Draft Agenda: January 29, 2025 Meeting Governor's Council on Minnesota's Coastal Program

10:00 am – 5:00 pm Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 525 South Lake Avenue, Fourth Floor Large Conference Room OR

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Objectives

- Discuss Annual and STAR grant applications.
- Recommend a STAR grant funding level for 2026.
- Suggest a course of action for anticipated unassigned funds.
- Gain insight on coastal initiatives and program happenings.
- Meet and network with elected officials, municipal staff, past grantees, partners and collaborators from St. Louis County.

Logistics

Members and others interested in participating are welcome to join the meeting in-person, online or by telephone. You need a computer or smart phone to be able to participate online. Long distance charges may apply if calling by phone (number is not toll free).

Individuals with a disability who need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this event, please contact Marcia Cardone-Mohar, marcia.cardone-mohar@state.mn.us, 218-834-1440 or call using your preferred Telecommunications Relay Provider.

Schedule

10:00 am - 10:30: Meeting Opening

After a brief welcome and check-in, we'll adopt the agenda and approve the October meeting minutes.

10:30 am - 12:15 pm: 2026 Pass-through Grants

It's the time of year when we prepare for 2026. We'll discuss Annual grant applications (3), recommend a STAR grant funding level and consider alternatives for anticipated unassigned funds.

| APPLICATION | APPLICANT | ADDRESS | AMOUNT REQUESTED |
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| 1 | Minnesota Point Preservation Society, Inc. d/b/a Minnesota Point 50 (MP50) | 3206 Minnesota Ave., Duluth, MN 55802 | \$45,000 |

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| 2 | City of Grand Marais | 15 N. Broadway, #600, Grand Marais, MN 55604 | \$149,788 |
| 3 | Trustees of the Hamline University of Minnesota | 1536 Hewitt Ave., MS-A1760, St. Paul, MN 55104 | \$58,471 |

12:15 pm - 12:45 pm: Lunch (provided)

12:45 pm - 1:30 pm: STAR Grants

Members will discuss the three STAR grant applications:

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| 1 | Regents of the University of Minnesota | Darland Administration Building, Suite 409, 1049 University Dr., Duluth, MN 55812- 3011 | \$10,000 |
| 2 | Sugarloaf: The North Shore Stewardship Association | 6008 London Rd, Duluth, MN 55804 | \$10,000 |
| 3 | Cook Soil and Water Conservation District | 411 W. 2 nd St., Grand Marais, MN 55604 | \$10,000 |

1:30 pm - 2:15 pm: Program Update

Program staff will share an update on program initiatives and happenings since we last got together in October.

2:15 - 2:30 pm: Meeting Closing

Members and staff will share closing thoughts.

2:30 pm - Adjournment of the Meeting

Members have a half hour break before we'll kick off our Open House. Attendance is appreciated, but optional.

3:00 – 5:00 pm: 25th Anniversary Open House

For our 25th anniversary, we're kicking off our second of four open house events. We've invited more than 350 elected officials, municipal staff, past grantees, partners and collaborators from St. Louis County to drop in and meet with staff and council members; network; reconnect with colleagues; and learn about the program's impact in the area. We hope you'll stay and enjoy the fun.