

**LEGISLATIVE-CITIZEN COMMISSION ON MINNESOTA RESOURCES**

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Susan Thornton, Director

**MINUTES – Revised 6/10/2014**

**Wednesday, June 4, 2014**

**9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

**State Office Building, Room 5**

**St. Paul, MN 55155**

**Members Present:** Jeff Broberg, Sen. Gary Dahms, Sen. Kari Dziedzic, William Faber, Rep. Dan Fabian, Nancy Gibson, Bonnie Harper-Lore, Sen. John Hoffman, Gary Lamppa, Rep. Leon Lillie, Norman Moody, Rep. John Persell, Sen. David Tomassoni, Rep. Paul Torkelson, Rep. Jean Wagenius, Sen. Torrey Westrom

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

**Members Absent:**

**Co-Chair: Rep. Jean Wagenius**

Co-Chair Wagenius started the meeting at 9:15 a.m. Member introductions were given.

**1. Approve the minutes for December 10, 2013**

MOTION: Commissioner Torkelson moved the minutes for December 10, 2013 – motion prevailed.

**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.**

Co-Chair Wagenius reported a conflict of interest on ENRTF ID: 071-C "Be The Spark: Experiential Youth Development" because her husband is on the board of Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light and ENRTF ID: 096-E "Ending Minnesota Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Fossil Fuels" because she is a member of the Legislative Energy Commission. Members discussed and determined this was not a conflict of interest.

Commissioner Faber reported a conflict of interest for ENRTF ID: 031-A "Enhancing Future Forest Conservation Using Gullions Historic Research" and ENRTF ID: 058-B "Developing and Implementing Watershed-level Protection Strategies for Lakes" because he is employed by Central Lakes College. Mr. Faber also recused himself on ENRTF ID: 004-A "Endangered Bats, White-Nose Syndrome, and Forest Habitat".

Commissioner Persell stated he is employed by the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe but does not see this as a conflict of interest.

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### 3. Update on LCCMR Appointments

Commissioner Gibson suggested that an acknowledgement for former LCCMR Members - Tom Cook and John Herman at a future meeting and that letters from the LCCMR be drafted to recognize them.

### 4. 2014 Legislative Session review - member discussion

- Update and discussion of the 2014 Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund appropriations
- Discussion of other legislation of interest

Susan Thornton reviewed the 2014 Legislative Session Report. Members discussed the new Terrestrial Invasive Species Center funding and implementing language. Ms. Thornton explained there will be a work plan for the ENRTF funding for review at an upcoming meeting.

### 5. 2014 ENRTF Work Plan Approvals

**M.L. 2014 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>

- Approval M.L. 2014 Work Plans
- Update on Peer Review for M.L. 2014 research appropriations
- Decide on 2014 work plans (if any) to be scheduled for review or presentation at a later date

Susan Thornton explained the spreadsheet titled "M.L. 2014, Chp. 226, Sec. 2, and Chp. 312, Sec. 8 Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Work Plan Approval".

Members started discussions on Line 1 "Appropriations With No Changes From LCCMR recommendation - Staff Recommend Consent Approval" from the spreadsheet titled "M.L. 2014, Chp. 226, Sec. 2, and Chp. 312, Sec. 8 Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Work Plan Approval".

**MOTION:** Commissioner Moody moved to approve on the spreadsheet titled "M.L. 2014, Chp. 226, Sec. 2, and Chp. 312, Sec. 8 Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Work Plan Approval" from Lines 1 to 64 including the staff notes and the items needing specific work plan approval specified on the spreadsheet for certain work plans – motion prevailed.

Members continued discussions on Line 65 "Appropriations Needing LCCMR Review Prior To Approval Due To Various Factors" from the spreadsheet titled "M.L. 2014, Chp. 226, Sec. 2, and Chp. 312, Sec. 8 Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Work Plan Approval".

Ms. Thornton continued review of the spreadsheet on Line 65. Members discussed Line 66, Subd. 04a "Blocking Bighead, Silver, and other Invasive Carp by Optimizing Lock and Dams", Peter Sorensen, U of MN.

Members discussed Line 30, Subd. 05m "Moose Decline and Air Temperatures in Northeastern Minnesota", Mike Larson, MN DNR and the budget revisions noted on the spreadsheet.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Moody moved to approve on the spreadsheet titled "M.L. 2014, Chp. 226, Sec. 2, and Chp. 312, Sec. 8 Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Work Plan

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Approval” Line 39 on page 5, ENRTF ID: 06h “Nutrient Capture Through Water Management and Biomass Harvesting”, Jeff Lewis, Red River Basin – motion prevailed.

Members discussed capital expenditures on Line 75, ENRTF ID: 08c “Demonstrating Innovative Technologies to Fully Utilize Wastewater Resources”, Roger Ruan, U of MN.

MOTION: Commissioner Persell moved to approve on the spreadsheet titled “M.L. 2014, Chp. 226, Sec. 2, and Chp. 312, Sec. 8 Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Work Plan Approval” Line 75, ENRTF ID: 08c “Demonstrating Innovative Technologies to Fully Utilize Wastewater Resources” , Roger Ruan, U of MN, including the staff notes and the items needing specific work plan approval specified on the spreadsheet and to add to the approval letter the following language “strong recommendation to use American made or fabrication in USA” – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Gibson moved to approve on the spreadsheet titled “M.L. 2014, Chp. 226, Sec. 2, and Chp. 312, Sec. 8 Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Work Plan Approval” Line 76, Subd. 08e “Life Cycle Energy of Renewably Produced Nitrogen Fertilizers”, Joel Tallaksen, U of MN including the staff notes and the items needing specific work plan approval specified on the spreadsheet for certain work plans – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Harper-Lore moved to approve on the spreadsheet titled “M.L. 2014, Chp. 226, Sec. 2, and Chp. 312, Sec. 8 Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Work Plan Approval” Line 66, Subd. 04a “Blocking Bighead, Silver, and Other Invasive Carp by Optimizing Lock and Dams”, Peter Sorensen, U of MN including the staff notes and the items needing specific work plan approval specified on the spreadsheet for certain work plans – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Harper-Lore moved to have DNR present at the next LCCMR meeting on June 10<sup>th</sup> on the “Direct & Necessary” calculations and hold off on these approvals.

Commissioner Gibson asked how the Outdoor Heritage Council funds Direct and Necessary expenses from the DNR. Bill Becker, Executive Director Outdoor Heritage Council, explained that they do pay direct and necessary expenses. Mr. Becker explained that they have had multiple meetings regarding Direct and Necessary Expenses and it is still being worked on. Mr. Becker referenced a Government Accounting Office Circular (GAO Circular number 122A) that lays out the appropriate way to deal with Direct and Necessary expenses and they are working with DNR to look at it. Members continued discussion on Direct and Necessary expenses. Commissioner Tomassoni asked about the authority of the LCCMR and whether by not approving a work plan halts the expenditure of the work plan. Commissioner Fabian recommended having another presentation from Mr. Jim Nobles, Office of the Legislative Auditor on the issue.

MOTION: Commissioner Harper-Lore moved to amend her motion to request DNR present an update on Direct and Necessary Expenses before the new proposal presentations and to approve on the spreadsheet titled “M.L. 2014, Chp. 226, Sec. 2, and Chp. 312, Sec. 8 Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Work Plan Approval” Lines 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, and 72 including the staff notes and the items needing specific work plan approval specified on the spreadsheet for certain work plans – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Tomassoni moved to adopt on the spreadsheet titled “M.L. 2014, Chp. 226, Sec. 2, and Chp. 312, Sec. 8 Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Work Plan

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Approval” Line73 (ENRTF ID: 07c “Mesabi Trail Development – Soudan to Ely Segment”, Bob Manzoline, St. Louis & Lake Counties Regional Railroad Authority) – motion prevailed.

Members decided to consider at a later date on page 5 Lines 43, 74, 78 and 79 on the spreadsheet titled “M.L. 2014, Chp. 226, Sec. 2, and Chp. 312, Sec. 8 Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Work Plan Approval”

### 6. 2015 ENRTF Proposal Process

- **Select proposals received in response to the 2015 Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund for further consideration and presentations to the LCCMR on June 17, 18, 19, 24, 25, and 26 (as needed)**

Commissioner Wagenius asked members to review the Constitutional language for the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund and the implementing statute.

#### ***Minnesota Constitution Art. XI, Sec. 14. Environment and Natural Resources Fund***

<http://www.lccmr.leg.mn/about/language-index.html>

*A permanent environment and natural resources trust fund is established in the state treasury. Loans may be made of up to five percent of the principal of the fund for water system improvements as provided by law. The assets of the fund shall be appropriated by law for the public purpose of protection, conservation, preservation, and enhancement of the state's air, water, land, fish, wildlife, and other natural resources. The amount appropriated each year of a biennium, commencing on July 1 in each odd-numbered year and ending on and including June 30 in the next odd-numbered year, may be up to 5-1/2 percent of the market value of the fund on June 30 one year before the start of the biennium. Not less than 40 percent of the net proceeds from any state-operated lottery must be credited to the fund until the year 2025.*

*[Adopted, November 8, 1988; Amended, November 6, 1990; November 3, 1998]*

Members discussed other funds (i.e. ag fund, game & fish fund, park funds, legacy, commerce – energy, others). Commissioner Wagenius and Tomassoni agreed to have fiscal staff provide information at the next meeting.

- ### 7. **Continue selection of proposals received in response to the 2015 Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund for further consideration and presentations to the LCCMR on June 17, 18, 19, 24, 25, and 26 (as needed)**

Members recessed at 11:15 a.m. Members reconvened at 11:40.

Members started discussions to review all the proposals receiving a member vote of 7 or higher on the green sheet spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals”. Members also discussed how many presentation days to have. General consensus was to have five days of presentations for approximately 75 proposals.

Members started discussions with Funding Priority A. “Foundational Natural Resource Data and Information” on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals”.

MOTION: Commissioner Moody moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals” Lines 2 - 14 with the exception of Line 10 (ID#: 012-A “Restoring Minnesota’s Apex

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Weasel, the Fisher”) under Category A. “Foundational Natural Resource Data and Information” – motion prevailed.

Members moved on to discussing Funding Priority B. “Water Resources” on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals”.

MOTION: Commissioner Dziejdzic moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals” Lines 35-39 under Category B. “Water Resources” – motion prevailed.

Members moved on to discussing Funding Priority C. “Environmental Education” on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals”.

MOTION: Commissioner Dziejdzic moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals” Lines 66, 67 and 68 under Category C. “Environmental Education”.

Commissioner Gibson moved to amend Commissioner Dziejdzic motion to remove Line 68 – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Dziejdzic renewed her motion to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals” Lines 66 and 67 under Category C. “Environmental Education” - motion prevailed.

Members moved on to discussing Funding Priority D. “Aquatic and Terrestrial Invasive Species” on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals”.

MOTION: Commissioner Dziejdzic moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals” Lines 85-91 under Category D. “Aquatic and Terrestrial Invasive Species” – motion prevailed.

Members moved on to discussing Funding Priority E. “Air Quality, Climate Change, and Renewable” on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals”.

MOTION: Commissioner Moody moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals” Lines 101-102 under Category E. “Air Quality, Climate Change, and Renewable Energy” – motion prevailed.

Members moved on to discussing Funding Priority F. “Methods to Protect, Restore, and Enhance Land, Water, and Habitat” on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals”.

MOTION: Commissioner Dziejdzic moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals” Lines 123-127 under Category F. “Methods to Protect, Restore, and Enhance Land, Water, and Habitat” - motion prevailed.

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Members moved on to discussing Funding Priority G. "Land Acquisition for Habitat and Recreation" on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals".

MOTION: Commissioner Gibson moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Lines 143-149 under Category G. "Land Acquisition for Habitat and Recreation" - motion prevailed.

Members moved on to discussing Funding Priority H. "Pass-thru Contract Management" on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals".

MOTION: Commissioner Broberg moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 160 under Category H. "Pass-thru Contract Management" - motion prevailed.

Staff informed members that as of the most recent motions there are 41 proposals selected for \$59 million dollars. Members began to review the proposal spreadsheet again for possible presentation selection.

Members re-reviewed Funding Priority A. "Foundational Natural Resource Data and Information" on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals".

MOTION: Commissioner Dziejcz moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 15 (ID #: 009-A "Effects of Grazing Versus Fire for Prairie Management") under Category A. "Foundational Natural Resource Data and Information" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Persell moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 23 (ID#: 018-A "Goblin Fern: Habitat Mitigation for Species Conservation") under Category A. "Foundational Natural Resource Data and Information" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Wagenius moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 18 (ID#: 016-A "Turtle Population Dynamics in an Urban Lake") under Category A. "Foundational Natural Resource Data and Information" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Gibson moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 16 (ID#: 013-A "Genetic and Camera Techniques to Estimate Carnivore Populations") under Category A. "Foundational Natural Resource Data and Information" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Broberg moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 17 (ID#: 027-A "LiDAR for Wildlife in Northeastern Minnesota") under Category A. "Foundational Natural Resource Data and Information" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Moody moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 24 (ID#: 024-A "Hydrologic Effects of Contemporary Forest Practices in

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Minnesota”) under Category A. “Foundational Natural Resource Data and Information” – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Harper-Lore moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals” Line 19 (ID#: 020-A “A Foundational Dataset Characterizing Historic Forest Disturbance Impacts”) under Category A. “Foundational Natural Resource Data and Information” – motion prevailed.

Members re-reviewed Funding Priority B. “Water Resources” on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals”.

MOTION: Commissioner Wagenius moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals” Line 56 (ID#: 045-B “Using Hydroacoustics to Monitor Sediment in Minnesotas Rivers”) under Category B. “Water Resources” – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Fabian moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals” Line 46 (ID#: 048-B “Achieving Minnesota’s Groundwater Sustainability Through Irrigation Efficiencies”) under Category B. “Water Resources” – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Harper-Lore moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals” Line 43 (ID#: 060-B “Shoreview Water Consumption and Groundwater Awareness Project”) under Category B. “Water Resources” – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Broberg moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals” Line 40 (ID#: 037-B “Subsurface Drainage Impacts on Groundwater Recharge: Southeast Minnesota”) under Category B. “Water Resources” – motion prevailed.

Members re-reviewed Funding Priority C. “Environmental Education” on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals”.

MOTION: Commissioner Harper-Lore moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals” Line 73 (ID#: 073-C “Splash Screen: SciGirls Exploring Watersheds Using Mobile Technologies”) under Category C. “Environmental Education” – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Wagenius moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals” Line 74 (ID#: 074-C “Water Journey Camps”) under Category C. “Environmental Education” – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Broberg moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled “2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals” Line 69 (ID#: 066-C “Connecting Students with Watersheds through Hands-On Learning”) under Category C. “Environmental Education” – motion prevailed.

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Members re-reviewed Funding Priority D. "Aquatic and Terrestrial Invasive Species" on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals".

MOTION: Commissioner Broberg moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 92 (ID#: 088-D "Forecasting Microbial Invasions: Muskie Pox and VHS Virus ") under Category D. "Aquatic and Terrestrial Invasive Species" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Persell moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 106 (ID#: 116-E "Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Solid Waste ") under Category E. "Air Quality, Climate Change, and Renewable Energy" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Moody moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 103 (ID#: 105-E "Optimizing Environmental and Economic Value of Harvested Cattails ") under Category E. "Air Quality, Climate Change, and Renewable Energy" – motion withdrawn.

MOTION: Commissioner Dziejdzic moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 107 (ID#: 096-E "Ending Minnesota Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Fossil Fuels ") under Category E. "Air Quality, Climate Change, and Renewable Energy" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Gibson moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 105 (ID#: 108-E "Assessing Environmental Impact of Wind Turbines in Minnesota") under Category E. "Air Quality, Climate Change, and Renewable Energy" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Moody moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 113 (ID#: 114-E "Duluth Steam Energy Efficiency Project ") under Category E. "Air Quality, Climate Change, and Renewable Energy" – motion withdrawn.

MOTION: Commissioner Faber moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 104 (ID#: 112-E "In-Woods Biomass Drying to Increase Energy Value ") under Category E. "Air Quality, Climate Change, and Renewable Energy" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Dziejdzic moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 129 (ID#: 122-F "Conservation Assistance Acceleration Project ") under Category F. "Methods to Protect, Restore, and Enhance Land, Water, and Habitat" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Tomassoni moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 130 (ID#: 124-F "Prioritizing Walleye Spawning Habitat Restoration in Minnesota Lakes ") under Category F. "Methods to Protect, Restore, and Enhance Land, Water, and Habitat" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Moody moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 132 (ID#: 127-F "Empowered Citizens Improve 5 Urban Forests: Statewide



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Modely7") under Category F. "Methods to Protect, Restore, and Enhance Land, Water, and Habitat" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Gibson moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 128 (ID#: 121-F "MeCC VIII: Restoration for Climate Resilience, Pollinators, Working Lands ") under Category F. "Methods to Protect, Restore, and Enhance Land, Water, and Habitat" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Gibson moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 131 (ID#: 126-F "MeCC VIII: FMR Restoring Prairie and Forest Habitat ") under Category F. "Methods to Protect, Restore, and Enhance Land, Water, and Habitat" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Moody moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 134 (ID#: 129-F "Shoreland Protection for the Lower St. Croix River ") under Category F. "Methods to Protect, Restore, and Enhance Land, Water, and Habitat" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Tomassoni moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 133 (ID#: 128-F "Flood Recovery on Sargent Creek Duluth Habitat Restoration ") under Category F. "Methods to Protect, Restore, and Enhance Land, Water, and Habitat" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Hoffman reverted back to Category B and moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 45 (ID#: 047-B "Southeastern Minnesota Cover Crop and Soil Health Initiatives ") under Category B. "Water Resources" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Moody moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 157 (ID#: 149-G "Enhanced Access to Isolated State Lands ") under Category G. "Land Acquisition for Habitat and Recreation" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Harper-Lore moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 152 (ID#: 151-G "Preserving Old-Growth Forests on School Lands ") under Category G. "Land Acquisition for Habitat and Recreation" – motion withdrawn.

MOTION: Commissioner Gibson moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Lines 151, 153, 154, 155, and 156 under Category G. "Land Acquisition for Habitat and Recreation" – motion prevailed.

MOTION: Commissioner Dahms moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 137 (ID#: 135-F "Redwood/Renville County Outdoor Recreation and Conservation Master Plan ") under Category F. "Methods to Protect, Restore, and Enhance Land, Water, and Habitat" – motion prevailed.

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MOTION: Commissioner Moody reverted back to Category A and moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 21 (ID#: 031-A "Enhancing Future Forest Conservation Using Gullions Historic Research") under Category A. "Foundational Natural Resource Data and Information" – motion prevailed.

Members re-reviewed Funding Priority G. "Land Acquisition for Habitat and Recreation" on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals".

MOTION: Commissioner Harper-Lore moved to call in for presentation on the spreadsheet titled "2015 – LCCMR Member Presentation Selection Rankings: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Proposals" Line 150 (ID#: 140-G "Protecting the Pineland Sands Aquifer ") under Category G. "Land Acquisition for Habitat and Recreation" – motion withdrawn.

Members completed the selection of proposals to call in for a presentation totaling 76 proposals for approximately \$74.9 million dollars.

### **8. Member discussion of LCCMR 2014 Calendar including LCCMR site visit on July 29 - 30 (Southeast MN)**

Susan Thornton discussed the next meetings on June 10 and 11. Ms. Thornton suggested meeting on June 10 and canceling the June 11 meeting.

Staff handed out a sheet titled "LCCMR Site Visit to Southeast Minnesota" regarding ideas for the site visit on July 29-30.

Commissioner Torkelson recommended requesting a local well driller to discuss proper construction of wells and the importance of the proper maintenance. Commissioner Wagenius requested contacting the MN Department of Health to discuss well-head protection.

Commissioner Faber suggested Trout Stream Restoration efforts.

Members decided to schedule five days for presentations (June 17, 18, 19, 24 and 25) and to cancel June 26, 2014.

Members returned back to Agenda Item 5 regarding peer review. Michael McDonough gave a brief overview of the process for the 2014 ENRTF Research Proposals.

### **9. Other business (as needed)**

- Next steps in the process

### **10. Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

