

APPENDIX 7 – DOES YOUR PROJECT REQUIRE A MANDATORY ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW?

Some public drainage system projects may trigger formal environmental review requiring an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) or Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Does your project...

-impound a public drainage system creating additional water surface of 160 or more acres?
- change or diminish the course, current, or cross-section of one acre of any public water?
-change or diminish the course, current, or cross-section of 40 percent or 5 acres of Type 3 through 8 wetlands of 2.5 acres in size or greater if any part of the wetland is within a shoreland area or delineated flood plain?
-divert, realign or channelize a designated trout stream?
-divert, realign or channelize more than 500 feet of a natural watercourse with a drainage area of 10 or more square miles?

If you checked any of the boxes above, your project likely requires an EAW.

Does your project...

- eliminate a public water?

If you checked the box above, your project likely requires an EIS.

The mandatory EAW categories can be found at MN Rule 4410.4300 and the mandatory EIS categories at MN Rule 4410.4400.