

DNR ISSUES DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON PROPOSED GOLF COURSE AND INVITES PUBLIC INPUT

A Letter to the Sheboygan County Community:

As part of our effort to promote a positive, fact-based community discussion, I want to update you on recent developments related to Kohler Co.'s proposed golf course in the Town of Wilson – a project that opens private land to the public for the first time.

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources has released its draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the proposed project. This is a major step forward in the process. While still reviewing the report, we believe it shows the project can meet the applicable standards that have been established. The principles of avoiding, minimizing or mitigating potential environmental impacts have guided our planning to date. Our goal is to develop a minimalist design and a responsible approach that reflects Kohler Co.'s record that good business and environmental enhancement can work hand-in-hand.

The DNR report is a detailed and comprehensive document that addresses important topics such as wetland, groundwater, wildlife, botany and more. We support this rigorous review and believe it will help make the project better. The site's archaeological history, for example, indicates there is the opportunity for discovery and new learning as the project progresses.

The EIS process is ongoing and includes opportunities for public input. The DNR will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, July 20, at Sheboygan Falls High School, where members of the public are encouraged to attend and offer their thoughts and suggestions. At the same time, the agency is also accepting written public comments through August 1.

We have provided a link to the draft EIS on our website, www.proposedgolfcourse.com, and we've posted more information about the upcoming public hearing and how to submit comments. You can also read more about the proposed golf course, its positive impact on the local economy and how our plans are consistent with Kohler Co.'s commitment to sustainability and responsible operations. Our record at Whistling Straits, Blackwolf Run and our facilities worldwide underscores that commitment.

I hope that you'll take a few minutes to visit www.proposedgolfcourse.com to learn more. We are grateful to the many local residents and community leaders who have expressed support for our project, and we look forward to the upcoming public hearing.

Thank you for reviewing this information, and please email info@proposedgolfcourse.com if you have questions.



Sincerely,
Jim Richerson
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HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE:

Attend the DNR Public Hearing

Wednesday, July 20 - 6 to 9 p.m.
Sheboygan Falls High School Auditorium
220 Amherst Avenue, Sheboygan Falls

Submit Comments by Email*

DNRKohlerProposal@wisconsin.gov

Submit Comments by U.S. Mail*

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***Submission deadline is August 1**