



Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

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Agenda Item #

Requested Meeting Date: 10/28/14

Title of Item: Forest bat study - 12-51-23

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> CONSENT AGENDA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION ONLY	Action Requested: <input type="checkbox"/> Approve/Deny Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Adopt Resolution (attach draft)	<input type="checkbox"/> Direction Requested <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item <input type="checkbox"/> Hold Public Hearing* <small>*provide copy of hearing notice that was published</small>
Submitted by:		Department: Land
Presenter (Name and Title): Mark Jacobs - Land Commissioner		Estimated Time Needed: 30 - min
Summary of Issue: <p>With the potential for the northern long-eared bat (NLEB) to be listed as endangered it is imperative that we gather information on this secretive creature before decisions are made that could have negative impacts on our local economy; based on the overall lack of information.</p> <p>I annually budget for inventory/monitoring on our forest land base and the opportunity arose to conduct a forest bat survey prior to the USFWS deadline.</p> <p>WEST, Inc was contracted to conduct the survey on 8/14-15 in the Cornish Hardwood area, in NE Aitkin County.</p> <p>Results of the survey indicate a healthy and diverse forest bat population in our managed forestland; including NLEB.</p>		
Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments: <p>I'm planning a brief power-point presentation with an over view of the reports.</p>		
Recommended Action/Motion: <p>n/a</p>		
Financial Impact: <p>Is there a cost associated with this request? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$</p> <p>Is this budgeted? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>Please Explain:</i></p> <p>n/a</p>		