

Section 401 Water Quality Certification Required Submittal Information

401 Water Quality Certification Program
Water Quality Permit Program

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This form provides general guidance on information that is needed for a Section 401 Water Quality Certification Request. The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) reserves the right to request information from the applicant in addition to that provided in this form.

Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) requires any applicant for a federal license or permit that authorizes an activity that may result in a discharge to Waters of the United States to obtain certification from the state or tribe in which the discharge originates to ensure compliance with applicable water quality standards. In addition to completing the Joint Application Form <https://bwsr.state.mn.us/joint-application-form> and Antidegradation Form <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/sites/default/files/wq-wwprm1-35.pdf>, applicants whose proposed projects may require a MPCA Individual 401 Water Quality Certification for work in aquatic resources must also provide the information requested in this form.

Instructions: Submit this form, a completed Antidegradation Assessment Form, and the Joint Application to the MPCA 401 Certification inbox 401Certification.pca@state.mn.us with the subject line of your 401 WQC request for project name and USACE project number (format will look like MVP-XXXX-XXXXX-XXX).

Applicant information

Applicant name: _____

Mailing address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Authorized contact *(Do not complete if same as above.)*

Name: _____

Mailing address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Project information

Project description: _____

Applicable federal license or permit: _____

Include a list below of all other federal, interstate, tribal, state, territorial, or local agency authorizations required for the proposed project, including all approvals or denials already received.

Project location

Attach a map that identifies project location including the location of receiving waters and any potential discharge(s) that may result from the proposed project.

Include a description below of any methods and means proposed to monitor the discharge and the equipment or measures planned to treat, control, or manage the discharge.

- Documentation of pre-filing meeting. Attach a copy of the email or calendar appointment confirming you have requested or waived a pre-filing meeting with MPCA at least 30 days in advance of submitting a completed Water Quality Certification Request.

Check the box and type your name to acknowledge reading both statements.

The project proponent hereby certifies that all information contained herein is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief

- Please type name below to acknowledge you read the above statement.

The project proponent hereby requests that the certifying authority review and take action on this CWA 401 certification request with the applicable reasonable period of time.

- Please type name below to acknowledge you read the above statement.
