## **Public Notice**





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## Issuance of the St. Paul District and the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources Joint Draft Prospectus and Prospectus bank submittal forms

- 1. The St. Paul District Regulatory Branch (St. Paul District) and Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) have updated the forms used for wetland mitigation bank proposals at the Draft Prospectus and Prospectus phases of the agency review process. The updated versions are a joint effort between the St. Paul District and BWSR to ensure that information required for their respective reviews is specifically requested on the forms. The agencies have also added additional instructions to the forms and reorganized the content.
- 2. The updated forms apply to all compensatory mitigation proposals submitted in Minnesota for review and approval by the St. Paul District and BWSR. Effective the date of this Public Notice the forms replace those previously in use for wetland mitigation bank proposals submitted pursuant to the Federal Mitigation Rule and the Minnesota Wetland Conservation Act.
- 3. Wetland bank sponsors are requested to begin using the updated forms for all future Draft Prospectus and Prospectus submittals. However, any proposals in development may use the version of the forms in place at the time that phase of the review was initiated by the wetland bank sponsor. The St. Paul District and BWSR intend to fully transition to use of the new forms within 90 days from the date of this Special Public Notice.
- 4. The agencies will review the forms after 180 days and then consider any additional changes/revisions that are determined to be necessary. Members of the public who have comments on the updated forms can submit them to the agency points of contact identified in this Special Public Notice anytime within the 180-day period.

The updated forms are available on the St. Paul District website at:

http://www.mvp.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory/Mitigation/

The updated forms are available on the BWSR website at: <a href="http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/wetlands/wetlandbanking/forms.html">http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us/wetlands/wetlandbanking/forms.html</a>.

5. The points of contact for the updated forms are Leslie Day, the St. Paul District Mitigation Coordinator, at 651-290-5365 and Tim Smith the BWSR Wetland Banking Coordinator at 651-600-7554.

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