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December 1, 2007



Governor Tim Pawlenty 130 State Capitol 75 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Blvd. St. Paul, MN 55155

Subject: Annual Report on Obsolete, Unnecessary, or Duplicative Rules as required by Minnesota Statutes, sec. 14.05, subd. 5

Dear Governor Pawlenty:

Minnesota Statutes, sec. 14.05, subd. 5, requires each agency to submit to you, by December 1 of the year, a report on any rules that are obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative. Each agency must explain why its rules are obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative, and must identify the timetable for repeal of the rules or prepare legislation to repeal the rules. Each agency must also report on the status of the rules identified in its previous year's report.

It is the continuing goal of the Department of Natural Resources to enact only those rules that are needed and to repeal obsolete, unnecessary, or duplicative rules. As a part of the process of drafting new rules or amendments to existing rules, the DNR also identifies rules that should be repealed.

In preparing this report for 2007, the DNR identified the following rules as obsolete, unnecessary or duplicative:

Rules designating infested waters are now obsolete, because recent legislation gave us the authority to designate infested waters by Commissioner's Order published in the State Register (see Laws of 2007, Chapter 57, Article 1, Sec. 32). We published a Commissioner's Order covering all of the existing designations in the State Register on October 15, 2007. As a result, Minn. Rule, part 6216.0350, which lists designated infested waters is now redundant and obsolete. We plan to repeal these rules using the process outlined in Minn. Stat., sec. 14.3895. Our projected timetable for completing this is by the end of calendar year 2008.

In 2006, no rules were identified for repeal.

If you have questions about this letter, please contact Beth Carlson, Administrative Rules Coordinator, DNR Office of Management and Budget Services (651-259-5531).

Sincerely,

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