



REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

RESOLUTION APPROVING SCOPING DECISION DOCUMENT RELATED TO THE PROPOSED MINING OF SAND AND GRAVEL AT UMORE PARK

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota is the Responsible Governmental Unit for the purpose of conducting the environmental review related to the proposed mining of sand and gravel at UMore Park, located in the City of Rosemount and Empire Township, Dakota County, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, in fulfillment of its responsibilities as the Responsible Governmental Unit, University staff, with the assistance of expert consultants, prepared and made available for public review and comment during the period between January 12, 2009 and February 16, 2009 a Draft Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) and Draft Scoping Decision Document (SDD); and

WHEREAS, on February 5, 2009 University staff held a public meeting for the purpose of receiving public comments regarding the Draft EAW and Draft SDD; and

WHEREAS, University staff with assistance from the expert consultants analyzed each of the public comments, prepared a written response to each, and revised the Draft SDD, where appropriate, consistent with the responses to the comments;

WHEREAS, the Facilities Committee of the Board of Regents has conducted a review of the SDD, as revised, and the related documents and has made its recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents has reviewed the public comments to the Draft EAW and the Draft SDD, the response to each of the comments, and the revised SDD and has found that (i) based on the advice of legal counsel, the University complied with all legal requirements in preparing the Scoping Decision Document, including those governing public participation, and (ii) the proposed scope for the environmental review set out in the revised Scoping Decision Document is a proper and adequate scope for the EIS.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Regents hereby approves the revised Scoping Decision Document.