

RESOLUTION OF THE MINNESOTA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD

Acceptance of the 2024 Minnesota State Agency Pollinator Report

Pollinators are essential for healthy ecosystems and the sustainability of our food production systems. However, they face multiple threats, including the loss and fragmentation of their habitat, diseases, parasites, pesticides, and climate change.

In Minnesota, Executive Order 19-28 directs state agencies to restore healthy, diverse pollinator populations, and instructs the Environmental Quality Board (Board) to convene the interagency pollinator protection team (IPPT) to take action and report on progress to the Board in a report by December 1 of each year.

In 2019, the interagency team developed scorecards to track progress toward our pollinator protection goals, and in 2021 decided to update them every three years. This year's pollinator report includes updated scorecards that incorporate some of the actions from the Pollinator Action Framework (Framework) published in the 2023 report. Both documents will serve as accountability tools, using the Framework to guide the work and the scorecards to reflect our progress.

Additionally, the 2024 Minnesota State Agency Pollinator Report includes a description of the work the interagency team conducted to prioritize the implementation of the Framework. The interagency team will present the full results of this effort as recommendations to their respective agency leadership to consider as they prioritize their pollinator-related work.

The board resolves to accept the 2024 Minnesota State Agency Pollinator Report, prepared by the interagency pollinator protection team.

The board further resolves to support cross-agency collaboration to lead the implementation of the Minnesota Pollinator Action Framework.

The board approved and adopted this resolution on November 20, 2024.

Nancy Daubenberger, Chair

Minnesota Environmental Quality Board

Attachments: 2024 Minnesota State Agency Pollinator Report

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