



STATE PRESERVES ADVISORY BOARD

May 8, 2009 – 8:30 AM

Annett Nature Center
15565 118th Avenue
Indianola, Iowa

The Board will tour Woodland Mounds and Berry Woods state preserves on Thursday May 7. The tour will begin at 1:00 PM at the Apple Tree Inn, 1215 N Jefferson in Indianola. The public is invited to attend the tour.

---Agenda Topics---

1	Approve Agenda	Decision
2	Approve Minutes of January 2009 Meeting	Decision
3	Seed Harvest Request: Bill Johnson is again requesting permission to hand harvest seed from several prairie preserves. A copy of the request and the results of collections in 2007 are attached.	Decision (Daryl Howell)
4	Proposal Selections for Fiscal Year 2010: Copies of the proposals and the scoring information were distributed for review. Board members will discuss the various proposals and complete the final scoring at the meeting.	Decision (John Pearson and Daryl Howell)
5	Hartman Bluff Preserve: Dr. Donald Gaff conducted will present results of his Board-funded archaeological study of Hartman Bluff, a state preserve owned and managed by the Black Hawk County Conservation Board.	Information (John Pearson and Ed Gruenwald)
6	Proposed Glenwood State Preserve: SF 478-Standings Bill included the transfer of a significant archeological state property at Glenwood to the DNR with directions to assess it for a State Preserve.	Information (John Pearson and Daryl Howell)
7	Cedar Island: Dr. Laura Jackson and student Katie Decker will present analysis of floodplain swamp savannas along the Cedar and Wapsipinicon rivers in the northern Iowan Surface to assist with understanding the ecological context of the Cedar Island, a preserve candidate owned and managed by the Black Hawk County Conservation Board.	Information (John Pearson and Vern Fish)
8	Proposed Bicycle Trail at Starr's Cave Preserve: A proposal for the Flint River Trail, a 16 mile long multi-use trail extending from Burlington to Big Hollow Recreation Area includes a proposed route through Starr's Cave State Preserve. The Preserves Board denied the request to alter the management plan to allow trail construction, citing the incompatibility of bicycle use. DNR Director Richard Leopold's denial of the construction permit was appealed by the Des Moines County Conservation Board to the Natural Resource Commission (NRC). The NRC requested the Preserves Board and the Director to reconsider their decision.	Decision (John Pearson and Kim Perlstein)
8	Election of Chair	Decision (Cindy Peterson)
9	Open Discussion	Information (Cindy Peterson)