

CHAPTER 103A

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(a) The environmental quality board shall evaluate and report to the house of representatives and senate committees with jurisdiction over the environment, natural resources, and agriculture and the legislative commission on Minnesota resources on statewide water research needs and recommended priorities for addressing these needs. Local water research needs may also be included.

(b) The environmental quality board shall work with the pollution control agency and the department of agriculture to coordinate a biennial assessment and analysis of water quality, groundwater degradation trends, and efforts to reduce, prevent, minimize, and eliminate degradation of water. The assessment and analysis must include an analysis of relevant monitoring data.

(c) The environmental quality board shall work with the department of natural resources to coordinate an assessment and analysis of the quantity of surface and ground water in the state and the availability of water to meet the state's needs.

(d) The environmental quality board shall coordinate and submit a report on water policy including the analyses in paragraphs (a) to (c) to the house of representatives and senate committees with jurisdiction over the environment, natural resources, and agriculture and the legislative commission on Minnesota resources by September 15 of each even-numbered year. The report may include the groundwater policy report in section 103A.204.

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