

Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council

MEMO: Agenda Item #8
DATE: July 29, 2026
SUBJECT: Proposal Evaluations and Hearing Selection
PRESENTER: LSOHC Staff

Suggested Action/Motion:

The Council should discuss and decide:

1. Proposal Selection – Selection of proposals to present at the August 25 - 26, 2026 hearings.
2. Hearing format – Define presentation format and structure during hearings (15 min. each)

Background:

August 25 - 26, 2026 are the scheduled dates for the Council to hear proposal presentations seeking appropriation of OHF monies available beginning July 1, 2027. A total of 62 project proposals were received. The Council now must decide the scope and structure of the hearing days. Over the past seven years, presentation length has been 15 total minutes per presentation (10-minute presentation, 5 min. of Q & A).

Example of 15-min presentation format:

Number of Proposals	Length of Hearing	# of hours	# of days
62*	15 minutes	19 hrs. 15 mins. with breaks** plus 45 min discussion at end of each day	Day 1: 8:30 am – 6:15 pm Day 2: 8:30 am – 6:00 pm

*Includes DNR Contracts Management (O1), DNR Core Functions (O2), and Restoration Evaluations (O3).

**Breaks include lunch (30 minutes) and morning/afternoon breaks (15 minutes each)

Suggested Procedure:

Councilmembers discuss the dates and format of the proposal hearings. Councilmembers should discuss proposal scoring and Council Member comment documents to help determine which proposals they feel should present at the hearings and which, if any, proposals should be omitted.

Attachments:

- Combined and Individual Councilmember Scoring Sheets & Comments

DRAFT Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council Hearings for Funding Requests ML
2027/FY 2028 – Day 1

Tuesday, August 25, 2026

8:30am – 6:15pm

HEARING SCHEDULE

Time	ID	Title	Request	Manager	Organization
8:30-8:45am		Council business (Agenda, Minutes, COI, Chair's Comments, ED Report)			
8:45-9:00am	1	First Presentation			
9:00-9:15am	2				
9:15-9:30am	3				
9:30-9:45am	4				
9:45-10:00am	5				
10:00-10:15am	6				
10:15-10:30am	7				

BREAK 10:30-10:45am

Time	ID	Title	Request	Manager	Organization
10:45-11:00am	8				
11:00-11:15am	9				
11:15-11:30am	10				
11:30-11:45am	11				
11:45am-12:00pm	12				
12:00-12:15pm	13				
12:15-12:30pm	14				

LUNCH 12:30-1:00pm

Time	ID	Title	Request	Manager	Organization
1:00-1:15pm	15				
1:15-1:30pm	16				
1:30-1:45pm	17				
1:45-2:00pm	18				
2:00-2:15pm	19				
2:15-2:30pm	20				
2:30-2:45pm	21				
2:45-3:00pm	22				

BREAK 3:00-3:15pm

Time	ID	Title	Request	Manager	Organization
3:15-3:30pm	23				
3:30-3:45pm	24				
3:45-4:00pm	25				
4:00-4:15pm	26				

Time	ID	Title	Request	Manager	Organization
4:15-4:30pm	27				
4:30-4:45pm	28				
4:45-5:00pm	29				
5:00-5:15pm	30				
5:15-5:30pm	31				
5:30-6:15pm		Council Discussion – Daily Wrap-up			

DRAFT Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council Hearings for Funding Requests ML 2027/FY 2028 – Day 2

Wednesday, August 26, 2026	8:30am – 6:00pm
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HEARING SCHEDULE

Time	ID	Title	Request	Manager	Organization
8:30-8:45am	32	First Presentation			
8:45-9:00am	33				
9:00-9:15am	34				
9:15-9:30am	35				
9:30-9:45am	36				
9:45-10:00am	37				
10:00-10:15am	38				
10:15-10:30am	39				

BREAK 10:30-10:45am

Time	ID	Title	Request	Manager	Organization
10:45-11:00am	40				
11:00-11:15am	41				
11:15-11:30am	42				
11:30-11:45am	43				
11:45am-12:00pm	44				
12:00-12:15pm	45				
12:15-12:30pm	46				

LUNCH 12:30-1:00pm

Time	ID	Title	Request	Manager	Organization
1:00-1:15pm	47				
1:15-1:30pm	48				
1:30-1:45pm	49				
1:45-2:00pm	50				
2:00-2:15pm	51				
2:15-2:30pm	52				

Time	ID	Title	Request	Manager	Organization
2:30-2:45pm	53				
2:45-3:00pm	54				

BREAK 3:00-3:15pm

Time	ID	Title	Request	Manager	Organization
3:15-3:30pm	55				
3:30-3:45pm	56				
3:45-4:00pm	57				
4:00-4:15pm	58				
4:15-4:30pm	59				
4:30-4:45pm	60				
4:45-5:00pm	61				
5:00-5:15pm	62				
5:15-6:00pm		Council Discussion – Daily Wrap-up			