

Becca Nash, Director

LCCMR Subcommittee on Strategic Planning Minutes

Wednesday, July 31, 2024

Time: 12:30 p.m. (or 30 minutes following LCCMR meeting adjournment) to 3:00 p.m.

Location: HYBRID: Room G-15, Minnesota State Capitol, 75 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., St. Paul, MN 55155 and through electronic means (YouTube)

Subcommittee members: Rita Albrecht, Sen. Steve Green, Rep. Rick Hansen, Sen. Foung Hawi, Rep. Josh Heintzeman, Shona Langseth, Michael Reese, and Jeremy Peichel (alternate citizen member)

Subcommittee Members Present: Rita Albrecht, Sen. Steve Green, Rep. Rick Hansen, Shona Langseth, Michael Reese

Staff Present: B. Nash, M. Campana, M. Varien

Members Excused: Sen. Foung Hawj, Rep. Josh Heintzeman, Jeremy Peichel (alternate citizen member)

Members Absent:

Chair: Rita Albrecht

Chair Albrecht called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

1. **Roll call attendance**

Director Nash took roll call attendance. There were 5 members present at the time of roll call, and four were needed for a quorum.

Member	Attendance
Commissioner Albrecht	Yes
Commissioner Green – Sen	Yes
Commissioner Hansen – Rep	Yes
Commissioner Hawj – Sen	Excused
Commissioner Heintzeman – Rep	Excused
Commissioner Langseth	Yes (remote)
Commissioner Reese	Yes
Commissioner Peichel (alternate)	Excused

Approve minutes for June 26 and June 28, 2024 2.

MOTION: Commissioner Green moved to approve the minutes for the June 26 and June 28, 2024, Subcommittee on Strategic Planning meeting. The motion prevailed.

3. Action: ENRTF Strategies

Mike Campana presented changes to the working ENRTF strategies based on the previous meeting's discussion as well as staff suggestions and questions. Members discussed.

MOTION: Commissioner Hansen moved to adopt the following staff suggestion for the first strategy under the goal, "Minnesota's environment, natural resources, and communities are resilient in the face of climate change, land use changes, and extreme weather events.":

Research, demonstrate, and/or promote comprehensive and viable solutions for reducing the impacts of climate change, land use changes, or extreme weather events on the environment and natural resources, through both engineered and natural solutions targeted at critical areas.

Member	Y	Ν
Commissioner Albrecht	X	
Commissioner Green – Sen		Х
Commissioner Hansen – Rep	Х	
Commissioner Hawj – Sen	Excused	
Commissioner Heintzeman – Rep	Excused	
Commissioner Langseth	Х	
Commissioner Reese	Х	
Commissioner Peichel (alternate)	-	-

-- motion prevailed (4 Yes/1 No)

MOTION: Commissioner Hansen moved to adopt the following staff suggestion for the second strategy under the goal, "Minnesota's environment, natural resources, and communities are resilient in the face of climate change, land use changes, and extreme weather events.":

Broaden understanding and implementation of effective climate adaptation management practices for natural resources among landowners through education, outreach, technical assistance, and/or the development of collaborations and networks to share and learn about new and innovative practices.

-- motion prevailed (4 Yes/1 No)

Member	Y	Ν
Commissioner Albrecht	Х	
Commissioner Green – Sen		Х
Commissioner Hansen – Rep	Х	
Commissioner Hawj – Sen	Excused	
Commissioner Heintzeman – Rep	Excused	

Commissioner Langseth	Х	
Commissioner Reese	Х	
Commissioner Peichel (alternate)	-	-

MOTION: Commissioner Reese moved to adopt following strategies under the goal, "Minnesota's environment, natural resources, and communities are resilient in the face of climate change, land use changes, and extreme weather events.":

Support the development of local climate resiliency and adaptation plans for natural resources.

Implement land and water management practices and/or protect and restore wetlands, forests, prairies, and other critical systems to enhance biodiversity and provide multiple community resilience benefits.

Member	Y	Ν
Commissioner Albrecht	Х	
Commissioner Green – Sen		Х
Commissioner Hansen – Rep	Х	
Commissioner Hawj – Sen	Excused	
Commissioner Heintzeman – Rep	Excused	
Commissioner Langseth	Х	
Commissioner Reese	Х	
Commissioner Peichel (alternate)	-	-

-- motion prevailed (4 Yes/1 No)

MOTION: Commissioner Hansen moved to adopt all strategies with staff suggestions under the goal, "Minnesota's water resources are better managed for both water quantity and quality to support aquatic life, drinking water, recreation, and other uses," as presented in the document titled, "DRAFT – ENRTF Strategies (as of 7/29/2024)".

	motion	prevailed	(5	Yes/0 No)	
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Member	Y	Ν
Commissioner Albrecht	X	
Commissioner Green – Sen	X	
Commissioner Hansen – Rep	X	
Commissioner Hawj – Sen	Excused	
Commissioner Heintzeman – Rep	Excused	
Commissioner Langseth	X	
Commissioner Reese	X	

Commissioner Peichel (alternate)	-	-
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- MOTION: Commissioner Reese moved to adopt all strategies with option 6b under the goal, "Minnesota has healthy and diverse aquatic and terrestrial wildlife and plant populations that sustain and enhance the state's environment, economy, and quality of life," as presented in the document titled, "DRAFT – ENRTF Strategies (as of 7/29/2024)".
 - -- motion did not prevail (2 Yes/3 No)

Member	Y	N
Commissioner Albrecht		Х
Commissioner Green – Sen	Х	
Commissioner Hansen – Rep		Х
Commissioner Hawj – Sen	Excused	
Commissioner Heintzeman – Rep	Excused	
Commissioner Langseth		Х
Commissioner Reese	Х	
Commissioner Peichel (alternate)	-	-

MOTION: Commissioner Langseth moved to adopt all strategies with option 6a under the goal, "Minnesota has healthy and diverse aquatic and terrestrial wildlife and plant populations that sustain and enhance the state's environment, economy, and quality of life," as presented in the document titled, "DRAFT – ENRTF Strategies (as of 7/29/2024)".

-- motion did not prevail (3 Yes/2 No)*

Member	Y	N
Commissioner Albrecht	Х	
Commissioner Green – Sen		Х
Commissioner Hansen – Rep	Х	
Commissioner Hawj – Sen	Excused	
Commissioner Heintzeman – Rep	Excused	
Commissioner Langseth	Х	
Commissioner Reese		Х
Commissioner Peichel (alternate)	-	-

MOTION: Commissioner Hansen moved to adopt the following strategy under the goal, "Minnesota's public and private lands – including forests, grasslands, wetlands, and agricultural lands — provide long-term benefits to fish, wildlife, and people.":

Develop, demonstrate, and/or evaluate new and innovative practices and processes on public and private lands, including agricultural and forest land, that provide multiple, long-term environmental benefits and economic considerations, including benefits related to habitat, water quality and quantity, soil health, and carbon sequestration.

Member	Y	Ν
Commissioner Albrecht	Х	
Commissioner Green – Sen	Х	
Commissioner Hansen – Rep	Х	
Commissioner Hawj – Sen	Excused	
Commissioner Heintzeman – Rep	Excused	
Commissioner Langseth	X	
Commissioner Reese	X	
Commissioner Peichel (alternate)	-	-

-- motion prevailed (5 Yes/0 No)

MOTION: Commissioner Hansen moved to adopt strategies #2 through #5 under the goal, "Minnesota's public and private lands – including forests, grasslands, wetlands, and agricultural lands — provide long-term benefits to fish, wildlife, and people", as presented in the document titled, "DRAFT – ENRTF Strategies (as of 7/29/2024)".

Member	Y	Ν
Commissioner Albrecht	Х	
Commissioner Green – Sen	Х	
Commissioner Hansen – Rep	Х	
Commissioner Hawj – Sen	Excused	
Commissioner Heintzeman – Rep	Excused	
Commissioner Langseth	Х	
Commissioner Reese	Х	
Commissioner Peichel (alternate)	-	-

MOTION: Commissioner Hansen moved to adopt all strategies with staff suggestions, including the LCCMR strategy, under the goal, "Minnesota responds quickly and proactively to emerging environmental and natural resources issues", as presented in the document titled, "DRAFT – ENRTF Strategies (as of 7/29/2024)".

-- motion prevailed (4 Yes/1 No)

Member	Y	Ν
Commissioner Albrecht	Х	
Commissioner Green – Sen		Х
Commissioner Hansen – Rep	X	
Commissioner Hawj – Sen	Excused	
Commissioner Heintzeman – Rep	Excused	
Commissioner Langseth	X	
Commissioner Reese	X	
Commissioner Peichel (alternate)	-	-

MOTION: Commissioner Hansen moved to adopt all strategies with staff suggestions under the goal, "Minnesota achieves reliance on renewable energy in all sectors, including transportation, building, industry, agriculture, and others," as presented in the document titled, "DRAFT – ENRTF Strategies (as of 7/29/2024)", with the following revision to strategy #1:

Research and develop new and innovative renewable energy or fuel technologies with environmental considerations, including biofuels, e-fuels, sustainable aviation fuels, and energy storage.

-- motion prevailed (4 Yes/1 No)

Member	Y	Ν
Commissioner Albrecht	Х	
Commissioner Green – Sen		Х
Commissioner Hansen – Rep	Х	
Commissioner Hawj – Sen	Excused	
Commissioner Heintzeman – Rep	Excused	
Commissioner Langseth	Х	
Commissioner Reese	Х	
Commissioner Peichel (alternate)	-	-

MOTION: Commissioner Reese moved to:

1. Amend goal #7 to read as follows:

All Minnesotans, especially young people, have access to and take advantage of opportunities to connect to the lands and waters of Minnesota, including culturally relevant and innovative approaches.

2. Adopt strategies #1 through #6 with staff suggestions under this goal, as presented in the document titled, "DRAFT – ENRTF Strategies (as of 7/29/2024)".

-- motion prevailed (4 Yes/1 No)

Member	Y	Ν
Commissioner Albrecht	Х	
Commissioner Green – Sen		Х
Commissioner Hansen – Rep	х	
Commissioner Hawj – Sen	Excused	
Commissioner Heintzeman – Rep	Excused	
Commissioner Langseth	X	
Commissioner Reese	X	
Commissioner Peichel (alternate)	-	-

MOTION: Commissioner Hansen moved to adopt strategies #7 through #9 with staff suggestions under Goal 7, as presented in the document titled, "DRAFT – ENRTF Strategies (as of 7/29/2024)".

-- motion prevailed (5 Yes/0 No)

Member	Y	Ν
Commissioner Albrecht	Х	
Commissioner Green – Sen	Х	
Commissioner Hansen – Rep	Х	
Commissioner Hawj – Sen	Excused	
Commissioner Heintzeman – Rep	Excused	
Commissioner Langseth	Х	
Commissioner Reese	Х	
Commissioner Peichel (alternate)	-	-

Mr. Campana indicated that staff would send members a survey to prioritize the LCCMR goals and strategies.

4. Discussion and Potential Action:

Mr. Campana provided presentation on the strategic planning focus for LCCMR Goals and Strategies, subcommittee efforts to date, current evaluation criteria, and relevant subject matter expert survey results. Members discussed how they evaluate proposals.

a. Evaluation Criteria

Mr. Campana provided an overview of an option for revised evaluation and selection criteria. Members discussed.

b. LCCMR Goals and Strategies

Mr. Campana presented revised draft goals and strategies for LCCMR communications and new draft goals and strategies related to the LCCMR proposal process. Members discussed.

MOTION: Commissioner Reese moved to adopt the changes to Goal 1 and its strategies, including the strategy under additional options, as presented in the document titled, "LCCMR Communications and Proposal Process Goals and Strategies for 2025-2031 (DRAFT – 7/25/2024)".

Member	Y	Ν
Commissioner Albrecht	Х	
Commissioner Green – Sen	X	
Commissioner Hansen – Rep	Excused	
Commissioner Hawj – Sen	Excused	
Commissioner Heintzeman – Rep	Excused	
Commissioner Langseth	X	
Commissioner Reese	X	
Commissioner Peichel (alternate)	-	-

-- motion prevailed (4 Yes/0 No)

MOTION: Commissioner Langseth moved to adopt Goal 2 and its strategies, including the strategy under additional options, as presented in the document titled, "LCCMR Communications and Proposal Process Goals and Strategies for 2025-2031 (DRAFT – 7/25/2024)".

Member	Y	Ν
Commissioner Albrecht	Х	
Commissioner Green – Sen	Х	
Commissioner Hansen – Rep	Excused	
Commissioner Hawj – Sen	Excused	
Commissioner Heintzeman – Rep	Excused	
Commissioner Langseth	Х	
Commissioner Reese	Х	
Commissioner Peichel (alternate)	-	-

-- motion prevailed (4 Yes/0 No)

MOTION: Commissioner Reese moved to adopt Goal 3 through 7 and the associated strategies, as presented in the document titled, "LCCMR Communications and Proposal Process Goals and Strategies for 2025-2031 (DRAFT – 7/25/2024)".

Members discussed.

AMENDED MOTION: Commissioner Reese moved to adopt Goal 3 through 7 and the associated strategies, as presented in the document titled, "LCCMR Communications and Proposal Process Goals and Strategies for 2025-2031 (DRAFT – 7/25/2024)", with the following changes:

1. Include strategies #1 through #7 listed under the additional options for Goal 4.

- 2. Include strategies #3 and #4 listed under the additional options for Goal 5.
- 3. Insert "and applicants" after "with LCCMR members" for strategy #2 under Goal 6.
- 4. Include strategy #3 listed under the additional options for Goal 6.
- 5. Include all strategies listed under additional options for Goal 7.

-- motion did not prevail (3 Yes/1 No)*

Member	Y	N
Commissioner Albrecht	х	
Commissioner Green – Sen		Х
Commissioner Hansen – Rep	Excused	
Commissioner Hawj – Sen	Excused	
Commissioner Heintzeman – Rep	Excused	
Commissioner Langseth	Х	
Commissioner Reese	Х	
Commissioner Peichel (alternate)	-	-

5. Strategic Planning Discussion:

a. Draft ML 2026 Request for Proposals (RFP)

Mr. Campana presented document titled, "DRAFT (7/9/2024) - 2026 Funding Priorities" and explained connection to the strategic planning process. Members discussed.

- MOTION: Commissioner Reese moved to adopt the 2026 Funding Priorities, as presented in the document titled, "DRAFT (7/29/2024) – 2026 Funding Priorities", and with any additional changes based on the recommended ENRTF strategies adopted by the subcommittee, as a recommendation to the full commission for the ML 2026 Request for Proposals (RFP).
 - -- motion did not prevail (3 Yes/1 No)*

Member	Y	Ν
Commissioner Albrecht	Х	
Commissioner Green – Sen		Х
Commissioner Hansen – Rep	Excused	
Commissioner Hawj – Sen	Excused	
Commissioner Heintzeman – Rep	Excused	

Commissioner Langseth	Х	
Commissioner Reese	Х	
Commissioner Peichel (alternate)	-	-

b. Measurable Outcomes of the Strategic Plan

Mr. Campana provided a presentation on measurable outcomes of the strategic plan. Members discussed. Staff will include in a member survey a list of potential metrics for members to select their top options.

6. Public Testimony

Rick Heller, unofficially representing Twice Exceptional and Print Disabled, testified.

7. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

Signed by Shona Langseth Minutes approved at LCCMR subcommittee meeting on September 24, 2024

* At the meeting, it was indicated that the motion prevailed. However, the LCCMR Subcommittee on Strategic Planning adopted a motion at its December 7, 2023 meeting that decision-making would be by a majority of the subcommittee (4 votes). Therefore, the motion did not prevail.