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Civil Division

Wednesday, September 19, 2012

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Real Estate Section Office of Financial Services 1000 City Hall Annex 25 - 4th St. West Saint Paul, MN 55102

RE: Ruth St. (Upper Afton to Burns) Project – Ramsey County Regional Park Property

To Whom It May Concern:

Ramsey County objects to the proposed special assessments for the following parcels:

02-28-22-14-0112 2257 Larry Ho Dr. Ruth St. (Upper Afton to Burns) Project 02-28-22-24-0089 Upper Afton Rd. Ruth St. (Upper Afton to Burns) Project

These projects purportedly benefit the Battle Creek Regional Park. However, the proposed improvements provide little to no benefit to the Regional Park.

Under Minn. Stat. § 473.334, in determining any special benefit "received by regional recreational open space system property...the governing body shall not consider any use of the property" other than as a regional park. The proposed special assessments do not consider treat the property as regional open space property, and fail to demonstrate any measurable special benefit.

Please contact me as soon as possible to discuss the County's objection.

Sincerely

Assistant County Attorney

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cc: Scott Yonke, Parks and Recreation (Via Email)

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