



## LEGISLATIVE-CITIZEN COMMISSION ON MINNESOTA RESOURCES

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Becca Nash, Director

### MINUTES

**Wednesday, June 17, 2026**

**Time: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

**Location:** Room G-23, Minnesota State Capitol, 75 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., St. Paul, MN 55155 and through electronic means ([YouTube](#))

**Members Present:** Rita Albrecht, Michelle Beeman, William Faber, Rep. Dawn Gillman, Sen. Steve Green, Sen. Fong Hawj, Monica Hedstrom, Rep. Josh Heintzeman, Rep. Sydney Jordan, Shona Langseth, Rep. Leon Lillie, Sen. Jennifer McEwen, Seth Moore, Sen. Aric Putnam, Rep. Roger Skraba, Sen. Torrey Westrom

**Staff Present:** B. Nash, M. Varien, N. Fibley, E. Barton, D. Griffith

**Members Excused:**

**Members Absent:**

**Co-Chair:** Rita Albrecht

Chair Albrecht called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

#### 1. Roll call attendance

Chair Albrecht requested a roll call. Diana Griffith took roll call for attendance. There were 12 members present at the time of roll call, and nine were needed for a quorum.

| Member                        | Attendance   | Member                     | Attendance   |
|-------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| Commissioner Albrecht         | Yes          | Commissioner Jordan - Rep  | Yes          |
| Commissioner Beeman           | Yes          | Commissioner Langseth      | Yes (remote) |
| Commissioner Faber            | Yes          | Commissioner Lillie – Rep  | Yes (remote) |
| Commissioner Gillman – Rep    | Absent       | Commissioner McEwen – Sen  | Yes (remote) |
| Commissioner Green – Sen      | Yes          | Commissioner Moore         | Yes          |
| Commissioner Hawj – Sen       | Excused      | Commissioner Putnam – Sen  | Yes          |
| Commissioner Hedstrom         | Yes          | Commissioner Skraba – Rep  | Absent       |
| Commissioner Heintzeman - Rep | Yes (remote) | Commissioner Westrom – Sen | Absent       |

#### 2. Approve minutes for December 10, 2025

MOTION: Commissioner Green moved to approve the minutes for December 10, 2025, with the edit of correcting the attendance stating Commissioner Green was excused not absent – motion prevailed.

#### 3. Welcome new and reappointed members

Chair Albrecht welcomed the new members, followed by introductions from both members and staff.

Rita Albrecht, Michelle Beeman, William Faber, Rep. Dawn Gillman, Sen. Steve Green, Sen. Fong Hawj  
Monica Hedstrom, Rep. Josh Heintzeman, Rep. Sydney Jordan, Shona Langseth, Rep. Leon Lillie  
Sen. Jennifer A. McEwen, Seth Moore, Sen. Aric Putnam, Rep. Roger Skraba, Sen. Torrey Westrom

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Commissioner Gillman joined the meeting remotely

Commissioner Skraba joined the meeting in person.

Commissioner Westrom joined the meeting in person.

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

#### Member Conflict of Interest Report - M.L. 2026 (FY27)

| Proposal ID | First Name | Last Name | Project Title                                                         | Organization                            | Members With Conflict of Interest | Direct Personal Financial Interest in the Organization |
|-------------|------------|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| 2026-318    | Tiffany    | Wolf      | United in Responding to CWD in Minnesota                              | U of MN, College of Veterinary Medicine | Monica Hedstrom                   | Yes                                                    |
| 2026-318    | Tiffany    | Wolf      | United in Responding to CWD in Minnesota                              | U of MN, College of Veterinary Medicine | Seth Moore                        | Yes                                                    |
| 2026-396    | Skip       | Langer    | Southeast Minnesota Groundwater Protection and Soil Health Initiative | Olmsted County                          | Shona Langseth                    | Yes                                                    |
| 2026-436    | Chris      | Lindholm  | Outdoor Learning Center and Trails                                    | Cook County Schools ISD 166             | Seth Moore                        | Yes                                                    |

#### Member Conflict of Interest Report - M.L. 2027 (FY28)

| Proposal ID | First Name | Last Name | Project Title                                              | Organization                                                         | Members With Conflict of Interest |
|-------------|------------|-----------|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 2027-094    | Mae        | Davenport | Sustaining Food Ecosystems for Tribal and Community Health | U of MN, College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences | Monica Hedstrom                   |
| 2027-097    | Wiley      | Buck      | Forest Health in Brainerd Lakes Conservation Focus Area    | Great River Greening                                                 | Willam Faber                      |
| 2027-124    | Tiffany    | Wolf      | Indigenous Practice, Modern Threat: Brain-Tanning and CWD  | U of MN, College of Veterinary Medicine                              | Monica Hedstrom                   |

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|-----------------|-----------|------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>2027-193</b> | Marissa   | Milstein   | Revitalizing Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping in White Earth     | U of MN, College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences | Monica Hedstrom |
| <b>2027-307</b> | Catherine | Early      | Braiding Knowledge for Biodiversity Conservation               | Science Museum of Minnesota                                          | Monica Hedstrom |
| <b>2027-358</b> | Anna      | Cates      | Oats and Water Quality: Potential for Nitrogen Preservation    | U of MN, College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences | Shona Langseth  |
| <b>2027-394</b> | Andrew    | Gregory    | Interagency Partnership to Conserve Minnesota Wild Turkey      | University of North Texas                                            | Willam Faber    |
| <b>2027-431</b> | Brian     | Olson      | NW Regional 9 County Biochar Initiative                        | Beltrami County                                                      | Monica Hedstrom |
| <b>2027-454</b> | Brian     | Dingmann   | Evaluating Microbial Recovery in Restored Minnesota Peatlands  | U of MN, Crookston                                                   | Monica Hedstrom |
| <b>2027-528</b> | Josh      | Pennington | Assessing Recruitment Threats for Imperiled Blanding's Turtles | Department of Military Affairs                                       | Willam Faber    |

### 5. Director's report

Director Nash provided an overview of staff efforts related to project oversight and the 2027 Request for Proposals (RFP), the results of an LCCMR survey of applicants, and the following updates:

- The citizen member appointed by the House, Dan Fabian, resigned his appointment. Members will be notified when the position has been reappointed by the House.
- There have been several recent ribbon-cutting and celebratory events related to projects funded through the LCCMR.
- House Public Information Services may be producing and broadcasting LCCMR meetings during the legislative interim.
- Letters of support or concern related to proposals and submitted after the RFP close are posted as public testimony at the next relevant LCCMR meeting. Three letters of support have been posted under public testimony for today's meeting.

Director Nash stated there is no further public testimony for today's meeting. Members discussed.

### 6. Information and possible discussion: 2026 Session Report

Director Nash provided an overview of the 2026 Legislative Session. Members discussed.

Commissioner Hawj joined the meeting in person.

### 7. Action: Operational procedures update

#### a. Emerging Issues Account

Director Nash provided a review of the Operational Procedures Memo. Members discussed.

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MOTION: Commissioner Heintzeman moved to change the operating procedures to match the revised statute and include public health (Decision 1) as shown in the “Operational Procedures Draft Update 6/17/26” posted on the meeting page

– motion prevailed (12 Yes / 3 No).

| Member                        | Y      | N | Member                     | Y | N |
|-------------------------------|--------|---|----------------------------|---|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht         | X      |   | Commissioner Jordan - Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Beeman           | X      |   | Commissioner Langseth      |   | X |
| Commissioner Faber            | X      |   | Commissioner Lillie – Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Gillman – Rep    | Absent |   | Commissioner McEwen – Sen  |   | X |
| Commissioner Green – Sen      |        | X | Commissioner Moore         | X |   |
| Commissioner Hawj – Sen       | X      |   | Commissioner Putnam – Sen  | X |   |
| Commissioner Hedstrom         | X      |   | Commissioner Skraba – Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Heintzeman - Rep | X      |   | Commissioner Westrom – Sen | X |   |

MOTION: Commissioner Skraba moved to approve keeping the existing requirement in the operating procedures as shown in Decision 2 in the “Operational Procedures Draft Update 6/17/26” posted on the meeting page

- motion prevailed (15 Yes / 0 No).

| Member                        | Y      | N | Member                     | Y | N |
|-------------------------------|--------|---|----------------------------|---|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht         | X      |   | Commissioner Jordan - Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Beeman           | X      |   | Commissioner Langseth      | X |   |
| Commissioner Faber            | X      |   | Commissioner Lillie – Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Gillman – Rep    | Absent |   | Commissioner McEwen – Sen  | X |   |
| Commissioner Green – Sen      | X      |   | Commissioner Moore         | X |   |
| Commissioner Hawj – Sen       | X      |   | Commissioner Putnam – Sen  | X |   |
| Commissioner Hedstrom         | X      |   | Commissioner Skraba – Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Heintzeman - Rep | X      |   | Commissioner Westrom – Sen | X |   |

MOTION: Commissioner Langseth moved to approve keeping the existing requirement in the operating procedures as shown in Decision 3 in the “Operational Procedures Draft Update 6/17/26” posted on the meeting page

- motion prevailed (15 Yes / 0 No).

| Member                | Y | N | Member                    | Y      | N |
|-----------------------|---|---|---------------------------|--------|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht | X |   | Commissioner Jordan - Rep | X      |   |
| Commissioner Beeman   | X |   | Commissioner Langseth     | X      |   |
| Commissioner Faber    | X |   | Commissioner Lillie – Rep | Absent |   |

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|-------------------------------|---|--|----------------------------|---|--|
| Commissioner Gillman – Rep    | X |  | Commissioner McEwen – Sen  | X |  |
| Commissioner Green – Sen      | X |  | Commissioner Moore         | X |  |
| Commissioner Hawj – Sen       | X |  | Commissioner Putnam – Sen  | X |  |
| Commissioner Hedstrom         | X |  | Commissioner Skraba – Rep  | X |  |
| Commissioner Heintzeman - Rep | X |  | Commissioner Westrom – Sen | X |  |

MOTION: Commissioner Skraba moved to approve keeping the existing requirement in the operating procedures as shown in Decision 4 in the “Operational Procedures Draft Update 6/17/26” posted on the meeting page  
- motion prevailed (15 Yes / 0 No).

| Member                        | Y      | N | Member                     | Y | N |
|-------------------------------|--------|---|----------------------------|---|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht         | X      |   | Commissioner Jordan - Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Beeman           | X      |   | Commissioner Langseth      | X |   |
| Commissioner Faber            | X      |   | Commissioner Lillie – Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Gillman – Rep    | Absent |   | Commissioner McEwen – Sen  | X |   |
| Commissioner Green – Sen      | X      |   | Commissioner Moore         | X |   |
| Commissioner Hawj – Sen       | X      |   | Commissioner Putnam – Sen  | X |   |
| Commissioner Hedstrom         | X      |   | Commissioner Skraba – Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Heintzeman - Rep | X      |   | Commissioner Westrom – Sen | X |   |

MOTION: Commissioner Heintzeman moved to accept all remaining changes to the operating procedures as shown in the “Operational Procedures Draft Update 6/17/26” posted on the meeting page  
– motion prevailed (15 Yes / 0 No).

| Member                        | Y      | N | Member                     | Y | N |
|-------------------------------|--------|---|----------------------------|---|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht         | X      |   | Commissioner Jordan - Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Beeman           | X      |   | Commissioner Langseth      | X |   |
| Commissioner Faber            | X      |   | Commissioner Lillie – Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Gillman – Rep    | Absent |   | Commissioner McEwen – Sen  | X |   |
| Commissioner Green – Sen      | X      |   | Commissioner Moore         | X |   |
| Commissioner Hawj – Sen       | X      |   | Commissioner Putnam – Sen  | X |   |
| Commissioner Hedstrom         | X      |   | Commissioner Skraba – Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Heintzeman - Rep | X      |   | Commissioner Westrom – Sen | X |   |

### b. Conflict of Interest

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Director Nash requested members review the posted memo titled, “Conflict of Interest Policy Discussion Continued” and consider how they believe the current statute on member conflict of interest should be applied. Discussion will occur at a potential future meeting. Members commented.

### 8. Update from DNR on ENRTF Community Grant Program

**Katherine Sherman-Hoehn, DNR Grants Manager, and Gwendolyn Tweed, ENRTF Community Grant Program Supervisor**

Katherine Sherman-Hoehn, DNR Grants Manager, and Gwendolyn Tweed, ENRTF Community Grant Program Supervisor gave a presentation on the Community Grant Program. Members discussed.

### 9. Action: Emerging Issues Account (EIA) presentation and funding recommendations

Erin Barton provided an overview of the two proposals and explained the next steps. Members discussed.

#### a. U of MN, Freeing Minnesota Biosolids of Their PFAS Burden, \$882,000, Matt Simcik

Matt Simcik, University of Minnesota; Chris Anderson, EA Engineering, Science and Technology; Hunter Anderson, Environmental Decontamination Limited; and, by Zoom, Mahsa Modiri, EA Engineering, Science and Technology gave a presentation on the emerging issues proposal titled, “Freeing Minnesota Biosolids of Their PFAS Burden”. Members discussed.

MOTION: Commissioner Westrom moved to add the emerging issues proposal titled, “Freeing Minnesota Biosolids of Their PFAS Burden”, Matt Simcik, U of MN, to the 2027 Request for Proposal (RFP) presentation list for further consideration through the 2027 RFP process

– motion prevailed (9 Yes / 6 No).

| Member                        | Y      | N | Member                     | Y | N |
|-------------------------------|--------|---|----------------------------|---|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht         | X      |   | Commissioner Jordan - Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Beeman           | X      |   | Commissioner Langseth      | X |   |
| Commissioner Faber            | X      |   | Commissioner Lillie – Rep  |   | X |
| Commissioner Gillman – Rep    | Absent |   | Commissioner McEwen – Sen  |   | X |
| Commissioner Green – Sen      |        | X | Commissioner Moore         | X |   |
| Commissioner Hawj – Sen       |        | X | Commissioner Putnam – Sen  | X |   |
| Commissioner Hedstrom         | X      |   | Commissioner Skraba – Rep  |   | X |
| Commissioner Heintzeman - Rep |        | X | Commissioner Westrom – Sen | X |   |

#### b. U of MN, Trifluoroacetic Acid in Minnesota Waters: Levels and Formation, \$338,000, Bill Arnold

No action was taken.

### 10. Action: Work plans for projects funded in M.L. 2026

#### a. Approve consent agenda

Michael Varien provided an overview of the spreadsheet titled, “Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund M.L. 2026 Work Plans and Conditions - M.L. 2026 (FY2027) - June 17, 2026”. Members discussed.

MOTION: Commissioner Faber moved to approve the M.L. 2026 work plans listed under, “Category A. Consent Agenda,” lines 3-33 and 35-104, with approval notes and contingencies as detailed in the spreadsheet titled,

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“Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund M.L. 2026 Work Plans and Conditions - M.L. 2026 (FY2027) - June 17, 2026”

– motion prevailed (11 Yes / 1 No / 3 Abstained).

| Member                        | Y         | N | Member                     | Y         | N |
|-------------------------------|-----------|---|----------------------------|-----------|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht         | X         |   | Commissioner Jordan - Rep  | X         |   |
| Commissioner Beeman           | X         |   | Commissioner Langseth      | Abstained |   |
| Commissioner Faber            | X         |   | Commissioner Lillie – Rep  | X         |   |
| Commissioner Gillman – Rep    | Absent    |   | Commissioner McEwen – Sen  | X         |   |
| Commissioner Green – Sen      |           | X | Commissioner Moore         | Abstained |   |
| Commissioner Hawj – Sen       | X         |   | Commissioner Putnam – Sen  | X         |   |
| Commissioner Hedstrom         | Abstained |   | Commissioner Skraba – Rep  | X         |   |
| Commissioner Heintzeman - Rep | X         |   | Commissioner Westrom – Sen | X         |   |

### b. Non-consent items

Michael Varien and Erin Barton provided an overview of the project under the non-consent agenda and options for approval: ENRTF ID: 2026-282 titled, “Protect Community Forests for Community Resiliency”. Members discussed. Valerie McClannahan, DNR Forestry Division, answered questions.

MOTION: Commissioner Jordan moved to approve the M.L. 2026 Option 1 work plan posted to the meeting page and listed under “Category B. Non Consent - work plans needing LCCMR review prior to approval due to various factors” with approval notes and contingencies listed on the spreadsheet titled, “Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund M.L. 2026 Work Plans and Conditions - M.L. 2026 (FY2027) - June 17, 2026”

– motion prevailed (13 Yes / 2 No).

| Member                        | Y      | N | Member                     | Y | N |
|-------------------------------|--------|---|----------------------------|---|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht         | X      |   | Commissioner Jordan - Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Beeman           | X      |   | Commissioner Langseth      | X |   |
| Commissioner Faber            | X      |   | Commissioner Lillie – Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Gillman – Rep    | Absent |   | Commissioner McEwen – Sen  | X |   |
| Commissioner Green – Sen      |        | X | Commissioner Moore         | X |   |
| Commissioner Hawj – Sen       | X      |   | Commissioner Putnam – Sen  | X |   |
| Commissioner Hedstrom         | X      |   | Commissioner Skraba – Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Heintzeman - Rep |        | X | Commissioner Westrom – Sen | X |   |

### c. Plan for remaining work plans

This item was discussed under Agenda Item 10a.

Members recessed for lunch at 12:20 p.m. and reconvened at 12:59 p.m.

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### 11. Action: Discuss and approve selection of 2027 (FY28) Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund proposals for further consideration and presentation

- a. The top 91 (rounded for any ties) proposals determined by tallying individual member selections
- b. 9 additional proposals selected: 3 each by House, Senate, and Citizens
- c. Possible additional adjustments

Director Nash provided an overview of members' evaluations. Members discussed.

MOTION: Commissioner Skraba moved to change the additional House, Senate, and Citizen selections for presentations from 3 more proposals per caucus to 5 proposals per caucus

– motion prevailed (14 Yes / 0 No).

| Member                        | Y       | N | Member                     | Y | N |
|-------------------------------|---------|---|----------------------------|---|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht         | X       |   | Commissioner Jordan - Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Beeman           | X       |   | Commissioner Langseth      | X |   |
| Commissioner Faber            | X       |   | Commissioner Lillie – Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Gillman – Rep    | Absent  |   | Commissioner McEwen – Sen  | X |   |
| Commissioner Green – Sen      | Excused |   | Commissioner Moore         | X |   |
| Commissioner Hawj – Sen       | X       |   | Commissioner Putnam – Sen  | X |   |
| Commissioner Hedstrom         | X       |   | Commissioner Skraba – Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Heintzeman - Rep | X       |   | Commissioner Westrom – Sen | X |   |

MOTION: Commissioner Moore moved from the spreadsheet titled “Member Compiled Evaluation #1 – M.L. 2027 (FY28)” to invite for presentation and further consideration all proposals selected by 53% or more of members.

Members recessed for caucus at 1:13 p.m. and reconvened at 1:49 p.m.

Chair Albrecht returned to discussion on selecting 2027 proposals for further consideration and presentation. Michael Varien announced the following selections from the House, Senate, and Citizen caucuses from the spreadsheet titled, “Member Compiled Evaluation #1 – M.L. 2027 (FY28)”:

House selections:

Line 232 – 2027-285 titled, “Casting Lines, Growing Habitat, Connecting Community”

Line 205 – 2027-372 titled, “Restoration of the Historic Laurentian Environmental Center’s Mission”

Line 169 – 2027-408 titled, “Minneapolis Urban Forest Ecology Restoration, Phase 1”

Line 139 – 2027-575 titled, “Field Township Northwoods Nature Pedestrian Trail”

Line 254 – 2027-611 titled, “Mobile Water Safety Education”

Senate selections:

Line 110 – 2027-160 titled, “Scandia Cemetery Shoreline Restoration Project”

Line 155 – 2027-170 titled, “Mississippi Riverwalk Restoration and Public Access Enhancement Project”

Line 201 – 2027-334 titled, “Expanding Minnesota Grazing for Resilient Landscapes”

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Line 135 – 2027-540 titled, “Fergus Falls Multiuse Recreational Building”

Line 355 – 2027-604 titled, “Asian Youth Arts and Environmental Leadership”

Citizen selections:

Line 151 – 2027-136 titled, “Enhancing Fisher Management with Population and Health Data”

Line 109 – 2027-109 titled, “Critical Information for Science-Based Management of Minnesota’s Wolves”

Line 124 – 2027-347 titled, “Wildfire Early Detection and Prescribed-Burn Management Using Drones”

Line 256 – 2027-394 titled, “Interagency Partnership to Conserve Minnesota Wild Turkey”

Line 298 – 2027-558 titled, “Gap-Filling Weather Data to Improve Watersheds/Community Resilience”

RENEWED MOTION: Commissioner Moore moved from the spreadsheet titled “Member Compiled Evaluation #1 – M.L. 2027 (FY28)” to invite for presentation and further consideration all proposals selected by 53% or more of members and the following additional proposals selected from the House, Senate and Citizen groups:

1. Line 109 – 2027-109 titled, “Critical Information for Science-Based Management of Minnesota’s Wolves”
2. Line 110 – 2027-160 titled, “Scandia Cemetery Shoreline Restoration Project”
3. Line 124 – 2027-347 titled, “Wildfire Early Detection and Prescribed-Burn Management Using Drones”
4. Line 155 – 2027-170 titled, “Mississippi Riverwalk Restoration and Public Access Enhancement Project”
5. Line 135 – 2027-540 titled, “Fergus Falls Multiuse Recreational Building”
6. Line 139 – 2027-575 titled, “Field Township Northwoods Nature Pedestrian Trail”
7. Line 151 – 2027-136 titled, “Enhancing Fisher Management with Population and Health Data”
8. Line 169 – 2027-408 titled, “Minneapolis Urban Forest Ecology Restoration, Phase 1”
9. Line 201 – 2027-334 titled, “Expanding Minnesota Grazing for Resilient Landscapes”
10. Line 205 – 2027-372 titled, “Restoration of the Historic Laurentian Environmental Center’s Mission”
11. Line 232 – 2027-285 titled, “Casting Lines, Growing Habitat, Connecting Community”
12. Line 254 – 2027-611 titled, “Mobile Water Safety Education”
13. Line 256 – 2027-394 titled, “Interagency Partnership to Conserve Minnesota Wild Turkey”
14. Line 298 – 2027-558 titled, “Gap-Filling Weather Data to Improve Watersheds/Community Resilience”
15. Line 355 – 2027-604 titled, “Asian Youth Arts and Environmental Leadership”

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Westrom moved to amend Commissioner Moore’s motion to waive presentations for selected proposals in Category G “Small Projects” and provisionally be on the recommendations list for discussion at the LCCMR meeting on July 30, 2026, for allocations. Commissioner Moore accepted the amendment as part of his motion.

RENEWED MOTION: Commissioner Moore moved from the spreadsheet titled “Member Compiled Evaluation #1 – M.L. 2027 (FY28)” to:

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1. Invite for presentation and further consideration all proposals selected by 53% or more of members and the following additional proposals selected from the House, Senate and Citizen groups:
  - i. Line 109 – 2027-109 titled, “Critical Information for Science-Based Management of Minnesota’s Wolves”
  - ii. Line 110 – 2027-160 titled, “Scandia Cemetery Shoreline Restoration Project”
  - iii. Line 124 – 2027-347 titled, “Wildfire Early Detection and Prescribed-Burn Management Using Drones”
  - iv. Line 155 – 2027-170 titled, “Mississippi Riverwalk Restoration and Public Access Enhancement Project”
  - v. Line 135 – 2027-540 titled, “Fergus Falls Multiuse Recreational Building”
  - vi. Line 139 – 2027-575 titled, “Field Township Northwoods Nature Pedestrian Trail”
  - vii. Line 151 – 2027-136 titled, “Enhancing Fisher Management with Population and Health Data”
  - viii. Line 169 – 2027-408 titled, “Minneapolis Urban Forest Ecology Restoration, Phase 1”
  - ix. Line 201 – 2027-334 titled, “Expanding Minnesota Grazing for Resilient Landscapes”
  - x. Line 205 – 2027-372 titled, “Restoration of the Historic Laurentian Environmental Center’s Mission”
  - xi. Line 232 – 2027-285 titled, “Casting Lines, Growing Habitat, Connecting Community”
  - xii. Line 254 – 2027-611 titled, “Mobile Water Safety Education”
  - xiii. Line 256 – 2027-394 titled, “Interagency Partnership to Conserve Minnesota Wild Turkey”
  - xiv. Line 298 – 2027-558 titled, “Gap-Filling Weather Data to Improve Watersheds/Community Resilience”
  - xv. Line 355 – 2027-604 titled, “Asian Youth Arts and Environmental Leadership”
2. Waive presentations for selected proposals in Category G “Small Projects”.

Commissioner Jordan requested division of the motion.

DIVIDED MOTION: Commissioner Moore moved from the spreadsheet titled “Member Compiled Evaluation #1 – M.L. 2027 (FY28)” to invite for presentation and further consideration all proposals selected by 53% or more of members and the following additional proposals selected from the House, Senate and Citizen groups:

1. Line 109 – 2027-109 titled, “Critical Information for Science-Based Management of Minnesota’s Wolves”
2. Line 110 – 2027-160 titled, “Scandia Cemetery Shoreline Restoration Project”
3. Line 124 – 2027-347 titled, “Wildfire Early Detection and Prescribed-Burn Management Using Drones”
4. Line 155 – 2027-170 titled, “Mississippi Riverwalk Restoration and Public Access Enhancement Project”
5. Line 135 – 2027-540 titled, “Fergus Falls Multiuse Recreational Building”
6. Line 139 – 2027-575 titled, “Field Township Northwoods Nature Pedestrian Trail”
7. Line 151 – 2027-136 titled, “Enhancing Fisher Management with Population and Health Data”
8. Line 169 – 2027-408 titled, “Minneapolis Urban Forest Ecology Restoration, Phase 1”

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9. Line 201 – 2027-334 titled, “Expanding Minnesota Grazing for Resilient Landscapes”
10. Line 205 – 2027-372 titled, “Restoration of the Historic Laurentian Environmental Center’s Mission”
11. Line 232 – 2027-285 titled, “Casting Lines, Growing Habitat, Connecting Community”
12. Line 254 – 2027-611 titled, “Mobile Water Safety Education”
13. Line 256 – 2027-394 titled, “Interagency Partnership to Conserve Minnesota Wild Turkey”
14. Line 298 – 2027-558 titled, “Gap-Filling Weather Data to Improve Watersheds/Community Resilience”
15. Line 355 – 2027-604 titled, “Asian Youth Arts and Environmental Leadership”

- motion prevailed (14 Yes / 0 No)

| Member                        | Y       | N | Member                     | Y | N |
|-------------------------------|---------|---|----------------------------|---|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht         | X       |   | Commissioner Jordan - Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Beeman           | X       |   | Commissioner Langseth      | X |   |
| Commissioner Faber            | X       |   | Commissioner Lillie – Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Gillman – Rep    | Absent  |   | Commissioner McEwen – Sen  | X |   |
| Commissioner Green – Sen      | Excused |   | Commissioner Moore         | X |   |
| Commissioner Hawj – Sen       | X       |   | Commissioner Putnam – Sen  | X |   |
| Commissioner Hedstrom         | X       |   | Commissioner Skraba – Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Heintzeman - Rep | X       |   | Commissioner Westrom – Sen | X |   |

DIVIDED MOTION: Commissioner Moore moved to waive presentations for proposals in Category G “Small Projects”

– motion prevailed (8 Yes / 6 No)

| Member                        | Y       | N | Member                     | Y | N |
|-------------------------------|---------|---|----------------------------|---|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht         |         | X | Commissioner Jordan - Rep  |   | X |
| Commissioner Beeman           |         | X | Commissioner Langseth      | X |   |
| Commissioner Faber            | X       |   | Commissioner Lillie – Rep  |   | X |
| Commissioner Gillman – Rep    | Absent  |   | Commissioner McEwen – Sen  |   | X |
| Commissioner Green – Sen      | Excused |   | Commissioner Moore         | X |   |
| Commissioner Hawj – Sen       |         | X | Commissioner Putnam – Sen  | X |   |
| Commissioner Hedstrom         | X       |   | Commissioner Skraba – Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Heintzeman - Rep | X       |   | Commissioner Westrom – Sen | X |   |

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MOTION: Commissioner Hawj moved to add for presentation and further consideration Line 265 – ID: 2027-219 titled “Camp Katharine Parsons - Main Road and Parking Lot” from the spreadsheet titled, “Member Compiled Evaluation #1 – M.L. 2027 (FY28)” – motion withdrawn.

### 12. Action: Continuation of proposal evaluation and recommendation process for 2027 RFP: Evaluation #2 and decision-making process

Director Nash provided an overview of the proposed process for conducting Evaluation #2 and compiling results as outlined in the memo titled, “Proposal Evaluation and Recommendation Process – Part 2”. Members discussed.

MOTION: Commissioner Faber moved to adopt the Evaluation #2 and results compilation process as described in the staff memo titled, “Proposal Evaluation and Recommendation Process – Part 2”

– motion prevailed (14 Yes / 0 No).

| Member                        | Y       | N | Member                     | Y | N |
|-------------------------------|---------|---|----------------------------|---|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht         | X       |   | Commissioner Jordan - Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Beeman           | X       |   | Commissioner Langseth      | X |   |
| Commissioner Faber            | X       |   | Commissioner Lillie – Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Gillman – Rep    | Absent  |   | Commissioner McEwen – Sen  | X |   |
| Commissioner Green – Sen      | Excused |   | Commissioner Moore         | X |   |
| Commissioner Hawj – Sen       | X       |   | Commissioner Putnam – Sen  | X |   |
| Commissioner Hedstrom         | X       |   | Commissioner Skraba – Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Heintzeman - Rep | X       |   | Commissioner Westrom – Sen | X |   |

Director Nash provided an overview of the proposed process for achieving an initial agreement as outlined in the memo titled, “Proposal Evaluation and Recommendation Process – Part 2”. Members discussed.

MOTION: Commissioner Westrom moved to adopt the process for achieving an initial agreement on recommendations as described in the staff memo titled, “Proposal Evaluation and Recommendation Process – Part 2”

– motion prevailed (14 Yes / 0 No).

| Member                        | Y       | N | Member                     | Y | N |
|-------------------------------|---------|---|----------------------------|---|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht         | X       |   | Commissioner Jordan - Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Beeman           | X       |   | Commissioner Langseth      | X |   |
| Commissioner Faber            | X       |   | Commissioner Lillie – Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Gillman – Rep    | Absent  |   | Commissioner McEwen – Sen  | X |   |
| Commissioner Green – Sen      | Excused |   | Commissioner Moore         | X |   |
| Commissioner Hawj – Sen       | X       |   | Commissioner Putnam – Sen  | X |   |
| Commissioner Hedstrom         | X       |   | Commissioner Skraba – Rep  | X |   |
| Commissioner Heintzeman - Rep | X       |   | Commissioner Westrom – Sen | X |   |

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### 13. Subcommittee on Allowable Expenses

#### a. Nominations and Appointments

#### b. Meeting schedule

Director Nash started discussions on creating a Subcommittee on Allowable Expenses. Members discussed. Members discussed.

MOTION: Commissioner Faber moved to establish a Subcommittee on Allowable Expenses and to appoint the following LCCMR Members: Rep. Jordan, Rep. Skraba, Sen. McEwen, Michelle Beeman, and Rita Albrecht – motion prevailed (14 Yes / 0 No).

| Member                        | Y      | N | Member                     | Y      | N |
|-------------------------------|--------|---|----------------------------|--------|---|
| Commissioner Albrecht         | X      |   | Commissioner Jordan - Rep  | X      |   |
| Commissioner Beeman           | X      |   | Commissioner Langseth      | X      |   |
| Commissioner Faber            | X      |   | Commissioner Lillie – Rep  | X      |   |
| Commissioner Gillman – Rep    | Absent |   | Commissioner McEwen – Sen  | X      |   |
| Commissioner Green – Sen      | X      |   | Commissioner Moore         | X      |   |
| Commissioner Hawj – Sen       | X      |   | Commissioner Putnam – Sen  | X      |   |
| Commissioner Hedstrom         | X      |   | Commissioner Skraba – Rep  | X      |   |
| Commissioner Heintzeman - Rep | X      |   | Commissioner Westrom – Sen | Absent |   |

### 14. LCCMR other business

#### a. Next meetings

- 1) Executive Committee
- 2) Subcommittee
- 3) Full Commission

Director Nash announced that staff are working with the DNR to update the ENRTF logo to differentiate the LCCMR from the DNR Community Grant Program. Director Nash announced that an Executive Committee meeting will be scheduled on Monday, June 29. The next LCCMR meeting will be on June 29, 2026, after the Executive Committee meeting at 8:30 a.m.

### 15. Public testimony

The LCCMR received three letters of support for current proposals since the RFP close (March 18, 2026). There was no further public testimony.

### 16. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

*Signed by Rita Albrecht*

*Minutes approved at LCCMR meeting on July 30, 2026*