DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

**Date:** Novemeber 16, 2026

**To:** Parties of the EQB Distribution List and Other Interested Parties

**From:** Yvette Gault, EAW Project Manager

## Re: Twig Area Trail Riders ATV Trail System 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 Twig Area Trail Riders ATV Trail System Project Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW), located in St. Louis and Carlton County, Minnesota, has issued the Record of Decision (ROD) regarding the Need for an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Project. The Project's EAW notice was published in the EQB Monitor on September 1, 2026.

A copy of the ROD is attached. This will also be made available online at the DNR's Environmental Review webpage for this project (Twig Area Trail Riders ATV Trail System I Minnesota DNR).

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 ROD.

Issuing this ROD concludes the state environmental review process for this project according to the Minnesota Environmental Quality Board rules, Minnesota Rules, parts 4410.1000 to 4410.1700. This project may proceed to permitting and approvals.

For additional information or copies of the Record of Decision, please contact Yvette Gault, at 651-259-5101 or environmentalrev.dnr@state.mn.us.