

# Does my project qualify for the general permit (GP)?

1. **Will any portion of the work be conducted below the ordinary high water level (OHWL; see attached map)?**
  - ☐ Yes – authorization under the DNR general permit is required. Continue down this list.
  - ☐ No – authorization not needed from DNR unless there are impacts to rare species. City permits are still required (contact Duluth Engineering; 218-730-5200; [engineer@duluthmn.gov](mailto:engineer@duluthmn.gov)).
2. **Is the project location between the Duluth Aerial Lift Bridge and Franklin Square/12<sup>th</sup> Street, or at an identified beach access point? (see attached maps)**
  - ☐ Yes – the project may qualify, continue down this list.
  - ☐ No – The project does not qualify for the GP, submit an individual permit.
3. **Is there vegetation growing on the sand that will be moved or in the location the sand will be moved/graded to?**
  - ☐ Yes – contact DNR, additional permitting may be required.
  - ☐ No – the project may qualify, continue down this list.
4. **Have efforts been made to establish dunes or increase the size/stamina of existing dunes in the project location?**
  - ☐ Yes – the project may qualify, continue down this list.
  - ☐ No – contact DNR to discuss alternatives.
5. **Is the sand being moved to create a new beach access path?**
  - ☐ Yes – The project does not qualify for the GP, submit an individual permit application.
  - ☐ No – the project may qualify, continue down this list.
6. **Does the project involve installing sand fencing or another structure below the OHWL?**
  - ☐ Yes – The project does not qualify for the GP, submit an individual permit application.
  - ☐ No – the project may qualify, continue down this list.
7. **Will any sand be placed below or removed from below the water line of Lake Superior?**
  - ☐ Yes – The project does not qualify for the GP, submit an individual permit application.
  - ☐ No – the project may qualify, continue down this list.
8. **Will moving sand result in the destruction of an established dune below the OHWL?**
  - ☐ Yes – The project does not qualify for the GP, submit an individual permit application.
  - ☐ No – the project may qualify, continue down this list.
9. **Does the material being moved consist of windblown sand that originated from the public beach?**
  - ☐ Yes – the project may qualify, continue down this list.
  - ☐ No – The project does not qualify for the GP, submit an individual permit application.
10. **Does the sand include organics (i.e. soil), non-native plant debris/seeds, noxious weeds, trash, or any other material that could affect the public beach, protected species, or the public water?**
  - ☐ Yes – The project does not qualify for the GP, submit an individual permit application.
  - ☐ No – the project may qualify, submit a GP application (see the application checklist).