

Natural Heritage Advisory Committee (NHAC)

Scientific and Natural Areas, Minnesota Biological Survey, Nongame Wildlife, Terrestrial Invasive Species programs, and Conservation Management & Rare Resources unit

Date: 08/05/2026

Time: 11 AM – 4:00 PM

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Location: In-person at various locations near Duluth, MN

Meeting Agenda:

7:45-8:00 – Participants planning to carpool gather in lobby at DNR Central Office We will be leaving St. Paul at 8:00

11:0-12:30 – Participants Gather at Minnesota Point Pine Forest SNA

- There is public parking at the trailhead near the airport parking
- SNA staff and MN Point 50 partners talk about recent management and outreach activities

12:30-1:30 – Lunch at Park Point Recreation Area

- Park Point Recreation Area parking lot

2:00-2:45 – Perch Lake Tour

- Parking: St Louis Fishing Pier parking lot (south of Perch Lake) or along 121st Ave (west side of Perch Lake)
- Jeramy Pinkerton, Lake Superior and St. Louis River Team Supervisor, will talk about the Federal Area of Concern (AOC) project completed in December 2025 which involved dredging, culvert/bridge installation, and creating semi-marsh for secretive marsh birds

3:00-4:00 – Hemlock Ravine Tour

- Hemlock Ravine SNA parking lot
- SNA staff talk about rare species, management activities, etc

4:00 Adjourn

- Carpool to return to the DNR Central Office

Next Meeting:

- October 7, 2026, 10am-3pm