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Agenda

Tuesday, June 11, 2013

8:30 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.

State Office Building, Room 5

St. Paul, MN 55155

Site Visit – AIS Center, U of MN St. Paul Campus

2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Members Present: Jeff Broberg, Tom Cook, William Faber, Rep. Dan Fabian, Bonnie Harper-Lore, Rep. Leon Lillie, Norman Moody, Rep. John Persell, Sen. David Tomassoni, Rep. Paul Torkelson, Sen. Torrey Westrom, Rep. Jean Wagenius

Staff Present: S. Thornton, M. McDonough, M. Banker, D. Griffith

Members Absent: Sen. Gary Dahms, Sen. Kari Dziedzic, Nancy Gibson, John Herman, Sen. John Hoffman

Co-Chair: Sen. David Tomassoni

1. Approve agenda for LCCMR meeting for June 11, 2013

Co-Chair Tomassoni called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m.

2. Approve the minutes for February 25, 2013

MOTION: Commissioner Moody moved to approve the minutes for February 25, 2013 – motion prevailed.

3. Members report potential conflicts of interest regarding today's business

MS 116P.09 Subd 6 Conflict of interest. A commission member, technical advisory committee member, a peer review panelist, or an employee of the commission may not participate in or vote on a decision of the commission, technical advisory committee, or peer review panel relating to an organization in which the member, panelist, or employee has either a direct or indirect personal financial interest. While serving on the commission, technical advisory committee, or peer review panel, or being an employee of the commission, a person shall avoid any potential conflict of interest.

Members reported no conflict of interests for today's meeting.

4. Update 2013 Legislative Session – member discussion

a. Update and discussion of the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund appropriations

b. Discussion of other legislation of interest

Susan Thornton reviewed the 2013 Legislative Session report.

5. Presentation by the Office of the Legislative Auditor on "Evaluation Report Conservation Easements" – February 2013

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Jim Nobles and Judy Randall (Office of the Legislative Auditor) presented an overview of the OLA report titled "Evaluation Report Conservation Easements".

6. **M.L. 2013 Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Work Plan Approval Discussion and Action**

Proposed Work Plans, as available, can be viewed at <http://www.lccmr.leg.mn>

b) **Consider adoption of proposed consent list – to be posted**

Any member can request a work plan be removed from the consent list to discuss or to have a presentation scheduled.

Susan Thornton reviewed the spreadsheet.

MOTION: Commissioner Broberg moved to approve Lines 1 to 31 of the spreadsheet (recommended consent agenda) titled "M.L. 2013, Chapter 52, Section 2 – Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Appropriations Work Plan Approval List – LCCMR Meeting June 11, 2013" – motion prevailed.

Members said they will discuss remaining work plans at the LCCMR meeting on June 25, 2013.

a) **Discussion DNR Contract Management guidelines and terms agreed upon with the LCCMR and LSOHC staff – LCCMR staff and Dave Schad, DNR Deputy Commissioner**

Dave Schad, DNR, discussed contract management guidelines and terms agreed upon by DNR, LCCMR, LSOHC, and Dept. of Administration. Mr. Schad introduced Amanda Graeber from DNR Contract Management and Amanda Dirnberger, the new LCCMR Liaison.

c) **Decide on work plans (if any) to be scheduled for review or presentation at a later date**

Co-Chair Tomassoni suggested DNR provide a response at the LCCMR meeting on June 25, 2013 to the letter from the LCCMR co-chairs regarding 2013 Session law language on allowable expenditures for "direct and necessary" support services costs associated with ENRTF appropriations.

7. a) **Amendment request to M.L. 2011, First Special Session, Chp. 2, Art. 3, Sec. 2, Subd. 04j4c "HCP VII – TPLs Critical Lands Protection Program (4c)" to modify ENRTF acquisition list to add in Upper Cullen Lake, Crow Wing County and to allow the land to be owned by Crow Wing County instead of the MN DNR in the adopted work plan - Robert McGillivray, The Trust for Public Land**

- **M.S. 116P.10 Royalties, Copyrights, Patents, and Sale of Products and Assets**

Bob McGillivray discussed the acquisition request for Upper Cullen Lake. Mr. McGillivray said through discussions with DNR, it was suggested the County instead of DNR should own the land. Mr. McGillivray introduced Kirk Titus, Land Services Supervisor, Crow Wing County. Mr. Titus explained this parcel would be incorporated into the County's Sustainable Forestry Management System.

Co-chair Tomassoni recommended continuing the review of this request at the LCCMR meeting on June 25, 2013. Members concurred.

b) **Review TPL work plan M.L. 2013, Chp. 52, Sec. 2, Subd. 04d3.1 "MeCC VII – 3.1: 2013 TPLS Critical Land Protection Program" acquisition list must be specifically approved**

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MOTION: Commissioner Fabian moved to approve the work plan for M.L. 2013, Chp. 52, Sec. 2, Subd. 04d3.1 “MeCC VII – 3.1: 2013 TPLs Critical Land Protection Program” – motion prevailed.

8. Amendment request to M.L. 2011, First Special Session, Chp. 2, Art. 3, Sec. 2, Subd. 04c “Metropolitan Regional Park System Acquisition” to modify ENRTF acquisition list to add Camp Kingswood property to adopted work plan - Arne Stefferud, Metropolitan Council and Jonathan Vlaming, Three Rivers Park District

- **Camp Kingswood property to be acquired has a conservation easements that were funded by ENRTF in M.L. 2009, Chp. 143, Sec. 2, Subd. 04f3.2 & M.L. 2010, Chp. 362, Sec. 2, Subd. 04g3.2 for a total of \$172,500, Minnesota Land Trust and M.L. 2001, First Special Session, Chp. 2, Sec. 14, Subd. 04g “Metro Greenways”, DNR Metro Greenways**
- **M.S. 116P.18 Lands in Public Domain**

Arne Stefferud, Metropolitan Council and Margie Dahlof and Jonathan Vlaming, Three Rivers Park District, explained why this parcel needs to be preserved for the state.

Co-Chair Tomassoni recommended placing this on the June 25, 2013 LCCMR meeting when there should be 12 members available to approve.

9. Partial easement conveyance approval requested for Camp Kingswood property in M.L. 2001, First Special Session, Chp. 2, Sec. 14, Subd. 04g “Metro Greenways”, MN DNR as required by M.S. 116P.15, DNR - Jodi Dehn, Realty Supervisor, Division of Lands and Minerals

Co-Chair Tomassoni recommended placing this on the June 25, 2013 LCCMR meeting when there should be 12 members available to approve.

10. Update on 2014 RFP and proposals received

Susan Thornton explained there were 192 proposals received totaling \$112,000,000.

11. Discuss 2014-2015 Calendar

12. Other business (as needed)

Staff handed out information for the site visit on June 18 – 19, 2013.

13. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Meet at Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center, U of MN St. Paul Campus (Drive on own)

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