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Subject: UPM Blandin ATV/OHM Trail Project
Record of Decision on Environmental Assessment Worksheet

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (MDNR), as the Responsible Governmental Unit for environmental review of the UPM Blandin ATV/OHM Trail Project, in Aitkin and Itasca Counties, Minnesota, has issued a Record of Decision regarding the Need for an Environmental Impact Statement for the project.

The MDNR has concluded that an Environmental Impact Statement is not required because the project does not have the potential for significant environmental effects. The justification for this determination is contained in the Record of Decision. The Record of Decision also contains the Department's responses to all substantive written comments received on the Environmental Assessment Worksheet during the 30-day review and comment period.

Issuing this Record of Decision concludes the State environmental review process for this project according to Minnesota Environmental Quality Board rules, *Minnesota Rules*, part 4410.1000 to 4410.1700. This project can proceed to permitting and approvals.

The Record of Decision will also be posted on the MDNR's website under the heading of Paul Bunyan State Trail, Paving Treadway from Guthrie to Walker in the Environmental Review drop-down menu at http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/input/environmentalreview/upm_blandin/index.html

Attachment: August 25, 2009 -- Record of Decision

