

## LCCMR Site Visits

**Overview:** Site visits are an opportunity for all LCCMR members to see firsthand how ENRTF funds impact Minnesota by visiting recently completed LCCMR-recommended projects. Stops will cover a variety of project types (e.g. restoration, environmental education, research) and funding recipients (e.g. tribal/local/state governments, not-profits, universities). Site visit stops may include tours, activities, conversations with project partners, and more. The LCCMR conducts site visits every other calendar year and aims to reach all areas of Minnesota over time.

**2025 Proposed Dates:** August 12-14 (Option #1), September 16-18 (Option #2), October 14-16 (Option #3)

**Region of Travel:** North-central Minnesota, with potential stops while traveling to/from the region.

**Logistical considerations:** LCCMR members, as well as certain LCCMR and legislative staff, travel from St. Paul via coach bus. Members can make alternate travel arrangements if they prefer. Meals, lodging, and per diem are covered by LCCMR for citizen members and according to senate or house rules for legislative members. Members are allowed to bring one family member and/or legislative staff member, although their expenses are not reimbursable.

### Highlights from 2024 Site Visit (Northeast Region)

- Mesabi Trail bike tour
- Peatland ecology demonstration
- Superior Hiking Trail restoration hike
- Bird banding at Hawk Ridge Bird Observatory
- Elk reintroduction update
- Environmental education field day

