

Subject: Re: Sulfate standard

Date: Wednesday, February 26, 2014 at 11:26:30 AM Central Standard Time

From: Tincher, Jaime (GOV), GOV1636E957-9746-40EB-B36D-B062C63D50>

To: Stine, John (MPCA), MPCA John 19235ee4-32f5-43d4-af10-c2faf5183a6c>

Thank you. I talked to Thissen. Told him you have a job to do and this is just a hard issue and they need to let us talk and get back to them.

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 26, 2014, at 10:25 AM, "Stine, John (MPCA)" <john.stine@state.mn.us> wrote:

> Talking with my staff in 5 minutes.

> John Linc Stine

> Commissioner

> MN Pollution Control Agency

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> ----- Original Message -----

> From: Tincher, Jaime (GOV)

> Sent: Wednesday, February 26, 2014 10:24 AM

> To: Stine, John (MPCA)

> Cc: Bailey, Dana (GOV); Zakula, Linden (GOV); O'Rourke, Jennifer (GOV); Sertich, Tony (IRR)

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> I heard. We need to put together a plan.

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> On Feb 26, 2014, at 10:24 AM, "Stine, John (MPCA)" <john.stine@state.mn.us> wrote:

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>> Agree - the meeting with range legislators went poorly.

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>> From: Tincher, Jaime (GOV)

>> Sent: Wednesday, February 26, 2014 10:22 AM

>> To: Bailey, Dana (GOV); Zakula, Linden (GOV); O'Rourke, Jennifer (GOV)

>> Cc: Sertich, Tony (IRR); Stine, John (MPCA)

>> Subject: Sulfate standard

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>> This is a big deal and it is blowing up this morning. I am at the residence and think the Gov, Tony and Stine need to meet/talk on the phone.

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>> <http://m.startribune.com/lifestyle/?id=247183881&c=y>

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Subject: FW: Postpone MPCA Legislative Briefing on Wild Rice Sulfate Study
Date: Wednesday, February 26, 2014 at 7:25:27 PM Central Standard Time
From: Koudelka, Kirk (MPCA), MPC363B3C11-1A3F-42F6-AFAF-451B7D0DF44D>
To: Stine, John (MPCA), MPCA John 19235ee4-32f5-43d4-af10-c2faf5183a6c>, Verhasselt, Dave (MPCA), M477e69e2-c5bd-4306-bd1b-7bfd951e54dd556>, Flood, Rebecca (MPCA), MPCba4414de-4cfb-4215-8ba0-b78d9d9a957c>, Koudelka, Kirk (MPCA), MPC363b3c11-1a3f-42f6-afaf-451b7d0df44d>
CC: Ahlers-Nelson, Courtney (MPCA), M1fb08a78-f870-411f-bd0c-55fc4047c590>

FYI

From: Koudelka, Kirk (MPCA)
Sent: Wednesday, February 26, 2014 6:25 PM
To: rep.david.dill@house.mn; rep.tom.hackbarth@house.mn; Representative Jean Wagenius (rep.jean.wagenius@house.mn); Denny McNamara (rep.denny.mcnamara@house.mn); Phyllis Kahn (Rep.Phyllis.Kahn@house.mn); 'rep.dean.urdahl@house.mn'; Barbara.Jacobs@senate.mn; 'sen.david.brown@senate.mn'; sen.david.tomassoni@senate.mn; sen.bill.ingebrihtsen@senate.mn; rep.tom.anzelc@house.mn
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Subject: Postpone MPCA Legislative Briefing on Wild Rice Sulfate Study

Hi everyone,

We thought we would be ready to release preliminary findings on the wild rice sulfate standard on Thursday, but we are not. As a result we need to postpone the meeting.

We will update you when we can in the coming weeks.

Thanks,

Kirk

From: Koudelka, Kirk (MPCA)
Sent: Friday, February 21, 2014 3:26 PM
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Subject: MPCA Legislative Briefing on Wild Rice Sulfate Study

Hi Committee Chairs, Leads, and Chair of the Iron Range Delegation:

The wild rice sulfate study was completed at the end of December 2013. The data is documented in five reports from the researchers, which is available on the MPCA's website.

<http://www.pca.state.mn.us/index.php/water/water-permits-and-rules/water-rulemaking/minnesotas-sulfate-standard-to-protect-wild-rice.html>

Over the last two months MPCA has systematically analyzed the research and data. We are on target to release our preliminary recommendations about the wild rice sulfate standard at the end of February.

On Thursday, February 27th at 10:30AM we have reserved 125 in the Capitol to brief interested legislators on the preliminary recommendations. I understand there is no perfect time during the day, but hope this work for a majority of folks.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thanks,

Kirk

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Subject: Postpone of release of preliminary findings on wild rice sulfate standard
Date: Wednesday, February 26, 2014 at 10:42:27 PM Central Standard Time
From: Lotthammer, Shannon (MPCA), SHANNON1835B629-B400-428A-A65E-945195224C52>
To: John Pastor (jpastor@d.umn.edu), Nathan Johnson, Daniel Engstrom, Amy Myrbo
CC: Swain, Ed (MPCA), MPCA Ed df5a38e7-d527-432e-ae58-d0c51f03e974>, Engelking, Pat (MPCA), MPC64508eb0-42c1-46b0-962c-20f9a4185184>, Tomasek, Mark (MPCA), MPCA66b36e08-e4d0-4359-bd13-d19c5f95250b>, Kessler, Katrina (MPCA), M6dfc3592-698f-42aa-920a-77ad31ece81c>, Streets, Summer (MPCA), MPfe70fbc1-b766-4512-961a-570c9bc668d1>, Monson, Phil (MPCA), MPCA Phil 8638e178-4b5c-4b1a-a168-66ea6c1e0acc>, Alms, Eric (MPCA), Mdb1846ab-33c4-4f5e-9afe-fbccce9e6744318>, Blaha, Gerald (MPCA), MPCA51ea750d-038b-45f0-b4e0-4d6669a8fd63>

Hi all --

Just a quick note to let you know we thought we would be ready to release preliminary findings on the wild rice sulfate standard on Thursday, but we are not. We will update you when we can in the coming weeks. In the meantime, if you have any questions or receive any questions about the MPCA's preliminary findings regarding the standard, please feel free to give me a call or refer them to me.

Many thanks!
Shannon

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Subject: FW: Postpone of MPCA release of preliminary findings
Date: Wednesday, February 26, 2014 at 7:18:14 PM Central Standard Time
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Sent to Advisory Committee.

From: Lotthammer, Shannon (MPCA)
Sent: Wednesday, February 26, 2014 6:17 PM
To: Engelking, Pat (MPCA); Anne Nelson; Beth Nelson; Craig Johnson ; Darren Vogt; David D. Biesboer (biesboer@umn.edu); David Hatchett ; David Skolasinski; David Smiga (dlsmiga@uss.com); Engstrom, Jennifer N (DNR); Frank Ongaro; Geisen, Ann (DNR); Joe Mayasich; John Lenczewski (jlenczewski@comcast.net); Jon Schneider (jschneider@ducks.org); Kathryn Hoffman; Kurt Anderson; Lea Foushee; Leonard Anderson; Lloyd Grooms; Mike Appelwick (MAppelwick@nettechnical.com); Mike Robertson; Mike Robertson 2; Mike Schmidt; Nancy Schuldt; Paula Maccabee (pmaccabee@visi.com); Peter Lee; Rachel Walker; Raymie Porter (raporter@umn.edu); Rob Beranek; Robert Pillsbury; Robert Shimek; Robin Richards; Rod Ustipak (rodustipak@charter.net); Sara Barsel (sara.barsel@q.com); Scott Gischia; Shane Bowe; Stephen R. Grattan; Steve Nyhus; Tim Tuominen; Tracy Ekola
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From: Engelking, Pat (MPCA)

Sent: Tuesday, February 25, 2014 2:35 PM

To: Anne Nelson; Beth Nelson; Craig Johnson ; Darren Vogt; David D. Biesboer (biesboer@umn.edu); David Hatchett ; David Skolasinski; David Smiga (dlsmiga@uss.com); Engstrom, Jennifer N (DNR); Frank Ongaro; Geisen, Ann (DNR); Joe Mayasich; John Lenczewski (jlenczewski@comcast.net); Jon Schneider (jschneider@ducks.org); Kathryn Hoffman; Kurt Anderson; Lea Foushee; Leonard Anderson; Lloyd Grooms; Mike Appelwick (MAppelwick@nettechnical.com); Mike Robertson; Mike Robertson 2; Mike Schmidt; Nancy Schuldt; Paula Maccabee (pmaccabee@visi.com); Peter Lee; Rachel Walker; Raymie Porter (raporter@umn.edu); Rob Beranek; Robert Pillsbury; Robert Shimek; Robin Richards; Rod Ustipak (rodustipak@charter.net); Sara Barsel (sara.barsel@q.com); Scott Gischia; Shane Bowe; Stephen R. Grattan; Steve Nyhus; Tim Tuominen; Tracy Ekola

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Subject: MPCA release of preliminary recommendations and response to advisory e-mail

Good afternoon,

We wanted to provide more detail about the planned release of the wild rice sulfate standard preliminary recommendations later this week, as well as next steps beyond that:

We will be sharing our preliminary recommendations with the Advisory Committee late morning on Thursday.

We will also be sharing our recommendations with the public/interested stakeholders and the media on Thursday.

In late March, MPCA will meet with the Wild Rice Sulfate Standards Advisory Committee and Minnesota Tribes in separate meetings to get feedback on the MPCA's Findings and Preliminary Recommendations. MPCA will also continue to seek feedback from USEPA and the Study researchers.

MPCA technical staff will continue to develop and assemble material for a technical support document. Further analysis of results and data from the Study will also continue. MPCA will, as appropriate, refine the recommendations based on the input received and this continued analysis.

The MPCA is also contracting for expert scientific review of the wild rice study reports and specific aspects of the MPCA's preliminary recommendations and rationale about whether a change to the current 10 mg/L wild rice sulfate standard is warranted, and the nature of the change. The expert review panel will likely be convened in late spring 2014, and will include the opportunity for interested stakeholders/members of the public to address the panel.

Any proposed change to the wild rice standard would be adopted into Minnesota's water quality standard rule (Minnesota Rules Chapter 7050) in accordance with the requirements of the Minnesota Administrative Procedures Act and would require the approval of the USEPA.

Please also see our response to an e-mail from an advisory committee member that is attached to this message. Thanks.

Pat

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