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Robert Goetsch, Chairman
Dodge County Drainage Board
N6485 High Point Rd.
Juneau WI 53039

Subject: Dodge County Drainage District No. 88

Dear Mr. Goetsch:

The Department has reviewed the Drainage District 88, Sec. 88.35 Assessment Report dated August 18, 2012 and has the following comments.

The Department objects to the Assessment Report based on the fact that the report does not agree with the Dodge County Drainage District 88 Settlement Agreement. The agreement was incorporated as part of Judge Bauer's Order of Formation of Drainage District 88 dated October 17, 2011.

The Assessment Report proposes a revised layout of District drains that does not match the agreed upon Montgomery/Settersten plan. This is a violation of the Judge Bauer Order granting the petition for the formation of Drainage District 88.

The Montgomery/Settersten plan called for a grassed waterway extending from the west side of Cty Hwy I to the east to the grassed waterway on the Meylink property. The new Assessment report calls for a surface drain on the NW corner of Cty Hwy I and Cty Hwy B. This surface drain would be connected to an 8 inch solid pipe which would then empty into the grassed waterway on the Meylink property. The Department does not feel that this type of system will provide adequate treatment of surface runoff and could degrade water quality further downstream.

The information provided in the August 18, 2012 Assessment report is not adequate to show that this modification is necessary or will improve the water quality in the runoff that will occur. The Department would like a more detailed analysis of this proposed modification to ensure that downstream water quality will be adequately protected.

Sincerely,

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