

Minnesota Wetland Conservation Act Notice of Decision

Local Government Unit: MN Dept. of Transportation – Office of Environmental Stewardship	
County: Hennepin	
Applicant Name: CenterPoint Energy	Applicant Representative: Merjent
Project Name: Ford Lane Project, St. Louis Park & Golden Valley	LGU Project No. (if any): 22-M03
Date Complete Application Received by LGU: 2/1/2022	
Date of LGU Decision: 2/28/2022	
Date this Notice was Sent: 2/28/2022	

WCA Decision Type - check all that apply

No-Loss (8420.0415) – Part: A B C D E F G H

Replacement Plan Impacts (replacement plan decisions only)

Total WCA Wetland Impact Area:
Wetland Replacement Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Project Specific Credits: <input type="checkbox"/> Bank Credits:
Bank Account Number(s):

Technical Evaluation Panel Findings and Recommendations (attach if any)

Approve Approve w/Conditions Deny No TEP Recommendation

LGU Decision

<input type="checkbox"/> Approved with Conditions (specify below) ¹ List Conditions:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> Denied
Decision-Maker for this Application: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Staff <input type="checkbox"/> Governing Board/Council <input type="checkbox"/> Other:		
Decision is valid for: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 years (default) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):		

¹ *Wetland Replacement Plan approval is not valid until BWSR confirms the withdrawal of any required wetland bank credits. For project-specific replacement a financial assurance per MN Rule 8420.0522, Subp. 9 and evidence that all required forms have been recorded on the title of the property on which the replacement wetland is located must be provided to the LGU for the approval to be valid.*

LGU Findings – Attach document(s) and/or insert narrative providing the basis for the LGU decision¹.

<input type="checkbox"/> Attachment(s) (specify): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Summary: This project proposes to temporarily impact 320 sq. ft. of wet ditches adjacent to state Trunk Highway 169 in Golden Valley & St. Louis Park, MN for pipeline abandonment activities. The proposed disturbance consists of 160 sq. ft. of temporary excavation on the west side of the road and 160 sq. ft. on the east side. The applicant has committed to restoring the project site to preconstruction conditions, including returning topsoil the surface horizon and revegetating the disturbed wetland areas. Please note that the impacts proposed on the west side of TH 169 are located within the normal WCA LGU jurisdiction Bassett Creek WMC, but BCWMC deferred LGU responsibility for this application to MnDOT. The wet ditches proposed for impact have not been reviewed for potential incidental status under WCA.
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¹ Findings must consider any TEP recommendations.

Attached Project Documents

Site Location Map Project Plan(s)/Descriptions/Reports (specify): Joint application

Appeals of LGU Decisions

If you wish to appeal this decision, you must provide a written request within 30 calendar days of the date you received the notice. All appeals must be submitted to the Board of Water and Soil Resources Executive Director along with a check payable to BWSR for \$500 *unless* the LGU has adopted a local appeal process as identified below. The check must be sent by mail and the written request to appeal can be submitted by mail or e-mail. The appeal should include a copy of this notice, name and contact information of appellant(s) and their representatives (if applicable), a statement clarifying the intent to appeal and supporting information as to why the decision is in error. Send to:

Appeals & Regulatory Compliance Coordinator
Minnesota Board of Water & Soils Resources
520 Lafayette Road North
St. Paul, MN 55155
travis.germundson@state.mn.us

Does the LGU have a local appeal process applicable to this decision?

- Yes¹ No

¹If yes, all appeals must first be considered via the local appeals process.

Local Appeals Submittal Requirements (LGU must describe how to appeal, submittal requirements, fees, etc. as applicable)

Notice Distribution (include name)

Required on all notices:

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BWSR TEP Member: Ben Carlson – ben.carlson@state.mn.us
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adjacent LGU: Karen Wold (Barr Engineering on behalf of BCWMC) – kwold@barr.com , Drew Chirpich (City of Golden Valley) – dchirpich@goldenvalleymn.gov
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DNR Representative: Wes Saunders-Pearce – wes.saunders-pearce@state.mn.us
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Watershed District or Watershed Mgmt. Org.: Karen Wold (Barr Engineering on behalf of BCWMC)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant: Colton Peshek (CenterPoint) – colton.peshek@centerpointenergy.com
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agent/Consultant: Emma Saberniak (Merjent) – emma.saberniak@merjent.com

Optional or As Applicable:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corps of Engineers: usace_requests_mn@usace.army.mil
<input type="checkbox"/> BWSR Wetland Mitigation Coordinator (required for bank plan applications only):
<input type="checkbox"/> Members of the Public (notice only):
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Jim Herbert (Barr) – jherbert@barr.com , Josh Phillips (Barr) – jphillips@barr.com , Erick Francis (City of St. Louis Park) – efrancis@stlouispark.org , Laura Jester (BCWMC) – laura.jester@keystonewaters.com , Karen Chandler (Barr) – kchandler@barr.com , Katie Heinz (MnDOT Metro District) – katherine.heinz@state.mn.us , Beth Neuendorf (MnDOT Metro District) – beth.neuendorf@state.mn.us

Signature:	Date:
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This notice and accompanying application materials may be sent electronically or by mail. The LGU may opt to send a summary of the application to members of the public upon request per 8420.0255, Subp. 3.