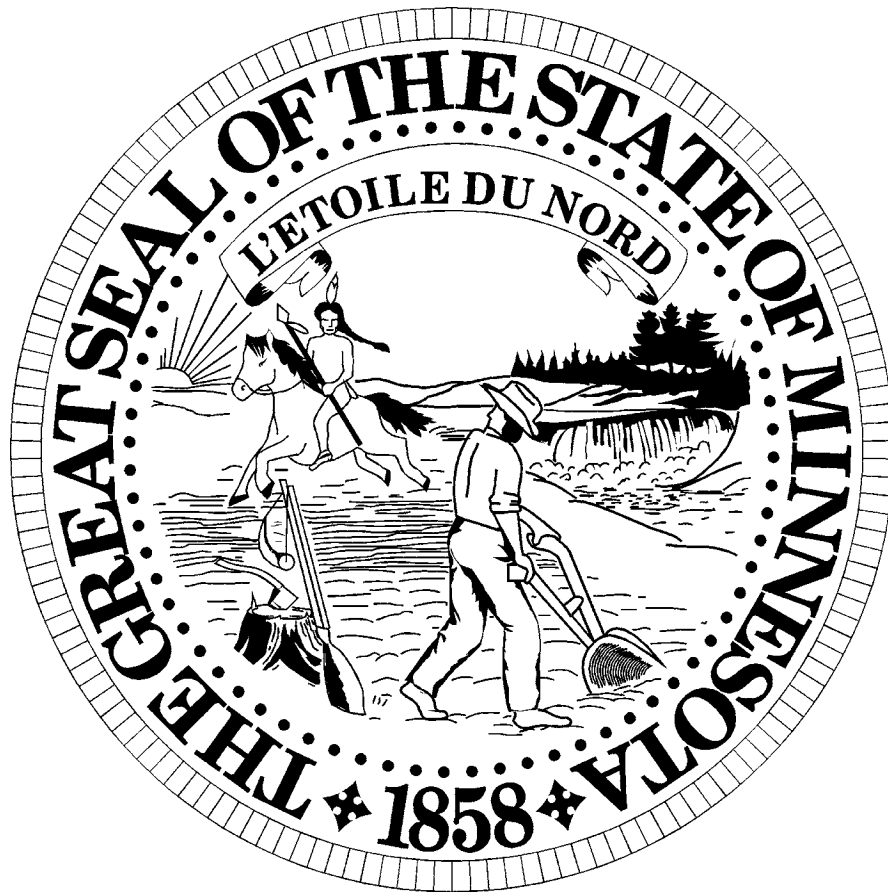


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Department of Natural Resources

Commissioner's Order 19-01: Wildlife Lake Designation of Timm Lake

Date: March 11, 2019

Statutory authority: Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.101.

BACKGROUND

Minnesota Statutes 97A.101 allows the department to manage lakes for wildlife purposes after the requirements listed in the statute have been met. Currently the department has 58 lakes that have been designated under *Minnesota Statutes* 97A.101. The statute also clearly states "Designations are not subject to the rulemaking provisions of chapter 14 and section 14.386 does not apply." The department met the statutory requirements in *Minnesota Statutes* 97A.101 as follows:

1. A public hearing was held for the proposed designation of Timm Lake in Yellow Medicine County at the Wood Lake Community Center in the City of Wood Lake in Yellow Medicine County at 6:30 p.m. on November 27, 2018.
2. Legal notice announcing the hearing for Timm Lake management was published in the local legal newspaper, the Granite Falls-Clarkfield Advocate Tribune on November 15, 2018.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, pursuant to authority vested in me by law, including *Minnesota Statutes*, section 97A.101, that Timm Lake (DOW# 87001700) Township 113 North, Range 39 West, Section 34, is designated for the purposes of wildlife management.

Date: February 28, 2019

Sarah Strommen, Commissioner

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Dakota County

Notice of Executor of Estate

The Office of Executor for NOEL JEFFREY KALINOSKI, ESTATE is no longer abandoned and is now occupied by Noel Jeffrey Kalinoski in his proper form/style within the meaning of docket No: **19HA-CV-18-2804** and intends to deliver the sacred/legal titles to the intended beneficiary. Anyone with an adverse claim are to be sent within 30 days, USPS Registered Mail, addressed to the in-care-of Executor Office: 1450 Oakdale Avenue, West Saint Paul, Minnesota, Near [55118-9998] Or be it resolved, the facts stated herein stand as absolute truth in any and all relevant matters.

Department of Health

Division of Health Policy

Limited Exception from Minnesota's Requirements for the Standard, Electronic Exchange of Eligibility (270/271) Transactions for Payers Not Subject to HIPAA is Continued for 2019

Minnesota Statutes, section 62J.536 requires that health care providers, clearinghouses, and group purchasers (payers) exchange specified administrative transactions electronically, using a standard data content and format adopted in rule. The statute also authorizes the Commissioner of Health to exempt group purchasers not subject to federal HIPAA administrative transactions and code sets regulations from one or more of the state's data exchange requirements if the Commissioner determines that:

- a transaction is incapable of exchanging data that are currently being exchanged on paper and is necessary to accomplish the purpose of the transaction; or
- another national electronic transaction standard would be more appropriate and effective to accomplish the purpose of the transaction.

Group purchasers not subject to HIPAA regulations include workers' compensation, auto, and property and casualty carriers.

MDH consults annually with the Minnesota Administrative Uniformity Committee (AUC) to determine whether to grant the exemptions described above. Based on these consultations, MDH previously granted very narrowly targeted, annually renewable exceptions to the rules adopted pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §62J.536 as described above for the years 2009 through 2018. The exceptions were limited to only group purchasers not subject to HIPAA regulations, who were exempted from the data exchange requirements for only the ASC X12/005010X279A1 Health Care Eligibility Benefit Inquiry and Response (270/271) transaction because it did not meet their business needs.

MDH consulted with the AUC in November and December 2018 regarding the continued need for the targeted exemption described above. MDH determined through the review process that the current limited exception to Minnesota's health care administrative data exchange rules will continue through 2019. This exception applies only to exchanges of the ASC X12/005010X279A1 Health Care Eligibility Benefit Inquiry and Response (270/271) transaction with health care group purchasers that are not subject to federal HIPAA transactions and code sets regulations, and only for calendar

year 2019.

The next annual review of this exception to rules adopted pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §62J.536 is scheduled for November 2019, to determine whether the exception will be continued through 2020.

For questions or additional information, please contact:

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March 11, 2019

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State Board of Investment

Notice to Institutional Investment Management Firms for consideration to potentially Manage a Portion of the Pension Assets and Other Accounts

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Please refer to this notice in your written request.

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA)

Request for Comments on Planned Amendments to Rules Governing Water Quality Standards—Use Classifications 3 and 4, *Minnesota Rules*, chapters 7050 and 7053; Revisor's ID Number 04335

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is requesting comments on planned amendments to water rules, *Minnesota Rules*, chapters 7050 and 7053. This rulemaking is referred to as the Water Quality Standards—Use Classifications 3 and 4 rule. Comments should be submitted in writing as described in the *Public comment* section below.

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Subject of rules. The MPCA requests comment on possible amendments to rules governing water quality standards for industrial (Class 3) and agricultural and wildlife (Class 4) usage. The MPCA classifies water bodies according to the multitude of ways that waters are used, and sets water quality standards that protect Minnesota's waters based on those beneficial uses. A water quality standard often includes a narrative description of the conditions necessary to protect water quality for a beneficial use and may also include a numeric value in rule reflecting the highest or lowest concentration of a substance, chemical, or other type of pollutant that will protect the beneficial use. Both narrative and numeric standards may result in the need for an effluent limit in National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System/State Disposal System permits. Through this rulemaking, we plan to update Class 3 and 4 water quality standards as well as the ways we apply them.

In a previous Request for Comments (RFC) on this rulemaking published on February 8, 2016, the MPCA asked for comment regarding the following potential changes to Class 3 and Class 4 of the water quality standards:

- replacing numeric standards for existing subclasses 3A–3D with a single narrative standard;
- limiting the Class 3 designation to only surface waters subject to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) water appropriations permitting program for specific industrial uses;
- updating numeric standards for Class 4A (irrigation) and Class 4B (wildlife and livestock watering) to reflect current science; and
- limiting the Class 4A standards with application only on a seasonal basis (during the growing season) and only to waters with active MDNR water appropriation permits.

The original RFC also sought comment on whether additional aspects of the rules should be considered for amendment and noted that this rulemaking would *not* address the Class 4A wild rice sulfate standard, which was the subject of a separate rulemaking effort at the time. The wild rice rule revision was withdrawn in May 2018, and the MPCA does not intend to address rules related to wild rice in this project.

After considering the available data and comments received¹ in response to that RFC, the MPCA has developed a more detailed list of policy and implementation considerations for improving and updating these standards summarized in the *Updated draft proposal* section. The MPCA is also publishing charge questions to be included in a peer review process focusing on the rationale and technical data behind the draft amendments and plans for implementing them in wastewater permits. We encourage all parties with an interest in or information about Class 3 and Class 4 use designations in Minnesota's water quality standards to submit comments.

Updated draft revisions. The MPCA is considering changing the existing rules to revise and update the standards related to industrial consumption, irrigation, and wildlife and livestock watering. Details about the MPCA's planned rule revisions are contained in the draft Technical Support Document (TSD) for the rulemaking, which can be viewed at www.pca.state.mn.us/water/amendments-water-quality-standards-use-classifications-3-and-4. In summary, the changes being considered will:

- replace numeric standards for existing subclasses 3A–3D with a single narrative standard, condensing the subclasses into a single industrial consumption use class;
- replace numeric Class 4A standards for bicarbonate, boron, pH, specific conductance, total dissolved salts and sodium with a narrative standard and include a process to translate the narrative standard into a numeric effluent limit or limits for permitted dischargers;
- update numeric standards for Class 4B to reflect current science;
- remove the Class 4C designated use (protection of wetlands for agriculture and wildlife) and designate wetlands as Classes 4A and 4B instead of 4C;
- move wetland standards for chloride and settleable solids from Classes 3D and 4C to Class 2D, and move the narrative Class 4C standard to 7050.0186, to more appropriately reflect the uses being protected; and

¹ PDF of comments received in response to the 2016 RFC available at <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/sites/default/files/wq-rule4-17b.pdf>

- maintain applicability of the Classes 3, 4A, and 4B uses on all waters of the state.

The MPCA is especially seeking specific comments on:

- whether the processes for determining protective numeric effluent limits from the Class 3 and Class 4A narrative standard should be included in rule or developed after the rule is published;
- how to address the difference in toxicity from ingestion of sulfate by livestock and varied types of wildlife; and
- the need for any additional numeric values to protect livestock and wildlife.

Peer review. The MPCA will also initiate a process to obtain independent scientific peer review of the draft TSD for the Class 3 and Class 4 water quality standards. The purpose of the peer review is to insure that the TSD is technically sound through review by experts who have not contributed to its development.

The process, which is outlined in a July 2017 directive from former MPCA Commissioner John Stine, is required for new or revised numeric water quality standards, and is designed to expand awareness and increase transparency of the MPCA's peer review of technical documents. Although the potential Class 3 and Class 4A standards will be narrative standards, we are choosing to use the new peer review process for these standards, along with the planned Class 4B numeric standards, in the interest of greater transparency.

The MPCA is planning a letter review to evaluate technical questions associated with the Class 3 and 4 standards, and will seek reviewers with expertise in these areas:

- Industrial water treatment practices
- Irrigation practices in Minnesota and irrigation source water quality influences on plant productivity and soils
- Crops, climate and soil types in Minnesota
- Veterinary and/or wildlife toxicity
- Water quality standards development

Although the MPCA hopes to cover the knowledge bases listed above, we do not expect that any individual reviewer will have expertise in all areas.

In a letter review, the MPCA seeks individual written peer-review comments from independent experts, typically in the form of correspondence to the agency from each peer reviewer. Each reviewer evaluates the draft TSD independently, without consulting other reviewers. In this case, we chose a letter review because the MPCA is not developing significant new science in the TSD. If the MPCA were presenting significant new science in the TSD, a more extensive peer review would be appropriate.

The MPCA has developed draft charge questions organized by topic area to guide the peer reviewers' evaluation of the draft TSD. We encourage comments and suggestions on our proposed charge questions, which are listed below; see the *Public comment and MPCA contact person* section for deadline and contact information.

- **Class 3 (industrial use).** In the draft TSD, the MPCA takes the position that it will be extremely difficult to develop a single numeric water quality standard for industrial consumption because industrial water appropriators in Minnesota have a wide range of water quality needs based on their specific industrial process requirements. Moreover, industrial appropriators have shown that they are capable and willing to install treatment systems to meet their specific industrial water quality needs. Therefore, for any given parameter, it would be difficult to develop a single numeric value that is not either overprotective or underprotective for the range of industrial water consumers in Minnesota.

1. Has the MPCA clearly supported this position in the TSD? Why or why not?

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2. Has the MPCA clearly supported the contention that the existing Class 3A-3C numeric water quality standards for hardness and chloride are based on an outdated understanding of industrial water treatment theory or practice?
 3. Are you aware of professional or technical guidelines that support the continued use of any of the existing Class 3A-3C numeric values, or similar values, as necessary to protect industrial processes?
 4. The Class 3 narrative translator process outlined in the TSD ensures that water appropriated for industrial cooling systems will not have excessive calcium carbonate scaling attributable to increased calcium loading from an upstream wastewater discharger. Has the MPCA appropriately justified the focus on protecting industrial cooling systems from calcium carbonate scaling, in order to protect water for all industrial uses?
 - a. If not, what additional types of industrial water use and/or water quality parameters should the MPCA consider?
- **Class 4A (irrigation).** MPCA plans to change from a numeric “one size fits all” set of irrigation standards to a generalized narrative rule statement maintaining the irrigation use designation for all waters of the state. Along with this change, MPCA envisions using a narrative translator approach to determine if a wastewater discharge has a reasonable potential to impair a water’s use as a source water for irrigation purposes and, if so, to set an effluent limit to prevent such an impact. Through the implementation of this narrative translator approach, the MPCA proposes to evaluate on a case-by-case basis a number of factors that have an overall influence on irrigation water quality for downstream appropriators. These factors include crop type, soil type, soil drainage management techniques, annual rainfall and general climate patterns, irrigation practices, presence of dissolved salt minerals in soils, and crop yield loss tolerances a given farmer is willing to accept to irrigate crops.
 1. Are there any other factors that should also be considered when evaluating irrigation water quality? If so, please elaborate.
 2. Does the narrative translator approach outlined in the draft TSD adequately address the above listed factors? If not, please explain why.
 3. Does the rationale presented in the narrative translator section of the draft TSD support the use of Sodium Adsorption Ratio (SAR) and specific conductance values to characterize the quality of water for irrigation use?
 4. Is the mechanism to support irrigation while considering localized conditions using the suggested SAR and specific conductance values soundly constructed? Are there additional parameters that should be considered? If so, please suggest what they are and cite the relevant literature.
 - **Class 4B (livestock and wildlife uses).** The MPCA is proposing to maintain numeric standards for wildlife and livestock protection.
 1. Are the numeric standards presented in the draft TSD (pH, total dissolved solids, sulfate, and nitrate) to protect wildlife and livestock built on a sound application of the scientific information and literature?
 2. If necessary, please suggest additional parameters to consider – or parameters that do not need to be included – for numeric standards. Provide citations for references to support the numeric standards for those parameters and address the assumptions and uncertainties in your analysis.
 3. To what extent is the information in the TSD related to the effects of total dissolved solids, sulfate and nitrate on livestock and wildlife complete and relevant to the determination of protective water quality standards for those parameters? Please identify any important information missed by the MPCA that would change the TSD’s presentation of the effect of total dissolved solids, sulfate, and nitrate on livestock and wildlife.

4. The TSD provides information regarding the literature that explores the sensitivity of livestock and wildlife to sulfate, and how sensitivity varies based on the diet, especially related to the percentage of forage in the animal's diet. Has the MPCA appropriately considered and analyzed the differences in sensitivity to sulfate between ruminants that consume differing amounts of forage?

Plain-language summary of an RFC. This RFC is the MPCA's legal notice of its intent to begin the rulemaking process and obtain input from the public to help shape the new rule amendments as we draft them. There will be several opportunities for public comment and input on this rule project. At this stage, we do not have a complete draft rule; we want your feedback to inform us about the ideas described in the *Subject of rules* and *Updated draft proposal* sections above. If you have other ideas or data related to this rulemaking that we need to consider, please submit them in writing. Submitting your ideas and information at this early stage in rulemaking allows us more time to address issues that may come up, and helps to ensure informed decision-making on our part.

Parties affected. Amendments to these rules are likely to affect municipal and industrial dischargers to surface waters; local and statewide lake and river associations; the agricultural community; and members of the general public with an interest in the protection of Minnesota's waters. Because the revisions under consideration are applicable to all surface waters, any person in Minnesota may potentially be affected by changes made to these rules.

Statutory authority. *Minnesota Statutes* section 115.03, subd. 1 and *Minnesota Statutes* section 115.44, subd. 2 authorize the MPCA to establish standards necessary to protect beneficial public uses. *Minnesota Statutes* section 115.44, subd. 2 authorizes the MPCA to adopt rules for grouping designated waters of the state into classes considering the best usage in the interest of the public.

Public comment and MPCA contact person. Interested parties may submit comments or information on these possible rules in writing until **4:30 p.m. on April 22, 2019**. Send your written comments, questions, and requests for updates on this or other proposed rulemaking to Katie Izzo, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, 520 Lafayette Rd. North, St. Paul, MN, 55155-4194; email katie.izzo@state.mn.us; or telephone 651-757-2595, toll-free 1-800-657-3864.

The MPCA will not publish a notice of intent to adopt the rules until more than 60 days have elapsed from the date of this RFC.

The MPCA does not anticipate that the rule amendments will require a local government to adopt or amend an ordinance or other regulation under *Minnesota Statutes* section 14.128. Local governments may submit written information to the contrary.

The MPCA requests any information pertaining to the cumulative effect of the rule amendments with other federal, tribal or state regulations related to the specific purpose of the rule. *Cumulative effect* means the impact that results from incremental effects of the proposed rule in addition to other state, tribal government or federal agency rules.

Rule drafts. As stated above, the MPCA has not yet drafted the rule amendments we are considering. We encourage all parties interested in being notified when a draft of the rules is available and of other activities relating to this (or other MPCA rulemakings) to register for our GovDelivery bulletins at http://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/MNPCA/subscriber/new?topic_id=mnpc_272.

Alternative format. Upon request, this information can be made available in an alternative format, such as large print, braille, or audio. To make such a request, please contact Katie Izzo via the information listed above.

NOTE: Comments received in response to this notice will not necessarily be included in the formal rulemaking record submitted to the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) if and when the MPCA starts a proceeding to adopt rules. The MPCA is required to submit to the ALJ only those written comments received in response to the draft rules after they are proposed. If you submit comments during the development of the rules and want to ensure that the ALJ reviews your comments, you must resubmit the comments after the rules are formally proposed.

State Grants & Loans

In addition to requests by state agencies for technical/professional services (published in the State Contracts Section), the *State Register* also publishes notices about grants and loans available through any agency or branch of state government. Although some grant and loan programs specifically require printing in a statewide publication such as the *State Register*, there is no requirement for publication in the *State Register* itself. Agencies are encouraged to publish grant and loan notices, and to provide financial estimates as well as sufficient time for interested parties to respond.

SEE ALSO: Office of Grants Management (OGM) at: <http://www.grants.state.mn.us/public/>

Department of Corrections

Notice of Intent to Solicit Proposals for Sex Offender Programming/Treatment for Juveniles and Adults, Probationers and Supervised Releases for FY20-21

The Minnesota Department of Corrections, Grants and Subsidies Unit is requesting proposals for the purpose of awarding grants for juvenile and adult, probationer and supervised release sex offender programming. Grants will be financed from funds made available through the Laws of Minnesota for 1994, Statutes 241.67, Subd. 1 and Subd. 3 (b) and Subd.8, and Statute 242.195, Subd. 1. Private, for-profit or nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations, public human service agencies, community corrections agencies, other governmental agencies and American Indian tribal governments that are able to provide direct sex offender specific services to juvenile and/or adult sex offenders are eligible to apply for these funds.

A Request for Proposal will be available by mail or electronically from this office. **A written request (by direct mail or electronically) is required to receive the Request for Proposal.** It is the respondents responsibility to both provide the written request and ensure the Request for Proposal is received. Submissions of Proposals must be received by mail no later than **4:30PM, April 12, 2019. Late proposals will not be considered.** Fax or emailed proposals will not be considered.

The Request for Proposal can be obtained from:

Timothy Schrupp
Grants and Subsidies Unit
Department of Corrections
1450 Energy Park Dr. Suite 200
St. Paul, MN 55108
(651) 361-7579 or Timothy.schrupp@state.mn.us

This request does not obligate the State to complete the work contemplated in this notice. The State reserves the right to cancel this solicitation. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) Notice of Grant Opportunity

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) places notice of any available grant opportunities online at <https://mn.gov/deed/about/contracts/>

Department of Health

Office of Rural Health and Primary Care (ORHPC)

2019 Health Professional Clinical Training Expansion Grant Program Application Period Open

Minnesota Statutes Section 144.1505 authorizes the Commissioner of Health to award grants to support the establishment or expansion of clinical training for eligible health professional training programs. The grant program assists in planning and/or implementation of expanded clinical training by eligible health professional training programs in Minnesota by funding costs associated with creating or expanding clinical training opportunities. Funds will be awarded after a competitive review process.

Eligible, accredited training programs must be located in Minnesota, and must train students in the following health professions: advanced practice registered nurses, dental therapists and advanced dental therapists, mental health professionals, pharmacists, or physician assistants.

During this cycle approximately \$500,000 is available for the grant program. Eligible educational programs may receive up to \$75,000 for planning projects, and up to \$300,000 for clinical training expansion projects, over three years. Applications are due **April 19, 2019**. The Request for Proposal and application forms are available on the Office of Rural Health and Primary Care (ORHPC) website, at: www.health.state.mn.us/divs/orhpc/funding/#hpcteg

For information and assistance, contact Will Wilson, Minnesota Department of Health, Office of Rural Health and Primary Care at 651.201.3842 or will.wilson@state.mn.us.

Department of Health

Office of Rural Health and Primary Care (ORHPC)

Request for Proposals for Hospital Safety Net Grant Program

The Office of Rural Health and Primary Care, the Minnesota Department of Health, is soliciting proposals for grants to hospitals who serve Emergency Medical Assistance (EMA) enrollees. Approximately \$1,315,000 may be available. Eligible applicants include licensed hospitals which provided care to EMA enrollees resulting in individual claims in excess of \$50,000, between April 1, 2018 and March 31, 2019. Funding will be distributed based on the dollar amount of EMA claims in excess of \$50,000 in relation to the total dollar amount of all applicant claims in excess of \$50,000. Final applications must be received by MDH no later than **12:00 p.m. April 19, 2019**. Applications postmarked prior to the due date but not received by MDH prior to the deadline will be considered late. **Late applications will not be considered for review.**

Postal address:

Randi Callahan
Minnesota Department of Health
Office of Rural Health & Primary Care
P.O. Box 64882
St. Paul, MN 55164-0882

Courier/Hand-Delivery:

Minnesota Department of Health
Office of Rural health & Primary Care
85 E 7th Place, Suite 220
St. Paul, MN 55101

A copy of the full Request for Proposal may be obtained at:
<http://www.health.state.mn.us/facilities/ruralhealth/funding/index.html#snhospital>.

For more information contact Randi Callahan at (651) 201-3860, Email: Randi.Callahan@state.mn.us

State Grants & Loans

Department of Human Services

Disability Services Division

Notice of Request for Proposals for a Qualified Grantee to Provide Independent Living Skills Training for Persons with Intractable Epilepsy

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Human Services is requesting proposals to for a Qualified Grantee to Provide Independent Living Skills Training for Persons with Intractable Epilepsy.

Work is proposed to start July 1, 2019. For more information, or to obtain a copy of the Request for Proposal, contact:

Mary Chilvers
Department of Human Services
Disability Services Division
444 Lafayette Rd N
St. Paul, MN 55155
Phone (651) 431-2400
Email DSD.ResponseCenter@state.mn.us

This is the only person designated to answer questions by potential responders regarding this request.

Proposals submitted in response to this Request for Proposals must be received at the address above no later than **4:00 p.m., Central Time, April 12, 2019. Late proposals will not be considered.** Faxed or emailed proposals will not be considered.

The RFP can be viewed by visiting the Minnesota Department of Human Services RFP web site:
<https://mn.gov/dhs/partners-and-providers/grants-rfps/>.

This request does not obligate the State to complete the work contemplated in this notice. The State reserves the right to cancel this solicitation. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

Department of Human Services

Economic Assistance and Employment Supports (EAESD) Division

Notice of Request for Proposals to Provide Services through the Office of Economic Opportunity's Community Service Block Grant

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Minnesota Department of Human Services is requesting proposals to The Minnesota Department of Human Services, through the Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO), is seeking Proposals from Minnesota Community Action Agencies and Minnesota Tribal Governments (Minnesota CSBG eligible entities who are current DHS-OEO Community Action grantees) for Two-Generation (2Gen) or Whole Family focused projects that meet local needs as identified through a comprehensive Community Needs Assessment.

Work is proposed to start July 1, 2019. For more information, or to obtain a copy of the Request for Proposal, contact:

Marcel Urman
Department of Human Services
Economic Assistance and Employment Supports Division (EAESD)
Office of Economic Opportunity
P.O. Box 64962
444 Lafayette Road North, St. Paul, MN 55155 0962
Phone: (651) 431- 5593
marcel.urman@state.mn.us

State Grants & Loans

This is the only person designated to answer questions by potential responders regarding this request.

Proposals submitted in response to this Request for Proposals must be received at the address above no later than **4:00 p.m., Central Time, April 12, 2019. Late proposals will not be considered.** Email one electronic application to barb.alt@state.mn.us and mail two hard copies of the application to:

Attn: Barb Alt
MN Department of Human Services
Office of Economic Opportunity
PO Box 64962
St. Paul, Minnesota 55164-0962

The RFP can be viewed by visiting the Minnesota Department of Human Services RFP web site:
http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/id_000102

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State Contracts

Informal Solicitations: Informal solicitations for professional/technical (consultant) contracts valued at over \$5,000 through \$50,000, may either be published in the *State Register* or posted on the Department of Administration, Materials Management Division's (MMD) Web site. Interested vendors are encouraged to monitor the P/T Contract Section of the MMD Website at www.mmd.admin.state.mn.us for informal solicitation announcements.

Formal Solicitations: Department of Administration procedures require that formal solicitations (announcements for contracts with an estimated value over \$50,000) for professional/technical contracts must be published in the *State Register*. Certain quasi-state agency and Minnesota State College and University institutions are exempt from these requirements.

Requirements: There are no statutes or rules requiring contracts to be advertised for any specific length of time, but the Materials Management Division strongly recommends meeting the following requirements: \$0 - \$5000 does not need to be advertised. Contact the Materials Management Division: (651) 296-2600 \$5,000 - \$25,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a period of at least seven calendar days; \$25,000 - \$50,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a period of at least 14 calendar days; and anything above \$50,000 should be advertised in the *State Register* for a minimum of at least 21 calendar days.

Department of Agriculture

Notice of Contract Opportunity for Agricultural Research and Evaluation of the Clean Water Fund

PROJECT NAME: Agricultural Research and Evaluation of the Clean Water Fund

DETAILS: The Minnesota Department of Agriculture, Pesticide and Fertilizer Management Division (MDA) is requesting proposals from scientists and researchers to conduct research related to clean water in agricultural areas of the State. The goal of this RFP is to fund research that improves water quality in Minnesota by evaluating and promoting agricultural practices and technologies. Research outcome are applicable and informative to many state programs including the *Minnesota Nitrogen Fertilizer Management Plan* (NFMP), the *Water Restoration and Protection Strategies* (WRAPS) and the comprehensive watershed framework *One Watershed One Plan* (1W1P). A number of research priorities have been identified based on input from multiple stakeholders including state agencies and research entities.

State Contracts

Proposals must include a cost effectiveness component, as well as an education and outreach plan to benefit the people of Minnesota. See the Request for Proposals (RFP) for information on the research priorities for this cycle. MDA may award multiple projects from this RFP. Approximately \$700,000 in funds can be awarded across all projects.

COPY REQUEST: To get a copy of the RFP, please send a written request, by email, to:

Aicam Laacouri
Clean Water Research Coordinator
Email: Aicam.Laacouri@state.mn.us

PROPOSAL DEADLINE: Proposals submitted in response to the RFP in this advertisement must be received no later than **3:00 p.m. Central Time, on Friday, April 12, 2019 (hard copy or email submission)**. Late or faxed proposals will not be considered.

This request does not obligate the State to complete the work contemplated in this notice. The State reserves the right to cancel this solicitation. All expenses incurred in responding to this notice are solely the responsibility of the responder.

Completed and Current Funded Projects

For a list of Clean Water research projects supported by MDA, please visit:
www.mda.state.mn.us/clean-water-research-projects.

Department of Agriculture Notice of Contract Opportunity for Minnesota Grown Digital Marketing

PROJECT NAME: Minnesota Grown Digital Marketing

DETAILS: The Minnesota Department of Agriculture seeking a companies(s) that will create awareness of Minnesota Grown products and demand for the Directory and the products and activities contained in it through statewide digital marketing. Digital marketing is defined as advertising that takes place online. Examples include, but are not to be limited to, You Tube pre-roll ads, tile ads, or other web-based content. Paid digital advertising should not include social media, Google AdWords, or Bing Ads. These are handled internally.

Work is anticipated to start after June 1, 2019.

Any questions regarding this request for proposal must be submitted via email on or before March 25, 2019. The question and answer will be provided to everyone who requested a copy of this request for proposals via email.

COPY REQUEST: To get a copy of the Request for Proposals, please send an email request to:

Danielle Daugaard
Marketing & External Relations Coordinator
Ag Marketing and Development Division
625 Robert Street North
St. Paul, MN 55155
Danielle.daugaard@state.mn.us

PROPOSAL DEADLINE: Proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals in this advertisement must be received by email or mail no later than **3:30 p.m., Central Daylight Time, April 1, 2019. Late proposals will not be considered.** Fax proposals will not be considered.

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Department of Agriculture

Notice of Contract Opportunity for Minnesota Grown Public Relations Services

PROJECT NAME: Minnesota Grown Public Relations Services

DETAILS: The Minnesota Department of Agriculture is requesting proposals for Minnesota Grown, the state program responsible for promoting Minnesota grown products statewide, from public relations agencies and contractors to promote early season apples. The goal of this project is to reshape expectations through media coverage and increase sales of early season apples at both Minnesota grocery stores and apple orchards.

Work is anticipated to start after June 1, 2019.

Any questions regarding this request for proposal must be submitted via email on or before March 25, 2019. The question and answer will be provided to everyone who requested a copy of this request for proposals via email.

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Ag Marketing and Development Division
625 Robert Street North
St. Paul, MN 55155
Danielle.daugaard@state.mn.us

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Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (Minnesota State)

Inver Hills Community College

Notice of availability of Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Inver Hills Community College: Technology & Business Building Renovation - Construction Manager as Constructor (CM@r)

The State of Minnesota, acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, on behalf of Inver Hills Community College, is soliciting qualification proposals from interested, qualified contractors to be the construction manager for the above referenced project.

A full request for proposal is available on the MN State website at <http://www.minnstate.edu/vendors/index.html>.

A **mandatory** informational meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 11:00 am CST at Inver Hills Community College – Technology & Business Building**, 2500 East 80th Street, Inver Grove Heights, MN 55076. Meet in the lobby of the Business Building.

Any questions should be directed by email only to Paul DeMuth, Director of Operations at PDeMuth@inverhills.edu. Project questions will be taken by this individual only. Questions regarding this RFQ must be received by **5:00 pm on Thursday, March 21, 2019.**

State Contracts

Proposals must be delivered to Erica Kantola, Inver Hills Community College, Heritage Hall Office H103, 2500 East 80th Street, Inver Grove Heights, MN 55076 not later than **Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 2:00 pm CST**. Late responses will not be considered.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is not obligated to complete the proposed project and reserves the right to cancel the solicitation if it is considered to be in its best interest.

Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) Engineering Services Division Notices Regarding Professional/Technical (P/T) Contracting

P/T Contracting Opportunities: MnDOT is now placing additional public notices for P/T contract opportunities on the MnDOT's Consultant Services website. New public notices may be added to the website on a daily basis and be available for the time period as indicated within the public notice.

Taxpayers' Transportation Accountability Act (TTAA) Notices: MnDOT is posting notices as required by the TTAA on the MnDOT Consultant Services website.

MnDOT's Prequalification Program: MnDOT maintains a Pre-Qualification Program in order to streamline the process of contracting for highway related P/T services. Program information, application requirements, application forms and contact information can be found on MnDOT's Consultant Services website. Applications may be submitted at any time for this Program.

MnDOT Consultant Services website: www.dot.state.mn.us/consult

If you have any questions regarding this notice, or are having problems viewing the information on the Consultant Services website, please call the Consultant Services Help Line at 651-366-4611, Monday – Friday, 9:00am – 4:00pm.

Minnesota Zoo Request for Information for Venue Programing

PROJECT NAME: Venue Programing

DETAILS: The Minnesota Zoological Garden (Minnesota Zoo or Zoo) is requesting information relative to programming in two venues on its campus: the 1,450-seat outdoor Weesner Family Amphitheater and a soon-to-be-vacated 514-seat large-format screen theater. The Zoo is evaluating potential uses and business models that best leverage the venues to raise revenue and advance the mission of the Zoo. **No contract will result from any response to this RFI.**

COPY REQUEST: To get a copy of the Request for Information, please send a written request, by email, to: caren.berry@state.mn.us

RFI responses are due on or before **April 4, 2019**. Late submissions may not be addressed.

