
John Velin, Director

Agenda

Tuesday, September 25, 2007

**8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. – Subcommittee on Minimum
Standards for Working Forest Conservation Easements**

**9:30 a.m. – 4:15 p.m. – LCCMR Meeting including Native Prairie and Seeds Panel
Veterans Service Building, Room Vets B - 5th Floor
20 West 12th Street, St. Paul, MN 55155**

**8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Subcommittee on Minimum Standards for Working Forest Conservation
Easements – all LCCMR members encouraged to attend**

Chair: John Herman

- 8:30 a.m.
1. Approve agenda for subcommittee
 2. Consider recommendation to LCCMR on Minimum Standards for M.L. 2007, Chap. 30, Subd. 4a "Working Forest Conservation Easements" - material: background book and the following:
 - [Approved work program for Subd 4a](#) "Working Forest Conservation Easements"
 - [May 31, 2007 DNR proposed standards](#)
 - [Notes from ad hoc discussion June 20 ,2007](#)
 - [Revision version incorporating notes above](#) into DNR proposed – LCCMR staff draft
 3. Adjourn to full LCCMR Meeting

9:30 a.m. – 4:15 p.m. LCCMR Meeting

Co-Chair: Sen. Jim Vickerman

- 9:30 a.m.
1. Approve agenda for LCCMR meeting
 2. Members report potential conflicts of interest regarding today's business
 3. Approve minutes of [June 26, 2007](#) and [July 17, 2007](#) (advance material)
- 9:35 a.m.
4. Consider any additional work programs
- 9:45 a.m.
5. Panel of experts on working forest fragmentation: Dr. Lee Frelich -Research Associate and Director, U of M Center for Hardwood Ecology – forest biodiversity and relationship to forest fragmentation; Marty Vadis Director, DNR Division of Lands and Minerals – working forests and mining; and Kathryn Fernholz Dovetail Partners, Inc. - [TIMOS & REITS Impacts on Sustainable Forestry](#)
- 11:40 a.m.
6. Laurie Martinson Deputy Commissioner, DNR – DNR special effort on working forest conservation easements
- 11:45 a.m.
7. Consider the report of the subcommittee meeting
 8. Consider approval of Minimum Standards for M.L. 2007, Chap. 30, Subd. 4a titled "Working Forest Conservation Easements"
- 11:55 a.m.
9. [Status report on recommendations of 2006 Trust Fund Advisory Task Force](#) – Susan Thornton

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Noon Lunch break

- 1:00 p.m. 10. Consider whether and how to deal with the following:
- 2007 project to LCCMR for "Analysis and Implementation of Natural Resource Data" for \$49,000; - [appropriation language](#)
 - Emerging Issues Account for \$160,000 -criteria adopted July 17, 2007 minutes;
- [Appropriation language and criteria adopted](#)
 - The [Statewide Conservation and Preservation Plan proposed additional efforts](#) as requested by LCCMR July 17, 2007 – Jean Coleman and U of MN letter

1:30 p.m. 11. Update on [2008 Proposals](#) posted Sept. 13, 2007 (notebooks / score sheet)

1:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. Native Prairies

12. Presentations and Discussion – [Background Materials](#)
- [Presentation 1](#) – Research project presentation by Shawn Schottler St. Croix Watershed Research Station of the Science Museum of MN on native species planting for species diversity and habitat -20 minutes– confirmed
 - [Presentation 2](#) – Ruth Shaw, geneticist U of MN -10 minutes– confirmed
 - [Presentation 3](#) – Private Seed Producers -10 minutes each- both confirmed
 - Bill Carter - Prairie Moon Nursery
 - Ben Lang - Minnesota Crop Improvement Association (MCIA)
 - [Presentation 4](#) – Native Prairie Planting Jason Ekstein Restoration ecologist – The Nature Conservancy (TNC) -10 minutes- confirmed
 - [Presentation 5](#) – Major state agency actors – what they do, how they do it, why they do it and what are their barriers -10 minutes each- all confirmed
 - Jason Garms State Prairie Biologist assisted by Robert Dana, both DNR
 - Dan Shaw – Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR)
 - Dwayne Stenlund – Mn Department of Transportation (MnDOT)
- 4:15 p.m. 13. **Deadline for scoring: 10:00 a.m. on Oct. 8, 2007**
- Next meeting Oct. 9, 2007: Chair Tingelstad – decide which proposals to bring in;
 - Oct. 10, 2007: Chair Hartwell begin [presentations](#);
 - Oct. 15, 16, 22, 29 and 30.
 - Adjourn