## LEGISLATIVE-CITIZEN COMMISSION ON MINNESOTA RESOURCES

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#### **Agenda**

Wednesday, November 19, 2014 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. State Office Building, Room 5 St. Paul, MN 55155

### Co-Chair: Sen. David Tomassoni

9:00 a.m.

- 1. Approve the minutes for July 10, 2014
- 2. 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.

9:15 a.m.

- 3. Final Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund (ENRTF) Reports Update
- 4. 2015 ENRTF Recommendations Peer Review Update

9:30 a.m.

- 5. Review for adoption LCCMR Appropriations Bill for the 2015 MN Legislative Session Funding Recommendations from the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund (ENRTF)
  - ENRTF Draft Appropriations Bill for M.L. 2015 (FY2016) including items requiring members attention related to recommended appropriations
  - M.L. 2015 ENRTF Recommendations Spreadsheet (FY2016)

#### 11:00 a.m.

- 6. Overview Conservation Easement Process and Criteria
  - Office of the Legislator Auditor summary of recommendations "Evaluation Reports -Conservation Easements", February 2013 – Judy Randall, OLA
  - Conservation easement costs and benefits Steve Taff and Mike Kilgore, U of MN
  - Appraisal Process for Conservation Easements Cindy Nathan, DNR
  - "Minimum Standards for Conservation Easements Acquired with Public Money", DNR, February 1, 2008 Susan Damon, DNR

## 12:30 p.m. Lunch

1:00 p.m.

- 7. Overviews
  - M.L. 2011, First Special Session, Chp. 2, Art. 3, Sec. 2, Subd. 03i "Change and Resilience in Boreal Forests in Northern Minnesota", Lee Frelich, U of MN
  - M.L. 2011, First Special Session, Chp. 2, Art. 3, Sec. 2, Subd. 03c "Completion of Statewide Digital Soil Survey" and M.L. 2011, First Special Session, Chp. 2, Art. 3, Sec. 2, Subd. 03l "Measuring Conservation Practice Outcomes", Megan Lennon, BWSR

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2:15 p.m. 8. Begin Discussion FY17 LCCMR 2016 ENRTF Request for Proposal (RFP)

3:45 p.m. 9. Other business (as needed)

- Next LCCMR meeting dates: Tuesday, December 9, 2014 and Tuesday, December 16, 2014

- Discuss and Review 2014 – 2015 Calendar

4:00 p.m. 10. Adjourn

# **Future Meeting Items**

- Finalize 2015 draft appropriation legislation
- LCCMR Executive Committee Elections the first of the year 2015
- Overview from MN Pollution Control Agency and DNR on Ballast Water and AIS
- Discuss joint staff person with Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council (LSOHC) for land acquisitions (fee title and conservation easements)
- Discuss criteria for Acquisition funding above 100% of appraised value
- Biennial Report Due January 15, 2015
- Approval of administrative budget by Executive Committee