

Governor's Task Force on Wild Rice Meeting Two Agenda

Meeting 2 – October 11, Twin Cities, 10:00-5:00

Objectives

- ❖ Explore cultural and community impacts related to wild rice and the sulfate water quality standard
- ❖ Begin to identify shared values, needs and interests
- ❖ Gain knowledge about the impact of sulfate on wild rice health
- ❖ Gain knowledge of tribal-state relations and tribal-state consultation process

Agenda

- **Rational and Experiential Objectives**
Welcome group and go over agenda, process, and logistics for the day. Discuss rational and experiential objectives for the meeting.
- **Public Comment Period**
- **Presentations on Cultures and Communities in Northern Minnesota**
Presenters will present viewpoints on how wild rice and water quality standards intersect with ways of life, cultural traditions, and social and economic changes in Northern Minnesota.
 - Nancy Schuldt, Water Projects Coordinator, Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa
 - Margaret Watkins, Water Quality Specialist, Grand Portage Band of Chippewa
 - Steve Giorgi, Executive Director of Range Association of Municipalities and Schools
 - David Lislegard, Mayor City of Aurora
 - Polarities Management Activity
- **Role of Sulfate on Wild Rice Health**
Introduction to scientific research on role of sulfate on wild rice including identification of areas of agreement, areas of disagreement, unknowns, and potential next steps
 - Dr. Nate Johnson, Professor, University of Minnesota Duluth
 - Mike Hansel, Senior Chemical Engineer, Barr Engineering
 - Ed Swain, Research Scientist, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
- **Tribal-State Relations and Tribal Consultation Panel**
Orientation to Federal Indian Policy and the legal history between Tribes and the State. Overview of Minnesota Tribes and territories. Overview of the Tribal-State consultation process.
 - Dennis Olson, Executive Director, Minnesota Indian Affairs Council
 - Tadd Johnson, Professor, University of Minnesota Duluth
 - Ed Fairbanks, Tribal Liaison for the Minnesota Department of Transportation
- **Wrap up**