

STATE PRESERVES ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting Date: January 28, 2014 10:00 AM
Meeting Location: 5th Floor West Conference Room
Wallace State Office Building
Des Moines, Iowa

---Agenda Topics---

1	Approve Agenda	Decision
2	Approve Minutes of July and April 2013 Meetings	Decision
3	Williams Prairie State Preserve –The Iowa Chapter of The Nature Conservancy is transferring ownership and management of this preserve to the Johnson County Conservation Board. The Preserves Board approved the transfer in January 2009 with provision that the management plan and monitoring reports be reviewed at end of an interim period. These and related documents are now provided for Board review.	Decision – John Pearson
4	Rock Island State Preserve seed harvest – The Linn County Conservation Board is cooperating with the Iowa Department of Transportation to revegetate the right-of-way for the upcoming construction of Highway 100 and is requesting concurrence from the Preserves Board to harvest local seed from the preserve.	Decision – John Pearson
5	Gitchie Manitou State Preserve – Project AWARE is a DNR-sponsored, week-long river, volunteer river clean-up now in its twelfth year. For 2014, the Iowa DNR will be cooperating with the South Dakota Department of Game, Fish & Parks for a clean-up of the Big Sioux River. The starting point will be Gitchie Manitou on July 12. The canoe launch is slightly outside of the preserve but approval for vehicle use of the access lane within the preserve is requested.	Decision – John Pearson
6	Spirit Knoll – Updates: 1) A dedication ceremony for the new preserve will be held on Saturday, October 11 during the annual meeting of the Iowa Archeological Society at the Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center in Sioux City, 2) a rare insect species – Fitch’s Elephanthopper (<i>Fitchiella robertsoni</i>) – has been discovered in the preserve, prompting deferral of a proposed archaeological burn and of completion of the preserve management plan until a comprehensive survey is conducted in August 2014.	Information – John Pearson
7	Request For Proposals – The draft RFP for Fiscal Year 2015 is attached for review and comment. The final RFP will be released after the Board approval.	Decision – Daryl Howell
8	General Discussion	
9	Meeting Schedule for 2014	Decision