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Department of Natural Resources
Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules: Designated Special Management Waters

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above entitled rules have been adopted through the process prescribed by Minnesota Statutes, section 84.027, subdivision 13 (b). The statutory authority for the contents of the rule is Minnesota Statutes, Sections 97A.045, subdivision 2.

The emergency conditions that do not allow compliance with Minnesota Statutes, sections 97A.0451 to 97A.0459, are as follows.

- The Department of Natural Resources recently evaluated the sauger population and continues to feel that it does not need to be included in the protected slot.
- Removal of sauger from the protected size limit would have a beneficial effect on the business community in the Lake of the Woods and Rainy River area without damage to the resource.
- Currently the rules are found in two different subparts. It has been brought to our attention that in doing it this way it was not clear that the water bodies were to be managed as one system. By combining the two subparts, it will clarify that they are one system and that the walleye aggregate for the two water bodies is four and allows us to meet safe harvest allocations.

This rule change will be incorporated into a permanent rule that is in process but will not be done in time for the upcoming winter season.

Dated: July 21, 2006

Gene Merriam
Commissioner of Natural Resources

6264.0400 DESIGNATED SPECIAL MANAGEMENT WATERS.

[For text of subps 2 to 32, see M.R.]

Subp. 33. Lake of the Woods and Rainy River; walleye and sauger.

A. Notwithstanding part 6266.0700, subpart 2, item A, the seasons and possession limits for walleye and sauger in the aggregate as specified in this subpart apply to the specified portions of Lake of the Woods and Rainy River. Except as further restricted in item D, a
person may have only four walleye from these water bodies in possession regardless of whether they are taken from Lake of the Woods or Rainy River.

B. From the Saturday two weeks prior to the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend to November 30, the daily and possession limits for Lake of the Woods are as follows: six in the aggregate, of which not more than four may be walleye and not more than one walleye over 28.0 inches. All walleye and sauger in possession must be less than 19.5 inches in length or greater than 28.0 inches in length. All walleye and sauger that are 19.5 to 28.0 inches in length, inclusive, must be immediately returned to the water.

C. Except as provided in item D, from December 1 to April 14, the daily and possession limits for Lake of the Woods are as follows: eight in the aggregate, of which not more than four may be walleye and not more than one walleye over 28.0 inches. All walleye and sauger in possession must be less than 19.5 inches in length or greater than 28.0 inches in length. All walleye and sauger that are 19.5 to 28.0 inches in length, inclusive, must be immediately returned to the water.

D. From March 1 to April 14, the daily and possession limits for Four Mile Bay of Lake of the Woods and Rainy River are as follows: two in the aggregate. All walleye and sauger in possession must be less than 19.5 inches in length. All walleye and sauger that are 19.5 inches in length or greater must be immediately returned to the water.

E. From the Saturday two weeks prior to the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend to the last day in February, the daily and possession limits for Rainy River are as follows: six in the aggregate and not more than one walleye over 28.0 inches. All walleye in possession must be less than 19.5 inches in length or greater than 28.0 inches in length. All walleye that are 19.5 to 28.0 inches in length, inclusive, must be immediately returned to the water.

The emergency conditions that do not allow compliance with Minnesota Statutes, sections 97A.0451 to 97A.0459, are that data on deer populations necessary to establish special hunts, including youth hunts and Camp Ripley, are not available until May. Additionally, hunt cooperators have not determined their participation plans or recommended hunt dates until May. The special youth deer season in northwestern Minnesota was authorized by Laws of Minnesota for 2004, Chapter 215, Section 36.

Dated: July 18, 2006

Gene Merriam
Commissioner of Natural Resources

Subp. 34. See repealer.

[For text of subps 35 to 59, see M.R.

REPEALER. Minnesota Rules, part 6264.0400, subpart 34, is repealed. The expedited emergency amendments to Minnesota Rules, part 6264.0400, subparts 33 and 34, published in the State Register, volume 29, page 851, January 18, 2005, are repealed.

Department of Natural Resources

Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules: 2006 Camp Ripley Archery Deer Hunt Quota; 2006 Youth Deer Hunts and Seasons

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above entitled rules have been adopted through the process prescribed by Minnesota Statutes, section 84.027, subdivision 13 (b). The statutory authority for the contents of the rules is Minnesota Statutes, sections 97A.091, 97A.401, subd. 4, 97B.112, 97B.305, 97B.311; and Laws of Minnesota for 2004, Chapter 215, section 36.

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Dated: July 18, 2006

Gene Merriam
Commissioner of Natural Resources
6232.0900 CAMP RIPLEY ARCHERY HUNT.

[For text of subps 1 and 2, see M.R.]

Subp. 3. Antlerless deer and legal bucks. In 2006, Camp Ripley is open for the taking of antlerless deer and legal bucks. Not more than 2,500 permits shall be issued for each two-day hunting period.

Subp. 4. Bag limits. The bag limit for the Camp Ripley archery hunt is two deer. Hunters may use bonus permits or the antlerless portion of their all-season license to take an antlerless deer and may take a deer of either sex on their regular license. Only one legal buck may be taken during this hunt.

6232.2550 YOUTH SPECIAL DEER HUNTS.

[For text of subps 1 and 2, see M.R.]

Subp. 3. Open areas. The youth special hunt areas described in items A to I are open by permit during the 2006 season.

A. Camp Ripley youth archery special deer hunt. Camp Ripley Military Refuge in Morrison County is open for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks using bow and arrow October 6 to October 8. No more than 150 permits shall be issued to youth hunters. The Minnesota Deer Hunters Association and Minnesota State Archery Association are the sponsoring nonprofit organizations. Permits shall be provided maps of open hunting areas and may not enter closed areas except as specifically authorized. One bonus permit may be used, but a hunter may not take more than one deer.

B. Arden Hills Army Training Site youth archery special deer hunt. Arden Hills Army Training Site in Ramsey County is open for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks using bow and arrow. No more than 30 permits shall be issued to youth hunters for each of two hunts, October 19 and 20 and October 21 and 22. The Minnesota Deer Hunters Association and Minnesota State Archery Association are the sponsoring nonprofit organizations. One bonus permit may be used, but a hunter may not take more than one deer.

C. Whitewater State Game Refuge youth firearms and archery special deer hunt. Whitewater State Game Refuge in Winona County is open October 19 to October 22 for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks using any legal firearm or bow and arrow. Hunters using archery equipment must comply with blaze orange and youth firearms age requirements. No more than 50 permits shall be issued to youth hunters. Bluffland Whitetails Association and the Minnesota Deer Hunters Association are the sponsoring nonprofit organizations. One bonus permit may be used, but a hunter may not take more than one deer.

D. Rydell National Wildlife Refuge youth firearms special deer hunt. Rydell National Wildlife Refuge in Polk County is open October 21 and October 22 for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks. No more than 20 permits shall be issued to youth hunters. The Friends of the Rydell National Wildlife Refuge is the sponsoring nonprofit organization. One bonus permit may be used, but a hunter may not take more than one deer.

E. Lake Bemidji State Park youth firearms special deer hunt. Portions of Lake Bemidji State Park in Beltrami County are open October 21 and October 22 for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks. No more than 25 permits shall be issued to youth hunters. The Minnesota Deer Hunters Association is the sponsoring nonprofit organization. Up to four bonus permits may be used and hunters may take up to five deer.

F. St. Croix State Park youth firearms special deer hunt. Portions of St. Croix State Park in Pine County are open October 28 and October 29 for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks. No more than 100 permits shall be issued to youth hunters. The Minnesota Deer Hunters Association is the sponsoring nonprofit organization. One bonus permit may be used, but a hunter may not take more than one deer.

G. Lake Alexander Preserve youth archery special deer hunt. The Nature Conservancy Lake Alexander Preserve in Morrison County is open October 6 to October 8 for taking antlerless deer and legal bucks. No more than 20 permits shall be issued to youth hunters. The Nature Conservancy, Minnesota State Archery Association, and the Minnesota Deer Hunters Association are the sponsoring nonprofit organizations. One bonus permit may be used, but a hunter may not take more than one deer.

H. Savanna Portage State Park youth firearms special deer hunt. Portions of Savanna Portage State Park in Aitkin County are open for taking deer by legal firearms October 28 and October 29. No more than 15 permits shall be issued to youth hunters. The Minnesota Deer Hunters Association is the sponsoring nonprofit. One bonus permit may be used, but a hunter may not take more than one deer.

6232.2560 YOUTH SPECIAL DEER SEASONS.

Subpart 1. Requirements. A youth participating in a youth special deer season must obtain a license for taking deer by firearms, valid in any zone or season option, by the beginning date of the special season. A youth special season participant may take one deer, which must be antlerless. One bonus permit may be used. An adult mentor age 18 or older authorized by the youth’s parent or guardian must accompany the youth hunter at all times during the hunt. The accompanying adult may not hunt. Party hunting is not allowed. The blaze orange requirements in Minnesota Statutes, section 97B.071, paragraph (a), apply to all hunters and trappers and all adult mentors of youth hunters in the areas open to firearms deer hunting during the youth special deer seasons established in this part.

Subp. 2. Open areas. Open areas and dates for youth special deer seasons shall be established annually by the commissioner. For 2006, Kittson, Lake of the Woods, Marshall, Pennington, and Roseau Counties are open October 21 and October 22 for taking antlerless deer by...
firearms for youth who are at least age 12 and under age 15 at the time of the hunt. One bonus permit may be used, but a hunter may not take more than one deer.

EFFECTIVE PERIOD. The emergency amendments to Minnesota Rules, parts 6232.0900 and 6232.2550, expire December 31, 2006. After the emergency amendments expire, the permanent rules as they read prior to those amendments again take effect, except as they may be amended by permanent rule. Minnesota Rules, part 6232.2560, expires December 31, 2006.

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Office of the Governor
Emergency Executive Order # 06-11: Declaring a State of Emergency in the State of Minnesota

I, TIM PAWLENTY, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

WHEREAS, drought conditions have affected significant portions of Minnesota since early May and last month was the hottest July in 70 years; and

WHEREAS, the Governor and other state officials have toured portions of the affected areas and discussed emergency preparation and coordination of relief efforts for the affected areas; and

WHEREAS, on August 7, 2006 the Farm Service Agency’s State Emergency Board met to review information about the effects of the drought conditions in Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, on August 8, 2006, the Governor requested that the United States Department of Agriculture declare 36 Minnesota counties as agriculture disaster areas due to persistent drought conditions; and

WHEREAS, in areas of the State drought conditions have caused a significant reduction or loss of traditional surface watering sources for livestock; and

WHEREAS, the loss of these traditional surface watering sources creates an immediate need to provide alternative sources of water to livestock producers in order to avoid potential catastrophic harm to livestock; and

WHEREAS, grants related to livestock watering systems have been available under a federally funded program but the funds from this program have already been obligated; and
WHEREAS, on August 9, 2006 the Board of Soil and Water Resources (“Board”) adopted a resolution recommending that the Governor and Executive Council approve an amendment to the administrative rules for the Minnesota Cost Share Program allowing the Board and the local Soil and Water Conservation Districts (“Districts”) to provide grants to livestock producers to allow for alternative watering systems and implement prescribed grazing or nutrient management plans for livestock.

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby order that:

1. Livestock producers in proposed federally declared disaster counties, or livestock producers in any District declared as drought impacted by resolution of the District will be allowed to apply to the Board and the Districts for grants under the Minnesota Cost Share Program, Minnesota Statutes, Section 103C.501, for the purpose of providing alternative watering systems and implementing prescribed grazing or nutrient management plans for livestock producers.

2. As recommended by the Board, the Board’s administrative rule, Minnesota Rules 8400.0300 and the Board’s Administrative Guidelines are, for the duration of the peacetime emergency, amended to include as eligible practices those practices determined by the Board to be related to the provision of alternative watering systems for livestock producers including but not limited to: well drilling, pipelines, watering facilities, portable pumps, fencing, watering pond restorations, and fabricated shelterbelts. As a condition of receiving Cost Share Program funds, livestock producers must agree to have a prescribed grazing or nutrient management plan approved by September 1, 2007.

3. As recommended by the Board, USDA NRCS practice standards and specifications, or “generally recognized industry standards and specifications” will apply and Districts will be eligible to receive 10% of Program funds spent on practices for their technical and administrative costs.

4. Pursuant to this Order, the Board is permitted to process applications received by the Board or a District during the effective period of the peacetime emergency.

5. Any other administrative rules of the Board that would preclude processing of applications and the awarding of grants pursuant to this Order are also suspended.

6. The Board has identified $500,000 as currently available for purposes of providing Cost Share grants to livestock producers pursuant to this Order. If additional funds become available to the Cost Share Program, the Board may also use those additional funds to provide grants pursuant to this Order.

7. The Board will distribute this Order to all Districts and work with the Districts the Commissioner of Agriculture and other state, federal and local governments and organizations to inform livestock producers of the availability of assistance and the terms of this Order.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 4.035, Subdivision 2, this Emergency Executive Order is effective immediately and will remain in effect pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 12.31 Subdivision 2. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 12.32, the amendment of rules and terms of this Order are effective upon their adoption by the Executive Council and filing with the Secretary of State. The peacetime emergency and terms of this Order can be extended 30 days by the Executive Council or the Legislature in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 2005, Section 12.31, Subdivision 2.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand this 9th day of August, 2006.

Signed: TIM PAWLENTY
Governor

Filed According to Law:

Signed: MARY KIFFMEYER
Secretary of State

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WHEREAS, severe drought conditions in portions of Minnesota are causing significant hardship on farmers and livestock producers; and

WHEREAS, in response to the imminent and potentially catastrophic harm to livestock caused by the severe drought conditions, the Governor declared a peacetime emergency and proposed amendment to the administrative rules relating to the Board of Soil and Water Resources (“Board”) to allow the Board and the local Soil and Water Conservation Districts to provide Cost-Share grants to livestock producers for providing alternative watering systems; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 13.32, orders and rules issued by the Governor during a peacetime emergency must be approved by the Executive Council to have the force and effect of law; and

WHEREAS, the nature of the emergency conditions and the procedures necessary for providing relief to livestock producers will continue for more than five days and it is, therefore, necessary for the Executive Council to extend the state of emergency pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 12.31, Subdivision 2.

RESOLVED, by the Executive Council of the State of Minnesota, at its meeting on August 9, 2006:

1. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 12.32, the Governor’s amendments of the administrative rules for the Board and terms for providing assistance to livestock producers as set forth in Executive Order 06-11 are adopted.

2. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 12.31, subdivision 2, declared by Executive Order 06-11 is extended for 30 days from the date of this resolution.

Dana B. Badgerow, Executive Secretary
State Executive Council

Filed According to Law

MARY KIFFMEYER
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.

Department of Employment and Economic Development

Biotechnology and Health Science Industry Zone (Bioscience Zone)

The MN Department of Employment and Economic Development will be accepting applications for the Biotechnology and Health Science Industry Zone (Bioscience Zone) Program beginning Tuesday, September 1, 2006 and must be received by close of business on Monday, October 15, 2006. Zone designation will be made prior to December 31, 2006.

2006 MN Legislative Session Chapter 276 authorized DEED to re-open the process for additional communities to apply to have development properties designated as a Bioscience Zone and therefore becoming eligible for any future funding provided by the Legislature for the program. DEED will work in collaboration with the Minnesota Department of Revenue and the Office of Strategic and Long Range Planning, to designate one or more Biotechnology and Health Sciences Industry Zones (Bioscience Zones). Each Zone may not exceed 5,000 acres but may include one or more non-contiguous Sub-zones and multiple properties.

The purpose of the Biotechnology and Health Science Industry Zone (Bioscience Zone) Program is to keep or enhance jobs in the area, increase the future tax base, or to expand or create new economic development through the growth of new bioscience businesses and organizations. At this time, the program is not funded and no tax credits are available for distribution to companies. If at some future date the MN Legislature appropriates funds for Bioscience Zone tax credits, newly designated zones and zones designated in 2004 would be eligible to access the tax credits for business development activities.

Eligible applicants include statutory or home rule charter cities, counties, towns, school districts, or joint powers boards established under Minnesota Statutes §471.59. Local units of government are strongly encouraged to work together to submit a joint application that links one or more higher education research institution(s) with one or more biotechnology and health sciences industry facility(ies) and that demonstrates the need and likelihood success of the proposed Zone.

Application process:

One or more Bioscience Zone may be designated in a competitive review process based on statutory criteria demonstrating the need for the zone and likely success of the zone.

A. Zone Need Criteria:

1. The extent to which land in proximity to a significant scientific research institution could be developed as a higher and better use for biotechnology and health sciences industry facilities;
2. The amount of property in or near the proposed Zone that is deteriorated or underutilized; and
3. The extent to which property in the area would remain underdeveloped or non-performing due to physical characteristics;

B. Zone Success Criteria:

1. A viable link between a higher education/research institution, the biotechnology and/or medical devices business sectors, and one or more units of local government with a development plan;
2. The extent to which the area has substantial real property with adequate infrastructure and energy to support new or expanded development;
3. The strength and viability of the proposed development plan’s goals, objectives, and strategies;
4. Whether the development plan is creative and innovative in comparison to other applications;
5. Local public and private commitment to development of a biotechnology and health sciences industry facility or facilities in the proposed zone and the potential cooperation of surrounding communities;
6. Existing resources available to the proposed zone;
7. How the designation of the zone will relate to other economic and community development projects and to regional initiatives or programs;
8. How the regulatory burden will be eased for biotechnology and health sciences industry facilities located in the proposed zone;
9. Proposals to establish and link job creation and job training in the biotechnology and health sciences industry with research/educational institutions; and
10. The extent to which the development is directed at encouraging, and that designation of the zone is likely to result in, the creation of high-paying jobs.

C. The Development Plan:
Minnesota Statute, 469.331 requires that an application for zone designation contain a development plan. The development plan must include both need and success indicators listed above as well as the following materials:

1. A map(s) of the proposed Zone that indicates:
   a. The geographic boundaries of the Zone,
   b. The total area, and
   c. The present use and conditions generally of the land and structures within those boundaries;
   d. Property Identification Numbers (PIN) for each parcel within the zone.

2. Evidence of local public and private commitment and support;
3. A description of the methods proposed to increase economic opportunity and expansion, facilitate infrastructure improvement, reduce the local regulatory burden, and identify job-training opportunities;
4. Current social, economic, and demographic characteristics of the proposed Zone and anticipated improvements in education, health, human services, and employment if the Zone is created;
5. A description of anticipated activity in the Zone and each Sub-zone, including, but not limited to, industrial use and industrial site reuse; and
6. A description of the tax exemptions under Minnesota Statutes, 469.336 to be provided to each qualifying business based on a development agreement between the applicant and each qualified business. The development agreement must also state any obligations the qualified business must fulfill in order to be eligible for tax benefits.

For more information please contact: Gene Goddard at 651-296-7102 or at gene.goddard@state.mn.us. Completed applications must be submitted by the close of business on Monday, October 15, 2006 to MN Dept. of Employment and Economic Development, 1st National Bank Building, Suite E200, 332 Minnesota Street, St. Paul, MN 55101-1351.

Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED)
Minnesota State Rehabilitation Council (SRC)
Duluth Public Forum Announced on Employment Services for Persons with Disabilities

The Minnesota State Rehabilitation Council (SRC) and the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) will sponsor a public forum on employment services for Minnesotans with disabilities. The forum, Creating Futures - Charting Our Course, will be held in Duluth on Wednesday, September 27, 2006, at the Downtown Holiday Inn, 200 West 1st Street, Duluth, MN 55802, from 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. The public is invited to address council members and the DEED Director of Rehabilitation Services on any topic concerning the employment of persons with disabilities in Minnesota.

During the morning, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., the SRC will conduct a business meeting followed by a session with Duluth and Northern Minnesota-based Rehabilitation Counselors that will include a discussion about vocational rehabilitation needs in urban and rural areas of the state. Both morning and afternoon sessions are open to the public.

Public comment is invited on the school-to-work transition needs of young adults, how services to minority populations can be improved, the needs of persons with specific disabilities, changes to the state's vocational rehabilitation policies, satisfaction with vocational rehabilitation services, and the strategic direction of Minnesota’s Vocational Rehabilitation Program.

A.S.L interpreters and real-time captioning will be present throughout the day. To request other accommodations or a language interpreter, call Gail Lundeen by September 13, 2006 at (651) 296-5629, Toll Free 1-(800)-328-9095, or TTY 1-(800)-657-3973. Speech-to-speech telephone re-voice: 1-(877)-627-3848.
Minnesota Environmental Quality Board (EQB)
REQUEST FOR COMMENTS on Proposed Amendments to Rules Governing the Environmental Review Program, Minnesota Rules, chapter 4410

Subject of Rules. The Minnesota Environmental Quality Board (EQB) is considering making revisions to the existing rules governing the Environmental Review Program. These are the rules under which Environmental Assessment Worksheets (EAWs), Environmental Impact Statements (EISs), and other environmental review documents are prepared. This possible rulemaking is being referred to as “Phase 2” amendments to the Environmental Review program rules to distinguish it from previous “Phase 1” rulemaking. The EQB adopted Phase 1 amendments at its June 15, 2006 meeting.

The EQB has identified about a dozen rule provisions that will be considered for amendment as part of the Phase 2 rulemaking. Those provisions are listed in the document described under “Rule Drafts” below. Included are new mandatory EAW and EIS categories specific to developments in shoreland areas. Also included are several amendments to the Alternative Urban Areawide Review process proposed but later withdrawn in Phase 1 rulemaking, as well as amendments clarifying how “cumulative potential effects” are to be accounted for in determining if a discretionary EIS is required for a project and several clarifications to the citizens’ petition process.

Persons Affected. The proposed amendments may specifically affect project developers, local units of government and state agencies, citizens groups, and environmental groups. However, changes to the rules governing the Environmental Review Program may directly or indirectly affect all citizens of the state.

Statutory Authority. Minnesota Statutes, sections 116D.04 & 116D.045, establish the Environmental Review Program and authorize the EQB to adopt administrative rules governing its operation.

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on possible rule amendments in writing or orally until 4:30 p.m. on Monday, October 16, 2006.

Rule Drafts. A description of the amendments being considered by EQB is available at the EQB website, www.eqb.state.mn.us, and from the EQB contact person noted below.

Agency Contact Person. Written or oral comments, questions, requests to be appointed to an advisory group, requests to receive the preliminary draft of the proposed amendments, or requests for more information on these possible amendments to rules should be directed to:

Gregg Downing
Environmental Quality Board
300 Centennial Building
658 Cedar Street
St. Paul, MN  55155
Telephone:   (651) 201-2476
Fax:    (651) 296-3698
E-mail: gregg.downing@state.mn.us
TTY users may call the Board at 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 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. If you submitted comments during the development of the rules and you want to ensure that the administrative law judge reviews the comments, you should resubmit the comments after the rules are formally proposed.

Dated: August 7, 2006 Dana B. Badgerow, Chair
Environmental Quality Board

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Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry
Construction Codes and Licensing Division

Request for Comments on Possible Rules Governing Construction Code Inspectors, for Inclusion in Minnesota Rules, Chapter 1301

Subject of Rules. The Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry requests comments on its possible rules governing construction code inspectors. The Department is considering rules that: establish competency criteria for individuals serving as construction code inspectors (i.e. building inspectors, mechanical inspectors, plumbing inspectors, and combination inspectors under the supervision of a certified building official) that is relevant to the building, mechanical, and plumbing codes adopted in Minnesota; establish or approve education programs that are related to construction inspection and administration of the State Building Code; and establish continuing education requirements for construction code inspectors.

Persons Affected. The rules would likely affect those individuals serving as construction code inspectors, those individuals entering the construction code inspector industry, certified building officials, and those municipalities that currently administer and enforce the State Building Code or will in the future.

Statutory Authority. Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.655, requires the Department to adopt rules as described above.

Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on these possible rules in writing until 4:30 p.m. on Friday, October 13, 2006. The Department does contemplate appointing an advisory committee to comment on the possible rules.

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

Agency Contact Person. Written comments, questions, requests to receive a draft of the rules when it has been prepared, and requests for more information on these possible rules should be directed to: Ms. Carrie Rholing at the Department of Labor and Industry, 443 Lafayette Road North, Third Floor, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55155, or FAX (651) 284-5725.

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 will not necessarily be included in the formal rulemaking record submitted to the administrative law judge if and 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. If you submitted comments during the development of the rules and you want to ensure that the Administrative Law Judge reviews the comments, you should resubmit the comments after the rules are formally proposed.

Dated: August 2, 2006
M. Scott Brener, Commissioner
Department of Labor and Industry

Metropolitan Council

2007 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program (DBE) Goal

The Metropolitan Council’s Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program (DBE) and goal request for fiscal year 2007 has been submitted to the Federal Transportation Administration (FTA), pursuant to part 26 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 49. When approved the Council’s overall DBE goal of 17% for DOT-assisted contracts will be effective from October 2, 2006 through September 30, 2007. This goal and a description of how it was set is available for inspection during normal business hours at the Council offices for 45 days from the date of this notice. Comments, which are for information purposes only, may be sent to the Director, Office of Diversity and Equal Opportunity, Metropolitan Council, 390 Robert Street North., St Paul, MN 55101; or the U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 7th St., SW, Washington, DC 20590.

Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Notice of Proposed Classification of State Forest Lands in and near the Chippewa National Forest with Respect to Motor Vehicle Use

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) proposes to classify State Forest Lands in and near the Chippewa National Forest in Beltrami, Cass, and Itasca counties with respect to operation of motor vehicles. The proposal is to assign all State Forest lands and other forest lands under the authority of the Commissioner to one of the following classes:
1. “Managed” (in which forest roads and forest trails are open for motor vehicle use unless posted closed),
2. “Limited” (in which forest roads are open to motor vehicle use unless posted closed and forest trails are closed to motor vehicle use unless posted open), or
3. “Closed” (Forest roads are open to motor vehicles licensed for highway use. No OHVs are permitted, except that OHVs may operate on frozen public waters (e.g., across lakes for ice fishing. Snowmobiles may operate on designated trails.)

Minnesota Rules Chapter 6100.1950 governs the classification of State Forests with respect to motor vehicle use. The proposal covers the Battleground, Big Fork, Blackduck, Bowstring, Buena Vista, Remer, and Welsh Lake State Forests and forest lands under the authority of the Commissioner located outside of State Forest boundaries in portions of Cass, Beltrami, and Itasca counties. In total, about 320,000 acres of land will be classified with respect to motor vehicle use.

In conjunction with the proposed classification the Department of Natural Resources has developed a plan that identifies which roads and trails on DNR-administered forest lands in and near the Chippewa National Forest will be open to use by various types of motor vehicles. There are about 740 miles of roads, trails, and other routes on State Forest land in the Chippewa area.

The DNR, Counties, and US Forest Service will hold joint public meetings on the proposed classification and road and trail use designations at:

1. Northland High School, 316 Main Street E, Remer, MN on Tuesday, October 17, 2006 from 5:30 to 8:30 PM.
2. Deer River High School, 101 First Avenue NE, Deer River, MN on Thursday, October 19, 2006 from 5:30 to 8:30 PM.
3. Bemidji Electric Cooperative, 4111 Technology Drive NW, Bemidji, MN on Tuesday, October 24, 2006 from 5:30 to 8:30 PM.

The department will present information and receive public comments on the proposal at each of the meetings.

The classification proposal, road and trail designation plan, and related maps are on the DNR website at: www.dnr.state.mn.us/input/mgmtplans/ohv/designation/status.html.

Copies of the documents can also be obtained from:

Jack Olson, Natural Resources Planner
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
1601 Minnesota Drive
Brainerd, MN 56401
Phone: (218) 833-8716
E-mail: jack.olson@dnr.state.mn.us

Written comments on the proposal can also be submitted to the above address until 4:30 p.m. on November 3, 2006.

Mark Holsten, Deputy Commissioner
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

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Notices of Hearing on Sale of State Land

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.135, subd. 2a, a hearing will be held by the Department of Natural Resources, at the Bemidji DNR office, 2115 Birchmont Beach Rd. E., Bemidji, MN 56001 on Wednesday August 30, 2006 at 1:00 P.M.

The purpose of the hearing is for public input regarding the sale of 3.67 acres of state land situated in the County of Marshall, and described as:

The west 400 feet of the south 400 feet of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 6, Township 158 North, Range 39 West, containing 3.67 acres more or less. Designated as Thief Lake WMA.

Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.135, subd. 2a, requires that a public hearing be held before lands within a Wildlife Management Area can be disposed of through sale or exchange. The parcels are designated as part of the Thief Lake Wildlife Management Area.

It is proposed that this 3.67-acre parcel of land be sold to Marshall County, and then subsequently sold by Marshall County. The parcel is no longer needed for resource management purposes. If, after public hearing, the disposal of the land is in the public interest, the Commissioner of Natural Resources may vacate the parcel from Wildlife Management Area designation.

Questions regarding this proposal can be directed Matt Mattice, (651) 259-5427

Dated August 1, 2006

David J Olson, Assistant Director
Division of Lands and Minerals

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Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Notice of Hearing on Transfer of State Land

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.135, subd. 2a, a hearing will be held by the Department of Natural Resources, at the Central DNR office, 500 Lafayette Rd., St. Paul, MN 55155-4045, on Wednesday, September 13, 2006, at 9:00 a.m.

The purpose of the hearing is for public input regarding the transfer of 66 acres of state land situated in the County of Washington, and described as:

That part of the West Half of the Southwest Quarter, Section 3, Township 29 North, Range 20 West, Washington County, Minnesota, lying westerly of the following described line: beginning at a point on the south line of said Section 3, distant 430 feet west of the southeast corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 3; thence northeasterly to the northeast corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 3; thence northwesterly to a point on the north line of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 3, distant 430 feet west of the north-east corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 3:

And

That part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter lying westerly of C.S.A.H. 21, Section 3 Township 29 North, Range 20 West, Washington County, Minnesota;

And

All that part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 3, Township 29 North, Range 20 West, Washington County, Minnesota described as follows: beginning at a point in the north line of said tract 26 rods west of the center of said Section 3; and running thence west along the quarter section line to the northwest corner of said tract; thence south along the west line of said tract 80 rods to the southwest corner of same; thence east along the south line of said tract to a point which is 26 rods west of the southeast corner thereof; thence north parallel with the east line of said tract 80 rods to the point of beginning.

Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.135, subd. 2a, requires that a public hearing be held before lands within a Wildlife Management Area can be disposed of through sale or exchange. The parcels are designated as part of the Bayport Wildlife Management Area.

It is proposed that this 66-acre parcel of land be transferred from the Department of Natural Resources to the Department of Corrections. The parcel is no longer needed for resource management purposes. If, after public hearing, the disposal of the land is in the public interest, the Commissioner of Natural Resources may vacate the parcel from Wildlife Management Area designation.

Questions regarding this proposal can be directed to Patricia Kandakai (651) 259-5398.

Dated August 15, 2006

William C. Brice, Director
Division of Lands and Minerals

Minnesota Board of Psychology

Request for Comments on Planned Adoption of Amendments and New Rules Governing Definitions, Licensure, Continuing Education and the Rules of Conduct

Subject of Rules. The Minnesota Board of Psychology requests comments on its adoption of amendments and new rules governing definitions, licensure, continuing education and the Rules of Conduct. The board has completed a draft consisting of an update of the Rules of Licensure, Continuing Education, and Conduct, along with the definitions having to do with those rules.

Persons Affected. The amendments or new rules would affect applicants, licensees, supervisors, psychology programs, and continuing education sponsors.

Statutory Authority. Minnesota Statutes, section 148.905, subdivision 1 (1), (2), (3), and (4), (9), and subdivision 2 requires the board to adopt rules which implement the requirements for licensure and the regulation of psychologists’ professional conduct, implement the practice of psychology, and implement the requirements for continuing education.
Public Comment. Interested persons or groups may submit comments or information on the possible rules in writing or orally until 4:30 p.m. on Friday, October 27, 2006. The board is completing a draft of the possible rules. Written or oral comments should be directed to the Agency contact person.

Rule Drafts. The Board of Psychology is completing a draft of the rules which will be available on our website at www.psychologyboard.state.mn.us or by requesting a copy from the Board of Psychology.

Agency Contact Person. Written comments and questions, and requests for more information on the planned rules should be directed to: Deborah Sellin-Beckerleg, Office Manager, Minnesota Board of Psychology, 2829 University Avenue Southeast #320, Minneapolis, MN 55414; Telephone: (612) 617-2230; TTY: (800) 627-3529; FAX: (612)617-2240; E-Mail: Psychology.Board@state.mn.us.

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

Dated: August 14, 2006

Pauline Walker-Singleton
Executive Director

Minnesota Statewide Independent Living Council
Public Hearing Notice on State Plan for Independent Living: September 21, 2006, Duluth, MN

WHAT: This public hearing is an opportunity for individuals with disabilities to comment on their experiences, suggest new and innovative approaches for the provision of Independent Living services, and share what is and what is not working for Minnesotans with disabilities.

WHO SHOULD PARTICIPATE: Consumers of IL services, IL service-providers, other providers of disability-related services, and other interested individuals.

WHY: To remain eligible for Federal Independent Living funds, the State of Minnesota must develop and submit to the U.S. Department of Education, Rehabilitation Services Administration, a new SPIL every three years. The deadline for submitting this SPIL is June 30, 2007. With final approval from the Rehabilitation Services Administration, this SPIL will be effective from October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2009.

WHEN: The public hearing will be held on September 21, 2006 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and also from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

WHERE: Access North Center for Independent Living
2016 W. Superior Street
Duluth, MN  55806

The comments provided will be used to assist the Statewide Independent Living Council and the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development in drafting a new three year State Plan for Independent Living (SPIL). The SPIL, effective October 2007, will guide the direction and expansion of IL programs and services statewide.

The Statewide Independent Living Council’s goal is to provide the leadership, research, planning and education necessary, to support and expand independent living services in Minnesota. Public input is a crucial piece in enabling the Statewide Independent Living Council to provide effective advice.

For more information, or to obtain a print, formatted or electronic copy of the current SPIL prior to the public hearing, phone (651) 297-2705, or toll free (800) 328-9095, or TTY (651) 296-3900.
Individuals unable to attend the public hearing may e-mail, telephone, or submit written comments on the direction of IL services in Minnesota by contacting Bradley Westerlund, Rehabilitation Specialist, 332 Minnesota Street, St. Paul, MN 55101, or at the telephone numbers listed above, or e-mail: brad.westerlund@state.mn.us

ASL INTERPRETERS WILL BE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST. THE PUBLIC HEARING SITE IS FULLY ACCESSIBLE TO PEOPLE WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES.

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.

Minnesota Department of Corrections
Notice of Availability of Funds

The Minnesota Department of Corrections (DOC), Community Services Division, announces the availability of grant funds to provide a Mentoring Program to youth between the ages of seven and thirteen whose parent or other significant family member is incarcerated in a county workhouse, county jail, state prison, or other type of correctional facility or is subject to correctional supervision.

Nonprofit organizations located in the greater Twin Cities area are eligible for the grant in an amount not to exceed $250,000 covering the 12-month period of July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007, with unspent funds available for an additional 12 months.

The state reserves the right to cancel this solicitation.

The deadline for proposal submission is October 2, 2006, at 12:00 noon. To receive a copy of the Request for Proposals that describes in detail how to apply for this funding, contact:

Lynda Davis
Minnesota Department of Corrections
Community Services Division
1450 Energy Park Drive, Suite 200
St. Paul, MN 55108-5219
Telephone: (651) 643-2533
TTY: (651) 643-3589
E-mail: ldavis@co.doc.state.mn.us

This information can be accessed on the DOC website at www.doc.state.mn.us
Informal Solicitations: Informal solicitations for professional/technical (consultant) contracts valued at over $5,000 through $50,000, may either be published in the State Register or posted on the Department of Administration, Materials Management Division’s (MMD) Web site. Interested vendors are encouraged to monitor the P/T Contract Section of the MMD Web site at www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us for informal solicitation announcements.

Formal Solicitations: Department of Administration procedures require that formal solicitations (announcements for contracts with an estimated value over $50,000) for professional/technical contracts must be published in the State Register. Certain quasi-state agency and Minnesota State College and University institutions are exempt from these requirements.

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Colleges and Universities, Minnesota State (MnSCU)
Anoka-Ramsey Community College, Cambridge Campus
Notice of Intent to Request Bids for Renovation of the Vending Area Into a Food Service Area at the Cambridge Campus of Anoka-Ramsey Community College

Project Description: The selective demolition and remodeling in the Campus Center Building vending and kitchen area. The new area to accommodate a soup, sandwich and snack area. SS counters, sinks and kitchen equipment are to be purchased and installed. This work will be completed while the buildings are occupied.

Sealed Bids to: Kelly Billstrom, Information Center
Anoka Ramsey Community College, Cambridge Campus
Campus Center Building
300 Polk Street, Cambridge, MN  55008

Pre-Bid Meeting: 10 AM, Thursday, August 17, 2006
Room E103, Campus Center Building

Bid Date & Time: 10 AM, Thursday, August 31, 2006
Room E103, Campus Center Building
All bids will be opened and publicly read aloud.

Bid Documents: Bid Forms, Contract Documents, Drawings and Specifications as prepared by the Project Engineer, WAI/Continuum are on file at the following locations:
1.) WAI/Continuum.
2.) Builders Exchanges: Minneapolis and St. Paul
3.) Reed Construction Market Data Plan Room.
4.) Dodge Plan Room.
5.) National Association of Minority Contractors of Upper Midwest
State Contracts

Complete sets only of bid forms and Drawings and Specifications for use by Bidders in submitting a bid may be obtained at the following address:

WAI/Continuum
381 East Kellogg Boulevard
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101
Atten: Jeremy Bork
(651) 227-0644
Fax: (651) 223-5092

A deposit of $75.00 is required for each set.
Prospective Bidders requesting that Bidding documents (complete sets only) be mailed to them may send a separate non refundable payment (check made out to the Engineer) for $50.00 per set for shipping & handling (in addition to the $75.00 deposit) to the Engineer. Documents will be sent to street addresses only (P.O. Boxes not acceptable).

Each bid which totals over $15,000.00 must be accompanied by a bid bond or other security described here as a proposal guarantee that the bidder will enter into a contract if its bid is accepted. This security may be either a certified check, payable to Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, in the sum of not less than five percent (5%) of the total base bid or a corporate surety bond for the same amount by a surety company authorized to do business in the State of Minnesota.

Colleges and Universities, Minnesota State (MnSCU)

Bemidji State University

Notice of Request for Sealed Bids for Four Lathes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bemidji State University will receive sealed bids for four (4) lathes. Bid specifications will be available August 14, 2006, via email request to blindell@bemidjistate.edu or by telephone request to Belinda Lindell, (218) 755-2043.

Sealed bids must be received by Belinda Lindell, Director of Logistical Services, Bemidji State University, Deputy 204, Box 8, 1500 Birchmont Drive NE, Bemidji, MN 56601, by 2:00 PM, Tuesday, August 29, 2006.

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

Colleges and Universities, Minnesota State (MnSCU)

Mesabi Range Community and Technical College

Notice of Availability of Request for Proposal (RFP) for Designer Selection for Technical Lab Addition and Renovation

(State Designer Selection Board Project No. 06-13)

The State of Minnesota, acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, on behalf of Mesabi Range Community and Technical College – Eveleth Campus, through the State Designer Selection Board, is soliciting proposals from interested, qualified consultants for architectural and engineering design services for the above referenced project.

A full Request for Proposals is available on the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities website: www.facilities.mnscu.edu, click on “Solicitation Announcements.”

An informational meeting is tentatively scheduled for 1:00 AM, August 10, 2006 in Room 101, Mesabi Range Community and Technical College – Eveleth Campus, 1100 Industrial Park Drive, Eveleth, MN 55734. All firms interested in this meeting should contact, Tony Bartovich at (218) 744-7522 or t.bartovich@mr.mnscu.edu to sign up to attend the meeting.

Proposals must be delivered to Mary Golike, Executive Secretary, State Designer Selection Board, 301 Centennial Office Building in the State Architect’s Office, 658 Cedar St., St. Paul, MN 55115-1625; Telephone: (651) 201-2372 not later than 1:00 P.M., Monday, August 21 2006. Late responses will not be considered.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is not obligated to complete the proposed project and reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest.
Colleges and Universities, Minnesota State (MnSCU)
Minneapolis Community & Technical College

Notice of Intent to Solicit Bids for Health Sciences Renovation – Interior Demolition

Description: Interior demolition and removal of fixed and demountable partitions, finishes, fixtures and equipment, mechanical, electrical and communications systems, and removal of furniture systems in the approximately 80,000 SF 3-story (plus basement) existing vacant building.

Deadline for Bids: 2:00PM CDST, Thursday August 24, 2006. Late bids not accepted. Bids will be opened and publicly read aloud.

Deliver bids directly to: Mary Prozeller
Minneapolis Community & Technical College
T Building, Room T0600
1415 Hennepin Avenue
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Pre-bid Meeting: There will be a mandatory pre-bid meeting at 2:00PM CDST, Thursday, August 17, 2006 in the Entry Lobby of the Minneapolis Community & Technical College’s Management Education Center (MEC), 1300 Harmon Place, Minneapolis, MN 55403. The Architect/Engineer and Owner Representatives will review the bidding procedures, Bidding Documents and other conditions with interested Bidders and answer questions.

Bid Forms, Contract Documents, Drawings and Specifications as prepared by the Project Architect/Engineer, Architectural Alliance, are on file at the offices of the:
1.) Architectural Alliance.
2.) Minneapolis and St. Paul Builders Exchanges.
3.) Construction Market Data Plan Room.
4.) Dodge Plan Room.
5.) National Association of Minority Contractors of Upper Midwest

Complete sets only of bid forms and Drawings and Specifications for use by Bidders in submitting a bid may be obtained at the following address:
Architectural Alliance
400 Clifton Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55403
Telephone: (612) 871-5703

A refundable deposit of $200.00 is required for each set.
Prospective Bidders requesting that Bidding Documents (complete sets only) be mailed to them, may send a separate non-refundable payment (check made out to Architectural Alliance) for $50.00 per set for shipping & handling (in addition to the $200.00 refundable deposit) to Architectural Alliance. Such deposits and payments may be sent prior to August 15, 2006. Documents will be sent to street addresses only (P.O. Boxes not acceptable).
Each bid which totals over $15,000.00 must be accompanied by a bid bond or other security described here as a proposal guarantee that the bidder will enter into a contract if its bid is accepted. This security may be either a certified check, payable to Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, in the sum of not less than five percent (5%) of the total base bid or a corporate surety bond for the same amount by a surety company authorized to do business in the State of Minnesota.
Colleges and Universities, Minnesota State (MnSCU)
Rochester Community and Technical College
Notice of Request for Emergency Care Simulator

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Rochester Community and Technical College requests for bids for an emergency care simulator for the new Health Sciences Bldg.

To receive a copy of the request for bid, send an e-mail to june.meitzner@roch.edu or fax your request to (507) 285-7104. Ask for Bid No. 081505. Questions on the bid should be addressed to: June Meitzner

Please send bids to Rochester Community and Technical College, 831 - 30th Avenue SE, Rochester, MN 55904.

Bids are due at 4:00 p.m. on August 28, 2006.

Late responses will not be considered.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is not obligated to complete the proposed project and reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest.

Department of Human Services
Health Services and Medical Management Division
CORRECTION: Notice of Intent to Contract for Intensive Care Coordination Services published July 31, 2006

The Minnesota Department of Human Services, Health Services and Medical Management Division’s Notice of Intent to Contract for Intensive Care Coordination Services published July 31, 2006 cites an erroneous deadline time. In addition, copies of the Request For Proposals (RFP) document issued between July 31, 2006 and August 4, 2007 also cite an erroneous deadline time (on page 22).

The correct deadline for submission of Final Written Proposals is 4:00 p.m. CDT on September 11, 2006. No other elements of the Notice and RFP document have changed.

Department of Human Services
Purchase and Delivery Systems Division
CORRECTION TO Notice of Request to Measure the Cost of Dispensing Medicaid Prescriptions in Minnesota

The August 7 Minnesota Department of Human Services notice of request to “Measure the Cost of Dispensing Medicaid Prescriptions in Minnesota” included an incorrect response due date and approximate work start date. The response due date is August 29, 2006 and the approximate work start date is September 25, 2006. These dates are included in the full RFP document.

Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT)
Engineering Services Division
Notice of Potential Availability of Contracting Opportunities for a Variety of Highway Related Technical Activities (the “Consultant Pre-Qualification Program”)

This document is available in alternative formats for persons with disabilities by calling Ron Bisek at (651) 296-1361 for persons who are hearing or speech impaired by calling the Minnesota Relay Service at (800) 627-3529.

Mn/DOT, working in conjunction with the Consultant Reform Committee, the Minnesota Consulting Engineers Council, and the Department of Administration, has developed the Consultant Pre-qualification Program as a new method of consultant selection. The ultimate goal of the Pre-Qualification Program is to streamline the process of contracting for highway related professional/technical services. Mn/DOT anticipates that most consultant contracts for highway-related technical activities will be awarded using this method, however, Mn/DOT also reserves the right to use RFP or other selection processes for particular projects. Nothing in this solicitation requires Mn/DOT to complete or use the Consultant Pre-qualification Program.

Mn/DOT is currently requesting applications from consultants. Refer to Mn/DOT’s Consultant Services web site, indicated below, to see which highway related professional/technical services are available at this time. Following the advertisement of particular category of services, applications will be accepted on a continual basis.
All expenses incurred in responding to this notice will be borne by the responder. Response to this notice becomes public information under the Minnesota Government Data Practices.

Consultant Pre-Qualification Program information, application requirements and application forms are available on Mn/DOT’s website at: http://www.dot.state.mn.us/consult

Send completed application material to:
Ron Bisek
Consultant Services
Office of Technical Support
Minnesota Department of Transportation
Consultant Services
395 John Ireland Boulevard, Seventh Floor North, Mail Stop 680
St. Paul, MN 55155

Note: DUE DATE: APPLICATION MATERIAL WILL BE ACCEPTED ON A CONTINUAL BASIS.

Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) Engineering Services Division
Notice Concerning Professional/Technical Contract Opportunities

NOTICE TO ALL: The Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) is now placing additional public notices for professional/technical contract opportunities on Mn/DOT’s Consultant Services website at: www.dot.state.mn.us/consult.

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.

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 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.

Metropolitan Council

Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) for Design and Construction Support for Bloomington-Edina-Richfield Interceptor Improvements, Blaine Relief Interceptor, Meter Station Improvements, and Lift Station Improvements

Contract Number 06P117

The Metropolitan Council is requesting proposals for Design and Construction Support for Interceptor and Meter Station Improvements, and Lift Station Rehabilitation. This RFP includes a number of projects grouped together by type of work, location or funding sources. These projects include planning, design and construction services for interceptor projects in the MCES’s Metropolitan WWTP Service Area. These projects include pipelines, lift stations, meters and ancillary facilities required by the MCES. Single proposals from each respondent are requested for this group of projects. Multiple consultants contracts will be awarded from this procurement.

Issue Request for Proposals August 7, 2006
Receive Proposals September 15, 2006
Contract negotiated, executed, NTP December, 2006
Period of performance December, 2006 to December 2012

All firms interested in being considered for this project and desiring to receive a RFP package are invited to submit a Letter of Interest to:

(Cite 31 SR 225)
Metropolitan Council

Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) Design and Construction Support for Lake Minnetonka System Interceptor, and L-27 Lift Station/Forcemain Improvements

Contract Number 06P118

The Metropolitan Council is requesting proposals for Design and Construction Support for Interceptor Improvements for the Excelsior-Shorewood, Mound, and Wayzata areas, and Hopkins Lift Station/Forcemain Improvements. This RFP includes a number of projects grouped together by type of work, location or funding sources. These projects include planning, design and construction services for interceptor projects in the MCES’s Blue Lake and Metropolitan WWTP Service Areas. These projects include pipelines, lift stations, meters and ancillary facilities required by the MCES. Single proposals from each respondent are requested for this group of projects. Multiple consultant contracts will be awarded from this procurement.

Issue Request for Proposals: August 7, 2006
Receive Proposals: September 15, 2006
Contract negotiated, executed, NTP: December, 2006
Period of performance: December, 2006 to December, 2012

All firms interested in being considered for this project and desiring to receive a RFP package are invited to submit a Letter of Interest to:

Harriet Simmons, Senior Administrative Assistant, Contracts and Procurement Unit
Metropolitan Council
390 Robert Street
St. Paul, MN  55101
PHONE:  (651) 602-1086
FAX:  (651) 602-1083
E-mail: harriet.simmons@metc.state.mn.us

Metropolitan Council

Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) Financial Custody and Securities Lending Services

Contract Number 06P002

The Metropolitan Council is soliciting proposals for investment custody and securities lending services. Custody services include: safekeeping of investment assets, settlement of investment transactions based on the delivery-vs.-payment (DVP) method, principal and interest collection, wire transfers, and related services. Securities lending services encompass the lending of approximately $125 million of the Council’s long-term securities to broker/dealers and similar entities, maintaining an offsetting collateral account of qualified investments, timely retrieval of lent securities, and related services.

Issue RFP: August 7, 2006
Proposals Due: September 12, 2006
Selection of Firm: October 2006
Project Activities: November 2006 – November 2011

Firms interested in providing these services should request a copy of the RFP from the contact listed below:

Harriet Simmons, Senior Administrative Assistant, Contracts and Procurement Unit
Metropolitan Council
Notice of Request for Proposals (RFP) Metro Wastewater Treatment Plant Space Utilization and Facilities Improvements
RFP Number 06P044
The Metropolitan Council is soliciting proposals for architectural/engineering services for space utilization and facility planning for the Metro Wastewater Treatment Plant. Elements of the planning study will include space needs analysis, space utilization planning, decommissioning and demolition planning, utility upgrades, electrical distribution evaluation including standby power generation, process equipment rehabilitation, bio-solids processing evaluation, and various mechanical and structural improvements.
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All firms interested in submitting a proposal for this work are invited to request an RFP document from the contact listed below.
Harriet Simmons, Administrative Assistant
Metropolitan Council
390 North Robert Street
St. Paul, MN  55101-1805
PHONE:  (651) 602-1086
FAX:  (651) 602-1083
E-mail: harriet.simmons@metc.state.mn.us

Metropolitan Council - Metro Transit
Sealed Bids Sought for Asphalt Repairs at Metro Transit Police Station
The Metropolitan Council is soliciting sealed bids for Asphalt Repairs at Metro Transit Police Station. Bids are due at 2:00 PM on September 7, 2006. Bids must be submitted in accordance with the Invitation for Bids document available from:
Metropolitan Council
Metro Transit Purchasing Department
Attn: Candace Osiecki
515 N. Cleveland Avenue
St. Paul, MN  55114
(612) 349-5070

University of Minnesota
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