

STAKEHOLDER MEETING DNR STRAIGHT RIVER GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AREA PROJECT

Meeting Time and Location:

Wednesday January 15, 2013, 6:30 – 8:30 pm
Park Rapids Area High School, Commons Area
301 Huntsinger Avenue, Park Rapids, MN

Meeting Agenda

- 6:00 Doors open – informal conversation
- 6:30 Welcome and Introductions – Peter Buessler (Emcee)
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- 6:40 Commissioner’s Overview
Greg Nelson, Regional Director, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
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- 6:55 DNR Groundwater Management:
- Groundwater Challenges in Minnesota
- DNR’s Water Use Permits and Groundwater Management
Jason Moeckel, DNR Division of Ecological and Water Resources
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- 7:15 Implementing Straight River Groundwater Management Area Project
Tim Crocker, Project Manager, DNR Division of Ecological and Water Resources
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- 7:30 Questions/Answers and additional Perspectives
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- 8:30 Adjourn formal program – the Emcee
- 9:00 Doors close

Minnesota’s use of groundwater has increased over the last two decades. The increasing use of groundwater may not be a sustainable path for continued economic growth. The DNR is establishing three groundwater management areas around the state. These groundwater management areas will help DNR improve its groundwater management decisions and will help groundwater users in the areas better understand and plan for their future development opportunities.