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ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD

Minnesota Environmental Quality Board | 520 Lafayette Road North | Saint Paul, MN 55155

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Re: Rulemaking Docket and Record Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 14.116, paragraph (a)

Dear Senators, Representatives, and Legislative Coordinating Commission:

The Minnesota Environmental Quality Board (EQB) is pleased to deliver our 2024 update on completed, planned, and in-progress rulemakings, pursuant to Minn. Stat § 14.116, subd. (a).

No rulemakings were completed in 2023.

At this time, EQB does not have specific rules on our docket. However, in the coming year, EQB will be considering whether there are necessary housekeeping rules needed to revise and update our rules (Minn. R. 4405, Minn. R. 4410, and Minn. R. 4420) and to remove rules identified in our obsolete rules report. More substantive rule changes may also be identified in the future. In 2024, EQB is only beginning to gather information and host stakeholder conversations to ascertain the scope of any necessary changes.

EQB anticipates the upcoming Mandatory Categories Report to outline potential rule changes for the environmental review program. That report will be published and submitted to the legislature in December 2024.

Sincerely,



Catherine Neuschler  
Executive Director  
Minnesota Environmental Quality Board

Enc: EQB Public Rulemaking Docket

CC: Chris Stellar, Legislative Reference Library



## Active Rulemaking Projects

Subject matter	Brief Rule Summary	Board contact person (lead staff)	Current status of proposed rule and any agency determinations	Next opportunity for public comment	Timetable for adoption and other Board determinations	Notices published (State Register citations)	Public hearing schedule
N/A							

## Completed Rulemaking Projects – adopted within past year

Subject matter	Notices published (State Register citations)	Date Rule Adopted by EQB (i.e., Order to Adopt is signed)	Date Rule Filed with Secretary of State	Effective date of rule
N/A				

Acronyms:

GO – Governor’s Office

MMB – Minnesota Management and Budget

OAH – Office of Administrative Hearings

RFC – Request for Comments

SONAR – Statement of Need and Reasonableness

SR – MN State Register (published Mondays, except holiday)

TBD – To be determined