

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, February 7th 10:15 am – 3:00**

**pm**

**\*\*Hybrid Meeting at the Central Office DNR and 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 Heidi: sound checks
- 10:30 **Call to Order:** Introductions / Overview of Meeting Agenda & Purpose – *Ryan Rothstein, Chair*
- 10:40 **NHAC Business**
- ❑ Approve minutes of November, 2023 meeting minutes
  - ❑ Introductions- new members and current members
  - ❑ Member Spotlight: TBD
- 11:00 **Presentation: State Wildlife Action Plan Revision**
- 12:00 pm Lunch break
- 12:30 **NHAC Business Continued**
- ❑ Subcommittee reports: Chairs provide overview of subcommittee work
    - Lead Tackle Impact on Loons Subcommittee - *anyone interested*
    - SNA Acquisition & Use Subcommittee - *John Pearson*
    - Terrestrial Invasive Species Funding – *Breanna Wheeler*
    - Funding – *anyone interested*
    - Outreach Advisory Subcommittee- *John Pearson*
  - ❑ Other NHAC business
    - Sharepoint reminder: please provide written input on the climate change
    - Elections: Need to identify vice Chair nominees at the December meeting, they need to provide short biographical statements prior to the vote at the February meeting
- 1:30 **DNR Program Updates**
- ❑ **EWR Division Leadership** – *Director Katie Smith and/or Deputy Director Melissa Kuskie and/or Heidi Wolf*
    - **NHAC format**
  - ❑ **Topics next meetings next steps**
    - Climate change topic
    - NHAC format- please read the charter and be ready to brainstorm areas of interest/impact for the 2024 meetings
- 2:00 **Next Meeting /Next Steps**
- ❑ Date of next meeting: April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024
  - ❑ Other business to address at next meeting:
    - Review the charter
    - Please attend in person- location preference? or have camera on
    - Planning for the field trip

3:00 pm

- Identify individual for Natural Heritage Advisory Committee member spotlight
- Adjourn**