



Date: October 31, 2019

To: Parties on EAW Distribution List/Other Interested Parties

From: Cynthia Novak-Krebs, EAW Project Manager

RE: **Cuyuna Connection and Cuyuna Hills Trail Project
Record of Decision on Environmental Assessment Worksheet**

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR), as the Responsible Governmental Unit for environmental review of the Cuyuna Connection and Cuyuna Hills Trails Project, located in the Crow Wing County, Minnesota, has issued the attached Record of Decision (Record) regarding the Need for an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the project. The project's Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) notice was published in the EQB *Monitor* on August 19, 2019 (Vol. 43; No. 33).

A copy of the Record of Decision is available online at:

<http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/input/environmentalreview/cyunacrewmtbiketrails/index.html>

The DNR has concluded that an EIS 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. The Record also contains the Department's responses to all substantive written comments received on the EAW during the 30-day public review and comment period.

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

For additional information or copies of the Record of Decision, please call (651) 259-5115.