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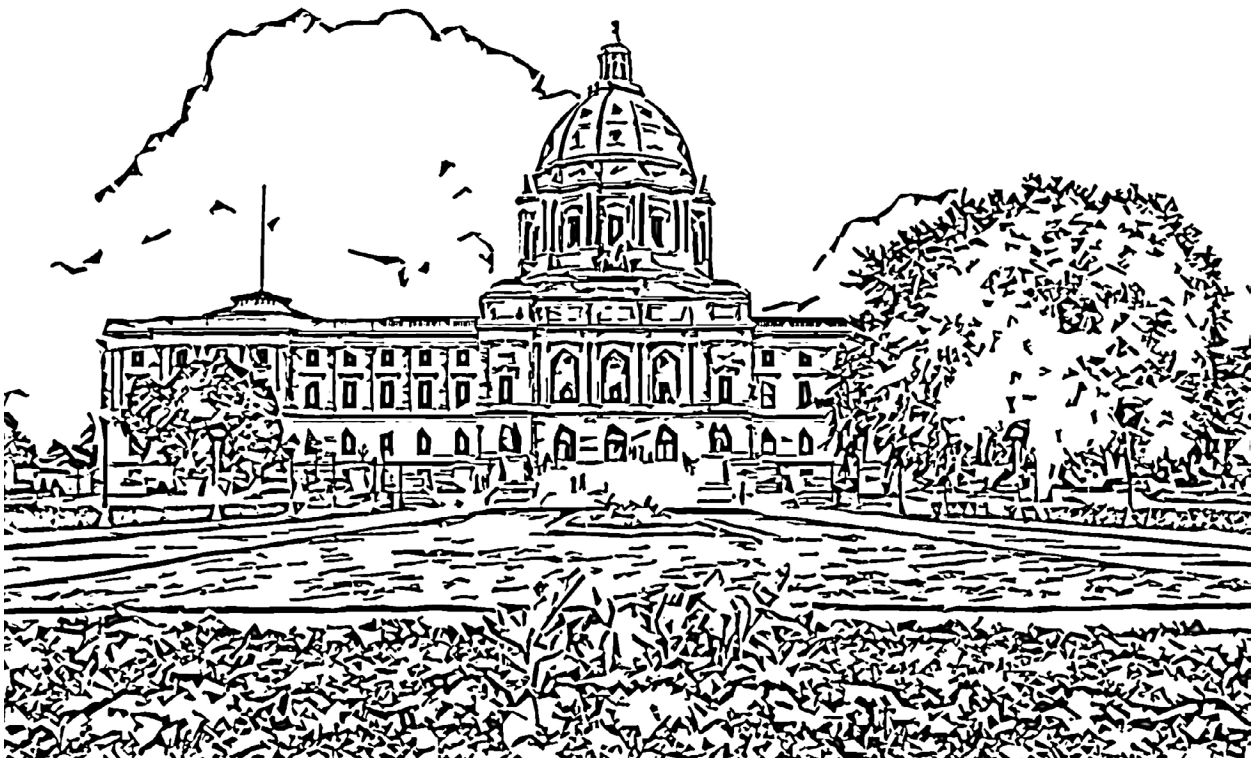
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NOTICE: How to Follow State Agency Rulemaking in the State Register

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 Proposed emergency rules, and withdrawn proposed rules, are also published in the State Register.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.

The State Register features partial and cumulative listings of rules in this section on the following schedule: issues #1-26 inclusive (issue #26 cumulative for issues #1-26); issues #27-52 inclusive (issue #52, cumulative for issues #27-52 or #53 in some years). A subject matter index is updated weekly and is available upon request from the editor. For copies or subscriptions to the State Register, contact the editor at 651-201-3204 or email at sean.plemmons@state.mn.us

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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

Division of Fish and Wildlife

Proposed Expedited Permanent Rule: Fishing Regulations for Inland Waters; Notice of Intent to Adopt Expedited Rules Without a Public Hearing

Proposed Amendment to Rules Governing Fishing Regulations for Inland Waters, *Minnesota Rules*, part 6262.0200; Revisor's File Number R-4929

Introduction. The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) 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 Thursday, March 5, 2026.

Agency Contact Person. Submit comments, questions, or a request for hearing on the rules to John Dunn, Fisheries Rules and Regulations Coordinator, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, 500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, Minnesota 55155, telephone 651-259-5235, or email john.dunn@state.mn.us.

Subject of the Expedited Rules. The proposed expedited rules adjust Minnesota's fishing regulations for inland waters relating to daily and possession limits for walleye and sauger.

Minnesota Rules, part 6262.0200, subpart 1, item D. The proposed change would adjust the inland waters daily and possession limit for walleye and sauger from six in aggregate to four in aggregate. With increased stressors on walleye and sauger populations, the Department of Natural Resources has concluded it would be prudent to reduce the daily and possession limits to maintain sustainable populations of these species. Minnesota Statutes, section 97C.401, subdivision 2, states "a person may have no more than one walleye larger than 20 inches in possession. This subdivision does not apply to boundary waters." The proposed rulemaking would add this provision to the rule regarding walleye possession to make it consistent with statute.

Minnesota Rules, part 6262.0200, subpart 3. The inclusion of a new subpart 3 would clarify that when Minnesota Rules, part 6262.0200, differs from rules listed in other parts, the controlling rules that take priority will be those listed in the other rule chapters (including 6262, 6264, and 6266). This change would apply to all species, not just walleye and sauger.

Statutory Authority. The statutory authorities to adopt these rules are:

- **Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.045, subdivision 1**, directs the commissioner to do all things the commissioner determines necessary to preserve, protect, and propagate desirable species of wild animals, and

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to make special provisions for the management of fish and wildlife to ensure recreational opportunities for anglers and hunters.

- **Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.045, subdivision 4**, provides that the commissioner may regulate the taking, possession, and transportation of wild animals from state and international boundary waters.
- **Minnesota Statutes, section 97C.401**, requires the commissioner to, by rule, prescribe the limits on the number of each species of fish that may be taken in one day and the number that may be possessed.

The statutory authority to adopt the rules under the expedited rulemaking process is Minnesota Statutes, section 84.027, subdivision 13a (b). The DNR is using the expedited permanent rulemaking procedure to complete the rule changes for inclusion in the 2027 fishing regulations booklet. If approved, the rule changes would go into effect March 1, 2027.

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 above. The proposed expedited rules may be viewed on the *DNR rulemaking webpage* at mndnr.gov/input/rules.

Comments. You have until 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 5, 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. The DNR encourages comment. Your comment should identify the portion of the proposed expedited rules addressed and the reason for the comment. In addition, you are encouraged to propose any change desired. You must also make any comments that you have on the legality of the proposed rules during this comment period. If the proposed expedited rules affect you in any way, the DNR encourages you to participate in the rulemaking process.

Request for Hearing. In addition to submitting comments, you may also request that a hearing be held on the rules. You must make your request in writing and the Agency Contact Person must receive it by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 5, 2026. Your written request must include your name and address. You must identify the portion of the proposed rules to which you object or state that you oppose the entire set of rules. Any request that does not comply with these requirements is not valid and the DNR cannot count it for determining whether it must hold a public hearing. You are also encouraged to state the reason for the request and any changes you want made to the proposed rules.

Withdrawal of Requests. If 50 or more persons submit a valid written request for a hearing, a public hearing will be held unless a sufficient number withdraw their requests in writing. If enough requests for hearing are withdrawn to reduce the number below 50, the DNR must give written notice of this to all persons who requested a hearing, explain the action the DNR took to effect the withdrawal, and ask for written comments on this action. If the DNR is required to hold a public hearing, it will follow the procedures in *Minnesota Statutes*, section 14.131 to 14.20.

Modifications. The DNR may modify the proposed expedited rules using either of two avenues: The DNR may modify the rules directly so long as the modifications do not make them substantially different as defined in *Minnesota Statutes*, section 14.05, subd. 2, paragraphs (b) and (c). Or the DNR 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 DNR 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 DNR must publish a copy of the changes in the State Register.

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

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

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Adoption and Review of Expedited Rules. If no hearing is required, the DNR may adopt the rules at the end of the comment period. The DNR 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 DNR 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 DNR to receive notice of future rule proceedings, submit your request to the Agency Contact Person listed above.

Date: 1/06/2026

Sarah Strommen, Commissioner of Natural Resources

6262.0200 FISHING REGULATIONS FOR INLAND WATERS.

Subpart 1. **General inland fishing regulations.** Fish may be taken in inland waters by angling during the time specified for each of the following species; however, certain waters of the state are subject to experimental or special regulations or boundary waters regulations or are closed for taking and possessing fish. When the closing date of a season falls on a Saturday, the season extends through the following Sunday.

Species and Open Season

Daily and Possession Limits

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

D. Walleye and sauger.

6 4 in aggregate. No more than one walleye may be over 20 inches in length.

Saturday two weeks before the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through 11:59 p.m. the last Sunday in February.

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

[For text of subpart 2, see Minnesota Rules]

Subp. 3. Superseding law. To the extent that this part is inconsistent with part 6262.0300, 6262.0500, or 6262.0575 or chapter 6264 or 6266, the provisions of part 6262.0300, 6262.0500, or 6262.0575 or chapter 6264 or 6266 supersede this part.

EFFECTIVE DATE. The expedited amendments to Minnesota Rules, part 6262.0200, are effective March 1, 2027.

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 26-01: Preparing Resources to Provide Public Safety Assistance

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:

On January 7, 2026, federal immigration agents shot and killed Renee Nicole Good in south Minneapolis. This shooting immediately follows the federal government's surge of masked immigration officials in Minnesota. These agents have indiscriminately arrested people off the street, intimidated our friends and neighbors, and have now caused the loss of life. Minnesotans are feeling scared, angry, and disillusioned.

Minnesotans are exercising their Constitutional rights to express their disagreement with federal immigration enforcement policies and tactics. Federal immigration officials have increased tensions, caused chaos, and left our state less safe.

As part of ongoing planning activities, and in response to potential capacity concerns from local leaders, it is important to ensure optimal readiness in the case of changes to the public safety environment. That preparedness includes state assistance from the Minnesota National Guard. The National Guard can assist with preparation and planning activities in support of local and state law enforcement and emergency management agencies. The National Guard can also support local law enforcement efforts to protect life and property, ensure public safety, and protect freedom of speech by allowing for peaceful demonstrations.

The National Guard should undertake such public safety activities only where local law enforcement resources have been exhausted. Bringing personnel, equipment, and facilities to state active duty will allow the National Guard to continue to assist with preparation and planning work with state and local partners. It will also allow the National Guard to quickly be ready to support law enforcement activities as needed to prevent threats to public safety.

For these reasons, and to protect peace and safety, I order as follows:

1. The Adjutant General will order to state active duty the personnel, equipment, and facilities required to coordinate and support public safety and security services in communities across the State of Minnesota, at a time deemed appropriate by the Adjutant General in consultation with the Governor and for such period of time as necessary to coordinate and support public safety, security services, and law enforcement activities.
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 is effective immediately under Minnesota Statutes 2025, section 4.035, subdivision 2, and it will remain in effect until it is rescinded by proper authority or December 31, 2026, whichever occurs first.

A determination that any provision of this Executive Order is invalid will not affect the enforceability of any other

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provision of this Executive Order. Rather, the invalid provision will be modified to the extent necessary so that it is enforceable.

Signed on January 8, 2026.

Tim Walz, GOVERNOR

Filed According to Law:

Steve Simon, SECRETARY OF STATE

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.

Minnesota State Agricultural Society Minnesota State Fair's Annual Meeting Scheduled for Jan. 15-18

The 167th annual meeting of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society, governing body of the Minnesota State Fair, will be held Jan. 15-18 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Bloomington. The Minnesota State Agricultural Society board of managers will meet on Friday, Jan. 16 at 10:15 a.m. for a general business session. Sales and planning committee meetings will follow at 1:15 p.m. that same day. Then the society's general business session is scheduled for 8 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 18, followed by a meeting of the society's board of managers. Please email fairinfo@mnstatefair.org with any questions.

The 2026 Minnesota State Fair runs Aug. 27 - Labor Day, Sept. 7.

Minnesota Department of Agriculture Pesticide and Fertilizer Management Division REQUEST FOR COMMENTS for Groundwater Protection Rule, Minnesota Rules, Chapter 1573

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) is seeking public comments to assist the department in determining whether the ***Groundwater Protection Rule, Minnesota Rules Chapter 1573***, hereinafter referred to as "Groundwater Protection Rule" is inadequate to protect the air, water, land, or other natural resources located within the state from pollution.

On September 5, 2025, the Ramsey County Second Judicial District Court judge ordered the MDA to initiate the appropriate administrative proceedings to consider and make findings whether the Groundwater Protection Rule is inadequate to protect the air, water, land, or other natural resources located within the state from pollution.

Through this public notice, the MDA is requesting the affected or interested parties to submit written public comments to assist the MDA in making its decision whether the Groundwater Protection Rule is adequate or inadequate

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to protect the air, water, land, or other natural resources located within the state from pollution.

Interested parties may submit written comments within 60 days of this notice, ending on Thursday, March 12, 2026.

Comments should be submitted by letter or e-mail (Subject: Groundwater Protection Rule) to: Larry Gunderson, Supervisor, Fertilizer Management Unit, 625 Robert Street North, Saint Paul, MN. Phone: 651-201-6168, email: gpr.mda@state.mn.us

If you submit comments via email, you will receive a reply indicating that your comments were received. If you do not receive a reply, contact Larry Gunderson at 651-201-6168 or larry.gunderson@state.mn.us. It is the responsibility of the commentator to verify that their comments were received by the closing date. The MDA is not responsible for any technical issues.

While submitting public comments, please focus on the following question.

1. Whether the rules the MDA has promulgated (chapter 1573) are adequate to protect the air, water, land or other natural resources within the state from pollution, impairment, or destruction from nitrate contamination resulting from practices regulated by the MDA or should further restrictions be extended to the karst area of Southeastern Minnesota and the coarse-textured soil area of the Central Sands to protect groundwater resources?

It is important that commenters provide substantive information on why the existing rule should or should not be changed. Comments that only focus on support for or opposition to Groundwater Protection Rule, without providing further information for the MDA to consider, will not assist the MDA in its decision making.

Groundwater Protection Rule

Implemented in June 2019, the Groundwater Protection Rule minimizes potential sources of nitrate pollution to the state's groundwater and protects our drinking water. The rule restricts the application of nitrogen fertilizer in the fall and on frozen soils in areas vulnerable to contamination, and it outlines steps to reduce the severity of the problem in areas where nitrate in public water supply wells is already elevated. The rule is intended to promote appropriate nitrogen fertilizer best management practices and to involve local farmers and agronomists in adopting the most current science-based and economically viable practices that can reduce nitrate in groundwater. Detailed information on the Groundwater Protection Rule can be found at the following links:

Part 1 of the Groundwater Protection Rule

Part 2 of the Groundwater Protection Rule

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, please contact the MDA Contact Person.

For questions regarding this notice, please contact: Margaret Wagner, Section manager, Fertilizer Non-Point Section, Minnesota Department of Agriculture, 625 Robert Street North, Saint Paul, MN. Phone: 651-201-6488, Email: margaret.wagner@state.mn.us

Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) Notice of Public Hearing by the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development with Respect to a Proposed Project and the Provision of Funds from the Minnesota Forward Fund Program under Minnesota Statutes 116J.8752

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development ("DEED") will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, January 28, 2026 at 1:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as reasonably possible at 180 East Fifth Street, 12th Floor, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101 on one (1) proposal to provide

funding through the Minnesota Forward Fund Program (“MFF”) pursuant to authority granted under *Minnesota Statutes* 116J.8752. This hearing is conducted in accordance with *Minnesota Statutes* 116J.994, Subd. 5.

Description of Project and Proposed MFF Funding:

Ecolab Inc. is a trusted partner working behind the scenes at millions of customer locations throughout the world. Ecolab helps customers solve operational challenges, reduce their environmental impact and protect their brands. Their associates deliver comprehensive solutions and on-site service to promote safe food, maintain clean environments, optimize water and energy use, and improve operational efficiencies in more than one hundred seventy (170) countries. Ecolab is evaluating the potential rejuvenation of their existing Eagan campus, which would establish the site into a world-class, regenerative facility that supports growth, innovation and positive impact for the Eagan community, the state of Minnesota and the world for decades to come. The proposed updates would support Ecolab’s continued growth by adding 82,200 square feet to the current 300,000-square-foot facility, and may include a new campus entry, updated customer experience facilities, and state-of-the-art Research and Development application and chemistry labs. The company expects to retain two thousand eight hundred ninety-four (2,894) jobs in Minnesota and seven hundred ninety-seven (797) jobs at the project site in Eagan with an average cash wage of \$53.55 per hour and create five (5) new jobs at an average cash wage of \$64.80 per hour. The project may be eligible for a MFF award of up to \$10,000,000 from the MFF program which may be forgiven if project goals are met.

All interested persons may appear and be heard at the time and place set forth above. Persons interested in participating via teleconference should contact David Leslie, Senior Loan Officer, at (651) 259-7092 or david.leslie@state.mn.us prior to the date of the hearing for instructions on how to participate in the call.

Interested persons may mail written comments to David Leslie at 180 East Fifth Street, 12th Floor, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101 or e-mail david.leslie@state.mn.us prior to the date of the hearing set forth above. All persons who appear at the meeting or participate via teleconference will be given an opportunity to express their views with respect to the proposal to award funds from the MFF.

Minnesota Department of Health

Division of Health Regulation – Managed Care Systems Section

Notice of Application for Essential Community Provider Status - Fraser and Fraser Child and Family Center

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application for designation as an Essential Community Provider (ECP) has been submitted to the Commissioner of Health by **FRASER and FRASER CHILD AND FAMILY CENTER**. Clinical services are offered at **2400 WEST 64TH STREET RICHFIELD, MN 55423**.

An ECP is a health care provider that serves high-risk, special needs, and underserved individuals. In order to be designated as an ECP, a provider must demonstrate that it meets the requirements of *Minnesota Statutes* Section 62Q.19 and *Minnesota Rules* Chapter 4688. The public is allowed 30 days from the date of the publication of this notice to submit written comments on the application. The commissioner will approve or deny the application once the comment period and compliance review is complete.

For more information contact:

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Minnesota Department of Health

Notice of Completion of Annual Health Care Quality Measures Rule Review

NOTICE: The Commissioner of Health announces that the Department of Health has completed its annual review required under *Minnesota Rules*, chapter 4654. The Department affirms that its existing quality measures will continue as the 2026 set of quality measures with no added measures.

Subject of the Rules and Statutory Authority. The Minnesota Department of Health adopted *Minnesota Rules*, chapter 4654, in December 2009 to implement part of the comprehensive 2008 state health reform law. Consistent with *Minnesota Statutes*, section 62U.02, these rules established a standardized set of quality measures that the Department uses to assess the quality of services offered by health care providers. These measures include the specific details for the data that physician clinics and hospitals must submit annually to the Minnesota Department of Health or to the commissioner's designee for public reporting. The rules also specify:

- Requirements that physician clinics and hospitals submit quality data to the Minnesota Department of Health or its designee,
- Obligations for physician clinics and hospitals to cooperate with data validation procedures,
- A restriction on health plans prohibiting them from requiring providers to use and report quality measures not included in the standardized set, and
- Annual review by the Minnesota Department of Health of existing quality measures and evaluation and adoption of new measures into the standardized set.

The commissioner is required to review the adopted quality measures annually.

Results. From 2009 until 2018, the Minnesota Department of Health updated and adopted rules governing the standardized set of quality measures through expedited rulemaking. From 2018 through early 2020, the Department developed a quality measurement framework as directed by the legislature. To do this, the Department gathered comments from a broad range of stakeholders about measurement priorities and processes, essentially mirroring the review the Department has customarily performed for its annual reviews. Additionally, the Department invited public input on the standardized set of quality measures in 2023. Through these ongoing efforts the Department decided not to add new measures for the 2019 through 2025 report years, making adopting expedited rules unnecessary. Instead, the Department issued technical guidance about the changes.

To continue to ease administrative burden, the Department did not undertake expedited rulemaking during 2025 and determined that it need only make minor modifications to existing measures to maintain alignment with local and federal measurement initiatives. In its place, the Department is issuing technical guidance for the 2026 report year that include requirements consistent with those for 2025. The Department has posted updated technical guidance for the 2026 report year on its website at <https://www.health.state.mn.us/data/hcquality/measures>.

Agency contact person. Cara Bailey at Minnesota Department of Health, P.O. Box 64975, St. Paul, MN 55164-0975, phone 651-201-3561, and health.sqrms@state.mn.us.

Date: December 31, 2025

Wendy Underwood Deputy Commissioner
Minnesota Department of Health

Public Utilities Commission (PUC)

Notice of Permit Decision In the Matter of the Application of ITC Midwest LLC for a Route Permit for the 161 kV Transmission Line from Forks Substation to Rost Substation in Jackson County, Minnesota – Docket No. ET-66775/TL-24-232

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in an order issued on December 18, 2025, the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission: (1) Adopted the ALJ's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommendations; (2) Found that the environmental assessment prepared by the Department of Commerce and the record created at the public hearing addressed the issues identified in the scoping decision; (3) and Issued the Proposed Route Permit for the ITC Midwest, LLC, Forks Switching Station to Rost Substation project in Jackson County, Minnesota.

The order and permits are available on the Commission's eDocket System at:
<https://efiling.web.commerce.state.mn.us/documents/%7B0038339B-0000-CE35-AFE0-877309A2C498%7D/download?contentSequence=0&rowIndex=1>

Questions about this project may be directed to Jacques Harvieux at jacques.harvieux@state.mn.us or 651-201-2233

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

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 State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State) Minnesota West Community & Technical College Notice of Request for Fluid Power Training Institute Hydraulic Trainers

Trainers must meet the following minimum requirements and include packaging and shipping to Canby, MN.

Qty	Item#	Description
1	MF102D-H-TSE	Double-Station Hydraulic Trainer with Electronic Troubleshooting
2	MF102-DA	Diagnostic Accessories
2	MF102-LS	Load-Sensing Pump Option
1	MF100-ACC	Accumulator with Differential
1	MF100-EHCM-TSE	Electro-Hydraulic Control Module
1	MF100-MDCV-TSE	Mobile Directional Control Valve
1	MF100-OSV-TSE	Orbitrol Steering Valve Module
1	MF100-PDCV	Proportional Directional Control Valve Module
1	MF100-PDCV-L	Proportional Directional Control Valve Module with Feedback
1	MF100-SVM-TSE	Stacked Valve Module

The State of Minnesota, acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, on behalf of Minnesota West Community and Technical College, is requesting proposals for the Hydraulic Trainer. Delivery is preferred by 6 to 8 weeks after purchase.

Proposals must be sealed with a notation on the outside of the envelope stating: Bid for Hydraulic Trainer DELIVER IMMEDIATELY.

Mail or delivered (faxes and email will not be accepted) sealed proposals must be delivered no later than January 28th, 2026 by 12:00pm:

Minnesota West Community & Technical College
Attn: Diana Fliss
1101 1st St W
Canby, MN 56220

PROPOSAL CLOSE DATE is January 28th at 12:00 pm CST

Minnesota Competency Attainment Board (MNCAB) Request for Proposals for Human Resources Management (HRM) System

The Minnesota Competency Attainment Board (MNCAB) invites qualified vendors to submit proposals for the development and implementation of a Human Resources Management (HRM) System to enhance and support its personnel management functions.

The request for proposal does not obligate MNCAB to award a contract or complete the project, and it reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is in the agency's best interest.

Interested vendor submissions must be received by MNCAB no later than 11:59 p.m. CST, February 1, 2026. Electronic proposal submissions may be sent to Allison Holbrook, RFP Administrator at info.mncab@mncab.us with the subject line: "Request for Proposal - Human Resources Management (HRM) System". Please contact the RFP Administrator if an alternate submission method is necessary.

A complete copy of the Request for Proposal may be found on the Minnesota Competency Attainment Board website at www.mn.gov/cab.

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 Apron Lighting LED Upgrade P1

Airport Location:	Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport
Project Name:	2026 Apron Lighting LED Upgrade P1
MAC Contract No.:	106-1-392
Bids Close At:	2:00 PM on February 10, 2026
Bid Opening Conference Call:	3:00 PM on February 10, 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 17%.

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 available at QuestCDN Online as 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™ #9944879 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 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 January 12, 2026, at MAC's web address of <https://metroairports.bonfirehub.com>.

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Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC)

Notice of Call for Bids for 2026 Perimeter Gate Security Improvements and GSE Maintenance Facility

Airport Location: Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport
Project Name: 2026 Perimeter Gate Security Improvements and GSE Maintenance Facility
MAC Contract No.: 106-1-381 & 106-3-706
Bids Close At: 2:00 PM on February 10, 2026
Bid Opening Conference Call: 3:00 PM on February 10, 2026
Teleconference Dial In #: 1-612-405-6798
Conference ID #: 897 927 742#

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Small Businesses (SB): The goal of the MAC for the utilization of Small Businesses on this project is 20%.

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

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

Availability of Construction Documents: Plans and specifications are on file for inspection at the QuestCDN Online indicated below and at the Minnesota Builders Exchange; Rochester Builders Exchange; Dodge Data and Analytics; and NAMC-UM Plan Room. Bidders desiring 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™ #10006599 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 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 January 12, 2026, at MAC's web address of <https://metroairports.bonfirehub.com>.

Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC)

Notice of Call for Bids for 2026 21D Taxiway Echo Edge Lighting and Signage

Airport Location: Lake Elmo Airport
Project Name: 2026 21D Taxiway Echo Edge Lighting and Signage
MAC Contract No.: 111-1-043
Bids Close At: 2:00 PM on February 12, 2026
Bid Opening Conference Call: 3:00 PM on February 12, 2026
Teleconference Dial In #: 1-612-405-6798
Conference ID #: 897 927 742#

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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 Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc.; at QuestCDN Online as 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™ 9964295 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 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 January 12, 2026, at MAC's web address of <https://metroairports.bonfirehub.com>.

Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC)

Notice of Call for Bids for 2025 Concourse G Apron/30L Deice Pad/Taxiway B Pavement Reconstruction

Airport Location:	Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport
Project Name:	2025 Concourse G Apron/30L Deice Pad/Taxiway B Pavement Reconstruction
MAC Contract Nos.:	106-1-371/372/373
Bids Close At:	2:00 PM on February 11, 2026
Bid Opening Conference Call:	3:00 PM on February 11, 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.

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Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE): The goal of the MAC for the utilization of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises on this project is 8%.

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 available for inspection at QuestCDN Online

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as 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™ #9417922 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 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 January 12, 2026, at MAC’s web address of <https://metroairports.bonfirehub.com>.

Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC)

Notice of Call for Bids for 2026 Terminal 1 Inbound Roadway Median Improvements

Airport Location:	Minneapolis-Saint Paul International Airport
Project Name:	2026 Terminal 1 Inbound Roadway Median Improvements
MAC Contract No.:	106-3-701
Bids Close At:	2:00 PM on February 10, 2026
Bid Opening Conference Call:	3:00 PM on February 10, 2026
Teleconference Dial In #:	1-612-405-6798
Conference ID #:	897 927 742#

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Small Businesses (SB): The goal of the MAC for the utilization of Small Businesses on this project is 11%.

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™ #10000844 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 documents for this project may be viewed for no cost at QuestCDN Online. For this project, bids will ONLY be received electronically. Contractors submitting an electronic bid will be charged an additional \$42.00, or other fee as determined by QuestCDN, at the time of bid submission via the online electronic bid service QuestCDN Online.

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