

Date: June 29, 2015

To: Parties on the EAW Distribution List

Other Interested Parties

From: Kate Frantz, Planning Director Phone: 651-259-5082

Subject: Solid Bottom Creek Restoration Project

Environmental Assessment Worksheet

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has prepared the attached Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) to describe the environmental effects associated with the Solid Bottom Creek Restoration project, located in Becker County, Minnesota. This document has been prepared as a Mandatory EAW pursuant to Minnesota Rules 4410.4300 subpart 26, (Stream Diversions). The DNR is the Responsible Governmental Unit for the environmental review of this project.

A 30-day public review and comment period will begin on July 6, 2015, with the publication of the notice of availability of this EAW in the <u>EQB Monitor</u>. The DNR invites public comments on the EAW during the public review period from July 6, 2015 to August 5, 2015 at 4:30 pm. A copy of the EAW is available for public review at:

- DNR Library, 500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155-4025
- Minneapolis Central Library, Government Documents, 2nd Floor, 300 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, MN 55401-1992
- DNR Northwest Region, 2220 Bemidji Ave. Bemidji, MN 56601
- Fergus Falls Public Library, 205 E Hampden, Fergus Falls, MN 56537

The EAW is also posted on the DNR's website at: http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/index.html → Public Input→ Environmental Review→ See Solid Bottom Creek Restoration Project EAW in the drop down list.

Written comments must be received by Wednesday, August 5th, at 4:30 pm and sent to: Kate Frantz, EAW Project Manager
Department of Natural Resources, Division of Ecological and Water Resources
500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, Minnesota, 55155-4025

Electronic or e-mail comments may be sent to Environmentalrev.dnr@state.mn.us with "Solid Bottom Creek Restoration Project EAW" in the subject line. If submitting comments electronically, please include your name and U.S. mailing address. Signed written comments may be sent via facsimile to (651) 296-1811. For additional information, or copies of the EAW, please call (651) 259-5082.

Attachments:

Solid Bottom Creek Restoration project EAW Solid Bottom Creek Restoration project Figures

Attachment 1: Natural Heritage Information System letter
Attachment 2: State Historic Preservation Office letter