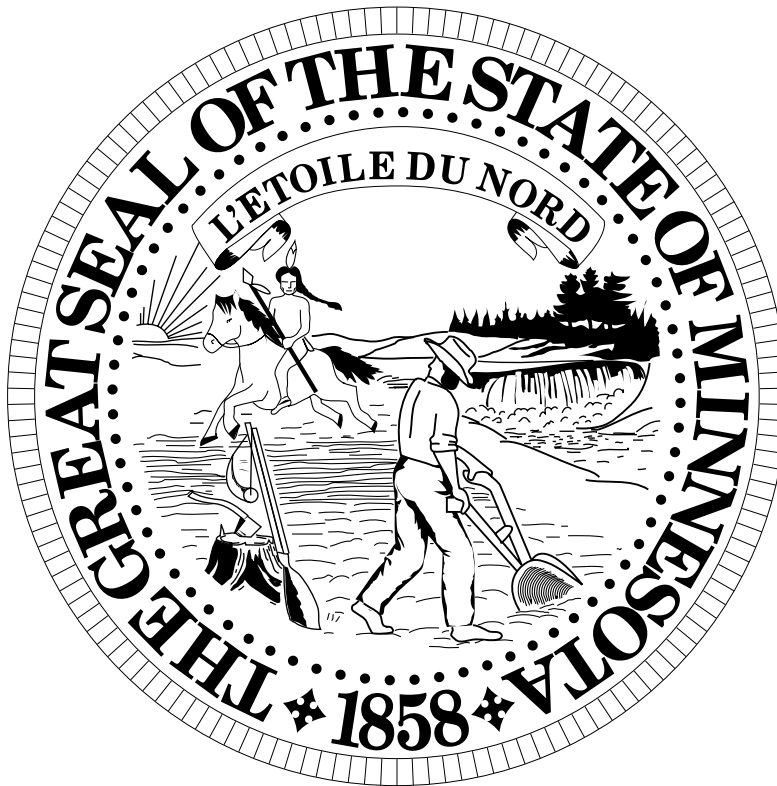


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Department of Transportation

Order No. 85784: Amended Order and Notice of Street and Highway Routes Designated and Permitted to Carry the Gross Weights Allowed under *Minnesota Statutes* § 169.825

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Transportation has made his Order No. 80000, dated March 10, 1994, which order has been amended by Orders No's. 80212, 80246, 80580, 80861, 80881, 81000, 81092, 81371, 81511, 81557, 81641, 82955, 83138, 83536, 83616, 83720, 84056, 84222, 84232, 84256, 84353, 84354, 84439, 84532, 84902, 85225, 85246 and 85668 designating and permitting certain street and highway routes, or segments of those routes, to carry the gross weights allowed under Minnesota Statutes § 169.825, and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner has determined that the additional following routes, or segment of routes, should be designated to carry the gross weights allowed under *Minnesota Statutes* § 169.825.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Commissioner of Transportation Order No. 80000 is further amended this date by adding the following designated streets and highway routes, or segment of routes, as follows:

COUNTY ROADS

BELTRAMI COUNTY

- C.S.A.H. 50 FROM JCT C.R. 404 TO T.H. US2, SE OF BEMIDJI (12 MONTH).
- C.R. 404 FROM T.H. MN197 to JCT C.S.A.H. 50, SE OF BEMIDJI (12 MONTH).

Dated this 29th day of October, 2001

Elwyn Tinklenberg
Commissioner

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Pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* §§ 14.101, an agency must first solicit comments from the public on the subject matter of a possible rulemaking proposal under active consideration within the agency by publishing a notice in the *State Register* at least 60 days before publication of a notice to adopt or a notice of hearing, and within 60 days of the effective date of any new statutory grant of required rulemaking. The *State Register* also publishes other official notices of state agencies and non-state agencies, including notices of meetings and matters of public interest.

Office of Administrative Hearings for the Metropolitan Council

Notice of and Order for Hearing in the Matter of the Metropolitan Significance Review of the Proposed Black Dog Amphitheater Project

TO THE PARTIES IN THE ABOVE-ENTITLED MATTER. Under the authority granted pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* section 473.173 and *Minnesota Rules* part 5800.0110:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a metropolitan significance review public hearing concerning the above-entitled matter will be held commencing at 9:30 a.m., on Monday, November 19, 2001, and continuing until completed. The Hearing will be held at the Metropolitan Council offices at Mears Park Centre, 230 East Fifth Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, for the purpose of receiving evidence from the parties to this matter.

The public hearing will also convene at 4:00 p.m., on Tuesday, November 20, 2001, at a location in Bloomington to be determined, for the purpose of receiving public comment from interested persons who are not parties in this matter. Interested persons who are not parties may participate by providing oral testimony at the public comment portion of the public hearing or by submit-

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ting written comments to the Administrative Law Judge at the address below. Such written comments must be postmarked **no later than November 21, 2001**.

Conduct of Hearing

The Metropolitan Significance Review Committee has determined that the public hearing should be conducted by an Administrative Law Judge. The hearing will be held before Allan W. Klein, the Administrative Law Judge appointed to hear this matter by the Chief Administrative Law Judge of the State of Minnesota. The address of the Administrative Law Judge is Office of Administration Hearings, 100 Washington Square, Suite 1700, Minneapolis, Minnesota, 55401-2138, and his **phone:** (612) 341-7609.

The hearing will be conducted pursuant to the public hearing procedures set out in *Minnesota Statutes* section 473.173, subdivision 4, the rules of the Office of Administrative Hearings, *Minnesota Rules* parts 1400.5010 through 1400.8400, and the rules of the Metropolitan Council for metropolitan significance review public hearings, *Minnesota Rules* part 5800.0110. A copy of *Minnesota Rules* parts 1400.5010 through 1400.8400 is available at the Office of Administrative Hearings. A copy of *Minnesota Rules* chapter 5800 is available at the Metropolitan Council's Mears Park Centre office. The rules are also available on the internet at the State Legislature's **website:** www.leg.state.mn.us/leg/statutes.htm. The rules provide generally for the procedural rights of the parties, including: the right to request advance notice of witnesses and evidence, the right to a prehearing conference, the right to present evidence and cross-examine witnesses, and the right to purchase a record or transcript of the proceeding. Parties are entitled to issuance of subpoenas to compel witnesses to attend and produce documents and other evidence.

Background

Rose Wild LLC of St. Paul, Minnesota, has proposed an outdoor amphitheater intended to accommodate an audience of 19,500 people to be built in the city of Burnsville, to be known as the Black Dog Amphitheater. On August 16, 2000, a petition of 6,644 signatures of persons residing in the metropolitan area was submitted to the Metropolitan Council under *Minnesota Rules* part 5800.0060, subpart 1.C., requesting the Metropolitan Council to commence a metropolitan significance review of the project. On August 18, 2000, the city of Bloomington submitted a metropolitan significance review request for the same project, under *Minnesota Rules* part 5800.0060, subpart 1.B. The Metropolitan Council First Vice-Chair, under authority of *Minnesota Rules* part 5800.0070, reviewed the requests submitted by the petitioners and the City of Bloomington. The First Vice-Chair determined that the request set forth an arguable claim that quietude for existing and planned land uses in the city of Bloomington may be affected by the proposed Black Dog Amphitheater and that the issue of noise impact on existing and planned land uses in the city of Bloomington was a legitimate issue for metropolitan significance review under *Minnesota Rules* part 5800.0040, subpart 4.A. On August 30, 2000, the First Vice-Chair issued an order commencing the metropolitan significance review and limiting the scope of the review to the issue of the noise impact on Bloomington.

Parties

The parties to this metropolitan significance review are:

- the City of Bloomington, requester
- the citizen petitioners, requester(s)
- the City of Burnsville, proposed project site
- Rose Wild LLC, project manager

The citizen petitioners have designated Brian T. Carlson and Thomas N. Twaites to act on their behalf as requesters in this matter.

The Metropolitan Council is not a party in this matter and will participate in a neutral or quasi-judicial capacity only. Council staff will participate as a neutral with the objective of developing a complete and accurate record. However, Council staff may make recommendations to the Metropolitan Significance Review Committee and the Metropolitan Council based on the hearing record and the report of the Administrative Law Judge.

Subject of Hearing

The issue that is the subject of the hearing is: Whether the proposed Black Dog Amphitheater Project in the city of Burnsville is of metropolitan significance, in that it may have a substantial adverse physical effect on existing or proposed land use or development in the city of Bloomington with respect to noise pollution, pursuant to *Minnesota Rules* 5800.0040, subpart 4.A.

The City of Bloomington and the petitioners have made the following allegation: That the proposed Black Dog Amphitheater operation will produce substantial noise that will significantly compromise the quality of life experienced by residents and people using public parks and open spaces in the city of Bloomington. In response, Rose Wild LLC has alleged that the design and operation of the proposed Black Dog Amphitheater will not produce noise pollution to an extent that would constitute a substantial

impact on residents or people using public parks and open spaces in the city of Bloomington. The City of Burnsville, having approved a planned unit development (PUD) for the proposed amphitheater, has alleged that the terms and conditions of the PUD also limit the potential for the design and operation of the proposed amphitheater to cause a substantial noise impact on residents or people using public parks and open spaces in the city of Bloomington.

The parties are preparing and will submit, by November 2, 2001, preliminary statements under *Minnesota Rules* part 5800.0110, subparts 1 and 2. After submittal of the preliminary statements, Council staff will prepare a significance review report as required by *Minnesota Rules* part 5800.0110, subpart 3. These documents will be available for review at the Metropolitan Council's Mears Park Centre Offices by contacting the Metropolitan Council Data Center **phone** at: (651) 602-1140 or **TTY**: (651) 291-0904.

Appearances

ALL PARTIES ARE ADVISED that if a party intends to appear at the hearing scheduled at the time and place indicated above, the Notice of Appearance form enclosed with this order must be completed and returned to the Administrative Law Judge as soon as possible.

FAILURE OF A PARTY TO APPEAR AT PRE-HEARING CONFERENCES, SETTLEMENT CONFERENCES, OR THE HEARING, OR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ANY ORDER OF THE JUDGE, MAY RESULT IN THE ALLEGATIONS MADE AGAINST THAT PARTY IN THIS NOTICE AND ORDER BEING TAKEN AS TRUE OR THE ISSUES SET OUT DEEMED PROVED. If the allegations of the City of Bloomington or of the petitioners are taken as true or deemed proved, the Metropolitan Significance Review Committee may recommend, and the Metropolitan Council may make a final determination, that the proposed project has metropolitan significance and, further, may order up to a 12-month suspension of the project. Alternatively, if the allegations of the City of Burnsville or of Rose Wild LLC are taken as true or deemed proved, the Metropolitan Significance Review Committee may recommend, and the Metropolitan Council may make a final determination, that the proposed project does not have metropolitan significance.

Hearing Procedure

The evidentiary portion of the hearing will be opened by the Judge by reading the title of the case and briefly stating the facts as alleged in this notice. The Judge will explain the procedural rules for the hearing. The parties may make opening statements and will present their evidence and witnesses in the order determined by the Judge. All evidentiary testimony shall be given under oath or affirmation. After all parties have been heard, each party will have the opportunity to present final argument. The Judge may require final argument to be in the form of written memoranda or oral argument, or both. After final argument, the hearing will be closed. The Judge will explain the procedure to be followed for the public comment portion of the public hearing at the time that portion is convened.

Parties attending the hearing should bring all evidence bearing on the case including any records or other documents, and witnesses needed to support their position. Subpoenas may be available to compel the attendance of witness or the production of documents pursuant to *Minnesota Rules* part 1400.7000.

Representation of Parties

Each party is entitled to be represented in this proceeding by legal counsel, by themselves, or by a person of their choice who is not otherwise prohibited from the unauthorized practice of law. Parties and their counsel are advised that the Office of Administrative Hearings conducts proceedings in accordance with the *Minnesota Rules* of Professional Conduct and the Professionalism Aspirations adopted by the Minnesota State Bar Association.

Public Data

All parts of the hearing will be open to the public. Under the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, the Metropolitan Council is required to keep certain data not public. Parties must advise the judge if not public data is being offered into the record. All not public data which is admitted into evidence may become public unless a party objects and asks for relief under *Minnesota Statutes* section 14.60, subdivision 2.

Accommodations for Persons with Disabilities

Upon request, the Council will provide reasonable accommodations to persons with disabilities so that the hearing is accessible. These requests must be received by the Council prior to November 13, 2001, and may be requested by contacting Jim Uttley of the Metropolitan Council staff **phone** at: (651) 602-1361 or **TTY**: (651) 291-0904. A qualified interpreter will be appointed if necessary. If an interpreter is needed, the Administrative Law Judge must be promptly notified.

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Please be advised that these persons cannot provide legal advice to the parties or the general public and that comments must be submitted as described above in order to be part of the public hearing record.

Dated: 26 October 2001

Marc Hugunin, Chair
Metropolitan Significance Review Committee

Minnesota Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience, and Interior Design

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS on Possible Amendment to Rules Governing Land Surveying, *Minnesota Rules*, Chapters 1800.0200, 1800.0400, 1800.0800, 1800.0900, 1800.1600, 1800.2600, 1800.3500, 1800.3600, 1800.3700

Subject of Rules. The Minnesota Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience, and Interior Design requests comments on its possible amendment to rules pertaining generally to all licensees and specifically governing land surveying. The Board is considering rule amendments that will eliminate the requirement for an oral examination for examination candidates, substitute the oral examination requirement with an interview, and simplify and quantify the rules for the licensure of land surveyors.

Persons Affected. The amendment to the rules would likely affect all licensees and specifically pertain to the licensure of land surveyors. The Board does not contemplate appointing an advisory committee to comment on the possible rules.

Statutory Authority. *Minnesota Statutes*, section 326.06, authorizes the Board to “make all rules, not inconsistent with law, needed in performing its duties.”

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on these possible rules in writing or orally until 4:30 p.m. on Friday, January 4, 2002. The Board is preparing a draft of the possible rules amendments. Written or oral 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: Patricia Munkel-Olson at the Minnesota Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience, and Interior Design, 85 East Seventh Place, Suite 160, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101, **phone:** (651) 296-2388, **fax:** (651) 297-5310, and **email:** pat.munkel-olson@state.mn.us. **TTY** users may call the Department at 1-800-627-3529.

Alternative Format. Upon request, this Request for Comments can be made available in an alternative format, such as large print, Braille, or cassette tape. To make such a request, please contact the agency contact person at the address or telephone number listed above.

NOTE: Comments received in response to this notice may not be included in the formal rulemaking record when a proceeding to adopt a rule is started.

Dated: 5 November 2001

William T. Sutherland, PE, Chair
Minnesota Board of Architecture, Engineering,
Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture,
Geoscience, and Interior Design

Department of Health

Public Hearing Regarding the Minnesota Department of Health Application to the Federal Department of Health and Human Services for Federal Fiscal Year 2002 Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant Funding

The Minnesota Department of Health will sponsor a public hearing to obtain comments on the application for federal fiscal year 2002 Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant funds. The draft application for those funds is available for inspection upon request.

The public hearing will be conducted as part of a meeting of the State Preventive Health Advisory Committee held Friday, November 9, 2001 at the St. Paul Ramsey County Public Health Building Library, 555 Cedar Street, St. Paul, MN. The public hearing and meeting will begin at 2:00 p.m. Any person or group may submit either written or oral comments at the meeting.

Written comments may be submitted by Friday, November 9, 2001 to the address below.

For further information contact:

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Department of Natural Resources

Division of Wildlife

Request for Comments on Planned Rules and Rule Amendments Governing Wildlife *Minnesota Rules, Chapters 6230, 6232, 6234, 6236, 6240, and 6242*

Subject of Rule. The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources requests comments on its planned rules and rule amendments governing miscellaneous wildlife matters. The department is considering rules and rule amendments that:

1. modify provisions for some Wildlife Management Areas, State Game Refuges, waterfowl Controlled Hunting Zones, and migratory waterfowl feeding and resting areas;
2. modify procedures for licensing, applications, registration, and tagging for some wildlife game species;
3. modify limits for taking small game mammals by falconry;
4. prescribe restrictions for the all-season buck license;
5. modify open areas for the muzzleloader deer season;
6. modify some deer, bear, moose, and wild turkey quota area descriptions and procedures;
7. modify some furbearer hunting and trapping season dates and bag limits;
8. modify wild turkey hunting zones, shooting hours, and seasons;
9. modify waterfowl shooting hours;
10. modify some goose seasons and open areas;
11. modify requirements for game farm record-keeping and reporting; and
12. make additional changes in the rules to improve consistency of the wildlife regulatory processes.

Persons Affected. The rules may affect persons using some wildlife refuges and controlled hunt zones; falconers; deer, bear, and moose hunters; fisher, pine marten, and bobcat takers; waterfowl hunters; wild turkey hunters, and game farm operators. Individuals or businesses that provide goods and services to hunters and trappers may also be affected.

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Statutory Authority. The adoption of the proposed rules is authorized by *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 97A.091, subd. 2; 97A.092; 97A.105, subd. 9; 97A.137; 97A.441; 97A.475; 97A.485; 97A.535; 97B.301; 97B.305; 97B.311; 97B.312; 97B.405; 97B.411; 97B.711; 97B.723; 97B.731; and 97B.803.

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on these possible rules in writing, by email, or orally until **4:30 p.m. on January 4, 2002**. The Department does not contemplate appointing an advisory committee to comment on the possible rules. Direct communication with interested and affected parties, public news releases, and communication via the DNR website will be used to provide input for the possible rules.

Rules Drafts. The department has not yet prepared a draft of the possible rules.

Agency Contact Person. Written or oral 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:

Ed Boggess
Department of Natural Resources
500 Lafayette Road
St. Paul, Minnesota 55155-4007
Phone: (651) 297-2072 or 1-888-MINNDNR
Fax: (651) 297-4961
Email: ed.boggess@dnr.state.mn.us
DNR Web Site: www.dnr.state.mn.us
TTY users may call the Department of Natural Resources at 1-800-657-3929

Alternative Format: Upon request, this Request for Comments can be made available in an alternative format, such as large print, Braille, or cassette tape. To make such a request, please contact the agency contact person at the address or telephone number listed above.

NOTE: Comments submitted in response to this notice will not necessarily be included in the formal rulemaking record submitted to the administrative law judge when a proceeding to adopt rules is started. The agency is required to submit to the judge only those written comments received in response to the rules after they are proposed.

Dated: 24 October 2001

Allen Garber, Commissioner
Department of Natural Resources

Public Employees Retirement Association

Notice of Meeting of the Board of Trustees

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) will be held on **Thursday, November 8, 2001, at 9:30 a.m.**, in the PERA offices, 60 Empire Drive, Room 117, St. Paul, Minnesota.

A meeting of the Disability Task Force of the Board of Trustees will be held following the Board meeting on November 8, 2001, in the offices of the Association.

Rainy River Energy Corporation – Taconite Harbor

Notice of Acid Rain Program Designated Representative and Alternative Designated Representative

Pursuant to *Code of Federal Regulations* Title 40, Part 72, notice is hereby given that I am the Designated Representative for Rainy River Energy Corporation – Taconite Harbor, an Acid Rain Program affected source. The Alternate Designated Representative is Dennis L. Niemi, Minnesota Power, 30 West Superior Street, Duluth, Minnesota. If there are any questions, please call Dennis L. Niemi **phone** at: (218) 722-2641.

Warren L. Candy
Vice President Generation
Minnesota Power

Minnesota Department of Revenue

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS on Possible Amendment of Rules of the Minnesota Department of Revenue Relating to Cigarette and Tobacco Products Taxes, *Minnesota Rules*, Chapter 8120 and Repeal of Obsolete Provisions

Subject of Rules. The Minnesota Department of Revenue requests comments on its planned amendments to and repeal of rules governing the administration of the Cigarette and Tobacco Products Tax in Chapter 8120 of the *Minnesota Rules*. The Department is considering amendments to those rules which no longer reflect department practice or where terminology has changed, a clarification is needed, or to update citations because the statutes have been recodified and changed since the adoption of the rules. Additionally, the Department is proposing to repeal rules that are obsolete or unnecessary because of administrative or statutory changes.

Persons Affected. The amendment to and repeal of the rules would likely affect cigarette and tobacco products manufacturers, distributors, retailers and consumers.

Statutory Authority. *Minnesota Statutes*, sections 297F.02, subdivision 1, and 270.06 (14) authorizes the Department to adopt rules for the detailed and efficient administration of the cigarette and tobacco products taxes set forth in Chapter 297F of the *Minnesota Statutes*.

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 does not contemplate appointing an advisory committee to comment on the possible rules.

Rules Drafts. The Department does not anticipate that a draft of the rules amendments and repealers will be available before the publication of the proposed rules.

Agency Contact Person. Written comments, questions, requests to receive a draft of the rules and requests for more information on these possible rules should be directed to:

Patrick J. Finnegan, Attorney
Minnesota Department of Revenue
600 North Robert Street
Mail Station 2220
St. Paul, Minnesota 55146-2220
Phone: (651) 296-1904
Fax: (651) 296-8229
Email: pat.finnegan@state.mn.us
TTY users may call the Department at (651) 297-2196

Alternative Format. Upon request, this Request for Comments can be made available in an alternative format, such as large print, Braille, or cassette tape. To make such a request, please contact the agency contact person at the address or telephone number listed above.

NOTE: Comments received in response to this notice may not necessarily be included in the formal rulemaking record submitted to the administrative law judge when a proceeding to adopt rules is started. The agency is required to submit to the judge only those written comments received in response to the rules after they are proposed.

Dated: 26 October 26, 2001

Matt G. Smith, Commissioner
Department of Revenue

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.

Department of Health

Office of Minority and Multicultural Health

Request for Proposals for the Eliminating Health Disparities Initiative Community Grants Program

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) is soliciting proposals for community grants to reduce racial/ethnic health disparities for African Americans/Africans, American Indians, Asian Americans, and Hispanics/Latinos in Minnesota in the following eight health priority areas: breast and cervical cancer, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, HIV/AIDS and sexually transmitted infections, immunizations for adults and children, infant mortality, teen pregnancy prevention, and violence and unintentional injuries.

MDH has \$920,000 available for planning grants for up to 13 months (March 1, 2002 - March 31, 2003) and \$8,650,000 available for implementation grants for a twenty-two month time period (March 1, 2002 - December 31, 2003). Eligible applicants include, but are not limited to, faith-based organizations, social service organizations, community non-profit organizations, community health boards, tribal governments, and community clinics throughout Minnesota.

To be considered for funding, proposals must be received by **4:30 p.m., Monday, December 17, 2001** at the Minnesota Department of Health, 85 East Seventh Place, Suite 400, St. Paul, MN 55101 or mailed to the Minnesota Department of Health, P.O. Box 64882, St. Paul, MN 55164-0882 and **postmarked by December 17, 2001. Late proposals will not be considered.**

A copy of the full Request for Proposals may be obtained at <http://www.health.state.mn.us/> Scroll to "Announcements" and then to "RFPs/Rule Proposals" and click on "Request for Proposals: Eliminating Health Disparities Initiative Community Grants Program."

A copy can also be obtained by contacting:

Fran DesRosier
Office of Minority and Multicultural Health
Minnesota Department of Health
P.O. Box 64882
St. Paul, MN 55164-0882
Phone: (651) 297-5813
Fax: (651) 215-5801
Email: fran.desrosier@state.mn.us

Department of Health

Division of Family Health

Fetal Alcohol Syndrome

Request for Proposals (RFP) for Maternal Alcohol Use and Prenatal Alcohol Exposure Prevention/Intervention Initiative

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH), Center for Health Promotion (CHP) Request for Proposals (RFP) for Maternal Alcohol Use and Prenatal Alcohol Exposure Prevention/Intervention Initiative date for submission, originally Friday, November 2, 2001, has been changed. The new deadline is **4:30 p.m. Friday, November 16, 2001**. To meet the deadline, proposals must:

1. Be hand delivered to the address listed **before 4:30 p.m. on November 16, 2001** or,
2. Have a legible postmark from the U.S. Post Office or a private carrier dated on or **before November 16, 2001**. Postmarks from private, in-office metering machines are not acceptable.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. Please contact Elisabeth Atherly **phone** at: (651) 281-9850.

Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

Request for Proposals Metropolitan Area Homeless Planning and Coordination Grant

The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (MHFA) announces the availability of \$80,000 to promote the development of region-wide planning and coordination of homeless prevention and assistance in the seven-county Twin Cities metropolitan area.

Background and Legislative History

In the mid-1990s, MHFA and all state agencies participating in the Interagency Task Force on Homelessness (ITF) decided to expand and support the infrastructure around the state for planning and coordinating homeless prevention and assistance activities as follows.

- First, the ITF asked each Initiative Fund region in Greater Minnesota to prepare a Continuum of Care Plan as a way of engaging organizations at the local level in planning and overseeing homeless prevention and assistance activities in their area. MHFA, the Department of Children Families and Learning and the Bush Foundation funded this planning. In the Twin Cities metropolitan area, numerous jurisdictions already prepared Continuum of Care Plans pursuant to HUD requirements.

“Continuum of Care” is a term that comes from HUD’s administration of homeless programs. HUD requires every grantee to prepare a Continuum of Care Plan that identifies programs and services available - as well as gaps in programs and services - for homeless households.

- Second, agency members of the ITF agreed to use Continuum of Care Plans when making state funding decisions.

Although these efforts improved statewide planning and coordination on homelessness, the fragmentation of policies and programs in the metropolitan area has become increasingly apparent. Six different grantees prepare six different Continuum of Care plans for six different parts of the region. No regional planning or coordination exists on a problem whose causes and responses require a regional approach. Both the Ramsey County/St. Paul and the Hennepin County/Minneapolis Homeless Task Forces recently recommended better regional coordination and cooperation.

In 2001, MHFA sought and obtained the authority to reallocate state funds to develop region-wide planning and coordination of homeless prevention and assistance in the seven-county Twin Cities metropolitan area in addition to regions in Greater Minnesota. The goals of regional homeless planning and coordination activity is to better avoid duplication of activities; to achieve greater policy consistency across numerous public and private agencies by using regional plans to inform funding decisions; and to better coordinate the numerous sources of state, county, city, and philanthropic funding that go into homeless programs.

Metropolitan Area Homeless Planning and Coordination Grant

The Metropolitan Area Homeless Planning and Coordination Grant require four areas of work to be performed.

1. A report on the six Twin Cities metropolitan area Continuum of Care plans (Hennepin, Ramsey, Dakota, Washington, Anoka, and Scott/Carver Counties). The report must consolidate the inventory of existing facilities that provide housing for homeless persons and persons at risk of homelessness as well as the gaps in facilities and/or services identified in the existing Continuum of Care Plans. The report must analyze patterns and gaps from a regional perspective and identify the most significant missing facilities, services, or coordination efforts necessary for a comprehensive metropolitan-wide system of homeless prevention and assistance.
2. A public process that seeks public comment, reaction, and input on a draft report required in #1 above.
3. Identification of key projects that move towards a more seamless, comprehensive, and shared response to homelessness in the Twin Cities metropolitan area and opportunities for local units of government, state agencies, and service and housing providers to cooperatively implement these projects.
4. Identification and development of recommended strategies for improving regional homeless prevention and assistance planning and coordination of services, including development of a presentation that could be made to local units of government and other audiences about a regional approach to Continuum of Care planning.

Applicant and Application Requirements

Applicants may be an individual, a non-profit or for-profit organization, a public agency, or a collaboration of individuals or organizations. Applicants must demonstrate:

- an understanding of the Continuum of Care planning process,
- a working relationship with county and city staff who work on homelessness issues,

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- a knowledge of the region's emergency shelter system, and
- excellent ability to communicate in writing and in public meetings and hearings.

Applications must describe the applicant's qualifications, a description of how the four areas of work will be accomplished, and a budget for the work.

The report required in tasks #1 and #2 above must be completed by **January 1, 2003** and the **remainder of the grant must be completed by June 30, 2003**.

Submission of Applications

Applications are due in the offices of the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency by **December 28, 2001, no later than 4:00 p.m.**

Applications should be submitted as follows:

Minnesota Housing Finance Agency
Attn: Wende O'Brien
400 Sibley St, Suite 300
St. Paul, MN 55101-1998

Direct questions to Wende O'Brien by **email:** wende.obrien@state.mn.us or by **phone** at: (651) 297-3120. You may also view a copy of this Request for Proposals on the MHFA **website:** www.mhfa.state.mn.us

Minnesota Housing Finance Agency

Request for Proposals on Rental Housing Pilot Program

The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (MHFA) announces the availability of \$80,000 to promote the development of region-wide planning and coordination of homeless prevention and assistance in the seven-county Twin Cities metropolitan area.

Background and Legislative History

In the mid-1990s, MHFA and all state agencies participating in the Interagency Task Force on Homelessness (ITF) decided to expand and support the infrastructure around the state for planning and coordinating homeless prevention and assistance activities as follows.

- First, the ITF asked each Initiative Fund region in Greater Minnesota to prepare a Continuum of Care Plan as a way of engaging organizations at the local level in planning and overseeing homeless prevention and assistance activities in their area. MHFA, the Department of Children Families and Learning and the Bush Foundation funded this planning. In the Twin Cities metropolitan area, numerous jurisdictions already prepared Continuum of Care Plans pursuant to HUD requirements.

"Continuum of Care" is a term that comes from HUD's administration of homeless programs. HUD requires every grantee to prepare a Continuum of Care Plan that identifies programs and services available - as well as gaps in programs and services - for homeless households.

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Although these efforts improved statewide planning and coordination on homelessness, the fragmentation of policies and programs in the metropolitan area has become increasingly apparent. Six different grantees prepare six different Continuum of Care plans for six different parts of the region. No regional planning or coordination exists on a problem whose causes and responses require a regional approach. Both the Ramsey County/St. Paul and the Hennepin County/Minneapolis Homeless Task Forces recently recommended better regional coordination and cooperation.

In 2001, MHFA sought and obtained the authority to reallocate state funds to develop region-wide planning and coordination of homeless prevention and assistance in the seven-county Twin Cities metropolitan area in addition to regions in Greater Minnesota. The goals of regional homeless planning and coordination activity is to better avoid duplication of activities; to achieve greater policy consistency across numerous public and private agencies by using regional plans to inform funding decisions; and to better coordinate the numerous sources of state, county, city, and philanthropic funding that go into homeless programs.

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2. A public process that seeks public comment, reaction, and input on a draft report required in #1 above.
3. Identification of key projects that move towards a more seamless, comprehensive, and shared response to homelessness in the Twin Cities metropolitan area and opportunities for local units of government, state agencies, and service and housing providers to cooperatively implement these projects.
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Applicants may be an individual, a non-profit or for-profit organization, a public agency, or a collaboration of individuals or organizations. Applicants must demonstrate:

- an understanding of the Continuum of Care planning process,
- a working relationship with county and city staff who work on homelessness issues,
- a knowledge of the region's emergency shelter system, and
- excellent ability to communicate in writing and in public meetings and hearings.

Applications must describe the applicant's qualifications, a description of how the four areas of work will be accomplished, and a budget for the work.

The report required in tasks #1 and #2 above must be completed **by January 1, 2003** and the **remainder of the grant must be completed by June 30, 2003**.

Submission of Applications

Applications are due in the offices of the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency by **December 28, 2001, no later than 4:00 p.m.**

Applications should be submitted as follows:

Minnesota Housing Finance Agency
Attn: Wende O'Brien
400 Sibley Street, Suite 300
St. Paul, MN 55101-1998

Direct questions to Wende O'Brien by **email:** wende.obrien@state.mn.us or by **phone:** (651) 297-3120. You may also view a copy of this Request for Proposals on the MHFA **website:** www.mhfa.state.mn.us

Department of Human Services

Request for Proposals (RFP) for Alcohol, Tobacco, and other Drug (ATOD) Abuse Prevention Services

Date Issued: November 5, 2001

Date Due: January 26, 2002

The Chemical Health Division (CHD) of the Minnesota Department of Human Services is requesting proposals for the delivery of chemical dependency prevention services to urban American Indian citizens of Minnesota.

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Proposals must address the following primary prevention services:

1. Develop innovative evidence-based prevention models to reach urban American Indians harmed by alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs.
2. Delay the onset of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs use, abuse, and dependency.
3. Deter individuals from harmful and risky behavior.
4. Develop and make accessible more effective, coordinated intervention services.
5. Initiate new local prevention efforts to reduce underage alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use/abuse.

The funded projects should begin on or about July 1, 2002. Approximately \$1 million are available to fund grantees for two years. Grant funds under this RFP cannot be used to pay for chemical dependency treatment services.

Grants are contingent on the availability of funds. This request for proposal does not obligate the State to complete the proposed project, and reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest. The State will not reimburse for the cost of proposal preparation.

Applicants must submit one (1) original and seven (7) copies of the proposal including two (2) copies of the appendices. You may obtain an electronic version of the grant application form by contacting the Division Secretary at (651) 582-1832. Proposals must be received by the Chemical Health Division no later than: **4:30 p.m. on January 26, 2002**, if hand carried or postmarked **no later than January 24, 2002**, if mailed.

All applications should be submitted to:

Department of Human Services
Chemical Health Division
444 Lafayette Road North
St. Paul, Minnesota 55155-3823
Attention: Donna Isham

If you have any questions regarding this Request for Proposal or to obtain an application, please call the Chemical Health Division at **phone:** (651) 582-1832. Upon request, this information will be made available in an alternative format, such as Braille, large print or audiotape.

State Contracts

Informal Solicitations

Effective December 1, 2001, informal solicitations for all contracting opportunities for professional/technical (consultant) contracts with values estimated to be over \$5,000 and under \$50,000 must be posted on the Department of Administration's, Materials Management Division's web page (www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us).

Formal Requests for Proposals

Department of Administration procedures require that formal notice of any professional/technical (consultant service) contract which has an estimated value over \$50,000 must be printed in the *State Register*. Certain quasi-state agencies and Minnesota State Colleges and Universities institutions are by law exempt from these requirements.

Department of Administration Real Estate Management Division

Antenna Site Applications Accepted

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Department of Administration, Real Estate Management Division, on behalf of the Department of Transportation, is now accepting applications for licenses for private use of antenna sites on certain Mn/DOT-owned radio communications towers statewide.

Requests to use available space on a specific tower(s) will be accepted on a first come first served basis. Fees for using space on Mn/DOT towers will be in accordance with the published rates contained in the information packet provided by the Department of Administration. To obtain an information packet containing a complete list of available towers, a sample License Agreement, and a "Use Request Form" (URF) contact:

Minnesota Department of Administration
Real Estate Management Division
309 Administration Building
50 Sherburne Avenue
St. Paul, MN 55155
Phone: (651) 296-6674
Fax: (651) 215-6245

Department of Administration

Communications Media Division – PrintComm

Request for Proposal for Professional and Technical Services – Graphic Design

Communications Media - PrintComm is required to print a variety of public and state information products. Lack of state capability in some areas of creation and design, a large workload, and the need to meet multiple deadlines require Communications Media - PrintComm to contract with outside entities for professional, technical and graphic design creative services, as needed.

The contract covers consultation, creation, production and delivery of various creative services, as assigned. Vendor provides staff, materials, production facilities and equipment, pick-up, and delivery, as requested.

A Request for Proposal will be available by mail from this office through Wednesday, November 21, 2001. **A written request (by direct mail, fax, or email) is required to receive the Request for Proposal. Faxed and email requests must include followed up with a phone call to the contact listed below to ensure fax or email request was received.** After Wednesday, November 21, 2001, the RFP must be picked up in person. **The RFP will not be faxed or emailed regardless of date.**

The Request for Proposal can be obtained from:

Berry J. Conway
Communication Media Division
Department of Administration
117 University Avenue, Room 124A
St. Paul, MN 55155
Phone: (651) 296-9886
Fax: (651) 296-2265
Email: berry.conway@state.mn.us

This is the only employee authorized to answer questions regarding this proposals.

Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this advertisement must be received at the address above no later than **4:00 p.m., on Friday, December 7, 2001. Late proposals will not be considered. Fax or emailed proposals will not be considered.**

This request for proposal does not obligate the state to complete the project and the state reserves the right to cancel this solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

Minnesota Statute 15.091

In conjunction with the public notice of this contract, notice of this contract will be provided to the Human Resources offices of all *Minnesota Statute 15.091* agencies and the Higher Education Board. Due consideration will be given to any responding employee when the responses to the Request for Proposal are evaluated.

Department of Administration

Real Estate Management Division

Notice of Updated Terms and Conditions for Sale of State Property

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Department of Administration is offering for sale by sealed bid a 25-building campus with 245 acres located in and adjacent to Sauk Centre, Minnesota under updated terms and conditions.

For more information including bid terms and conditions, visit the **website:** www.mainserver.state.mn.us/rem, send an **email to:** wayne.waslaski@state.mn.us, or call Wayne at (651) 296-2278.

Bids are due **no later than 10:00 a.m., CST on Wednesday, November 21, 2001.**

Minnesota State Arts Board

Public Notice of Request for Proposals for Statewide Audience Development Initiative (SADI) Evaluation and Assessment Contract

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota State Arts Board is soliciting proposals from firms or individuals to conduct a comprehensive five-year program evaluation and assessment of the Statewide Audience Development Initiative (SADI).

Purpose: SADI is a comprehensive five-year project designed to enhance and expand audience development practices of Minnesota arts organizations through intensive leadership training, project grants, and evaluation. The project is funded by a grant from the Wallace-Reader's Digest Funds. Successful candidates will have excellent written and communications ability, demonstrated experience evaluating nonprofit institutions, familiarity with Minnesota arts organizations, diverse audiences and artists of color, and a knowledge of rural and greater urban Minnesota communities.

Contract Dates: The services will be provided under a contract for the period **beginning January 2, 2002 and ending on or before December 31, 2006.**

Disclaimer: This request does not obligate the Minnesota State Arts Board to complete the work contemplated in this notice and Request for Proposal (RFP). The Arts Board reserves the right to cancel this solicitation and reissue the RFP.

Individuals or organizations that are grant recipients of the Minnesota State Arts Board or the Regional Arts Councils are not eligible to be awarded this contract.

The Arts Board has estimated that the cost of this contract should not exceed \$180,000.

For More Information or to Receive a Copy of the RFP: Call Karen Mueller, Senior Program Officer, at **phone:** (651) 215-1600 or 1-800-866-2787 or **TTY:** (651) 215-6235.

Deadline Date: Completed proposal must be **received** in the office of the Minnesota State Arts Board by **4:30 p.m., November 30, 2001.** Late proposals will not be accepted.

Submittal Address: Karen Mueller, Sr. Program Officer, Minnesota State Arts Board, 400 Sibley Street, Suite 200, St. Paul, MN 55101.

Minnesota Historical Society

Request for Proposals for Professional Architectural and Engineering Services for Exterior Preservation of the William G. LeDuc House Historic Site Hastings, Minnesota

Project Overview

The Minnesota Historical Society seeks to contract for architectural and engineering services to develop design and construction documents and perform construction administration/observation services for the exterior preservation of the LeDuc house, an 1865 structure located in Hastings, Minnesota. Work will be limited to the main house and will include: repair/replacement of window

frames, sashes and storm windows, and doors and screen doors; weather-stripping of doors and windows; miscellaneous carpentry repairs, including repair of all causally related rot or decay; painting and refinishing of all wood elements; repair, repositioning or replacement of gutters, downspouts, and splash blocks; and minor roof and masonry repairs and miscellaneous repointing.

The LeDuc house is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Proposed designs must use a preservation treatment approach and apply solutions that favor sustaining the existing form, integrity, and materials of the historic building.

The entire project, including construction, is to be complete by Fall 2002.

A mandatory pre-proposal meeting will be held **Monday, November 12th, 2001 at 1:00 p.m., at the LeDuc House**. The Request for Bids, including attachments, is available by calling at (651) 297-5863, **email:** chris.bonnell@mnhs.org or writing:

Chris M. Bonnell, Contracting Officer
Minnesota Historical Society
345 Kellogg Boulevard West
St. Paul, MN 55102

The deadline for receipt of proposals is **2:00 p.m.**, (central standard time) **Tuesday, November 20th, 2001**. **Late proposals will not be accepted.**

Department of Public Safety

Office of Traffic Safety

Notice of Request for Proposals for Law Enforcement Liaisons

The Minnesota Department of Public Safety is seeking proposals for at least one peace officer (may be retired) to act as a liaison between the Office of Traffic Safety and the law enforcement community in northern Minnesota on federally funded traffic safety programs. Details are contained in a Request for Proposals which may be obtained free of charge by calling or writing, contact:

Susan J. Palmer
Department of Public Safety
Office of Traffic Safety
444 Cedar Street, Suite 150
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-5150
Phone: (651) 296-8512
TTY: (651) 297-2100
Email: susie.palmer@state.mn.us

This is the only person designated to answer questions regarding this request for proposals. Estimated cost of the contract for a nine month period between January 1, 2002 and September 30, 2002 is \$49,800.00. Final date for submitting proposals is **Friday, November 30, 2001 by 2:00 p.m.** The Department of Public Safety will retain an option to extend the contract for one additional one-year period. The value of the contract for a subsequent year may be adjusted.

Department of Revenue

Request for Proposals to Design, Develop and Deliver a Method for Producing a Tax Gap Estimate for the Minnesota Department of Revenue

The Department of Revenue is seeking to contract for professional services to design, develop and deliver a new method for estimating the tax gap in Minnesota. A tax gap is defined as the amount of tax owed for a given year but not voluntarily paid by individual and business non-filers and under-reporters. A tax gap may also be the result of mathematical and/or computation errors. Measuring the tax gap is needed to evaluate the impact of the Department's tax collection and enforcement activities and state tax policies on compliance.

The contractor will select a statistical sample of the population for both individual income and business taxes to be studied, then design and develop a conceptual research design for estimating the tax gap in Minnesota. To obtain a tax gap estimate it may be necessary for the contractor to develop more than one research design for individual income taxes and business taxes.

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The contractor will provide a method and associated costs for estimating the tax gap by using three different confidence levels and make recommendations on how to incorporate the tax gap research into the Department's business operations on an on-going basis.

The project must be completed by July 22, 2002.

A complete paper copy of the Request for Proposals may be obtained from:

Larry Collette, Director
Minnesota Department of Revenue
600 North Robert Street
Mail Station 1400
St. Paul, MN 55146-1400
Fax: (651) 282-2423
Email: dor.rfp@state.mn.us

Please refer to this notice in your written request. In your request include your complete street mailing address, email address, phone number and fax number.

Copies of the RFP are available on paper only.

All responses to the RFP are due **no later than 2:00 p.m., on December 11, 2001**, in the manner specified in the RFP document.

Late responses will not be considered.

Non-State 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 project and tasks; 4) cost estimate; and 5) final submission date of completed contract proposal. Allow at least three weeks from publication date (four weeks from date article is submitted for publication). Surveys show that subscribers are interested in hearing about contracts for estimates as low as \$1,000. Contact the editor for further details.

Metropolitan Airports Commission

Notice of Request for Creation of Replacement Wetland for Use at the Anoka County – Blaine Airport

The Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) is soliciting requests for proposals for the Creation of Replacement Wetland for use at the Anoka County – Blaine Airport in Anoka County, Minnesota.

Proposers must be able to demonstrate: 1) an experienced history and reputation for quality wetland development; 2) a record in satisfying regulatory agency wetland requirements; 3) a policy for ongoing maintenance and monitoring of wetland site, 4) location and control over property rights on which the replacement and/or credits exist; 5) an ability to develop both New Wetland Credit and Public Value Credit; 6) other requirements outlined in RFP. Submittals for this opportunity are due to MAC on December 17, 2001.

For a copy of the RFP, contact Bridget Rief, P.E., Airside Project Manager, 6040 - 28th Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55450, **phone:** (612) 725-8371.

Metropolitan Council

Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP)



RFP No. 01P120

The Metropolitan Council is requesting engineering services proposals for the Rosemount Interceptor Project. This project will include an amendment of a Facility Plan, design and preparation of bidding documents, and construction support services. The Project will start at the Rosemount wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) and end at the MSB 7111 interceptor beginning located in Inver Grove Heights. Approximately 7 miles of interceptor will be open cut or tunneled, with a potential lift station depending on design completion. The following is the proposed schedule:

<i>RFP Release Date</i>	Estimated: November 9, 2001
<i>Proposals Due</i>	December 10, 2001
<i>Evaluate and Rank Proposals</i>	December 20, 2001
<i>Metropolitan Council authorization</i>	January 16, 2002
<i>Contract negotiated, executed, NTP</i>	January 25, 2002

All firms interested in being considered for this project and desiring to receive a RFP package are invited to submit a Letter of Interest with point of contact, name, title, company, phone, fax, mobile, e-mail information to:

Amanda Petersen, Administrative Assistant, Contracts and Procurement Unit
Metropolitan Council Environmental Services
230 East Fifth Street
Mears Park Centre
St. Paul, MN 55101
Phone: (651) 602-1585
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Email: amanda.petersen@metc.state.mn.us

Minnesota Statutes, Sections 473.144 and 363.073, and *Minnesota Rules*, Parts 5000.3400 to 5000.3600 will be incorporated into any contract based upon the Proposal or any modifications to it. If a contract for the project is awarded in excess of \$100,000, the requirements of *Minnesota Rules* 5000.3530 will be applicable.

Prime West Health System

Request for Proposals for Dental Administrative Services

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Counties of Big Stone, Douglas, Grant, McLeod, Meeker, Pipestone, Pope, Renville, Stevens and Traverse are, as a Joint Powers organization, soliciting proposals from dental administrative service organizations to provide administrative services on a contractual basis to support the dental component of a program designed to provide prepaid care services to the eligible Medical Assistance and General Assistance Medical Care populations. This program is being developed under the authority of *Minnesota Statutes*, Chapter 256B.692 ("county-based purchasing").

The counties participating in this Joint Powers County-based purchasing program seek a vendor to provide specific dental administrative and management functions in compliance with applicable federal, state and local laws, including: claims processing, information management, reporting claims and quality data, customer complaints and appeals, customer and provider inquiries, and network development and maintenance. Other services that may be negotiated include: utilization management and prior authorization activities. The 10-county enrollee base is 9,000 to 12,000 persons. Care delivery is scheduled to begin July 2002 with enrollment to start three months prior.

Proposals with bids are due **by November 21, 2001**. A decision regarding the proposals will be made by December 1, 2001. Interested parties are requested to submit a proposal and bid on a Per Member Per Month (PMPM) rate for the projected cost of delivering the requested services (or to make requests for the complete Request for Proposals document) to:

Non-State Contracts & Grants

Jim Przybilla, CEO
PrimeWest Health System
305 8th Avenue West
Douglas County Court House
Alexandria, MN 56308
Phone: (320) 762-2911
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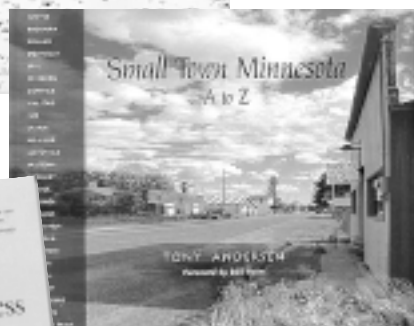
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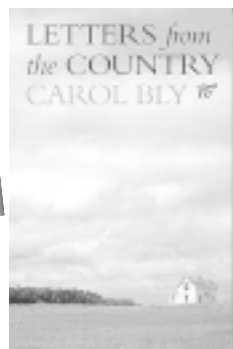
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