

LEGISLATIVE-CITIZEN COMMISSION ON MINNESOTA RESOURCES

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June 6, 2007

8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Basement Hearing Room

State Office Bldg, St. Paul, MN 55155

Co-Chair: Rep. Kathy Tingelstad

Commission Members Present: Sen. Ellen Anderson, Al Berner, Jeffrey Broberg, Rep. Lyndon Carlson, Rep. Ron Erhardt, Sen. Dennis Frederickson, Nancy Gibson, David Hartwell, John Herman, John Hunt, Mary Mueller, Rep. Kathy Tingelstad, Sen. Pat Pariseau, Sen. Jim Vickerman, Rep. Jean Wagenius.

Staff Present: Dir. J. Velin, Susan Thornton, M. McDonough, D. Griffith

Excused Absence: Sen. Satveer Chaudhary, Rep. Tom Rukavina

1. Approve agenda

Co-Chair Rep. Kathy Tingelstad called the meeting to order at 8:50 a.m.

2. Natural Resources data seminar– representing the Governor's GIS Council (Will Craig, Steve Kloiber and Tim Loesch)

Tim Loesch started the presentation on Natural Resource Data followed by Steve Kloiber and Will Craig gave the final conclusion.

Break for Lunch at 11:45

3. Progress report on Statewide Conservation and Preservation Plan

Presenters: Jean Coleman, Lance Neckar and Anne Kapuscinski.

4. Review strategic plan ideas for 2008 funding cycle

John Velin started the discussion on strategic plan ideas. This discussion is a continuation of the discussion from the meetings on May 29, 2007 and June 5, 2007.

See Attachment A notes from June 6, 2007.

5. Other business

6. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Summary
June 6, 2007 Notes

Natural Resource Data

- Wetlands: Quantity and Quality – Inventory update
- Stream flow data: hydrographs
- Need better coordination effort for data needs and resources – ongoing support
- What are the priorities of data needs of the state?
- Data needs to be in the public domain and shared
- Need current GIS data for natural resource management

Water

- Ground water infiltration - identify critical recharge areas and ways to manage land use to protect water quality
- Tile drainage impacts?
- Impervious surfaces
- Impacts of dams
- Focus on ground water quality
- Relation of land impacts to water problems: need land conservation
- Cost comparisons of different types of wastewater treatment systems, e.g. community septic systems compared to sewerage

Wetlands

- Evaluation of quality of wetlands
- Need a primer on wetland law presented to LCCMR

CREP

- What are the effects? Impacts?
- Potentially acquire more – would better data help identify where to acquire strategically
- Mapping of CREP and other conservation lands needed

Green Infrastructure and Conservation Design

- How and where we develop

2006 Operation Plan

- Relationship of 2007 Discussion with Fall 2006 Operations Plan? Are we building on it? Starting over?

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