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Date: July 23, 2010

To: Parties on the EAW Distribution List
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From: Ronald Wieland, Environmental Planner
Environmental Policy and Review Unit
MDNR – Division of Ecological Resources

Re: **North Country National Scenic Trail (Becker County Section) Project
Environmental Assessment Worksheet**

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) has prepared the attached Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) to describe the environmental effects associated with a proposed project called the **North Country National Scenic Trail (Becker County Section) Project** located in Becker County, Minnesota. This document has been prepared as a Mandatory EAW pursuant to Minnesota Rules Part 4410.4300, Subp. 37A and B, Recreational Trails. The MDNR is the Responsible Government Unit for the environmental review of this project.

A 30-day public review and comment period will begin on July 26, 2010, with the publication of the notice of availability of this EAW in the [EQB Monitor](#). The MDNR invites public comments on the EAW during the public review period from July 26, 2010 to August 25, 2010. Written comments on the EAW must be submitted no later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 25, 2010. A copy of the EAW is available for public review at:

- MDNR Library, 500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, Minnesota, 55155;
- MDNR Northwest – Region, 2115 Birchmont Beach Road NE, Bemidji, MN 56601-8599;
- Minneapolis Public Library, Government Documents, 300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, Minnesota, 55401;
- Fergus Falls Public Library, 205 E Hampden, Fergus Falls, MN 56537;
- Detroit Lakes Library, 1000 Washington Avenue, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501

The EAW is also posted on the MDNR's website at mndnr.gov. (Click on "Public Input", then select "North Country Trail (Becker) EAW" from the scroll-down list under "Environmental Review"). Additional copies may be requested by calling (651) 259-5157.

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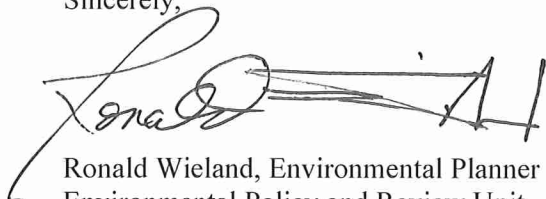
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Please submit your comments to the attention of Ronald Wieland, EAW Project Manager, Environmental Policy and Review Unit, Division of Ecological Resources, Department of Natural Resources, 500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, Minnesota, 55155-4025. Electronic or e-mail comments may be sent to Environmentalrev.dnr@state.mn.us with "North Country Trail (Becker) EAW" in the subject line. If submitting comments electronically, please include your name and mailing address. Written comments may also be sent by fax to (651) 297-1500.

For additional information, or copies of the EAW, please call (651) 259-5157.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ronald Wieland". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "R" and "W".

Ronald Wieland, Environmental Planner
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Attachment: North Country National Scenic Trail (Becker County Section) EAW