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Subject: Report to Legislature on Mississippi River Corridor Critical Area Rulemaking

The attached report provides a status update on the rulemaking for the Mississippi River Corridor Critical Area (MRCCA) authorized under Minnesota Statutes, section 116G.15. This report was
developed in accordance with Minnesota Session Laws, 2013, Regular Session, chapter 137, article 2, section 22. The Legislature appropriated $100,000 in Clean Water Legacy funds to the Department of Natural Resources for this rulemaking. Additional information on the MRCCA rulemaking is available on the project website: [www.dnr.state.mn.us/input/rules/mrcca/index.html](http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/input/rules/mrcca/index.html)

If you have questions about information in the attached report, please contact Bob Meier at 651-259-5024, or at [Bob.Meier@state.mn.us](mailto:Bob.Meier@state.mn.us)

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