

## 2019 DNR Policy Fact Sheet



### Electronic Notice of Regulatory Decisions

#### It is needed because

This will ensure that DNR can communicate its regulatory decisions in a more efficient and timely way by transmitting these decisions electronically, rather than sending written hardcopies. Modernizing notification will allow DNR to provide better service to applicants and others who receive these notices. In addition, electronic notice will help DNR maintain its regulatory records.

#### Major program elements

Updates language in Minnesota Statutes Chapter 103G to allow for electronic communication of regulatory decisions in instances where the current language limits these communications to mail.

**Sec 1.** Amends M.S. 103G.241 to allow electronic transmission of changes to public waters, including changes in a reservoir, dam, or obstruction to diminish the course of the water.

**Sec 2.** Amends M.S. 103G.241 to include electronic mail addresses on compliance forms distributed to contractor's associations and county auditors.

**Sec 3.** Amends M.S. 103G.287 to allow electronic transmission of notice of preliminary approval to construct wells.

**Sec 4.** Amends M.S. 103G.311 to allow electronic transmission of notice of water use contested case hearings to the county auditor.

**Sec 5.** Amends M.S. 103G.311 to allow electronic transmission of notice of an order issuing or denying a permit.

**Sec 6.** Amends M.S. 103G.315 to allow electronic transmission of copies of orders to parties who entered an appearance at a court hearing.

**Sec 7.** Amends M.S. 103G.408 to allow electronic transmission of public hearing notices to various stakeholders.

**Sec 8.** Amends M.S. 103G.615 to allow electronic transmission of notice of invasive aquatic plant management permitting to affected landowners.

#### Fiscal impacts

- This proposal does not have a fiscal impact.

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