

AGENDA
Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council Meeting
May 26, 2021 (Wednesday) 8:00 AM – 12:30 PM
Remote Meeting - ZOOM
Chair: David Hartwell

- 8:00 a.m. Call to Order
1. Review and Approve Agenda
 2. Review and Approve Minutes
 3. Members Report any Conflicts of Interest on Today's Agenda
 4. Chair's Comments
- 8:15 a.m. 5. **Action:** Election of Officers
- 8:45 a.m. 6. Executive Director's Report
- A. Bill Progression in Legislature – update
- 9:00 a.m. 7. **Action:** Approval of Council 2021 Calendar
- 9:15 a.m. 8. **Action:** Approval to Issue an RFP and engage in contract for OHF Program Management System Maintenance & Necessary Improvements Contract
- 9:30 a.m. 9. **Action:** Acquisition of Parcels with Existing Partial Protection and Accomplishment Plan Amendment with retroactivity
- A. Request for Approval: ML 2020 4(b) Shallow Lake and Wetland Protection and Restoration Program
 - Jon Schneider, Ducks Unlimited
- 9:45 a.m. 10. **Presentation/Discussion:** The Conservation Fund – PotlatchDeltic forest lands
- Kim Berns-Melhus, MN State Director, TCF
 - Emilee Nelson, MN Representative, TCF
- 10:25 a.m. 11. **Action:** Amendments to add PotlatchDeltic forest parcels to acquisition lists
- A. ML 2020 5(g) and ML 2018 5(b) Mississippi Headwaters Board / TPL
 - Bob McGillivray, Trust for Public Land
 - Tim Terrill, Mississippi Headwaters Board
 - Paula West, Project Coordinator, Mississippi Headwaters Habitat Corridor Project

- B. ML 2020 5(d) Fisheries Habitat Protection on Strategic North Central MN Lands/MLT (parcel with existing protection)
- Annie Johnson, Grants Manager, Northern Waters Land Trust
 - Kathy DonCarlos, Land Conservation Lead, Northern Waters Land Trust
- 10:45 a.m. 12. **Presentation/Discussion:** DNR – Off Highway Motorcycle Trails construction planned in Huntersville State Forest on parcels previously acquired with OHF monies
- A. ML 2015 First Sp. Session, Ch. 2, Art. 1, Sec. 2, Subd. 3(c) Protecting Pinelands Sands Aquifer Forestlands – Phase II
- Laura Preus, Statewide Programs and Planning Section Manager, Parks and Trails Division, MN DNR
 - Pat Rivers, Deputy Director, Fish and Wildlife Division, MN DNR
- 11:30 a.m. 13. **Action:** Buffalo River Restoration Project – Buffalo Red River Watershed District
- A. ML 2013, Ch. 137, Art. 1, Sec. 2, Subd. 4(a) - Reinvest in Minnesota Wetlands Reserve Program Partnership, Phase V
- B. ML 2018, Ch. 208, Art. 1, Sec. 2, subd. 2(h) - Prairie Chicken Habitat Partnership of the Southern Red River Valley - Phase IV
- Bennet Uhler, Project Engineer, Houston Engineering (on behalf of BRRWD)
 - John Voz, RIM Easement and Working Lands Specialist, BWSR
 - Eran Sandquist, MN State Coordinator, Pheasants Forever
- 11:45 a.m. 14. **Presentation/Discussion:** OHF Habitat Work – How will Climate Change affect it? Is the work being done appropriate considering Climate Change challenges?
- Neal Feeken, Grassland Conservation Program Director, TNC
 - Greg Hoch, Prairie Habitat Supervisor, MN DNR
- 12:25 a.m. 15. Acknowledgment of written Public Comments – *Public Comments must be made in writing. If you would like to submit a written comment, please send it to Amanda Schnabel at amanda.schnabel@lsohc.leg.mn by 4:00pm Tuesday, May 25, 2021.*
- 12:30 p.m. Adjourn

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