in Minnesota Statutes 2025, section 221.0314, subdivision 9, pertaining to hours of service for motor carriers and drivers of commercial motor vehicles providing direct assistance to emergency relief efforts by transporting propane or diesel fuel.
2. Motor carriers and drivers providing direct assistance to the emergency relief efforts by transporting propane or diesel fuel are exempted from paragraphs (b) and (c) under the Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, part 395.3, incorporated in Minnesota Statutes 2025, section 221.0314, subdivision 9, pertaining to hours of service.
3. Nothing in this Executive Order may be construed to relieve motor carriers and drivers providing direct assistance to the emergency relief efforts by transporting propane or diesel fuel from the requirements under paragraph (a) of the Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, part 395.3, incorporated in Minnesota Statutes 2025, section 221.0314, subdivision 9, which states, in part, that a driver may drive only 11 hours during a period of 14 consecutive hours after coming on duty following 10 consecutive hours off duty.
4. This Executive Order does not relieve motor carriers and drivers providing direct assistance to emergency relief efforts from regulations pertaining to driver qualifications; driving of commercial motor vehicles; commercial driver's licenses; drug and alcohol testing for drivers; or equipment, parts, and accessories necessary for the safe operation of vehicles.
5. A motor carrier operating under the terms of this Executive Order must not require or allow a fatigued or ill driver to operate a commercial motor vehicle. A driver who informs a carrier that they need immediate rest must be given at least 10 consecutive hours off duty before the driver is required to return to service.
6. Upon the expiration of this Executive Order, or when a driver or motor carrier has been relieved of all duty and responsibility to provide direct assistance to the emergency relief efforts, a driver must take at least 34 consecutive hours off duty.
7. For purposes of this Executive Order, and as defined in Minnesota Statutes 2025, section 221.0269, subdivision 3, paragraph (c), direct assistance to an emergency relief effort terminates when a driver or commercial motor vehicle is used to transport cargo not destined for the emergency relief effort, or when the carrier dispatches that driver or vehicle to another location to begin operations in commerce.

This Executive Order is effective immediately under Minnesota Statutes 2025, section 4.035, subdivision 2, and it will remain in effect until rescinded by proper authority or January 22, 2026, whichever occurs first.

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.

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Signed on December 23, 2025.

Tim Walz, GOVERNOR

Filed According to Law:

Steve Simon, SECRETARY OF STATE

Office of the Governor

Executive Order 25-15: Declaring a Peacetime Emergency and Providing National Guard Assistance in Response to a Severe Winter Storm

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 morning, a powerful winter storm impacted large portions of Minnesota. The storm has included strong winds, with gusts up to fifty miles per hour, and created blizzard conditions that are threatening public safety. The resources in local and county governments are inadequate to meet the public safety demands caused by these severe winter weather conditions.

Freeborn County declared a local emergency in response to the winter storm. Since then, its first responders have been overwhelmed due to the number of incidents along impacted roads. As a result, Freeborn County has requested assistance from the Minnesota National Guard.

For these reasons, I declare a peacetime emergency pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 2025, section 12.31, and order as follows:

1. The Adjutant General is authorized to order to state active duty on December 28, 2025, the personnel, equipment, facilities, and resources needed to provide assistance throughout impacted and requesting jurisdictions in Minnesota.
2. The Adjutant General is authorized to procure the goods and services needed to accomplish the mission.
3. The costs of this assistance will be paid from the general fund as allowed by Minnesota Statutes 2025, section 192.52.

This Executive Order and declaration of peacetime emergency is effective immediately under Minnesota Statutes 2025, section 4.035, subdivision 2. The peacetime emergency declared in this Executive Order expires in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 2025, section 12.31, subdivision 2. The remainder of this Executive Order, including the activation of the Minnesota National Guard, remains in effect until the emergency conditions caused by the winter storm subside or January 2, 2026, whichever occurs first.

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 December 28, 2025.

Tim Walz, GOVERNOR

Filed According to Law:

Steve Simon, SECRETARY OF STATE

Commissioner's Orders

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

Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Division of Fish and Wildlife

Commissioner's Order 25-01: Designation of Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs)

Date: 12/15/2025

Statutory authority: *Minnesota Statutes*, section 97A.135, subdivision 1, *Minnesota Statutes*, section 97A.145, subdivision 1, *Minnesota Statutes*, section 86A.05, subdivision 8, and *Minnesota Statutes*, section 86A.07, subdivision 3.

BACKGROUND

WHEREAS, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) wishes to designate the lands described below as Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs):

Atwater WMA Tract 9, Kandiyohi County, 28.94 acres, Acq: 161079

The north 1025.00 feet of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 119 North, Range 33 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, Kandiyohi County, Minnesota.

Bashaw WMA Tract 10, Brown County, 82.00 acres, Acq: 161396

The Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) and that part of the North Half (N 1/2) of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of Section 16, Township 108, Range 34, Brown County, Minnesota, lying southerly of the following described line: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the SW 1/4 of said Section 16; thence on a bearing of S 00°25'58" E, along the West line of said SW 1/4, a distance of 585.97 feet to the point of beginning of the line herein described; thence on a bearing N 89°41'00" E, 2591.83 feet to the East line of said SW 1/4 and said line there terminating.

Baxter WMA Tract 6, Lac qui Parle County, 80.00 acres, Acq: 160558

South Half of the Southwest Quarter (1/2-SW1/4), Section 4, Township 117 One Hundred Seventeen (117) North, Range Forty-two (42) West.

Big Stone WMA Tract 10, Big Stone County, 158.13 acres, Acq: 161323

The Northwest fractional Quarter (NW1/4 Frac) of Section Seven (7), Township One Hundred Twenty-two (122) North, Range Forty-six (46) West, also referred to as Lots One (1) and Two (2) and the East Half of the Northwest Quarter (E1/2-NW1/4), Section Seven (7), Township One Hundred Twenty-two (122) North, Range Forty-six (46) West, Big Stone County, Minnesota.

Bowstring Deer Yard WMA, Tract 1, Itasca County, 282.07 Acres, Acq: 160473

The Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 7, Township 146 North, Range 25 West, Itasca County, Minnesota.

AND

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Government Lot 2 EXCEPT the east 33 feet, Government Lot 7 EXCEPT the east 33 feet, and the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 10, the North Half of the Northeast Quarter, and the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 15, Township 146 North, Range 26 West, all in Itasca County, Minnesota.

Bruce J. Schwartz WMA, Tract 1, Becker County, 87.26 acres, Acq: 160995

Government Lot Three (3) and the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section 13, Township 138 North, Range 41 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, Becker County, Minnesota.

Brush Creek WMA, Tract 1, Faribault County, 154.85 acres, Acq: 161343

The Northeast Quarter of Section Twenty-seven (27), Township One Hundred One (101) North, Range Twenty-four (24) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, except the railroad right-of-way granted in that warranty deed from Lily McGregor to the Iowa, Minnesota & Northwestern Railway Company recorded in the office of the County Recorder of Faribault County, Minnesota in Book 38 of Deeds, Page 26.

The Grantor for himself, his heirs and assigns, reserves the right to maintain, repair, and replace the tile lines existing as of the date of this conveyance located within the above described land upon prior notification to the Grantee. This reserved easement runs in favor of the land described as follows: The West Half of the Southeast Quarter (W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Twenty-seven (27), Township One Hundred One (101) North, Range Twenty-four (24) West, Faribault County, Minnesota. Grantor's maintenance, repair, and replacement work must be performed in a manner that minimizes disturbance to the land and vegetation within the above described land. Grantor shall restore the area to its former condition as much as possible. Grantor shall not, under any circumstances, enlarge, expand, extend, or realign the existing tile lines nor shall Grantor construct any new tile lines across the above-described property. Any replacement tile must be non-perforated.

Buffalo Lake WMA, Tract 10, Murray County, 8.88 acres Acq:161225

That part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 18, Township 107 North, Range 39 West, Murray County, Minnesota, described as follows:

Beginning at the east quarter corner of said Section 18 of which the southeast corner of said Section 18 bears South 00 degrees 18 minutes 50 seconds East, bearing assumed; thence South 89 degrees 30 minutes 20 seconds West, along the north line of said Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter 349.27 feet to an in place iron pipe; thence South 05 degrees 39 minutes 20 seconds West 970.89 feet to an in place iron pipe; thence North 90 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 450.25 feet, more or less, to a point on the east line of said Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter; thence North 00 degrees 18 minutes 50 seconds West along said east line 969.20 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning and there terminating.

Caron WMA, Tract 22, Martin County, 80.28 acres, Acq:161139

The East Half of the Northeast Quarter (E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section 22, Township 103 North, Range 33 West of the 5th Principal Meridian in Martin County, Minnesota, **EXCEPTING THEREFROM** that part of the East Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 22, Township 103 North, Range 33 West, Martin County, Minnesota, described as follows: Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Section 22; thence on an assumed bearing of North 88 degrees 45 minutes 41 seconds West, along the north line of said section, a distance of 1333.77 feet to the Northwest corner of said East Half of the Northeast Quarter, said Northwest corner being the point of beginning of the tract to be described; thence South 0 degrees 20 minutes West a distance of 850.00 feet to an iron monument; thence South 1 degree 20 minutes West a distance of 800.00 feet to an iron monument; thence South 2 degrees 00 minutes West a distance of 400.00 feet to an iron monument; thence South 2 degrees 24 minutes 08 seconds West a distance of 596.77 feet to the Southwest corner of said East Half of the Northeast Quarter; thence North 1 degree 21 minutes 14 seconds East, along the west line of said East Half of the Northeast Quarter, a distance of 2646.51 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.62 acres, subject to easements now of record in said county and state.

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Cedar Pole Deer Yard WMA, Tract 1, Koochiching County, 665.18 Acres, Acq: 160474

Government Lot 3 of Section 7, and Government Lot 1 of Section 19, all in Township 66 North, Range 22 West.

AND

The Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 3, the East Half of the Southeast Quarter and the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 4, the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 9, the West Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 10, the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 12, the Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 14, all in Township 66 North, Range 23 West.

AND

The Southwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, and the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 25, the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 26, the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 34, the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 35, all in Township 67 North, Range 23 West.

All in Koochiching County, Minnesota.

Chen Bay WMA, Tract 6A, Lincoln County, 156.95 acres, Acq:161089

The East Half of the Northwest Quarter (E ½ of the NW ¼) and the Northeast Quarter (NE ¼) of Section 27, Township 110, Range 45, Lincoln County, Minnesota.

Less & Except the following described tracts:

All that part of Government Lots 1 and 2; and a part of meandered land, all in Section 27, Township 110 North, Range 45 West, Lincoln County, Minnesota, lying east and south of the following described line: Beginning at the southwest corner of said Government Lot 2; thence North 00 degrees 06 minutes 54 seconds West, along the west line of said Government Lot 2, a distance of 111.28 feet, to the center line of C.S.A.H. No. 12; thence northeasterly, along a curve concave to the northwest, with a delta angle of 50 degrees 44 minutes 45 seconds, a radius of 1091.35 feet, an arc length of 966.59 feet, with a chord that bears North 37 degrees 45 minutes 58 seconds East, and a chord distance of 935.30 feet; thence North 70 degrees 00 minutes 54 seconds East, not tangent to said curve, a distance of 127.82 feet; thence North 88 degrees 58 minutes 41 seconds East a distance of 415.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 14 minutes 56 seconds East a distance of 604.00 feet; thence North 28 degrees 09 minutes 57 seconds West a distance of 166.00 feet; thence North 03 degrees 18 minutes 39 seconds East a distance of 200.00 feet; thence North 02 degrees 26 minutes 30 seconds West a distance of 183.00 feet; thence North 37 degrees 31 minutes 14 seconds East a distance of 168.16 feet; thence North 05 degrees 39 minutes 36 seconds East a distance of 397.17 feet, to the easterly extension of the north line of said Government Lot 1, said line there terminating.

AND

All that part of the North Half (N1/2) of Section numbered Twenty-seven (27), all in Township numbered One Hundred Ten (110) North, of Range numbered Forty-five (45) West of the Fifth (5th) Principal Meridian, bounded by the following described lines; Commencing at the northeast corner of said Section 27, thence North 89 degrees 16 minutes West, 769.0 feet on and along the north line of said section to the point of beginning; Thence South 42 degrees 35 minutes West, 443.10 feet; Thence South 62 degrees 30 minutes West, 409.05 feet; Thence South 42 degrees 43 minutes 30 Seconds West, 616.75 feet; Thence South 80 degrees 51 minutes West, 514.5 feet; Thence South 13 degrees 15 minutes West, 558.90 feet; Thence South 73 degrees 46 minutes West, 579.25 feet; Thence South 83 degrees 36 minutes West, 317.50 feet; Thence North 04 degrees 15 minutes West, 867.50 feet; Thence North 76 degrees 11 minutes East, 510.30 feet; Thence North 00 degree 37 minutes West, 287.90 feet; Thence North 65 degrees 58 minutes East, 399.10 feet; Thence North 27 degrees 24 minutes East,

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422.70 feet to a point on the north line of said section; Thence South 89 degrees 16 minutes East, 1602.75 feet on and along said north line to point of beginning.

Chetomba Creek WMA, Tract 2, Renville County, 154.81 acres, Acq: 161164

The Southwest Quarter of Section 8, Township 116 North, Range 37 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, Renville County, Minnesota, EXCEPT that part described as follows:

Commencing at the southwest corner of said Section 8; thence on an assumed bearing of South 89 degrees 26 minutes 12 seconds East, along the south line of said Section 8, a distance of 561.34 feet to the point of beginning of the land to be described; thence on a bearing of North 00 degrees 08 minutes 55 seconds East a distance of 500.01 feet; thence on a bearing of South 89 degrees 26 minutes 12 seconds East a distance of 525.97 feet; thence on a bearing of South 0 degrees 06 minutes 49 seconds West a distance of 500.02 feet to the south line of said Section 8; thence on a bearing of North 89 degrees 26 minutes 12 seconds West, along the south line of said Section 8, a distance of 526.28 feet to the point of beginning.

Coal Mine Creek WMA, Tract 23, Redwood County, 235.15 acres, Acq: 161279

The Southeast Quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) and the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$) and the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section 15, Township 109 North, Range 36 West, Redwood County, Minnesota, EXCEPTING THEREFROM that part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of said section 15 described as follows:

Beginning at the southeast corner of said Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter monumented by a $\frac{3}{4}$ " outside diameter iron pipe; thence North 0 degrees 40 minutes 37 seconds East along the east line of said Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter a distance of 19.00 feet more or less to the north right-of-way line of US Highway 14 monumented by a $\frac{3}{4}$ inch by 24 inch rebar with plastic cap "MN DNR LS 61825" (DNR MON); thence continuing North 0 degrees 40 minutes 37 seconds East along said east line a distance of 562.00 feet to a DNR MON; thence westerly at a right angle to the previously described line North 89 degrees 19 minutes 23 seconds West a distance of 360.00 feet to a DNR MON; thence southerly at a right angle to the previously described line South 0 degrees 40 minutes 37 seconds West a distance of 566.27 feet more or less to a DNR MON on the northerly right-of-way line of US Highway 14; thence continuing South 0 degrees 40 minutes 37 seconds west a distance of 20.03 feet more or less to the South line of said Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; thence North 89 degrees 50 minutes 02 seconds East along the south line of said Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter a distance of 360.04 feet more or less to the point of beginning.

Desbelt WMA, Tract 3, Martin County, 25.18 acres, Acq: 161248

That part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 13, Township 101 North, Range 32 West, Martin County, Minnesota, described as follows:

Commencing at the South Quarter corner of said Section 13; thence on an assumed bearing of South 89 degrees 33 minutes 32 seconds East, along the south line of said section, a distance of 836.00 feet to an iron monument located at the southwest corner of a tract as recorded in Document No. 2006R-384793, said iron monument being the point of beginning of the tract to be described; thence North 0 degrees 26 minutes 28 seconds East, along the west line of said tract, a distance of 498.00 feet to an iron monument; thence North 89 degrees 33 minutes 32 seconds West a distance of 110.69 feet to an iron monument; thence North 24 degrees 20 minutes East a distance of 480.89 feet to an iron monument; thence North 0 degrees 08 minutes 26 seconds East a distance of 1697.17 feet to an iron monument located on the east-west quarter line of said section; thence South 89 degrees 48 minutes 00 seconds East, along said east-west quarter line, a distance of 472.05 feet to an iron monument; thence South 0 degrees 21 minutes 13 seconds West a distance of 1838.99 feet to an iron monument located on the north line of a tract as recorded in Document No. 2014R-421985; thence North 88 degrees 00 minutes West a distance of 185.00 feet to the northwest corner of last said tract; thence South 5 degrees 00 minutes West, along the west line of last said tract, a distance of 435.24 feet to an iron monument located on the north line of said tract as recorded in Document No. 2006R-384793; thence North 89 degrees 33 minutes 32 seconds West, along said north line, a distance of 142.63 feet to an iron monument; thence South

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0 degrees 26 minutes 28 seconds West a distance of 369.00 feet to an iron monument located on the south line of said section; thence North 89 degrees 33 minutes 32 seconds West, along said south line, a distance of 187.88 feet to the point of beginning, containing 25.18 acres,

Dietrich Lange WMA, Tract 16, Kandiyohi County, 41.40 acres, Acq: 161207

Lots 3 and 4, Section 21, Township 121, Range 33, according to the United States Government Survey thereof.

Dora Lake WMA, Tract 5, Le Sueur County, 132.21 acres, Acq: 161119

The North Half (N 1/2) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4), Section 14, Township 110, Range 23, Le Sueur County, Minnesota.

AND

That part of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4), Section 14, Township 110, Range 23, Le Sueur County, Minnesota, lying East of the West 70 acres of the West Half (W 1/2) of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) and lying North of 422nd Street.

East Chain WMA, Tracts 11 & 12, Martin County, 152.06 acres, Acq: 161006

A tract of land in Lot Two (2) of Section (1) in Township One Hundred One (101) North, of Range Thirty (30) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian described as follows, to-wit: Commencing on the North line of Section One (1), Township One Hundred One (101) North, Range Thirty (30) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian 358 ½ feet West of the Northeast corner of Lot Two (2) of said Section One (1) aforesaid, as the place of commencement; running thence South 224 feet parallel with the East line of said Section One (1) aforesaid; running thence West 246 feet parallel with the North line of said Section One (1) aforesaid; running thence North parallel with the East line of said Section One (1) aforesaid, for a distance of 224 feet, more or less, to the North line of said Section One (1) aforesaid; running thence East along the North line of said Section One (1) aforesaid, 246 feet, more or less to the place of beginning.

AND

Lot Two (2) of Section (1) in Township One Hundred One (101) North, of Range Thirty (30) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, EXCEPTING THEREFROM the following described property: a tract of land in Lot Two (2) of Section (1) in Township One Hundred One (101) North, of Range Thirty (30) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian described as follows, to-wit: Commencing on the North line of Section One (1), Township One Hundred One (101) North, Range Thirty (30) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian 358 ½ feet West of the Northeast corner of Lot Two (2) of said Section One (1) aforesaid, as the place of commencement; running thence South 224 feet parallel with the East line of said Section One (1) aforesaid; running thence West 246 feet parallel with the North line of said Section One (1) aforesaid; running thence North parallel with the East line of said Section One (1) aforesaid, for a distance of 224 feet, more or less, to the North line of said Section One (1) aforesaid; running thence East along the North line of said Section One (1) aforesaid, 246 feet, more or less to the place of beginning.

AND

The Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of Section Six (6), Township One Hundred One (101) North, of Range Twenty-nine (29) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian.

AND

The West Half (W ½) of the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼) of Section Thirty-one (31), Township One Hundred Two (102) North, of Range Twenty-nine (29) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian.

Expandere WMA, Tract 39, Cottonwood County, 167.76 acres, Acq: 161259

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Lots 7, 8, 9, and 10, and the West One-half of the Southwest Quarter (W 1/2 SW 1/4) all in Section Twenty-six (26); Township One Hundred Six (106) North; Range Thirty-eight (38) West; containing in all 173.75 acres, more or less, according to the government survey thereof excepting therefrom the following:

That part of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of Section 26, Township 106, Range 38, Cottonwood County, Minnesota, described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Section 26; thence on an assumed bearing of N 89°49'31" E along the South line of said Section 26, a distance of 435.30 feet; thence on a bearing of N 00°07'27" W, 480.00 feet; thence on a bearing of N 89°58'03" W, 429.27 feet to the West line of said Section 26; thence on a bearing of S 00°35'38" W along last said line, 481.60 feet to the point of beginning.

Faribault WMA, Tract 17, Steele County, 153.20 acres, Acq: 161128

Parcel 1:

All that part of Section 4, Township 108 North, Range 20 West, described as follows:

Commencing at a railroad iron in center of highway known as Old Jefferson Highway, which point is 17 rods and 8 links West of Northeast Corner of Northwest Quarter of Northwest Quarter of said Section 4, thence running East 4227 feet to Northeast Corner of said Section 4, thence South along center of Public Highway running North and South along East line of said Section 4, 1320 feet to an iron pipe; thence West 4357 feet to an iron pipe in center of said Old Jefferson Highway at a point 1320 feet South from a point of beginning, thence North along center of said Old Jefferson Highway to place of beginning, EXCEPTING: All that part thereof lying and being East of Straight River and EXCEPTING all that part thereof lying and being West of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway Company. AND ALSO EXCEPT Railroad.

Parcel 2:

All that part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 4 lying East of the land deeded to the Burlington, Cedar Rapids and Northern Railway company of Iowa (now known as the Union Pacific Railroad) as a right-of-way, as per deed recorded in said Register of Deed's Office of Steele County in Book 52 of Deeds on Page 270, Section 4, Township 108 North, Range 20 West, Steele County, Minnesota.

Parcel 3:

All that part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 4, lying West of the Straight River, Section 4, Township 108 North, Range 20 West, Steele County, Minnesota.

Parcel 4:

All that part of the East Half (E1/2) of the Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) of Section Four (4), Township One Hundred Eight (108) North, Range Twenty(20) West, Steele County, Minnesota, lying East of the right of way of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway and lying North of the following described line:

Commencing at the Northwest (NW) corner of the West Quarter (W1/4) of the Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) of Section Four (4), Township One Hundred Eight (108) North, Range Twenty (20) West, Steele County, Minnesota; thence South 00 degrees 43 minutes 38 seconds West a distance of 107 feet along the East line of the East Half (E1/2) of the Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) of said Section Four (4), to a point of the centerline of the Straight River, being the point of beginning of the line to be described; thence along the centerline of the said Straight River South 11 degrees 07 minutes 03 seconds West a distance of 434.94 feet; thence South 45 degrees 40 minutes 49 seconds West a distance of 115.19 feet; thence South 58 degrees 06 minutes 35 seconds West a distance of 160.54 feet; thence South 79 degrees 07 minutes 22 seconds West a distance of 105.81 feet; thence North 79 degrees 31 minutes 37 seconds West a distance of 162.57 feet; thence North 57 degrees 01 minutes 06 seconds West a distance of 152.45 feet; thence North 89 degrees 09 minutes 29 seconds West a distance of 442.24 feet to the easterly right of way line of the Union Pacific Railroad, and there terminating.

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Parcel 5:

All that part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 4, Township 108 North, Range 20 West, lying west of the Straight River.

Firebird WMA, Tract 8, Carlton County, 0.97 acres, Acq: 160897

That part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 30, Township 47, Range 20, Carlton County, Minnesota, described as follows: Commencing at a point 136 feet North of the Southeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 30, Township 47, Range 20, proceeding thence West a distance of 12.50 rods; thence Northerly along a line parallel with the Eastern boundary line of said section a distance of 12.50 rods; thence Easterly along a line parallel with the Northern boundary line of said section a distance of 12.50 rods; thence Southerly along the Eastern boundary line of said section a distance of 12.50 rods to the place of beginning.

Four Corners WMA, Tract 11, Martin County, 303.03 acres, Acq: 160800

The West Half of Section 36, Township 103 North, Range 33 West, Martin County, Minnesota.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM

That part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 36, Township 103 North, Range 33 West, Martin County, Minnesota, described as follows:

Beginning at the South Quarter Corner of said Section 36; thence on an assumed bearing of North 89 degrees 05 minutes 07 seconds West, along the south line of said section, a distance of 910.00 feet to an iron monument; thence North 1 degree 04 minutes 32 seconds East a distance of 235.00 feet to an iron monument; thence North 66 degrees 00 minutes East a distance of 338.00 feet to an iron monument; thence North 1 degree 04 minutes 32 seconds East a distance of 584.00 feet to an iron monument; thence North 71 degrees 00 minutes East a distance of 642.92 feet to an iron monument located on the north-south quarter line of said section; thence South 1 degree 04 minutes 32 seconds West, along said north-south quarter line, a distance of 1180.38 feet to the point of beginning, containing 17.00 acres, subject to easements now of record in said county and state.

ALSO EXCEPTING THEREFROM

A parcel of land in the north east corner of the North West Quarter (1/4) of Section Thirty Six (36), Township One Hundred Three (103) North, Range Thirty Three (33) West, better described as follows: Beginning at a point in the north east corner of the North West Quarter (1/4) of said Section 36, 33 feet south of the center of the Highway, thence running south parallel with the east line of said north west quarter 82 feet, thence west 75 feet, thence north 82 feet, thence east 75 feet to the place of beginning, containing approximately one fifth of an acre more or less.

Frank WMA, Tract 8, Becker County, 215.04 acres, Acq: 161281

The Northwest Quarter (NW ¼); the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NE ¼ SW ¼); the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (SE ¼ SW ¼), and that part of the East Half (E ½) which lies West of the Pelican River, also known as County Ditch 13; ALL IN SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 139 NORTH, RANGE 41 WEST OF THE FIFTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, BECKER COUNTY, MINNESOTA;

EXCEPTING THEREFROM, the Plat of DETROIT LAKES NORTH INDUSTRIAL PARK, the Plat of DETROIT LAKES NORTH INDUSTRIAL PARK FIRST ADDITION, and the Plat of REARRANGEMENT OF DETROIT LAKES NORTH INDUSTRIAL PARK FIRST ADDITION, according to the Plats filed and of record in the office of the County Recorder, Becker County, Minnesota.

ALSO EXCEPTING that part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NE ¼ NW ¼) and that part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼ NW ¼) in Section 23, Township 139 North, Range 41 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian in Becker County, Minnesota, described as follows:

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Beginning at a found iron monument which designates the northwesterly corner of Lot 6, Block One, of the DETROIT LAKES NORTH INDUSTRIAL PARK; said plat is on file of record in the office of the Recorder in said County; thence South 89 degrees 00 minutes 18 seconds East 501.42 feet on an assumed bearing along the northerly line of said Lot 6 to a found iron monument at the northeasterly corner of said Lot 6; thence North 01 degree 45 minutes 37 seconds East 338.86 feet along the northerly extension of the easterly line of said Lot 6 to the north line of said Section 23; thence North 89 degrees 44 minutes 09 seconds West 501.53 feet along the north line of said Section 23 to the northeasterly corner of Lot 1, Block One, of said DETROIT LAKES NORTH INDUSTRIAL PARK; thence South 01 degree 45 minutes 51 seconds West 332.47 feet along the easterly line of said Lot 1 to the point of beginning.

Subject to an Access and Utility Easement on file at the Office of the Recorder, Becker County, Minnesota, recorded as Document #656431, and modified by Document #707858; also subject to a Flowage Easement on file at the Office of the Recorder, Becker County, Minnesota, recorded as Document # 656430.

Gobbler WMA, Tract 4, Lincoln County, 319.68 acres, Acq: 161362

The Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) and the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of Section Seventeen (17), Township One Hundred Thirteen (113) North, Range Forty-five (45) West.

Gordon W. Yeager WMA, Tract 7, Olmsted County, 39.99 acres, Acq: 161436

Parcel 1 - That part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter and that part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 32, Township 107 North, Range 13 West, Olmsted County, Minnesota, lying north and east of the railroad and east of the following described line:

Commencing at the southeast corner of said Northwest Quarter; thence North, along the east line of said Northwest Quarter, 312.6 feet to the northerly railroad right-of-way; thence westerly along said line 177.1 feet for place of beginning of the line to be described; thence Northeasterly 1017.2 feet to a point on the center line of the town road, said point being 193 feet East of the intersection of the said center line with the east line of the Northwest Quarter of Section 32, Township 107 North, Range 13 West.

Excepting therefrom the following described Parcel A and Parcel B:

Parcel A - Beginning at the northeast corner of the Southwest Quarter of said Northeast Quarter; thence southerly along the east line of said Quarter Quarter section, 520.00 feet; thence westerly at right angles 247.00 feet; thence northwesterly 540 feet more or less to a point in the north line of said Quarter Quarter Section which is 392.5 feet west of the northeast corner thereof; thence east along said north line 392.5 feet to the point of beginning.

Parcel B - Commencing at the northeast corner of said Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; thence on an assumed bearing of South 00° 51' 28" East 520.00 feet along the east line of said Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; thence South 89° 08' 32" West at right angles, 247.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 00° 51' 28" East at right angles, 132.79 feet; thence North 82° 38' 01" West 928.27 feet; thence North 25° 04' 32" East 579.44 feet to a point on the north line of said Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter which is 912.32 feet west of the northeast corner thereof; thence North 89° 12' 40" East along said north line 519.82 feet to a point on the north line of said Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter which is 392.50 feet west of the northeast corner thereof; thence South 16° 28' 35" East 540.43 feet to the point of beginning.

Parcel 2 - The South 564.75 feet of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 32, Township 107 North, Range 13 West, Olmsted County, Minnesota.

Parcel 3 - That part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 32, Township 107 North, Range 13 West, Olmsted County, Minnesota, described as follows: Commencing at the northeast corner of said Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; thence southerly along the East line of said Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter on an assumed bearing, South 00° 51' 28" East, 520.00 feet; thence South 89° 08' 32" West at right angles, 247.00 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence South 00° 51' 28" East, 132.79 feet; thence North 82° 38' 01" West, 241.89; thence North 34° 12' 50" East, 119.97 feet; thence North 89° 08' 32" East, 170.46 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

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Haydenville WMA, Tract 7, Lac qui Parle County, 24.93 acres, Acq: 161296

That part of the East Half of the Northeast Quarter (E ½ NE ¼) and that part of the East Half of the West Half of the Northeast Quarter (E ½ W ½ NE ¼), Section Twenty-one (21), Township One Hundred Eighteen (118) North, Range Forty-five (45) West, Lac Qui Parle County, Minnesota, described as follows:

Commencing at the northeast corner of said Section 21; thence North 89 degrees 51 minutes 10 seconds West, assumed bearing, along the north line of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 21, a distance of 1959.59 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 0 degrees 50 minutes 52 seconds West a distance of 600.29 feet; thence South 24 degrees 05 minutes 43 seconds East a distance of 1832.51 feet; thence South 88 degrees 35 minutes 20 seconds East a distance of 217.32 feet; thence South 02 degrees 30 minutes 31 seconds West a distance of 360.40 feet to the south line of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 21; thence North 88 degrees 41 minutes 37 seconds West, along said south line, a distance of 1024.97 feet to the southwest corner of said East Half of the West Half of the Northeast Quarter; thence North 01 degrees 18 minutes 07 seconds East, along the west line of said East Half of the West Half of the Northeast Quarter, a distance of 2615.85 feet to the northwest corner of said East Half of the West Half of the Northeast Quarter; thence South 89 degrees 51 minutes 10 seconds East, along the north line of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 21, a distance of 24.53 feet to the point of beginning.

Hegg Lake WMA, Tract 3, Douglas County, 33.95 acres, Acq: 161369

That part of the NW¼ of Section 27, Township 127 North, Range 40 West, Douglas County, Minnesota, described as follows:

Commencing at the Southwest corner of said NW¼; thence on an assumed bearing of South 89 degrees 36 minutes 32 seconds East along the south line of said NW¼ 272.00 feet to the Southeast corner of the alley as dedicated in the recorded plat of HAGEN'S FIRST ADDITION, and this to be the point of beginning of the land to be described; thence continuing along said South line South 89 degrees 36 minutes 32 seconds East 1291.66 feet; thence North 11 degrees 00 minutes 50 seconds East 827.52 feet; thence North 38 degrees 28 minutes 49 seconds East 254.06 feet to a point hereinafter referred to as Point "A"; thence South 83 degrees 34 minutes 30 seconds East 763.58 feet to the East line of said NW¼; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 47 seconds East 1694.20 feet to the Northeast corner of said NW¼; thence North 89 degrees 29 minutes 46 seconds West along the North line of said Section 27 a distance of 310.66 feet; thence South 05 degrees 56 minutes 15 seconds West 750.17 feet; thence South 89 degrees 49 minutes 11 seconds West 680.79 feet; thence South 03 degrees 44 minutes 53 seconds West 435.00 feet to a point hereinafter referred to as Point "B"; thence continuing South 03 degrees 44 minutes 53 seconds West 1143.22 feet; thence North 86 degrees 17 minutes 40 seconds West 1278.46 feet to a point 191.00 feet East of the West line of said Section 27; thence South and parallel with said west line 212.78 feet to the North line of said HAGEN'S FIRST ADDITION; thence South 89 degrees 36 minutes 32 seconds East 67.00 feet to the Northeast corner of said HAGEN'S FIRST ADDITION; thence South 150.00 feet; thence South 54 degrees 12 minutes 11 seconds East 17.26 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to a driveway easement described as follows: 66.00 feet north and northeast of the following described line: Beginning at said Point "B"; thence East 103.00 feet; thence South 28 degrees 44 minutes 12 seconds East 489.40 feet to Point "A" and there terminating. The sidelines of said easement are to be prolonged or shortened to terminate on the boundary lines of the above described parcel.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM: That part of the SW¼NW¼, Section 27, Township 127 North, Range 40 West, Douglas County, Minnesota, described as follows:

Commencing at the southwest corner of said SW¼NW¼; thence on an assumed bearing of South 89 degrees 36 minutes 32 seconds East along the south line of said SW¼NW¼ 272.00 feet to the southeast corner of the alley as dedicated in the recorded plat of HAGEN'S FIRST ADDITION, and this to be the point of beginning of the land to be described; thence continuing along said south line South 89 degrees 36 minutes 32 seconds East 1047.22 feet to the intersection with the east line of said SW¼NW¼; thence North 00 degrees 00 minutes 24 seconds East along said east line 307.41 feet; thence North 86 degrees 17 minutes 40 seconds West 1130.59 feet to a point 191.00 feet East of the West line of said Section 27; thence South and parallel with said West line 212.78 feet to the North line of said HAGEN'S FIRST

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ADDITION; thence South 89 degrees 36 minutes 32 seconds East 67.00 feet to the northeast corner of said HAGEN'S FIRST ADDITION; thence South 150.00 feet; thence South 54 degrees 12 minutes 11 seconds East 17.26 feet to the point of beginning, containing 8.56 acres, more or less.

Herberger Lake WMA, Tract 6, Douglas County, 291.76 acres, Acq: 161055

The Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, and Government Lot 6 of Section 12, and also Government Lot 1, Government Lot 3, the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, and the South Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 13, all in Township 127 North, Range 36 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, Douglas County, Minnesota;

EXCEPT:

That part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter and also that part of Government Lot 1 of Section 13, Township 127 North, Range 36 West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, Douglas County, Minnesota, described as follows:

Commencing at the northwest corner of said Section 13; thence on an assumed bearing of North 89 degrees 27 minutes 59 seconds East, along the north line of said Section 13, a distance of 906.50 feet to the point of beginning of the land to be described; thence on a bearing of South 12 degrees 38 minutes 13 seconds East a distance of 101.13 feet; thence on a bearing of South 4 degrees 17 minutes 25 seconds West a distance of 395.46 feet; thence on a bearing of South 87 degrees 35 minutes 44 seconds East a distance of 227.65 feet; thence on a bearing of South 2 degrees 35 minutes 04 seconds West a distance of 252.01 feet; thence on a bearing of North 86 degrees 30 minutes 29 seconds East a distance of 588.27 feet; thence on a bearing of North 2 degrees 12 minutes 05 seconds West a distance of 600.36 feet; thence on a bearing of North 88 degrees 05 minutes 48 seconds East a distance of 631.06 feet; thence on a bearing of North 1 degree 38 minutes 35 seconds West a distance of approximately 76 feet to the south shore of the lake; thence northwesterly along the southerly shore of the lake approximately 260 feet to the north line of said Section 13; thence on a bearing of South 89 degrees 27 minutes 59 seconds West, along the north line of said Section 13, a distance of approximately 1157 feet to the point of beginning;

AND ALSO EXCEPT:

Commencing at the Center of the Northeast Quarter of Section 13, Township 127 North, Range 36 West, Douglas County, Minnesota; thence south, an assumed bearing, 0 degrees 57 minutes 28 seconds east, along the east line of Government Lot 3 of said section, township and range a distance of 140.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 02 minutes 32 seconds West 38.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 89 degrees 02 minutes 32 seconds East 100.00 feet; thence South 19 degrees 02 minutes 32 seconds West 285.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 02 minutes 32 seconds West 100.00 feet; thence North 19 degrees 02 minutes 32 seconds East 285.00 feet to the point of beginning.

High Island WMA, Tract 1, Sibley County, 207.26 acres, Acq: 161080

The SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 30; and the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 31 all in Township 114 North of Range 28, West of the 5th Principal Meridian.

Horseshoe Lake WMA, Tract 1, Le Sueur County, 152.07 acres, Acq: 161270

The Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 1, Township 109, Range 23,

AND

The Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 2, Township 109, Range 23.

AND

The North Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 2, Township 109, Range 23, Le Sueur County, Minnesota

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EXCEPTING THEREFROM That part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter and the North Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 2, Township 109 North, Range 23 West, Le Sueur County, Minnesota, together with that part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 1, Township 109 North, Range 23 West Le Sueur County, Minnesota, described as follows: Beginning at the southeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 2; thence North 00 degrees 02 minutes 19 seconds East (assumed bearing), along the east line of said Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, a distance of 82.46 feet; thence North 89 degrees 57 minutes 41 seconds West 668.01 feet; thence South 00 degrees 03 minutes 49 seconds West 382.62 feet; thence South 89 degrees 57 minutes 41 seconds East 729.37; thence North 00 degrees 03 minutes 49 seconds East 298.19 feet to the north line of the Southwest Quarter of said section 1; thence North 88 degrees 06 minutes 40 seconds West, along said north line, 61.35 feet to the point of beginning.

Indian Lake WMA, Tract 13, Sibley County, 40.16 acres, Acq: 161245

The Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 27, Township 113, Range 29, Sibley County, Minnesota.

Janet Johnson Memorial WMA, Tract 3, Chisago County, 20.10 acres, Acq: 160329

Lot 4 Block 1 of HOPPE ACRES as recorded in the Chisago County Recorder's Office.

Mud-Goose WMA, Tract 1, Cass County, 339.45 Acres, Acq: 160476

The West Half of the Northeast Quarter, the East Half of the Northwest Quarter, and the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 2, Government Lot 4 of Section 10, and Government Lot 1 of Section 16, all in Township 143 North, Range 26 West,

AND

The West Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 35, Township 144 North, Range 26 West,

All in Cass County Minnesota.

Prairie Lake Deer Yard WMA, Tract 6, Itasca County, 40.00 Acres, Acq: 160475

The Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 14, Township 56 North, Range 25 West, Itasca County, Minnesota.

Swan River Deer Yard WMA, Itasca County, 160.00 Acres, Acq: 160472

The West Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 14, the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, and the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, of Section 24, all in Township 53 North, Range 23 West, Itasca County Minnesota.

WHEREAS, the above-described lands contain high potential for wildlife production, as well as public hunting, fishing, trapping, and other compatible outdoor recreational uses. The above-described lands include: (1) appropriate wildlife lands and habitat that permit the propagation and management of a substantial population of desired wildlife species and (2) areas large enough to ensure adequate wildlife management and regulation of permitted recreational uses;

WHEREAS, the above-described lands include lands acquired or improved for public hunting, game refuges, and food and cover planting;

WHEREAS, the above-described lands include wetlands and bordering areas, including marshes, ponds, small lakes, and stream bottoms, acquired for water conservation relating to wildlife development; and

Official Notices

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, pursuant to authority vested in me by law, including *Minnesota Statutes*, section 97A.135, subdivision 1, *Minnesota Statutes*, section 97A.145, subdivision 1, *Minnesota Statutes*, section 86A.05, subdivision 8, and *Minnesota Statutes*, section 86A.07, subdivision 3, that the above-described lands under the jurisdiction of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources are designated as Wildlife Management Areas.

This order takes effect upon publication in the State Register.

Date: 12/15/2025

Sarah Strommen, Commissioner

For additional information or to receive this document in an alternative format please contact:

Rick Walsh
Department of Natural Resources
Division of Fish and Wildlife
500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155
Phone: (651) 259-5232

Official Notices

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

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

Department of Agriculture

Rural Finance Authority

Notice of Meeting Schedule, Meeting Via Conference Call

Future monthly meetings of the Rural Finance Authority Board are scheduled for 1:00 P.M. via Teleconference on the following dates in 2026: January 14th; February 11th; March 11th, April 8th, May 13th, June 10th, August 12th, September 9th; October 14th; November 11th; December 9th. July and August meetings are combined into one all-day, out-state meeting and tour. Notice of the date and location of the out-state meeting will be published at a later date. Members may participate in these meetings by electronic means. In accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 471.705 (1997), the Agency, to the extent practicable, will allow a person to monitor those certain meetings electronically from a remote location. If such monitoring shall occur, the Agency may require the person making such a connection to pay for documented marginal costs that the Agency incurs as a result of the additional connection. If you wish to attend, you may call in on phone number 651-395-7448 – conference ID-83937511.

For additional information, contact Matt McDevitt, Minnesota Department of Agriculture, 625 Robert Street North, St. Paul, MN 55155-2538 or call (651) 201-6311.

Matt McDevitt, Ag Finance Supervisor
Minnesota Department of Agriculture

Office of Emergency Medical Services

Notice of Completed Application- Lake Crystal Area Ambulance to provide Part- Time Advanced Life Support Ambulance Service

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Office of Emergency Medical Services (hereinafter OEMS) has received a completed application from **Lake Crystal Area Ambulance Service, Lake Crystal, Minnesota**, for a new license to provide Part-Time Advanced Life Support (ALS).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 144E.11, subdivision 3, each municipality, county, community health board, governing body of a regional emergency medical services system, ambulance service and other person wishing to make recommendations concerning the disposition of the application, shall make written recommendations or comments opposing the application to the OEMS **within 30 days or by January 29, 2026, 4:30 p.m.**

Written recommendations or comments opposing the application should be sent to: Dylan Ferguson, Director, OEMS, 335 Randolph Avenue, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102. If no more than five comments opposing the application are received during the comment period, and the OEMS approves the application, the applicant will be exempt from a contested case hearing, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 144E.11, subdivision 4(a). If more than five comments in opposition to the application are received during the comment period, or the OEMS denies the application, the applicant may immediately request a contested case hearing or may try to resolve the objections of the public and/or the OEMS within 30 days, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 144E.11, subdivision 5(a)(b). If the applicant is unable to resolve the objections within 30 days, or if the applicant initially requests a contested case hearing, one will be scheduled and notice of the hearing given pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 144E.11, subdivision 5(c)-(e).

Date: December 29, 2025

Dylan Ferguson, Director

Department of Human Services (DHS)

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to recipients, providers of services, and to the public of certain statutory changes made to the Medical Assistance (MA) Program that the 2025 Minnesota Legislature enacted during the regular session and 1st special session. This notice is published pursuant to 42 United States Code §1396a(a)(13)(A) (§1902(a)(13)(A) of the Social Security Act), which requires the Department to publish final institutional payment rates, the methodologies underlying the establishment of such rates, and the justification for such rates. It is also published pursuant to *Code of Federal Regulations*, title 42, part 447, section 205 (42 CFR § 447.205), which requires publication of a notice when there is any significant proposed change in the methods and standards for setting payment rates for Medicaid services.

This notice provides information about changes in rates for the Medicaid services in the following categories:

- I. Medicaid covered services
- II. Medicaid covered facilities
- II. Medicaid covered Home and Community Based Services

I. Rates changes for Medicaid covered services

Behavioral Health Administration

Official Notices

Mental Health Targeted Case Management Rate for Individuals 18-21 Years Old

Effective January 1, 2026, Minnesota Health Care Program (MHCP) enrolled providers are permitted to submit continuous billing for the provision of children's mental health targeted case management to youth between the ages of 18-21. This change is authorized under Laws of Minnesota 2025, First Special Session, Chapter 3, Article 15, Section 4. It is expected to have a fiscal impact of \$272,000.00 in FY 2026 and \$310,000.00 in FY 2027.

Statewide Implementation of Youth Assertive Community Treatment (ACT)/Intensive Rehabilitative Mental Health Services (IRMHS)

Effective January 1, 2026, new rates for Youth Assertive Community Treatment (ACT)/Intensive Rehabilitative Mental Health Services (IRMHS) in the Central, Metro, Northeast, Northwest, Southeast, and Southwest regions will be implemented. It is authorized by Minnesota Statute 256B.0947 subdivision 7. This change is expected to result in a state fiscal savings of \$284,595 in fiscal year 2026 and \$374,228 in fiscal year 2027.

Residential Crisis Stabilization

Effective January 1, 2026, the annual update to the Residential Crisis Stabilization (RCS) rate will be implemented. The rate for 2026 is \$591.24 per day. This change is required by Minnesota Statute 256B.0624, subdivision 7 and is expected to result in a fiscal savings of \$15,000 in FY 2026 and FY 2027.

Modify Payment Rates for Certain Substance Use Disorder Treatment Services

Effective January 1, 2026, new MHCP rates for SUD residential ASAM levels 3.1 and 3.5 and treatment coordination were established. This change is authorized under Minnesota Session Laws, 2025, 1st Special Session, Chapter 9, Article 4, Section 34. It is estimated to have a fiscal impact of \$82,000.00 in FY 2026 and \$798,000.00 in FY 2027.

CTSS Rates

Effective January 1, 2026, services that are part of the Children's Therapeutic Services Supports (CTSS) package of service will be covered under the state plan. These services include Behavioral Health Day Treatment, Skills Training & Development, and Therapeutic Behavioral Services. These procedure codes were inadvertently removed from the State Plan as part of the Critical Access rate change that was authorized by Minnesota Statutes 2023, section 256B.763. Adding them back in is not expected to have a fiscal impact.

Behavioral Health Services Rates

Effective January 1, 2026, certain behavioral health services that should have received the rate increase implemented on January 1, 2024, and the MEI adjustment effective January 1, 2025, will receive those increases. An error in the state plan amendment incorrectly denied the rate increase on claims that included informational only modifiers and which should have received the rate increase. These include services with clinical trainee modifiers, modifiers for psychotherapy within CTSS, and modifiers for telemedicine. These changes were authorized by Laws of Minnesota 2023, chapter 70, article 1, section 35. This change is not expected to have a fiscal impact.

Health Care Administration

Payment Modifications for Birth Centers

Effective January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later, Medical Assistance will reimburse Birth Centers at the lower of billed charges or 100% of the hospital facility fee cost trended to current for an uncomplicated vaginal birth. Facility fee services provided to a newborn will be paid at 100% of the hospital facility fee for a normal newborn cost trended to current. The authority for these changes is Laws of Minnesota 2025, First Special Session, Chapter 3, Article 18, Section 16. It is estimated to have a fiscal impact of \$130,000.00 in FY 2026 and \$322,000 in FY 2027.

MA Coverage for Birth Services Provided at Home

Effective January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later, Medical Assistance will cover birth services for low-risk patients in settings other than hospital or birth center. Supplies used for home birth will be reimbursed at a rate of 70% of the statewide average for a facility payment rate made to a hospital for an uncomplicated birth and at 15% for those who labored with home birth midwife but ultimately had to transfer to a hospital for delivery. These changes are authorized by Laws of Minnesota 2025, First Special Session, Chapter 3, Article 18, Section 17. It is expected to

have a fiscal impact of \$43,000.00 in FY 2026 and \$43,000.00 in FY 2027.

Payment Rate Modification for Phototherapy Lights

Effective January 1, 2026, the payment rate for phototherapy services provided to newborns in a home setting will be paid at a rate of \$520 per patient episode in addition to the daily rental rate for the medical equipment required. This rate will be adjusted for inflation annually. This change is authorized by Minnesota Laws 2025, 1st Special Session, Chapter 3, Article 8, section 30. It is estimated to have a fiscal impact of \$9,000,000.00 in FY 2026 and \$9,000,000.00 in FY 2027.

Health Insurance Plan Formulary Requirements

Effective January 1, 2026, several changes are made the Medical Assistance drug formulary. (1) If a drug is removed from the formulary for reasons other than product safety, discontinuation by the manufacturer, or the availability of a generic, Medical Assistance must pay for the drug until January 1 of the calendar year following the year in which the commissioner removed the drug from the formulary for any enrollee who was prescribed the drug during the calendar year in which the drug was listed on the formulary. This change is authorized by Minnesota Laws 2025, 1st Special Session, Chapter 3, Article 8, Section 2. (2) The Drug Formulary must provide written notice to enrollees, prescribers, and pharmacists affected by any change made to the formulary within ten calendar days of such a change and when the change becomes effective. This change is authorized by Minnesota Laws 2025, 1st Special Session, Chapter 3, Article 8, Section 4. These changes are expected to have a fiscal impact of \$1,248,000.00 in FY 2026 and \$2,594,000.00 in FY 2027.

MA Coverage for Long-Term Electrocardiogram Monitoring

Effective January 1, 2026, long-term ambulatory electrocardiogram monitoring services are reimbursed at 100 percent of the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule rate. This change was authorized by Laws of Minnesota 2025, First Special Session, Chapter 3, Article 8, Section 27. This change is expected to result in a state fiscal impact of \$5,000,000.00 in FY 2026 and \$16,000,000.00 in FY 2027.

Prior authorization requirements for physical therapy visits in excess of 14 visits per year and Occupational Therapy visits in excess of 24 visits per year

Effective January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later, prior authorization will be required for physical therapy visits in excess of 14 visits per year and prior authorization is required for occupational therapy visits in excess of 24 visits per year. This change is authorized by Minnesota Laws 2025, 1st Special Session, Chapter 3, Article 8, Sections 10 and 11. This results in an anticipated savings of \$7,026,000 in FY2026-2027.

Chiropractic services limited to children under age 21 and prior authorization required for chiropractic visits in excess of 24 visits per year

Effective January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later, Medical Assistance will cover chiropractic services for children and youth under age 21 years. In addition, prior authorization will be required for chiropractic services in excess of 24 visits per year. This change is authorized by Minnesota Laws 2025, 1st Special Session, Chapter 3, Article 8, Section 12. This results in an anticipated savings of \$7,781,000 in FY2026-2027 and \$12,300,000 in FY2028-2029.

Annual rate increase for home care and personal care assistant services

Effective January 1, 2026, home care and personal care services will receive annual rate increases. These changes are authorized by Minnesota Statute 256B.0653 subdivision 8. They are expected to have a total fiscal impact of \$10,963,151 in FY 2026 and 6,796,851 in FY 2027.

II. Medicaid Covered Facilities

Property Rate Inflation Adjustment

Effective January 1, 2026, the automatic annual property rate inflation adjustment for the portion of the nursing facilities rate adjustment determined under section 256B.434, subdivision 4, is repealed. This change is authorized by Laws of Minnesota 2025, First Special Session, Chapter 9, article 1, section 9 and 18 Minnesota Statutes, section 256B.434, subdivision 4. It is expected to result in a state fiscal savings of \$594,000 in FY 2026 and \$1,859,000 in FY 2027.

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Rate Increases for Three Specific Nursing Facilities

Effective January 1, 2026, the end date of the temporary rate increases provided to three nursing facilities under section 256B.434, subdivision 4k is repealed. It is authorized by Laws of Minnesota 2025, First Special Session, Chapter 9, article 1, section 10 and Minnesota Statutes, section 256B.434, subdivision 4k. This change is expected to have no fiscal impact in FY 2026 and it is expected to have a fiscal impact of \$1,061,000 in 2027.

Annual Rate Growth Limits

Effective January 1, 2026, the annual limits on rates will be expanded to include the lessor of the previous year's rate increased by CPI-U and 104 percent of the previous year's rate. This change is authorized by Laws of Minnesota 2025, First Special Session, Chapter 9, article 1, sections 11 and 14 through 16 and Minnesota Statutes, sections 256R.02, subdivisions 14a, 256R.23, subdivisions 7, 8 and 9, and 256R.24, subdivision 3. It is expected to result in a state fiscal savings of \$10,706,000 in FY 2026 and \$31,585,000 in FY 2027.

External Fixed Costs Payment Rate Increase

Effective January 1, 2026, through September 30, 2026, the portion of each nursing home's external fixed costs payment rate related to the nursing home license surcharge under Minnesota Statutes Section 256.9657 will increase to \$19.02 per resident day. This change is authorized by Laws of Minnesota 2025, First Special Session, Chapter 9, article 1, section 17 and Minnesota Statutes, section 256R.25, subdivision 2. This change is expected to have a fiscal impact of \$15,749,000 in FY 2026 and \$9,511,000 in FY 2027.

Nursing Home Workforce Standards Board Rate Add-On

Effective January 1, 2026, nursing facilities with an approved rate adjustment application will receive an external fixed rate adjustment to pay for the nursing home employment standards promulgated by the Nursing Home Workforce Standards Board. It is authorized by Laws of Minnesota 2025, First Special Session, Chapter 9, article 1, section 23 and Minnesota Statutes, section 256R.495, subdivision 17. This change is expected to have a fiscal impact of \$8,577,000 in FY 2026 and \$27,549,00 in FY 2027.

Establishment of an encounter payment equivalent to Indian Health Service All-Inclusive Rate payable to Title V Urban Indian Organization

Effective January 1, 2026, the commissioner will establish an encounter payment for Urban Indian Organizations under Title V of the federal Indian Health Improvement Act that is equal to the all-inclusive rate paid to Indian Health Service facilities. This change is authorized under Minnesota Laws 2023, Regular Session, Chapter 70, Article 1, Section 20. This change is estimated to have no fiscal impact.

III. Medicaid-covered Home and Community-Based Waivered Services

Fund the Self-Directed Working Bargaining Agreement

Effective January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later, the Self-Directed Worker Bargaining agreement is fully funded including worker retention components, stipend payments to SEIU bargaining unit members, and implementation components for community first services and supports. This change is required under Laws of Minnesota 2025, First Special Session, chapter 9, article 2, sections 1, 11, 42, 43, 47, 49, 53, 60, 61, 62, and article 12, section 18. It is estimated to have a fiscal impact of \$7,648,00.00 in FY 2026 and \$41,019.00 in FY 2027.

Allow Reimbursement of CFSS Provided in Acute Care Hospital Settings

Effective January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later, community first services and supports may be provided to a person during an acute care stay in an acute care hospital that does not have the effect of isolating individuals. This change is required under Laws of Minnesota 2025, First Special Session, chapter 9, article 2, section 65. It is estimated to have a fiscal impact of \$1,019,000.00 in FY 2026 and \$3,159,000.00 in FY 2027.

Family Residential Services Rate Increase

Effective January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later, the commissioner of human services must increase payment rates for family residential services by 25.84 percent. This change is required under Laws of Minnesota 2025, First Special Session, chapter 9, article 2, section 68. It is estimated to have a fiscal impact of \$112,000.00 in FY

2026 and \$2,028,000.00 in FY 2027.

Include Swimming Lessons Under Family and Consumer Support Grants, Disability Waivers, and CFSS for Individuals with Disabilities Under the Age of 12

Effective July 1, 2025, for the family and consumer support grants, July 1, 2025, or upon federal approval, whichever is later, for community first services and supports, and January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval, whichever is later, for the disability waivers, swimming lessons may be provided to children younger than 12 years of age whose disability puts them at higher risk of drowning. This change is required under Laws of Minnesota 2025, First Special Session, chapter 9, article 2, sections 9, 10, 41, and 67. It is estimated to have a fiscal impact of \$278,000.00 in FY 2026 and \$2,049,000.00 in FY 2027.

For more information, questions, or comments, please contact dhs.spa.comments@state.mn.us.

Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT)

Office of Aeronautics

Request for Comments for Possible Amendment to Rules Relating to Aeronautics, Minnesota Rules, Chapter 8800; Revisor's ID Number R-04654

Subject of Rules. The Minnesota Department of Transportation requests comments on its possible rule amendments that make general housekeeping updates to Chapter 8800 to clarify and align requirements and to add new language regarding unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) and vertiports.

Persons Affected. The amendments to the rules would likely affect the following groups and individuals:

- Airports required to be licensed, including heliports, vertiports, and seaplane bases (excludes airports owned and operated by the Metropolitan Airports Commission and personal-use airports located more than five miles from the nearest public airport)
- Persons using unlicensed landing areas
- Seaplane operators on certain public waters
- Commercial operations of aircraft (as defined in M.R. 8800.3100 and including unmanned aircraft systems)
- Flying clubs

Statutory Authority. *Minnesota Statutes*, section 360.015, subpart 3, authorizes the Department to make, promulgate, and amend rules for the purpose of protecting and ensuring “the general public interest and safety, the safety of persons receiving instruction concerning, or operating, using, or traveling in, aircraft, and of persons and property on land or water” and “to develop and promote aeronautics in this state.”

Agency Contact Person. Written comments, questions, requests to receive a draft of the rules when it has been prepared, and requests for more information on these possible rules should be directed to Andrea Barker at Minnesota Department of Transportation, 395 John Ireland Blvd., Mail Stop 130, St. Paul, MN 55155, 651-366-4029, or andrea.barker@state.mn.us.

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on these possible rules in writing until further notice is published in the *State Register* that the Department intends to adopt or to withdraw the rules.

The Department will not publish a notice of intent to adopt the rules until more than 60 days have elapsed from the date of this request for comments.

The Department may appoint an advisory committee to comment on the possible rules and will otherwise affirmatively seek comment on the possible rules from stakeholders.

This public comment opportunity is associated with the development of possible rules. Comments received in

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response to this notice will not be included in the formal rulemaking record submitted to the Administrative Law Judge when a proceeding to adopt rules is started. The Department is required to submit to the judge only those written comments received in response to the rules after they are proposed. If you submit comments during the development of the rules and you want to ensure that the Administrative Law Judge reviews the comments, you must resubmit the comments after the rules are formally proposed.

Rules Drafts. The Department has not yet drafted the possible rule amendments and does not anticipate that a draft of the rule amendments will be available before the publication of the proposed rules.

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 or if you need an accommodation to make this hearing accessible, please contact the agency contact person at the address or telephone number listed above.

Signed: December 16, 2025

Nancy Daubenberger, Commissioner
Minnesota Department of Transportation

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/>

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 Human Services Notice of Grant Opportunities

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) places notice of any available grant opportunities on the DHS Grant Requests for Proposals website: *Open grants, RFPs and RFIs*.

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: The Design of the New University of Minnesota St. Paul Campus Center (SDSB Project # 26-01)

The State of Minnesota, acting through the University of Minnesota 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 # 26-01).

A **mandatory** informational meeting is scheduled for **January 6, 2026, at 2:00 pm at St. Paul Student Center, 2017 Buford Ave, St. Paul, MN 55108.**

Any questions should be directed to **Dana Murdoch, Senior Design Project Manager CPM** at murdoch@umn.edu. Project questions will be taken by this individual only. Questions regarding this RFP must be received by **January 12, 2026, no later than 12:00 p.m. Central Time.**

Proposals must be delivered to SDSB.Proposals.ADM@state.mn.us not later than **Tuesday, January 20, 2026, by 12:00 noon CT.** Late responses will not be considered.

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

Department of Administration

Real Estate and Construction Services

Notice of Request for Qualifications (RFQ) and Fee Schedule for Professional Services of Minnesota Registered Architects, Engineers, Interior Designers, Land Surveyors, Landscape Architects, Geoscientists, and Owners Representatives

The Department of Administration, Real Estate and Construction Services ("State"), requests qualifications of Minnesota registered architects, engineers, interior designers, land surveyors, geoscientists, and Owners Representatives ("Consultant") to assist the State in providing studies, predesigns, design through construction documents, construction administration, post construction services, interior design, land surveys, geosciences, and project related professional services through 2/27/2031. These projects will be varied in nature and scope and will involve new construction and

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remodeling, which includes but is not limited to buildings, commissioning, bridges, parking structures, site and utility work, roadways, and land development.

Unless otherwise provided in *Minnesota Statutes* § 16B.33, the following guidelines apply when using the Master Roster. State agency construction projects requiring a primary designer will have an estimated cost of construction of no greater than \$4,000,000.00; or a study, report, or predesign for a state agency planning project will have a consultant estimated fee no greater than \$400,000.00. Primary Designers for projects to construct, erect, or remodel a building with an estimated cost in excess of these amounts will be selected by the State Designer Selection Board in accordance with *Minnesota Statutes* § 16B.33.

The Request for Qualifications document may be found online at <https://mn.gov/admin/business/vendor-info/construction-projects/solicitations-announcements/>. Copies of the RFQ may also be requested from:

Master Roster Administrator
Real Estate and Construction Services
309 Administration Building, 50 Sherburne Avenue
St. Paul, MN 55155
recs.contracting@state.mn.us
(651) 201-2550

The Request for Qualifications and Fee Schedule will remain open continually to enable individuals and firms not on the Roster to submit their qualifications and fee schedules. One year after a completed response is added to the Master Roster, the firm may be asked whether it wants to remain on the roster. If the responder wants to continue to remain on the roster, it will be able to update its fee schedule and will be required to submit updated written documents. If no response is received by February 27, 2026, the responder's name will be removed from the Master Roster until such time as it has re-submitted a complete response to the RFQ.

The State reserves the right to cancel this solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest. The RFQ is not a guarantee of work and it does not obligate the State to award any contracts. The State reserves the right to discontinue the use or cancel all or any part of this Master Roster program if it is determined to be in its best interest. 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 advertises contract opportunities for goods and services on its Vendor and Supplier Opportunities website (<https://www.minnstate.edu/vendors/index.html>). New notices may be added daily and will remain posted for the duration specified in each individual notice. For questions or to report any issues viewing the information on the website, please email Minnesota State at Sourcing@MinnState.edu.

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 email the Consultant Services Helpline at ptconsultantserviceshelpline.dot@state.mn.us.

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 2026 Parking Structure Rehabilitation

Airport Location:	Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport
Project Name:	2026 Parking Structure Rehabilitation
MAC Contract No.:	106-3-759
Bids Close At:	2:00 PM on January 13, 2026
Bid Opening Conference Call:	3:00 PM on January 13, 2026
Teleconference Dial In #:	1-612-405-6798
Conference ID #:	897 927 742#

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 portal (<https://metroairports.bonfirehub.com>) to receive email notifications of new business opportunities.

Small Businesses (SB): The goal of the MAC for the utilization of Small Businesses on this project is 15%.

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 Construction Documents: Plans and specifications are on file for inspection at the office of Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.; 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 drawings and specifications 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™ #9873456 in the "Search Projects" page. Contact Quest Construction Data Network at (952) 233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance. Hard copy drawings and specifications will not be made available to Bidders. Bid

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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 Dec 29, 2025, at MAC's web address of <https://metroairports.bonfirehub.com>.

**THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO READ THE STATE REGISTER IN 2025.
HERE IS A LOOK BACK AT OUR MONTHLY COVERS. HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

