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The Honorable John Marty, Chair
Senate Environment and Energy
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323 State Capitol
Saint Paul, MN 55155

RE: Report on Water Permitting Processes for Transportation

Dear Legislators:

We are pleased to submit this joint report on water permitting processes for transportation to the Legislature, as required under Laws of Minnesota (2012) Chapter 287, Article 3, Section 63.

This report was developed by the Minnesota Department of Transportation, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, working in close collaboration with the Board of Water and Soil Resources and representatives of local road authorities. It provides a series of recommendations to improve the water

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permitting process for transportation projects. These recommendations identify recently implemented practices, new initiatives and new technologies.

For additional information, please contact any of us or one of the staff contacts identified in the report.

Sincerely,



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Commissioner, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency



Tom Landwehr
Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

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The Honorable Michael Beard, GOP Lead, House Transportation Finance Committee

The Honorable Linda Runbeck, GOP Lead, House Transportation Policy Committee

The Honorable John C. Pederson, Ranking Minority Member, Senate Transportation
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The Honorable Tom Hackbarth, GOP Lead, House Environment and Natural
Resources Policy Committee

The Honorable Denny McNamara, GOP Lead, House Environment, Natural
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