



**AITKIN-ITASCA-KOOCHICHING
COMMUNITY HEALTH BOARD**
Itasca Resource Center / 1209 SE 2nd Avenue
Grand Rapids, Minnesota 55744
Telephone: 1-218-327-5525

OCT 14 2014

October 10, 2014

J. Mark Wedel, Chair
Aitkin County Board of Commissioners
217 2nd Street NW
Aitkin, MN 56431

Dear Mr. Wedel:

Terms of membership for Aitkin County's representatives on the Aitkin-Itasca-Koochiching Community Health Board expire effective December 31, 2014. Current representatives are Laurie Westerlund and Ihleen Williams. Both Ms. Westerlund and Ms. Williams are eligible to be reappointed to the Community Health Board.

It would be appreciated if you could bring this matter to the attention of the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners. The County Board of Commissioners has the authority and responsibility for appointing Aitkin County members of the CHS Board. Terms of membership are for a period of three years.

The organizational structure of the CHS Board requires that one of your two representatives be a county commissioner. The other individual may be a health provider or community representative.

For your reference, I have attached a description of the CHS Board Member Responsibilities. Please call me at 218-327-6144, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,


Kelly Chandler
CHS Administrator

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enc.

cc: Tom Burke
Erin Melz
Laurie Westerlund
Ihleen Williams



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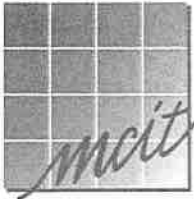
DESCRIPTION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES BOARD MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

Basic Responsibilities

- Attend and actively participate in regular CHS Board meetings (6-7 per year).
- Prepare for CHS Board meetings by reading materials related to the meeting including minutes and background information.
- Communicate Board activities to other groups which the member represents (e.g., county board, health related task force or employment).
- Read and be familiar with the CHS Board Bylaws.

Optional Responsibilities

- Participate as a member of CHS Board committees and task forces.
- Serve as a Board officer.
- Serve as State CHS Advisory Committee representative.
- Attend county health board meetings.



Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust

100 Empire Drive, Suite 100
St. Paul, MN 55103-1885
www.mcit.org

Phone: 651-209-6400
Toll Free: 866-547-6516
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October 10, 2014

RE: VOTING DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES

Dear: Kirk Peysar

The 2014 Annual Meeting of the Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust will be held on:

Monday, December 8, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.
(Registration to begin at 3:30)
State/Sunwood Room
Best Western Kelly Inn, St. Cloud

An election will be held for one seat on the MCIT Board of Directors. The MCIT Bylaws provide for the designation of official voting delegates and alternates. Our records indicate that your voting delegate and alternate are as follows:

Delegate: Laurie Westerlund

Alternate: ~~Kirk Peysar~~ *Terry Neff*

IF THIS IS CORRECT, YOU NEED NOT RESPOND TO THIS LETTER. If this is incorrect or if you wish to change your voting delegate and alternate, please note the changes on the enclosed designation form. The form should be signed and returned to MCIT by **November 21, 2014**. The form can be mailed, emailed or faxed. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Robyn M. Sykes
Executive Director

cc: County Administrator, Coordinator, Auditors or Auditor-Treasurer

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MINNESOTA COUNTIES INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRUST

VOTING DELGATE AND ALTERNATE

DESIGNATION FORM

OCT 17 2014

County: AITKIN

County name here hereby designates the following individuals to serve as its voting delegate and alternate:

Delegate: Laurie Westerlund

Alternate: ~~Kirk Peysar~~ Terry Neff, Environmental Services Director


Official of County Member

Date 10/14/14

Please return this form to MCIT no later than November 21, 2014 by mail, email or fax:

MCIT
100 Empire Drive, Suite 100
St. Paul, MN 55103-1885

Email: info@mcit.org

Fax: 651.209.6496

By Commissioner: Westerlund

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2014 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners makes the following committee appointments for the year 2014:

Assessor for Unorganized Twps.
Fairgrounds Custodian
AMC Delegates (8)

Purchasing/Building Committee
Facilities Committee

Aitkin Airport Commission (2)

McGregor Airport Commission (2)

Tri-County Community Health Services Board
Arrowhead Regional Development Council
Aitkin County Water Planning Task Force
Snake River Watershed Management Board
NE MN Office Job Training

Mike Dangers
Kirk Peysar
County Board
Environmental Services Director
HHS Director
County Administrator
Board
J. Mark Wedel
Brian Napstad
J. Mark Wedel
John Welle
Brian Napstad
William Bedor
Laurie Westerlund
Don Niemi
Mark Wedel
Don Niemi
Brian Napstad

Commissioner Napstad moved the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

FIVE MEMBERS PRESENT All Members Voting Yes

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
County of Aitkin) ss.
Office of County Auditor,)

I, Kirk Peysar, Auditor, of the County of Aitkin, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in my office on the 7th day of January A.D., 2014, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the whole thereof.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE at Aitkin, Minnesota, this 7th day of January A.D., 2014

KIRK PEYSAR, County Auditor
BY _____, Deputy

AITKIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Aitkin County Courthouse
217 Second Street N.W., Rm. 130
Aitkin, MN 56431
218-927-7276

OCT 27 2014

October 27, 2014

TO: Laura Jane Musser Fund Committee

The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners strongly supports the grant application submitted by the Aitkin County Historical Society.

The Aitkin County Historical Society, its Board, staff and MANY dedicated volunteers provide an invaluable service to Aitkin County in terms of its history, preservation of historical data and artifacts, and the operation of our impressive historical museum.

Your approval of their grant application will greatly enhance the efforts and endeavors of many dedicated volunteers and will, furthermore, promote the preservation of a multitude of historical records and documents so valuable to Aitkin County's history.

Thank you very much for your consideration of their request. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or if I could be of additional help to you.

Sincerely,

J. Mark Wedel, Chair
Aitkin County Board of Commissioners

Minnesota Wetland Conservation Act

Notice of Decision

Local Government Unit (LGU) Aitkin County Planning & Zoning	209 Second Street NW, Room 100 Aitkin, MN 56431
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1. PROJECT INFORMATION

Applicant Name Everstar LLC	Project Name Wetland bank application	Date of Application 06/09/14	Application Number 40340W
<input type="checkbox"/> Attach site locator map.			

Type of Decision:

<input type="checkbox"/> Wetland Boundary or Type	<input type="checkbox"/> No-Loss	<input type="checkbox"/> Exemption	<input type="checkbox"/> Sequencing
<input type="checkbox"/> Replacement Plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Banking Plan		

Technical Evaluation Panel Findings and Recommendation (if any):

<input type="checkbox"/> Approve	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approve with conditions	<input type="checkbox"/> Deny
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Summary: The TEP recommended approval of the wetland bank application with the following conditions:

- 1) Crediting and corresponding tables must be adjusted to reflect the most current changes to the wetland delineation as of August 13, 2014. As it relates to the newly-designated wetland area "B", 50% credit will be allowed. No crediting will be allowed in road right-of-way and prescriptive easement right-of-way.
- 2) The ditch petition must be approved as proposed in the August 13, 2014 version.
- 3) The hydrologic monitoring proposed for post-restoration (detailed on Page 33 of Part 4 of the Concept Plan) must include documentation of river elevation levels from the Aitkin gauge. Hydrologic monitoring should correlate ground water levels with data from the Aitkin gauge. This will allow the TEP to review potential hydrologic restoration based on similar years of rainfall and river elevations of the 2010 and 2011 monitoring.
- 4) The Conditional Use Permit (CUP) must be approved for the earth moving in the floodplain and floodway. All other required permits must be obtained.

2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT DECISION

Date of Decision: 09/17/14

☐ Approved

☒ Approved with conditions (include below)

☐ Denied

LGU Findings and Conclusions (attach additional sheets as necessary):

Support TEP recommendations. In addition, the following conditions must be met:

- 1) If the Drainage Authority denies the ditch petition as proposed on August 13, 2014, the wetland bank application will immediately be denied. If the Planning Commission denies the Conditional Use Permit, the wetland bank application will immediately be denied. The TEP recommendation and LGU decision is based on the information that was presented with the application. Any changes to the ditch petition request or CUP request will void the approval of the LGU.
- 2) Points North/Everstar has a wetland bank application under appeal. It is being held in abeyance by BWSR. The appeal must be rescinded within 30 days of the LGU approval of the current wetland banking plan or the beginning of construction, whichever occurs first.
- 3) No increase in the road elevation on Sheet F in the floodway area.
- 4) If there are any inconsistencies or discrepancies found in the wetland banking application, what was approved will be determined by the TEP.

For Replacement Plans using credits from the State Wetland Bank:

Bank Account #	Bank Service Area	County	Credits Approved for Withdrawal (sq. ft. or nearest .01 acre)


Replacement Plan Approval Conditions. In addition to any conditions specified by the LGU, the approval of a Wetland Replacement Plan is conditional upon the following:

- ☐ **Financial Assurance:** For project-specific replacement that is not in-advance, a financial assurance specified by the LGU must be submitted to the LGU in accordance with MN Rule 8420.0522, Subp. 9 (List amount and type in LGU Findings).
- ☐ **Deed Recording:** For project-specific replacement, evidence must be provided to the LGU that the BWSR "Declaration of Restrictions and Covenants" and "Consent to Replacement Wetland" forms have been filed with the county recorder's office in which the replacement wetland is located.
- ☐ **Credit Withdrawal:** For replacement consisting of wetland bank credits, confirmation that BWSR has withdrawn the credits from the state wetland bank as specified in the approved replacement plan.

Wetlands may not be impacted until all applicable conditions have been met!

LGU Authorized Signature:

Signing and mailing of this completed form to the appropriate recipients in accordance with 8420.0255, Subp. 5 provides notice that a decision was made by the LGU under the Wetland Conservation Act as specified above. If additional details on the decision exist, they have been provided to the landowner and are available from the LGU upon request.

Name Terry Neff	Title Environmental Services Director	
Signature 	Date 9/17/14	Phone Number and E-mail 218-927-7342 tneff@co.aitkin.mn.us

THIS DECISION ONLY APPLIES TO THE MINNESOTA WETLAND CONSERVATION ACT.

Additional approvals or permits from local, state, and federal agencies may be required. Check with all appropriate authorities before commencing work in or near wetlands.

Applicants proceed at their own risk if work authorized by this decision is started before the time period for appeal (30 days) has expired. If this decision is reversed or revised under appeal, the applicant may be responsible for restoring or replacing all wetland impacts.

This decision is valid for three years from the date of decision unless a longer period is advised by the TEP and specified in this notice of decision.

3. APPEAL OF THIS DECISION

Pursuant to MN Rule 8420.0905, any appeal of this decision can only be commenced by mailing a petition for appeal, including applicable fee, within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of the mailing of this Notice to the following as indicated:

Check one:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appeal of an LGU staff decision. Charges for an appeal are \$50.00/hour plus any additional costs to Aitkin County. Send petition to: Aitkin County Planning & Zoning 209 Second Street NW, Room 100 Aitkin, MN 56431	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal of LGU governing body decision. Send petition and \$500 filing fee to: Executive Director Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources 520 Lafayette Road North St. Paul, MN 55155
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4. LIST OF ADDRESSEES

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SWCD TEP member: Steve Hughes, SWCD, 130 Southgate Drive, Aitkin, MN 56431
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BWSR TEP member: Keith Grow, BWSR, 1601 Minnesota Drive, Brainerd, MN 56401
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LGU TEP member: John Welle, Road & Bridge, 1211 Air Park Lane, Aitkin, MN 56431
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DNR TEP member: Kevin Woizeschke, DNR, 1601 Minnesota Drive, Brainerd, MN 56401
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DNR Regional Office: Rian Reed, DNR, 1201 East Highway 2, Grand Rapids, MN 55744
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WD or WMO: Mississippi Headwaters Board, 322 Laurel Street, Brainerd, MN 56401
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant: EverStar, LLC, 9302 Interlachen Road, Lake Shore, MN 56468
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aitkin Airport Commission, 109 First Avenue NW, Aitkin, MN 56431
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bolton-Menk, Inc., 12224 Nicollet Avenue, Burnsville, MN 55337
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corps of Engineers: Nathan Campbell, ACOE, 180 Fifth Street, Suite 700, St. Paul, MN 55101
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BWSR Wetland Bank Coordinator: Ken Powell, 520 Lafayette Road North, St. Paul, MN 55155

5. MAILING INFORMATION

For Wetland Bank Plan applications, also send a copy of the application to:
Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources
Wetland Bank Coordinator
520 Lafayette Road North
St. Paul, MN 55155

6. ATTACHMENTS

In addition to the site locator map, list any other attachments:
<input type="checkbox"/>
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From: Becky Sovde [mailto:rsovde@co.aitkin.mn.us]
Sent: Wednesday, September 17, 2014 10:07 AM
To: Aitkin City Hall; 'Gayle Momchilovich'; 'Jim Erickson'; 'John Welle'; Keith Grow; 'Ken Powell'; Kevin Woizeschke; Nathan Campbell; Rian Reed; 'Ron Roetzel'; Steve Hughes; 'Kuboushek, Jason'; 'Terry Neff'
Subject: Notice of Decision

This will also be sent via USPS to non-agency addressees and to the MS Headwaters Board.

Becky Sovde
Wetland Specialist/Compliance Officer
Aitkin County Planning & Zoning
218-927-7342



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Minnesota Wetland Conservation Act
Technical Evaluation Panel Findings Report

Date(s) of Site Visit/Meeting	AUGUST 12, 2014	LGU	Aitkin County Planning & Zoning
County	Aitkin	LGU Contact	Becky Sovde
Project Name	Everstar Wetlands Bank	Phone #	218-927-7342
Location of Project (attach map if possible)	Sections 7, 8, 15, 47-25 Sections 12, 13, 47-27	Email	becky.sovde@co.aitkin.mn.us
		Address	

TEP ATTENDEES	OTHER ATTENDEES:	OTHER ATTENDEES
LGU: John Welle	Becky Sovde	
SWCD: Steve Hughes		
BWSR: Keith Grow		
DNR: Kevin Woizeschke		

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE OF MEETING
Review wetland banking application for recommendation

TYPE OF MEETING: ☒ In-person ☐ Office ☐ On Site ☐ Phone Conference ☐ E-Mail ☐ Other _____

TEP FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ¹:

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SIGNATURES



SWC Representative

9/16/14

Date



BWSR Representative

9-9-14

Date

Do not concur ☐

Do not concur ☐



CU Representative

9-16-14

Date



DNR Representative

9/9/14

Date

Do not concur ☐

Do not concur ☐

¹ TEP Findings should be a meaningful concise summary detailing the project conditions, technical data, and what rules apply. The TEP recommendation should be clear based on rule and best professional judgement.

Rev 12/17/2013

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT/VARIANCE/REZONING APPLICATION

APPLICATION DATE August 20, 2014 MEETING DATE September 15, 2014
60-DAY EXPIRATION DATE October 20, 2014 10-18-14
(MEETING MUST OCCUR BEFORE THIS DATE, UNLESS WRITTEN EXTENSION OF THE 60-DAY TIME PERIOD IS MADE.
WRITTEN EXTENSION MUST BE MADE PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION OF THE FIRST 60-DAY TIME PERIOD)

FULL NAME EverStar, LLC TELE # 218-963-4515
MAIL ADDRESS 9302 Interlachen Road
CITY Lakeshore, MN STATE MN ZIP 56468
911 ADDRESS OF PROPERTY 37791 390th Avenue
CITY Not Applicable STATE MN ZIP 56431
TOWNSHIP Spencer
LEGAL DESCRIPTION See comments below.
SECTION 7, 8 & 18 TOWNSHIP 47N RANGE 26W
(circle) RESIDENTIAL COMMERCIAL ACCESSORY NEW BUILDING ALTERATION
SIZE OF ALL BUILDINGS COVERED BY THIS APPLICATION: None.

OFFICE USE ONLY	
DATE	<u>10/20/14</u> <u>APPROVE</u> / DENY
PERMIT#	<u>40619C</u>
PARCEL#	<u>31-0-0116500</u>
RECEIPT#	<u>1996016/375704</u>
CONFORMING SEPTIC	
YES	P#
NO	NEW
<u>No septic existing</u> <u>Or proposed.</u>	

9-15-14 application tabled
10-20-14 application approved with 3 conditions.

COMMENTS: Physical construction work will occur within SE1/4 of Section 7, W1/2 of SW1/4 Section 8 and portions of N1/2 of Section 18, Township 47N, Range 26W. See accompanying narrative for parcel numbers encompassed by the overall project.

The undersigned hereby makes application for permit to construct as herein specified, agreeing to do all such work in strict accordance with the Ordinances of the County of Aitkin, Minnesota; Minnesota Individual Sewage Disposal Code Minimum Standards set forth by Minnesota Department of Health; and Shoreland Management Standards set forth by Minnesota Department of Natural Resources. Applicant agrees that plot plan, sketches and specifications submitted herewith and which are approved by the Zoning Official, shall become a part of the permit.

X *P. D. Huth*
SIGNATURE APPLICANT/AGENT

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

ZONING DISTRICT & FLOOD PLAIN

ZONING DISTRICT Shoreland
LAKE/STREAM RIVER NAME Mississippi
LAKE/RIVER ID NUMBER _____
LAKE/RIVER/STREAM CLASSIF. Mississippi
PARCEL LOCATED IN FLOOD PLAIN? Y X N _____
10/100-YR. FLOOD ELEVATION _____
LOWEST FLOOR ELEVATION _____
ELEV. CERTIFICATE REQUIRED Y _____ N X
BEFORE CONSTRUCTION Y X N _____
AFTER CONSTRUCTION Y X N _____

STRUCTURE SETBACK DISTANCE REQUIREMENTS

(Measure from eaves or overhang)
OHW TO LAKE/RIVER/STREAM _____
PROPERTY LINE SETBACK (10-ft. / 20-ft.) _____
SETBACK TO ROAD R-O-W (30-ft. Twp. / 50-ft. Co., State, Fed.) _____
SETBACK TO BLUFF (30 ft.) _____

SEPTIC SYSTEM SETBACK DISTANCES

SETBACK TO STRUCTURES - 10-FT. TANK / 20-FT. DRAIN FIELD _____
OHW TO LAKE/RIVER _____
PROPERTY LINE SETBACK 10-ft. _____
SETBACK TO ROAD R-O-W 10-ft. _____

EXPIRES IN ONE YEAR • Aitkin County Zoning

Courthouse - 209 2nd St. NW. Room 100 • Aitkin, Minnesota 56431 \$ 16416
Telephone 218/927-7342

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DATE

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K. Kunz

8-20-14

CONDITIONS FOR PERMIT #40619C

1. Must comply with all local, state and federal regulations that pertain to this type of operation.
2. Proposed partial abandonment of County Ditch 24 must be approved by the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners before any excavation (cut and fill) work is commenced.
3. Cut and Fill amounts shall not exceed those proposed in the Cut/Fill Report dated 2014-09-04 and Construction Plans signed by Eric Hansen dated 9/3/14, as submitted in the conditional use permit application.

c:\zoning\PC9-15-14

NOTICE OF DECISION for

STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF AITKIN

AITKIN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (C.U.P.) REZONING PROCEEDINGS

IN THE MATTER OF PERMIT NUMBER: 40619C

(C.U.P.) REZONING

Denied

or

Approved

(Circle one)

APPLICANT OR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE:

Name Everstar, LLC.

Mailing Address 9302 Interlachen Road

City, State, Zip Lakeshore MN 56468

The above entitled matter came to be heard before the Planning Commission on the 20 day of October, 20 14, on a petition for a (C.U.P.) REZONING pursuant to the Aitkin County Zoning Ordinance, for the following described parcel of land:

It is ordered that a (C.U.P.) Rezoning be granted upon the following conditions or reasons (if any):

3 conditions to be forthcoming

**FINDINGS OF FACTS or CONDITIONS (if any)
WILL BE FORTHCOMING ON THE RECORDING DOCUMENT**

DATED THIS 20 DAY OF October, 20 14

[Signature]
Chairperson of the Planning Commission or
Authorized Representative

Applicant or Authorized Representative acknowledges receipt of this document.

[Signature]
Signature of Applicant or Authorized Representative

THIS INSTRUMENT WAS DRAFTED BY:
AITKIN COUNTY ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
COURTHOUSE
AITKIN, MINNESOTA 56431

*Appeal of this decision shall be by
Writ of Certiorari to the Minnesota
Court of Appeals within 30 days of
the Planning Commission's decision.*

County Copy - White

Applicant Copy - Yellow

CONDITIONAL USE/INTERIM USE CRITERIA/FINDINGS OF FACT

APPLICANT Everstar LLC. DATE 9-15-14
 CUP/IUP REQUEST _____
 ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS: *Must adhere to all Local, State and Federal Rules when applicable, _____

1. The proposed use will not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of the environment or of other property in the immediate vicinity, nor impair property values within the surrounding neighborhood.
2. The proposed use will not increase local or state expenditures in relation to costs of servicing or maintaining neighboring properties.
3. The location and character of the proposed use are considered to be consistent with a desirable pattern of development for the locality in general.
4. The proposed use conforms to the comprehensive land use for the County.
5. Proper notice has been given to those people required under Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 394, of the proposed use and of the hearing before the Planning Commission.
6. That other applicable requirements of this ordinance, or other ordinances of the County have been met.
7. The proposed use is not injurious to the public health, safety and general welfare.

Dave	Laurie	Robert	Jeremy	Dale
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

Special conditions found by the Planning Commission _____

If all answers are "Yes" by a majority of the Planning Commission, the criteria for granting the Conditional Use Permit have been met.

DATE 10/20/14 APPROVED ✓ DENIED _____

 CHAIRMAN PLANNING COMMISSION



Mississippi Headwaters Board

Crow Wing County Land Service Bldg. - 322 Laurel St - Ste 11 - Brainerd, MN 56401

Web Site: www.mississippiheadwaters.org

September 22, 2014

To: Aitkin County Environmental Services
Address: 209 2nd Street NW
Aitkn, MN 56431

RE: Comments provided to the Everstar Conditional Use Permit from the Mississippi Headwaters Board.

Dear Terry Neff:

On September 19, 2014, the Mississippi Headwaters Board (MHB) reviewed and provided comments on the Everstar LLC Conditional Use Permit. The board wishes to express that the applicant's activities toward a proposed wetland restoration and upland buffer areas support the goals of improving the Mississippi river water quality by filtering sediments and removing nutrients and agricultural runoff from the surface water that affect the jurisdictional area of the MHB. They request that the applicant follow Part III, Section K of the MHB Comprehensive Plan, which focuses on Shoreland alteration. Thank you for providing the opportunity for the MHB to provide comment on this Conditional Use Permit, and we look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

Tim Terrill
Executive Director

Clearwater * Hubbard * Beltrami * Cass



Itasca * Aitkin * Crow Wing * Morrison

- ii. Stormwater management Facilities must meet the standards of the local Soil and Water Conservation District or other acceptable standards.
- iii. Stormwater outfalls to the Mississippi River and the Headwaters Lakes must provide for filtering or settling of suspended solids and skimming of surface debris before discharge.
- iv. The Zoning Authority shall require a USP if the impact proposed or existing impact 1) exceeds 5% of impervious surface with the Shore Impact Zone; or 2) exceeds 15% of impervious surface from the Shore Impact Zone to the Building Setback line; or 3) overall impervious surface on the lot exceeds 25%.
- v. New development must consider source water protection, such as wellhead delineation or proximity to a public or private well.

Section K - Shoreland Alteration

K.1. Purpose

Alterations of vegetation and topography will be regulated to prevent erosion to public waters, fix nutrients, preserve shoreland aesthetics, preserve historic values, prevent bank slumping, preserve corridor for movement of wildlife, protect fish and wildlife habitat, conserve cultural resources and to preserve the scenic and aesthetic character of the shoreland. These Best Management Practices for shoreland alterations will protect the water quality of the River and will therefore sustain the economic values in the corridor.

The regulations for shoreland alterations set forth in this Plan, Minnesota Rules Chapter 6120, or any county shoreland regulations which are more restrictive shall apply

K.2. Vegetation Management Provisions

Vegetation alteration in the Corridor is allowed with the following provisions. Vegetation alteration shall be addressed in a USP if more than 15% of the existing vegetative cover is removed.

- a. **Exemptions.** Forestry uses, agricultural uses, and the construction of roads and rights-of-way regulated by county road building standards are exempt from the MHB vegetation alteration standards in b and c below.
- b. **Limited Vegetation Clearing.** In the Corridor and/or areas with bluff impact zones and/or areas of steep slopes, limited removal of trees and shrubs and cutting, pruning and trimming of trees is allowed to provide a view to the water from the principal dwelling site and to accommodate the placement of stairways and landings and access paths, provided that:

- i. Removal does not exceed 25% of the existing vegetation, and erosion and sedimentation are minimized.
 - ii. The vegetative screening of structures, vehicles or other facilities is maintained.
 - iii. The vegetative shading of water surfaces is maintained; and
 - iv. The above provisions are not applicable to the removal of trees, limbs, or branches that are dead, diseased, or pose safety hazards.
- c. **Intensive Vegetation Clearing.** Intensive vegetation clearing within the setback and bluff impact zones and/or areas of steep slopes is not allowed. Intensive vegetation removal outside the setback, and not involving a bluff impact zone or steep slopes, for forestland conversion to another use is allowed as a conditional use. This conditional use shall require a Unified Site Plan showing mitigation plans for the control of negative impacts.

K.3. Grading, Filling, Alterations in the Beds of Public Waters

- a. **Permit Required.** The Zoning Authority shall allow a one-time permit for 10 cubic yards of fill material. Any additional grading or filling work done within the Corridor shall require a conditional use permit and shall comply with the BMPs listed below:

Grading and filling of the natural topography that is accessory to a permitted or conditional use shall be performed in a manner which minimizes earth moving, erosion, storm water run-off, tree clearing and the destruction of natural amenities. A USP may address these practices and shall be approved by the Zoning Authority.

A grading or filling permit may be issued only if the following Standards and BMPs are met:

- b. **Standards.** Grading and filling of the natural topography shall also meet the following methods and practices:
- i. The smallest amount of bare ground is exposed for as short a time as feasible.
 - ii. Temporary ground cover, such as mulch, is used and permanent ground cover, such as sod, is planted.
 - iii. Methods to prevent erosion and to trap sediment are employed.
 - iv. Fill is stabilized to accepted, professionally recognized standards.
 - v. Fill or excavated material is not placed in a manner that creates an unstable slope.
- c. **Steep Slopes.** Plans to place fill or excavated material on steep slopes are reviewed by a qualified professional, such as the SWCD or a licensed engineer, for

continued slope stability and in no case may create finished slopes of 30 percent or greater.

- i. Fill or excavated materials are not placed in bluff impact zones.
- ii. Disturbed areas are restored in the same building season.

K.4. Altering Current or Cross Section of Public Waters

The excavation of material from, filling in, construction of any permanent structures or navigational obstructions, or any work that will change or diminish the course, current, or cross-section of the Mississippi River, Headwaters Lakes, or wetlands in the Corridor, is prohibited unless authorized by a permit from the Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 103G.245, and/or a permit from the US Army Corps of Engineers.

K.5. Drainage or Filling of Wetlands

Drainage or filling in of wetlands within the Corridor must be in compliance with the Wetland Conservation Act. The replacement and/or mitigation activities for the filling of a wetland in the Corridor, should take place in the Corridor.

Section L - Agricultural Practices

L.1. Conservation Plan Consistency

General cultivation farming, grazing, nurseries, horticulture, truck farming, sod farming, and wild crop harvesting are permitted uses if steep slopes and bluff impact zones are maintained in permanent vegetation and operated under an approved conservation plan consistent with the field office technical guide of the County Soil and Water Conservation District. Recommendations of the publication "Agriculture and Water Quality," Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, 1989, are the minimum standard for agricultural practices in the River Corridor. The Zoning Authority or its designee will be responsible for the proper review of the Conservation Plans intended to minimize erosion and to protect water quality.

L.2. New Animal Feedlots Prohibited

New animal feedlots, as defined by the Minnesota Rules Chapter 7020, are not permitted in the river corridor.

L.3. Existing Feed Lots

Animal feedlots, barnyards, or agricultural waste systems in existence prior to July 1, 1992, may continue provided neither the size of the area involved in the use or the number

CERTIFIED COPY OF RESOLUTION OF COUNTY BOARD OF AITKIN COUNTY, MINNESOTA

ADOPTED October 28, 2014

By Commissioner: xx

Partial Ditch Abandonment of a Drainage System within Sections 27, 28, 32, 33 and 34 of Workman Township

WHEREAS, a Petition from was received by County Auditor Kirk Peysar dated March, 31, 2014, and an amended petition was received on September 15, 2014, from U.S. Steel Corporation, owners of benefitted property of Aitkin County Ditch #4 requesting a partial abandonment of the portion of County Ditch #4 as described in Exhibit 1 attached; and,

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on July 22, 2014, to consider evidence concerning the partial abandonment of Aitkin County Ditch #4. Said public hearing was continued until September 23, 2014 and October 14, 2014 to allow the Petitioner to gather information, and modify the proposed abandonment in cooperation with County representatives; and,

WHEREAS, representatives of the Petitioner gave evidence concerning the partial abandonment of the above described portion of Aitkin County Ditch #4; and

WHEREAS, the opportunity was provided for public comment and questions. Public comments were received and are included in the public record.

NOW, THEREFORE, based on the petition, the evidence presented at the public hearing, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners, acting as Drainage Authority for Aitkin County Ditch #4, makes the following Findings of Fact:

1. That John Welle, Aitkin County Engineer, appeared and testified in his professional capacity at the September 23, 2014 hearing, and represented that the petition as revised addressed and alleviated the concerns made at the public hearing on July 22, 2014.
2. That the portion of the drainage system described in the petition dated September 15, 2014 and Exhibit 1, Figures 1 – 5, hereby incorporated by reference does not serve a substantial useful purpose as part of the drainage system to any property remaining in the system and is not of substantial public benefit and utility.

THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered that the portion of Aitkin County Ditch #4 described in Exhibit 1 is partially abandoned; and the responsibility of the Drainage Authority, for that portion of the drainage system, hereby ends.

Commissioner XX moved the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

FIVE MEMBERS PRESENT All Members Voting Yes

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
County of Aitkin) ss.
Office of County Auditor,)

I, Kirk Peysar, Auditor, of the County of Aitkin, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in my office on the 26th day of August A.D., 2014, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the whole thereof.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE at Aitkin, Minnesota, this 26th day of August A.D., 2014

KIRK PEYSAR, County Auditor
BY _____, Deputy

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Fund Dept		2014 Bud		2014 Act		% of Budget			Administrator's Comments
		Rev	Exp	Rev	Exp	Rev	Exp		
General Fund									
Administration/General Gov't Depts									
1	1 Commissioners	0	238,388	0	175,192				Expenditures of \$308,354 capital outlay in excess of budget (preapproved) for ARMER 2 vehicles purchased per board action, only 1 budgeted
1	40 Auditor	(281,630)	584,648	(200,510)	441,695	<div><div></div></div> 71%	<div><div></div></div>	73%	
1	41 Internal Audit	0	65,000	0	45,519		<div><div></div></div>	76%	
1	42 Treasurer	(32,500)	230,828	(22,012)	175,438	<div><div></div></div> 68%	<div><div></div></div>	70%	
1	43 Asessor	(182,981)	806,421	(162,534)	613,080	<div><div></div></div> 89%	<div><div></div></div>	76%	
1	44 Central Services	(7,163,317)	252,548	(5,730,187)	540,144	<div><div></div></div> 80%	<div><div></div></div>	214%	
1	45 Motor Pool	(30,000)	53,261	(4,320)	63,019	<div><div></div></div> 14%	<div><div></div></div>	118%	
1	49 Information Technologies	(700)	531,798	(1,379)	313,878	<div><div></div></div> 197%	<div><div></div></div>	59%	
1	52 Administration/HR	0	339,194	0	241,816		<div><div></div></div>	71%	
1	60 Elections	(1,300)	128,706	(1,040)	71,359	<div><div></div></div> 80%	<div><div></div></div>	55%	
1	100 Recorder	(280,964)	267,114	(155,442)	193,099	<div><div></div></div> 55%	<div><div></div></div>	72%	
1	110 Courthouse Maint	(20,000)	327,865	(20,000)	252,366	<div><div></div></div> 100%	<div><div></div></div>	77%	
1	111 Buildings	0	72,000	0	56,216		<div><div></div></div>	78%	
1	120 VSO	(22,200)	91,669	(5,726)	69,347	<div><div></div></div> 26%	<div><div></div></div>	76%	
1	121 HRA	0	1,600	0	1,085		<div><div></div></div>	68%	
Administration/General Gov't Depts Subtotal		(8,015,592)	3,991,040	(6,303,148)	3,253,252	<div><div></div></div> 79%	<div><div></div></div>	82%	
Public Safety									
1	12 Court Administration	(100)	105,100	(6,343)	50,142	<div><div></div></div> 6343%	<div><div></div></div>	48%	OK - Revenues on track with historical averages-
1	90 Attorney	(54,214)	884,427	(27,759)	662,677	<div><div></div></div> 51%	<div><div></div></div>	75%	
1	123 Coroner	0	58,000	0	33,602		<div><div></div></div>	58%	
1	200 Enforcement	(190,000)	2,054,551	(64,750)	1,485,026	<div><div></div></div> 34%	<div><div></div></div>	72%	OK - Police state aid received late in the FY
1	201 Sheriff Contingency	0	0	(752)	0				OK - Rev and Exp across Depts 01-202 to 01-204 Balanced and on track
1	202 Boat and Water	(25,503)	79,833	(18,756)	64,162	<div><div></div></div> 74%	<div><div></div></div>	80%	
1	203 Snowmobile	(6,422)	33,321	(6,179)	32,030	<div><div></div></div> 96%	<div><div></div></div>	96%	
1	204 ATV	(10,000)	22,294	(14,212)	7,509	<div><div></div></div> 142%	<div><div></div></div>	34%	
1	206 Forfeitures	0	0	(28,495)	10,080				Property tax allocation has not been made to the department
1	252 Corrections	(2,324,605)	2,328,086	(343,199)	1,775,269	<div><div></div></div> 15%	<div><div></div></div>	76%	
1	253 Aitkin Co Community Corrections	(33,443)	281,864	(25,750)	240,822	<div><div></div></div> 77%	<div><div></div></div>	85%	
1	254 Enhanced 911	(89,150)	49,200	(74,325)	179,676	<div><div></div></div> 83%	<div><div></div></div>	365%	OK > 80% of allocation has been made 37k in juvenile detention
1	255 Crime Victim	(42,874)	63,661	(46,851)	47,051	<div><div></div></div> 109%	<div><div></div></div>	74%	
1	257 Sobriety Court	0	27,000	(9,280)	6,037		<div><div></div></div>	22%	
1	280 Emergency Management	(19,000)	47,451	(34,261)	36,540	<div><div></div></div> 180%	<div><div></div></div>	77%	
Public Safety Subtotal		(2,795,311)	6,034,788	(700,913)	4,630,624	<div><div></div></div> 25%	<div><div></div></div>	77%	

Fund Dept		2014 Bud		2014 Act		% of Budget		Administrator's Comments
		Rev	Exp	Rev	Exp	Rev	Exp	
Culture and Recreation								
1	500 Library & Historical Society	0	296,587	0	283,274		96%	OK - Library appropriation paid
1	520 Parks	0	0	0	10			
1	601 Extension	(250)	68,886	120	51,439	-48%	75%	
Culture and Recreation Subtotal		(250)	365,473	120	334,723	-48%	92%	
Conservation of Natural Resources								
1	122 Planning and Zoning	(269,907)	392,703	(406,155)	299,715	150%	76%	Revenues > than expected due to AIS grant
1	390 Environmental Health	(72,000)	73,426	(75,047)	50,104	104%	68%	
1	391 Solid Waste	(250,537)	251,018	(137,087)	182,393	55%	73%	
1	392 Water Wells	(6,150)	6,150	(9,532)	2,567	155%	42%	OK - Appropriations made
1	600 Ag Soc, Soil & Water, Ag	0	136,169	0	128,044		94%	
1	603 Wetland Value Repl Fund	0	0	0	0			
Conservation of Natural Resources Subtotal		(598,594)	859,466	(627,821)	662,823	105%	77%	
Economic Development								
1	700 Promotion, Tran, Airport,	0	42,622	0	23,441		55%	OK - Expenditures made on carry over of grant revenues
1	711 Economic Development	(1,000)	37,983	(6,900)	34,256	690%	90%	
Economic Development Subtotal		(1,000)	80,605	(6,900)	57,697	690%	72%	
General Fund		(11,410,747)	11,331,372	(7,638,663)	8,939,119	67%	79%	
Road and Bridge Fund								
3	0	(4,048,748)	0	(3,301,866)	0	82%		OK - Winter mainteances supplies stockpiled
3	301 Administration/HR	0	481,079	0	348,213		72%	
3	302 Engineering/Construction	0	491,962	0	321,504		65%	
3	303 Highway Maintenance	0	3,175,707	0	2,513,621		79%	
3	307 Capital Infrastructure	(4,071,000)	5,854,000	(1,061,787)	1,060,609	26%	18%	
3	308 Equipment and Facilities	(474,400)	474,400	(474,400)	82,761	100%	17%	
3	310 232 Turnback	0	0	0	126,760			
Road and Bridge Fund		(8,594,148)	10,477,148	(4,838,053)	4,453,467	56%	43%	

Fund Dept		2014 Bud		2014 Act		% of Budget			Administrator's Comments	
		Rev	Exp	Rev	Exp	Rev	Exp			
Health and Human Services Fund										
5	0	(75,000)	75,000	(62,293)	62,293	●	83%	●	83%	OK - Pass through account
5	400 Public Health	(619,610)	704,900	(474,295)	542,994	●	77%	●	77%	
5	420 Income Maintenance	(1,498,504)	1,634,362	(1,150,620)	1,309,416	●	77%	●	80%	
5	430 Social Services	(3,328,842)	3,707,724	(2,188,661)	2,519,001	●	66%	●	68%	
Health and Human Services Fund		(5,521,956)	6,121,986	(3,875,869)	4,433,704	●	70%	●	72%	OK - Payments lag expenditures
10	921 County Development	(205,000)	335,324	(408,130)	166,564	●	199%	●	50%	> expected revenues from concon
10	923 Forfeited Tax Sales	(1,205,000)	1,206,823	(1,328,597)	1,086,690	●	110%	●	90%	> expected revenues from timber sales
		(1,410,000)	1,542,147	(1,736,727)	1,253,255	●	123%	●	81%	
11	924 Forest Resource	(143,000)	221,036	(143,769)	125,712	●	101%	●	57%	
11	925 Reforestation	(137,000)	213,841	(161,720)	233,994	●	118%	●	109%	
11	934 Memorial Forest	(85,000)	128,592	(89,858)	104,570	●	106%	●	81%	
11	935 Forest Road	(37,000)	48,691	(19,778)	43,566	●	53%	●	89%	
		(402,000)	612,160	(415,126)	507,842	●	103%	●	83%	
19	521 LLCC Administration	(50,500)	207,160	(45,619)	185,907	●	90%	●	90%	Recently booked schools gives potential for year end balance
19	522 LLCC Education	(618,360)	232,366	(393,024)	150,394	●	64%	●	65%	
19	523 LLCC Food	(4,500)	156,177	(2,696)	124,839	●	60%	●	80%	
19	524 LLCC Maintenance	0	78,972	0	69,448			●	88%	
19	525 LLCC Capital Improvement	0	0	0	5,716					
		(673,360)	674,675	(441,339)	536,304	●	66%	●	79%	
21 520 Parks		(564,000)	567,519	(500,513)	446,851	●	89%	●	79%	

AITKIN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

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TO: Aitkin County Board

FROM: Nathan Burkett, County Administrator NB

RE: Fon Du Lac Tribe Class I Air Designation Proposal

DATE: October 28, 2014

At our last board meeting the County Board discussed a proposal by the Fon Du Lac Tribe to designate the air over their reservation near Cloquet to Class I under the Federal Clean Air Act.

November 10, 2014 is the last day that the Tribe will formally accept comments and questions regarding their proposal. I recommend that we submit comments and questions in line with the other counties who have been tracking and have concern with this proposal. I further recommend that Aitkin County encourages AMC and other organizations we work with to advocate for the MPCA to take appropriate measures to limit the scope of the proposal when it does become active law.

In general the comments and questions to be posed are as follows:

Questions

1. What is the current baseline of regulated pollutants in the air over the reservation?
2. What is the expected modeling methodology that will be used and how will the Tribe determine compliance?
3. How will the Tribe work with existing businesses to ensure that there are not devastating economic impacts to current employers in the area?
4. What is the Tribe's intention with regards to engagement in the process for new major emitter applicants (i.e. does the Tribe intend to utilize unilateral veto power over any new emitters?)
5. How does the Tribe expect that their proposal will impact mining operations and proposals?

Comments

1. Aitkin County is not in support of this proposal and encourages the State of Minnesota to take appropriate action to mitigate any potential negative economic impacts to the greatest extent possible
2. Aitkin County is concerned that the proposal in its current form gives the Tribe too much control over the economy of the region and State

Aitkin County Board of Commissioners

Board Meeting Attendance Record

Date: Oct. 28, 2014

Name	Please check the boxes that apply.		
	Aitkin County Citizen	Aitkin County Employee	Company Representative – please list.
Bob Glanville	✓		MY SELF
Keluecrag	✓		
Daniel Daneshvari	✓		Aitkin Age
Tammy Lou Pfaff			City of Aitkin - City Clerk
Tim Erickson			Al McQuinn (Everstar)
David Lewis	✓		LOGAN TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR