




Engineering

 218-730-5200

Room 240
411 West First Street
Duluth, Minnesota 55802

February 6, 2025

RE: Park Point Sand Transfer Information
City File 2243

Dear Park Point Property Owner,

You are receiving this letter because you live or have property on the “lake” side of Park Point, which, from time to time can experience shifting of sand onto areas above the Ordinary High Water Level (OHWL) of which you may want relocated back to beach.

With the valuable help and assistance from the state Department of Natural Resources (DNR), the city’s Public Waters Work General Permit has been renewed. See attached set of 4 maps that indicate the “Approximate location of the OHWL” and the areas regulated by the General Permit shown in blue. The permit from the DNR allows the opportunity for the city to apply for authorization to allow residents to relocate sand from above the OHWL back to the beach. This general permit can only be used to transfer or relocate sand back to the beach between the Duluth Aerial Lift Bridge and Franklyn Park/12 Street, and those points of identified beach access shown in blue.

Individual permits, if you wish to obtain this permission on your own currently cost a minimum of \$1,200 and are available for you to pursue. To be more efficient and cost effective, the city is willing to bundle all of these requests annually and submit the application and DNR fee on an annual basis, saving both you the property owner, and the city time and money. In order to submit one application per year, we need all of the residents with properties that desire a sand transfer to submit the request by April 15 of any calendar year. This is because the city is required to submit the permit request to the DNR no later than May 1 of each calendar year. If you do not submit your application by this date it may not be approved or you may be required to apply for an individual permit which carries a higher fee.

This is the only mailed notice you will receive. Keep this for your records in case you want to transfer sand in the future. The city will post a copy of the DNR permit, and copies of the enclosed documents on our website located here:


<https://duluthmn.gov/engineering/permits/park-point-sand-transfer-permit/>

www.duluthmn.gov

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If you have property located in the areas indicated in blue, and you have sand you wish to transfer from above the OHWL to the beach, complete the two forms attached (MN Point Sand Transfer Application Checklist & Does my project qualify for the General permit (GP)?), along with a check in the amount of \$200 **PRIOR TO APRIL 15** to “City of Duluth” mailed or dropped off to the Engineering Division located at:

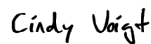
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If you prefer to pay by credit card, you can submit your payment in person once we review your application for eligibility and completeness. The Engineering Division will fill in the city’s electronic permit application on your behalf and include your location with our submittal to the DNR.

We really appreciate your patience while we worked to get our General Permit renewed. Please call 218-730-5200 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Signed by:



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Cindy Voigt, PE
City Engineer

cc: Jim Benning, Director of Public Works
Jim Filby Williams, Director of Administration
Bill Bergstrom, Senior Engineering Specialist
Blake Nelson, Building Inspection Supervisor
Bri Speldrich, DNR Area Hydrologist

Enclosures MN Point Sand Transfer Permitting Process Flow Chart
Does my project qualify for the general permit (GP)?
MN Point Sand Transfer Application Checklist
Approximate Location of OHWL and Areas Regulated in Blue (4 pages)