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MINUTES

Wednesday, July 11, 2012

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

State Office Building, Room 5

St. Paul, MN 55155

Members Present: Al Berner, Jeff Broberg, Tom Cook, Sen. Gary Dahms, Sen. Al DeKruif, Sen. Kari Dziedzic, Nancy Gibson, John Herman, Rep. Tom Hackbarth, John Herman, Norman Moody, Sen. Gen Olson, Rep. Tom Rukavina, Rep. Ron Shimanski, Sen. Rod Skoe, Rep. Paul Torkelson, Elizabeth Wilkens

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

Members Absent: Rep. David Dill

Co-Chair: Rep. Tom Hackbarth

1. Approve agenda for LCCMR meeting for July 11, 2012

Co-Chair Hackbarth called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

MOTION: Commissioner Gibson moved to approve the agenda for LCCMR meeting for July 11, 2012 – motion prevailed.

2. Approve the minutes for June 27, 2012 and June 28, 2012

MOTION: Commissioner Shimanski moved to approve the minutes for June 27, 2012 and June 28, 2012 – motion prevailed.

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

Commissioner Broberg reiterated that he had previously declared a conflict of interest and sent a letter to LCCMR members listing the proposals that he has a conflict of interest with: ENRTF ID: 017-B "Controlling Terrestrial Invasive Plants with Grazing Animals", Hiawatha Valley Resource Conservation & Development, Inc.

Commissioner Herman stated that he had previously declared a conflict of interest with parts of ENRTF ID: 64-D, "Metropolitan Conservation Corridor Partnership Phase VII" entity MN Valley Trust and ENRTF ID: 105-F, "Youth Outdoors: Mississippi River Education and Employment Opportunities", Wilderness Inquiry.

Commissioner Dziedzic called members attention to a letter in the meeting packet from Senate Counsel regarding a family member working at the DNR affirming it did not constitute a conflict of interest with MN DNR's proposals submitted.

4. Discussion of proposed "DNR's Direct Support Services" for DNR proposals received for FY14 (DNR Commissioner Tom Landwehr)

Alfred Berner, Jeff Broberg, Tom Cook, Sen. Gary Dahms, Sen. Al DeKruif, Rep. David Dill, Sen. Kari Dziedzic, Nancy Gibson, John Herman, Rep. Tom Hackbarth, Norman Moody, Sen. Gen Olson, Rep. Tom Rukavina, Rep. Ron Shimanski, Sen. Rod Skoe, Rep. Paul Torkelson, Elizabeth Wilkens

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DNR Commissioner Tom Landwehr and Denise Anderson presented an overview of the "DNR's proposed "Direct Support Services" expenditures and requesting that the LCCMR give consideration for funding. Commissioner Landwehr stated that he was there to speak to the LCCMR about DNR's proposed "Direct and Necessary Expenses" that they included on the DNR proposals submitted this year. There are items that the DNR believes should be allowed as expenditures that are listed as ineligible in the LCCMR RFP. The general fund support of these support services has been in decline.

Commissioner Landwehr distributed a handout titled "Draft 7/10/2012 – Revised Budget Proposals for DNR's LCCMR Proposals – Direct and Necessary Expenses (Preliminary)" and "Minnesota Biological Survey Direct and Necessary Example – Talking Points".

Example – County Biological Survey. Program has 16 positions and in those positions each position requires human resources services that includes hiring, job descriptions, payroll, performance management, training, unemployment, worker's comp, layoff and recall processing; certain financial expenses including contract services, procurement services, accounts payable, budget preparation, financial reporting; IT needs including GIS support, technical support, computers themselves, network services, email.

DNR stated they have done a detailed analysis of the expenses associated and calculated the costs. The initial proposal percentage proposed was a "placeholder" and they can now provide the actual expenses anticipated from 0% to 8.4% depending on the specific elements of each project. They are open to consideration of alternatives and are available to answer any detailed questions about the numbers.

Commissioner Gibson asked about these costs as being proposed to be charged to the ENRTF as supplanting. DNR responded that they did not believe so.

Members discussed that they would like to receive detailed information as to what makes up the shared services proposed for each proposal being recommended. LCCMR would then apply the criteria that is in the RFP regarding eligible expenses and ineligible in their consideration and vetting. They would review the ineligible expense list for future funding proposals but at this time those are the adopted rules that all of the proposers have applied under and it should not be changed at this time.

Co-Chair Hackbarth asked the Commissioner if a detailed list of the calculated expenses they included for each proposal could be provided. Commissioner Landwehr responded that they would provide the information. It was agreed that the DNR and LCCMR staff would work together on the material requested of DNR. The material would include specific list of items for each proposal and the specific calculations and include expenses calculated.

In addition, Commissioner Skoe reiterated that the LCCMR would be looking at the next meeting at the individual work plans submitted and line item budgets to see if the proposed budget items fit the criteria adopted by the LCCMR. They would not be changing expenses allowed during this funding cycle but would listen to DNR and other agencies discussion of administrative expenses for future RFPs.

Commissioner Gibson asked Co-Chair Landwehr about the "DNR Contract Management". In the discussion of the assigned contract fiscal management, Commissioner Landwehr responded that they are looking at ways to minimize the documentation requested and would be open to continuing the discussion. Members discussed that they would be looking at agency options for contract management.

Susan Thornton explained that members can set aside a certain amount of money for contract management now but discussions will continue more at the LCCMR meeting in November.

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Co-Chair Hackbarth thanked Commissioner Landwehr for coming to the LCCMR today.

Commissioner Gibson asked Co-Chair Hackbarth about putting together a subcommittee to work on the issue of "Direct Support Services" allowed in future RFP funding.

5. Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund dollars available for FY14-15 (Susan Thornton, LCCMR)

Susan Thornton explained that the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund is held by the State Board of Investment (SBI) and the amount available for the biennium (FY14-15) is equivalent to 5.5% of the value of the Trust Fund on June 30, 2012. Ms. Thornton explained that the preliminary amount as of June 30, 2012 is \$33,800,000 for each fiscal year. Commissioner Berner asked if any monies from year two of the biennium could be allocated this year. In response to members questions, Ms. Thornton explained that the year two money (FY15) can be recommended as an allocation.

6. LCCMR Administrative budget for FY14-15 (Susan Thornton, LCCMR)

Susan Thornton explained that the budget for FY14-15 is the same as the current biennium (FY12-13) at \$946,000 as adopted by the 2011 Legislature.

MOTION: Commissioner Berner moved to recommend \$1,000,000 for the LCCMR Administrative Budget – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Berner moved to add LCCMR Administrative Budget at \$1,000,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

7. Proposal Allocation Recommendations for the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund for FY14 (July 1, 2013)

Members agreed to work off of the blue sheet titled "2012-13 Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals Cumulative Average of Member Rankings – Listed in Overall Rank – High to Low" (Attachment #1).

Commissioner Broberg suggested discussing the following eight "continuation/invited" proposals first:

1. ENRTF ID: 033-C1 "An Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center"
2. ENRTF ID: 082-E1 "Minnesota Biological Survey"
3. ENRTF ID: 084-E1 "County Geologic Atlas (Part B) for Water Resource Sustainability"
4. ENRTF ID: 083-E1 "MGS County Geologic Atlases (Part A) for Improved Water Management"
5. ENRTF ID: 085-E1 "Updating the National Wetland Inventory for Minnesota ? Phase 4"
6. ENRTF ID: 058-D "SNA Acquisition, Restoration, Enhancement & Citizen Engagement"
7. ENRTF ID: 064-D "MeCC VII - Metropolitan Conservation Corridors (MeCC) Phase 7"
8. ENRTF ID: 093-E2 "Conservation Easement Stewardship Program, Phase III"

Members discussed the allocation process used in the past and options for the process today.

MOTION: Commissioner Dekruif moved to consider proposals on the "blue sheet" that have a member score of 6 or higher on the allocation sheet (Attachment #2) with future discussion on the dollars – motion did not prevail.

MOTION: Commissioner Broberg moved to start discussions on the following eight proposals:

1. ENRTF ID: 033-C1 "An Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center"
2. ENRTF ID: 082-E1 "Minnesota Biological Survey"

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3. ENRTF ID: 084-E1 "County Geologic Atlas (Part B) for Water Resource Sustainability"
 4. ENRTF ID: 083-E1 "MGS County Geologic Atlases (Part A) for Improved Water Management"
 5. ENRTF ID: 085-E1 "Updating the National Wetland Inventory for Minnesota ? Phase 4"
 6. ENRTF ID: 058-D "SNA Acquisition, Restoration, Enhancement & Citizen Engagement"
 7. ENRTF ID: 064-D "MeCC VII - Metropolitan Conservation Corridors (MeCC) Phase 7"
 8. ENRTF ID: 093-E2 "Conservation Easement Stewardship Program, Phase III"
- and then continue by category – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 1 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 033-C1 "ENRTF ID: 033-C1 "An Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center".

MOTION: Commissioner Herman moved to add Line 1 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 033-C1 "ENRTF ID: 033-C1 "An Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center" at \$4,350,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet.

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Skoe moved to amend Commissioner Herman's motion to add Line 1 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 033-C1 "An Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center" at \$4,350,000 for the first year and \$4,350,000 for the second year onto the allocation sheet.

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Dahms moved to amend the amendment to change the dollar amount to \$8,725,000 from the first year for ENRTF ID: 033-C1 "An Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center" onto the allocation sheet – motion defeated.

AMENDMENT RENEWED: Commissioner Skoe renewed his motion to amend Commissioner Herman's motion to add Line 1 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 033-C1 "An Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center" at \$4,350,000 for the first year and \$4,350,000 for the second year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

MOTION RENEWED: Commissioner Herman renewed his motion as amended to add Line 1 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 033-C1 "An Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center" at \$4,350,000 for the first year and \$4,350,000 for the second year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Co-Chair Hackbarth moved to have the dollar amounts rounded down to the nearest thousandth on all proposals for allocations – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 2 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 082-E1 "Minnesota Biological Survey".

MOTION: Commissioner Torkelson moved to add Line 2 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 082-E1 "Minnesota Biological Survey" at \$2,600,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Broberg moved to have the revised numbers handed out by the DNR today (Attachment #3) will be the dollars used for consideration of DNR proposals including revising ENRTF ID: 082-E1 "Minnesota Biological Survey" from \$2,600,000 to \$2,650,000 pending receiving detail of the requested eligible direct support services – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 3 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 084-E1 "County Geologic Atlas (Part B) for Water Resource Sustainability".

MOTION: Commissioner Broberg moved to add Line 3 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 084-E1 "County Geologic Atlas (Part B) for Water Resource Sustainability" at \$2,198,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet.

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AMENDMENT: Commissioner Rukavina moved to amend Commissioner Broberg's motion to add Line 3 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 084-E1 "County Geologic Atlas (Part B) for Water Resource Sustainability" at \$1,099,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet.

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Gibson moved to amend the amendment to change the dollars for Line 3 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 084-E1 "County Geologic Atlas (Part B) for Water Resource Sustainability" to \$1,439,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion defeated.

AMENDMENT RENEWED: Commissioner Rukavina renewed his motion to amend Commissioner Broberg's motion to add Line 3 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 084-E1 "County Geologic Atlas (Part B) for Water Resource Sustainability" at \$1,099,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

MOTION RENEWED: Commissioner Broberg renewed his motion as amended to add Line 3 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 084-E1 "County Geologic Atlas (Part B) for Water Resource Sustainability" at \$1,099,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 4 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 083-E1 "MGS County Geologic Atlases (Part A) for Improved Water Management".

MOTION: Commissioner Broberg moved to add Line 4 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 083-E1 "MGS County Geologic Atlases (Part A) for Improved Water Management" at \$1,200,000 for from the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Herman moved to amend Commissioner Broberg's motion to add Line 4 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 083-E1 "MGS County Geologic Atlases (Part A) for Improved Water Management" at \$800,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – amendment withdrawn.

MOTION RENEWED: Commissioner Broberg renewed his motion to add Line 4 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 083-E1 "MGS County Geologic Atlases (Part A) for Improved Water Management" at \$1,200,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 17 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 085:E1 "Updating the National Wetland Inventory for Minnesota - Phase 4".

MOTION: Commissioner Torkelson moved Line 17 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 085:E1 "Updating the National Wetland Inventory for Minnesota - Phase 4" at \$1,785,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet.

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Berner moved to amend Commissioner Torkelson's motion to move Line 17 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 085:E1 "Updating the National Wetland Inventory for Minnesota - Phase 4" at \$1,000,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

MOTION RENEWED: Commissioner Torkelson renewed his motion as amended to add Line 17 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 085:E1 "Updating the National Wetland Inventory for Minnesota - Phase 4" at \$1,000,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 33 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 058-D "SNA Acquisition, Restoration, Enhancement & Citizen Engagement".

MOTION: Commissioner Berner moved Line 33 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 058-D "SNA Acquisition, Restoration, Enhancement & Citizen Engagement" at \$2,000,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet with the stipulation not to purchase lands with perpetual easements.

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AMENDMENT - Commissioner Wilkens moved to amend Commissioner Berner's motion to restrict Line 33 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 058-D "SNA Acquisition, Restoration, Enhancement & Citizen Engagement" to Activities 2 and 3 at \$1,500,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

MOTION RENEWED: Commissioner Berner renewed his motion as amended to move as amended to add Line 33 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 058-D "SNA Acquisition, Restoration, Enhancement & Citizen Engagement" to Activities 2 and 3 at \$1,500,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 42 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 064-D "MeCC VII - Metropolitan Conservation Corridors (MeCC) Phase 7".

MOTION: Commissioner Gibson moved Line 42 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 064-D "MeCC VII - Metropolitan Conservation Corridors (MeCC) Phase 7" at \$3,500,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet.

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Rukavina moved to amend Commissioner Gibson's motion Line 42 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 064-D "MeCC VII - Metropolitan Conservation Corridors (MeCC) Phase 7" to not include any expenditure for acquisition of land that would incur PILT.

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Dahms moved to accept Commissioner Rukavina's proposed amendment to not include any expenditure for acquisition of land that would incur PILT and proposed to amend Commissioner Gibson's motion to add Line 42 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 064-D "MeCC VII - Metropolitan Conservation Corridors (MeCC) Phase 7" at \$2,000,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

MOTION RENEWED – Commissioner Gibson renewed her motion as amended to add Line 42 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 064-D "MeCC VII - Metropolitan Conservation Corridors (MeCC) Phase 7" at \$2,000,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet and to not include any expenditure for acquisition of land that would incur PILT – motion prevailed. – Commissioner Herman did not vote due to a previously declared Conflict of Interest.

Members discussed Line 52 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 093-E2 "Conservation Easement Stewardship Program, Phase III"

MOTION: Commissioner Broberg moved to add Line 52 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 093-E2 "Conservation Easement Stewardship Program, Phase III" at \$684,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet.

MOTION: Commissioner Broberg moved to add Line 52 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 093-E2 "Conservation Easement Stewardship Program, Phase III" at \$450,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion deferred.

AMENDMENT: Co-Chair Hackbarth moved to amend Commissioner Broberg's motion to add Line 52 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 093-E2 "Conservation Easement Stewardship Program, Phase III" at \$200,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

MOTION RENEWED: Commissioner Broberg renewed his motion as amended to add Line 52 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 093-E2 "Conservation Easement Stewardship Program, Phase III" at \$200,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members recessed for lunch at 12:00 p.m. and reconvened at 12:15 p.m.

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8. Continue Proposal Allocation Recommendations for the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund for FY14 (July 1, 2013)

MOTION: Co-Chair Hackbarth moved to eliminate from further discussions everything on the blue sheet that has an "Average Score – Members that Scored" rating below six (6) unless members wished to add additional proposals for discussion below line 21 on the blue sheet. They would begin discussing the top member ranked proposals.

Commissioner Moody requested Line 26 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 022-B "Enhancing Timber Sale Program Environmental and Economic Sustainability"; Line 29 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 068-D "Preserving the Avon Hills Landscape: Phase 2" and Line 56 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 016-B "Rapid Forest Ecosystem and Habitat Inventory by Imputation" be included in further discussions today.

Commissioner Wilkens requested Line 22 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 073-D "Frogtown Farm and Park" be included in further discussions today.

Commissioner Berner requested Line 40 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 059-D "Native Prairie Stewardship & Prairie Bank Easement Acquisition" be included in further discussions today.

Commissioner Shimanski requested Line 66 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 133-G "Restoring Connectivity and Public Access to Campbell Lake" be included in further discussions today.

Commissioner DeKruif requested Line 21 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 050-C2 "Improving Emerald Ash Borer Detection Efficacy for Control" be included in further discussions today.

Commissioner Herman requested Line 34 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 060-D "State Parks and State Trails Land Acquisition" be included in further discussions today.

Commissioner Berner requested Line 54 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 061-D "RIM Reserve-- Targeting Critically Vulnerable Expiring CRP Acres" be included in further discussions today.

Commissioner Skoe requested Line 51 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 034-C1 "Evaluating Effects of Pf-CL145A on Native Aquatic Animals" and ENRTF ID: 035-C1 "Integrated Control of Dreissenid Mussels in Minnesota Waters" as merged be included in further discussions today.

Commissioner Torkelson requested Line 25 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 019-B "Finding Disease Resistant Elm Trees in Minnesota"; Line 27 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 075-D "Heron Lake Sediment and Phosphorus Reduction Implementation Projects"; and Line 54 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 024-B "Enhancing Environmental and Economic Benefits of Woodland Grazing" be included in further discussions today.

Commissioner Broberg requested Line 30 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 092-E2 "Measuring Hydrologic Benefits from Glacial Ridge Habitat Restoration" be included in further discussions today.

Commissioner Dahms requested Line 32 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 017-B "Controlling Terrestrial Invasive Plants with Grazing Animals" be included in further discussions today.

MOTION RENEWED: Co-Chair Hackbarth renewed his motion to eliminate from further discussions everything on the blue sheet that has an "Average Score – Members that Scored" rating below six (6) except for the following proposals:

- Line 26 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 022-B "Enhancing Timber Sale Program Environmental and Economic Sustainability"
- Line 29 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 068-D "Preserving the Avon Hills Landscape: Phase 2"

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- Line 56 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 016-B "Rapid Forest Ecosystem and Habitat Inventory by Imputation"
- Line 22 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 073-D "Frogtown Farm and Park"
- Line 40 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 059-D "Native Prairie Stewardship & Prairie Bank Easement Acquisition"
- Line 66 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 133-G "Restoring Connectivity and Public Access to Campbell Lake"
- Line 21 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 050-C2 "Improving Emerald Ash Borer Detection Efficacy for Control"
- Line 34 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 060-D "State Parks and State Trails Land Acquisition"
- Line 54 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 061-D "RIM Reserve--Targeting Critically Vulnerable Expiring CRP Acres"
- Line 51 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 034-C1 "Evaluating Effects of Pf-CL145A on Native Aquatic Animals" and ENRTF ID: 035-C1 "Integrated Control of Dreissenid Mussels in Minnesota Waters" as merged
- Line 25 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 019-B "Finding Disease Resistant Elm Trees in Minnesota"
- Line 27 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 075-D "Heron Lake Sediment and Phosphorus Reduction Implementation Projects"
- Line 54 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 024-B "Enhancing Environmental and Economic Benefits of Woodland Grazing"
- Line 30 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 092-E2 "Measuring Hydrologic Benefits from Glacial Ridge Habitat Restoration"
- Line 32 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 017-B "Controlling Terrestrial Invasive Plants with Grazing Animals"
- motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 5 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 105-F "Youth Outdoors: Mississippi River Education and Employment Opportunities".

MOTION: Commissioner Gibson moved to add Line 5 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 105-F "Youth Outdoors: Mississippi River Education and Employment Opportunities" at \$450,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 6 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 001-A "Sustaining Lakes in a Changing Environment Phase 2".

MOTION: Commissioner Broberg moved to add Line 6 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 001-A "Sustaining Lakes in a Changing Environment Phase 2" at \$700,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 7 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 013-B "How Do Natural Copper-Nickel Bedrocks Influence Water Quality?".

MOTION: Commissioner Rukavina moved to add Line 7 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 013-B "How Do Natural Copper-Nickel Bedrocks Influence Water Quality?" at \$334,000 for the first year and \$334,000 from the second year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 8 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 089-E2 "Harnessing Soudan Mine Microbes: Bioremediation, Bioenergy and Biocontrol".

MOTION: Commissioner Gibson moved to add Line 8 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 089-E2 "Harnessing Soudan Mine Microbes: Bioremediation, Bioenergy and Biocontrol" at \$419,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet and include the white nose bat syndrome research in their budget revision – motion prevailed.

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Members discussed Line 9 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 106-F "Minnesota Conservation Apprentice Academy".

MOTION: Commissioner Moody moved to add Line 9 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 106-F "Minnesota Conservation Apprentice Academy" at \$93,000 for the first year and \$93,000 for the second year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 10 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 002-A "Bee Lawns: A Unique Way to Help Pollinators".

MOTION: Co-Chair Hackbarth moved to add Line 10 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 002-A "Bee Lawns: A Unique Way to Help Pollinators" at \$282,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet.

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Moody moved to amend Co-Chair Hackbarth's motion to add Line 10 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 002-A "Bee Lawns: A Unique Way to Help Pollinators" at \$200,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet.

MOTION RENEWED: Co-Chair Hackbarth accepted Commissioner Moody's amendment and renewed his motion to add Line 10 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 002-A "Bee Lawns: A Unique Way to Help Pollinators" at \$200,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 11 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 062-D "Landscape Arboretum Acquisition of Property Surrounding Lake Tamarack".

MOTION: Commissioner Dahms moved to add Line 11 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 062-D "Landscape Arboretum Acquisition of Property Surrounding Lake Tamarack" at \$2,000,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet.

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Gibson moved to amend Commissioner Dahm's motion to add Line 11 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 062-D "Landscape Arboretum Acquisition of Property Surrounding Lake Tamarack" at \$1,000,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet and to focus on the "natural resource" portion – motion defeated.

MOTION RENEWED: Commissioner Dahms renewed his motion to add Line 11 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 062-D "Landscape Arboretum Acquisition of Property Surrounding Lake Tamarack" at \$2,000,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 12 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 048-C2 "Search and Destroy Target Invasive Plant Species".

MOTION: Commissioner Gibson moved to add Line 12 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 048-C2 "Search and Destroy Target Invasive Plant Species" at \$300,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 13 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 152-I "Antibiotics in Minnesota Waters: Phase 2, Mississippi River".

MOTION: Commissioner Torkelson moved to add Line 13 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 152-I "Antibiotics in Minnesota Waters: Phase 2, Mississippi River" at \$203,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 14 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 076-D "Restoring Water Quality on Fourteen Southern Minnesota Lakes".

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MOTION: Commissioner DeKruif moved to add Line 14 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 076-D "Restoring Water Quality on Fourteen Southern Minnesota Lakes" at \$347,000 for the first year and \$347,000 from the second year onto the allocation sheet.

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Berner moved to amend Commissioner DeKruif's motion to add Line 14 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 076-D "Restoring Water Quality on Fourteen Southern Minnesota Lakes" at \$463,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet.

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Gibson moved to amend Commissioner Berner's amendment to Commissioner DeKruif's motion to add Line 14 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 076-D "Restoring Water Quality on Fourteen Southern Minnesota Lakes" at \$347,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion defeated.

AMENDMENT RENEWED: Commissioner Berner renewed his motion to amend Commissioner DeKruif's motion to add Line 14 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 076-D "Restoring Water Quality on Fourteen Southern Minnesota Lakes" at \$463,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

MOTION RENEWED: Commissioner DeKruif renewed his motion as amended to add Line 14 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 076-D "Restoring Water Quality on Fourteen Southern Minnesota Lakes" at \$463,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 15 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 042-C1 "Detection and Monitoring of Asian Carp Populations".

MOTION: Commissioner Gibson moved to add Line 15 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 042-C1 "Detection and Monitoring of Asian Carp Populations" at \$275,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 16 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 140-I "Membranes for Wastewater-Generated Hydrogen and Clean Water".

MOTION: Commissioner Herman moved to add Line 16 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 140-I "Membranes for Wastewater-Generated Hydrogen and Clean Water" at \$246,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 18 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 004-A "Moose Habitat Restoration in Northeastern Minnesota".

MOTION: Co-Chair Hackbarth moved to add Line 18 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 004-A "Moose Habitat Restoration in Northeastern Minnesota" at \$200,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet.

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Berner moved to amend Co-Chair Hackbarth's motion to add Line 18 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 004-A "Moose Habitat Restoration in Northeastern Minnesota" at \$146,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion defeated.

MOTION RENEWED: Co-Chair Hackbarth renewed his motion to add Line 18 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 004-A "Moose Habitat Restoration in Northeastern Minnesota" at \$200,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 19 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 023-B "Conservation Grazing to Improve Wildlife Habitat on WMAs".

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MOTION: Commissioner Dahms moved to add Line 19 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 023-B "Conservation Grazing to Improve Wildlife Habitat on WMAs" at \$600,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet with a contingency that all revenue generating through grazing be returned to the corpus of the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund.

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Moody moved to amend Commissioner Dahm's motion to add Line 19 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 023-B "Conservation Grazing to Improve Wildlife Habitat on WMAs" at \$600,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet as a loan to be paid back – motion defeated.

MOTION RENEWED: Commissioner Dahms renewed his motion to add Line 19 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 023-B "Conservation Grazing to Improve Wildlife Habitat on WMAs" at \$600,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet with a contingency that all revenue generating through grazing be returned to the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 20 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 139-I "Evaluating Lake Superior's Health in a Changing World".

MOTION: Commissioner Berner moved to add Line 20 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 139-I "Evaluating Lake Superior's Health in a Changing World" at \$400,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 21 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 050-C2 "Improving Emerald Ash Borer Detection Efficacy for Control".

MOTION: Commissioner Dzedzic moved to add Line 21 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 050-C2 "Improving Emerald Ash Borer Detection Efficacy for Control" at \$400,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 22 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 073-D "Frogtown Farm and Park".

MOTION: Commissioner Gibson moved to add Line 22 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 073-D "Frogtown Farm and Park" at \$1,000,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet.

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Broberg moved to amend Commissioner Gibson's motion to add Line 22 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 073-D "Frogtown Farm and Park" at \$1,500,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

MOTION RENEWED: Commissioner Gibson renewed her motion as amended to add Line 22 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 073-D "Frogtown Farm and Park" at \$1,500,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 25 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 019-B "Finding Disease Resistant Elm Trees in Minnesota".

MOTION: Commissioner DeKruif moved to add Line 25 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 019-B "Finding Disease Resistant Elm Trees in Minnesota" at \$200,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 26 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 022-B "Enhancing Timber Sale Program Environmental and Economic Sustainability".

MOTION: Commissioner Moody moved to add Line 26 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 022-B "Enhancing Timber Sale Program Environmental and Economic Sustainability" at \$250,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

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Members discussed Line 27 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 075-D "Heron Lake Sediment and Phosphorus Reduction Implementation Projects".

MOTION: Commissioner Torkelson moved to add Line 27 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 075-D "Heron Lake Sediment and Phosphorus Reduction Implementation Projects" at \$122,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 29 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 068-D "Preserving the Avon Hills Landscape: Phase 2".

MOTION: Commissioner Gibson moved to add Line 29 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 068-D "Preserving the Avon Hills Landscape: Phase 2" at \$750,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 30 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 092-E2 "Measuring Hydrologic Benefits from Glacial Ridge Habitat Restoration".

MOTION: Commissioner Broberg moved to add Line 30 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 092-E2 "Measuring Hydrologic Benefits from Glacial Ridge Habitat Restoration" at \$400,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 32 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 017-B "Controlling Terrestrial Invasive Plants with Grazing Animals".

MOTION: Commissioner Torkelson moved to add Line 32 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 017-B "Controlling Terrestrial Invasive Plants with Grazing Animals" at \$52,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed. Commissioner Broberg did not vote due to a previously declared Conflict of Interest.

Members discussed Line 34 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 060-D "State Parks and State Trails Land Acquisition".

MOTION: Commissioner Herman moved to add Line 34 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 060-D "State Parks and State Trails Land Acquisition" at \$1,000,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 40 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 059-D "Native Prairie Stewardship & Prairie Bank Easement Acquisition".

MOTION: Commissioner Berner moved to add Line 40 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 059-D "Native Prairie Stewardship & Prairie Bank Easement Acquisition" at \$750,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 51 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 034-C1 "Evaluating Effects of Pf-CL145A on Native Aquatic Animals" which was merged with ENRTF ID: 035-C1 "Integrated Control of Dreissenid Mussels in Minnesota Waters" at the request of LCCMR.

MOTION: Commissioner Skoe moved to add Line 51 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 034-C1 "Evaluating Effects of Pf-CL145A on Native Aquatic Animals" as merged with ENRTF ID: 035-C1 "Integrated Control of Dreissenid Mussels in Minnesota Waters" at \$600,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 53 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 061-D "RIM Reserve--Targeting Critically Vulnerable Expiring CRP Acres".

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MOTION: Commissioner Berner moved to add Line 53 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 061-D "RIM Reserve--Targeting Critically Vulnerable Expiring CRP Acres" at \$3,000,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet and to fund the SWCD staffing proposed in Activity 1 – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 54 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 024-B "Enhancing Environmental and Economic Benefits of Woodland Grazing".

MOTION: Commissioner Torkelson moved to add Line 54 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 024-B "Enhancing Environmental and Economic Benefits of Woodland Grazing" at \$190,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 56 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 016-B "Rapid Forest Ecosystem and Habitat Inventory by Imputation".

MOTION: Commissioner Skoe moved to add Line 56 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 016-B "Rapid Forest Ecosystem and Habitat Inventory by Imputation" at \$262,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 66 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 133-G "Restoring Connectivity and Public Access to Campbell Lake".

MOTION: Commissioner Shimanski moved to add Line 66 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 133-G "Restoring Connectivity and Public Access to Campbell Lake" at \$250,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet – motion prevailed.

Members discussed Line 28 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 049-C2 "Biological Control of Garlic Mustard".

MOTION: Commissioner Moody moved to add Line 28 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 049-C2 "Biological Control of Garlic Mustard" at \$140,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet stating that it should have been considered as part of the "continuations" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Gibson moved to add Contract Management at \$135,000 for the first year onto the allocation sheet with the details of the contract management to be specified at a later date – motion prevailed.

Members discussed the \$1,905,000 still available for FY14 for expenditure and to give consideration to not allocate it at this time and to leave it on the bottom line for needed future adjustments which may arise.

Commissioner Wilkens discussed adding Line 37 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 072-D "Centennial Blowdown Restoration" at \$48,000 for Activity 5.

MOTION: Commissioner Torkelson moved to add Line 31 from the blue sheet ENRTF ID: 107-F "Protecting Minnesota's Soils: The Year of Soil Quality" at 200,000 onto the allocation sheet – motion did not prevail.

MOTION: Commissioner Skoe moved to have \$1,905,000 remain available until the next LCCMR Meeting on November 28, 2012 when they review work plans – motion prevailed.

9. Other business (as needed)

- Next steps in the process

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Members revisited the discussion of continuing a task force related to Direct Support Services and fringe benefits for funding in future RFP's. Commissioner Gibson, Commissioner Dzedzic, Commissioner Shimanski, Commissioner Broberg and Commissioner Skoe expressed interest on being on the task force.

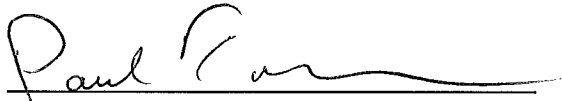
Members further discussed proposals they wish to discuss at a future meeting (Commissioner Wilkens requested ENRTF ID: 072-D "Centennial Blowdown Restoration" Activity 5 and Commissioner Dahms requested ENRTF ID: 006-A "Assessing Impacts to Fish Populations in Minnesota River").

MOTION: Co-Chair Hackbarth moved adoption of the package recommendations individually adopted on July 11, 2012 (\$31,883,000 FY14 and \$4,777,000 FY15) – motion prevailed (unanimous voice vote).

Next meeting dates: November 28, 2012 and December 11, 2012.

10. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

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