

**Division of Ecological and Water Resources  
Scientific and Natural Areas Program**

**Application Instructions**

1. Complete application and e-mail, along with attachments, to [sna.dnr@state.mn.us](mailto:sna.dnr@state.mn.us). Review of application may take up to 30 days or more depending on the complexity of the request, necessary reviews and workload. **Please plan accordingly.** You will be contacted if there are questions or concerns.
2. A separate permit is needed if proposed research involves [endangered species](#). Contact [Richard Baker](#) for more information.
3. Additional approval is needed by [Meredith Cornett](#) and [Jana Pastika](#) for SNA's owned by [The Nature Conservancy](#). *This application is also accepted by The Nature Conservancy.*
4. Additional approval is needed by [Tavis Westbrook](#) for SNA's in [Minnesota State Parks](#). *This application is also accepted by Minnesota State Parks.*
5. It is the obligation of the researcher to identify and obtain any other necessary local, state or federal permits or approvals.

**SCIENTIFIC AND NATURAL AREAS RESEARCH PERMIT APPLICATION**

Research Title:

Scientific and Natural Area(s) proposed for research:

*Mark proposed research locations(s) on a map of the Scientific and Natural Area(s). Submit map and coordinates (if known) with application.*

Why was site or sites chosen for this research?

Principal Researcher:

Address:

Work Phone:

Mobile Phone:

Email:

Institutional Affiliation:

Advisor (if student):

Experience in Research Area:

Additional Researcher/Staff:

Phone/Email:

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**RESEARCH PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

*(Attach additional information as needed and submit with application)*

Research Objectives (be specific):

Schedule (dates for field work, frequency of visits):

Research Design and Methods (be specific):

Specimen Collection (include quantities, curation, storage and final deposition):

Project Impacts (tags, stakes, monuments; effects on management or visitors; potential for invasive species; soil or vegetation disturbance):

Equipment:

Documentation (how, when and where will final findings be presented):

*Annual progress reports to the Scientific and Natural Area Program are required.  
A final report of findings must be submitted no later than two years after completion of the project.*

Signature:

Date:

**Additional Permits or Licenses (needed for research project)**

Permit/License Number:

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