

Minnesota Department of Natural Resources – Division of Ecological and Water Resources

Natural Heritage Advisory Committee

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

Wednesday, October 6, 2021

10:15 am – 2:30 pm

****Virtual Meeting in response to COVID-19 – Using MS Teams platform hosted by DNR****

A G E N D A

- 10:15 am Participants join via MS Teams link embedded in appointment sent by Jan: sound checks
- 10:30 **Call to Order:** Introductions / Overview of Meeting Agenda & Purpose – *Alyssa Bloss, Acting Chair*
- 10:40 **NHAC Business**
- Approve minutes of August 4, 2021 meeting (attached)
 - Natural Heritage Advisory Committee member spotlight – *Kristen Blann*
 - Subcommittee reports: brief updates where relevant
 - SNA Long-Term Monitoring Subcommittee - *Kristen Blann*
 - Lead Tackle Impact on Loons Subcommittee
 - Legislation Subcommittee - *Tom Casey*
 - Outreach Advisory Subcommittee - *John Pearson*
 - SNA Acquisition & Use Subcommittee - *John Pearson*
 - Other NHAC business
- 11:40 **DNR Program Updates - part 1 of 2**
- EWR Division Leadership** – *Director Katie Smith and Deputy Director Ann Pierce*
- 12:00 pm **Lunch break**
- 12:30 **DNR Program Updates - part 2 of 2**
- MBS Fall Meeting
 - SNA Ecological Monitoring Presentations (February 2022)
 - 2022 New Member Application Process
- 12:45 **Invited presenter: Pollinator, Bird, and Wildlife Conservation**
- Greg Larson, on behalf of Laurie Schneider, Founder and Executive Director of Pollinator Friendly Alliance and host of Pollinator Best Practices Summit*
- 1:15 **NHAC Member Favorite SNAs or Public Lands**
- Virtual “tours” of special places
- 2:10 **Next Meeting /Next Steps**
- Date of next meeting: December 1, 2021
 - Proposed focus topics carried forward:
 - Follow-up on August White-tailed deer feeding presentation
 - Conservation of State Listed Species Operational Order
 - Other business to address at next meeting: nominate Vice Chair for January appointment
 - Identify individual for Natural Heritage Advisory Committee member spotlight
 - Actions needed before next meeting
- 2:30 pm **Adjourn**