Minnesota Senate
Committee on Environment, Climate, and Legacy

Minnesota Senate Building 1150
Tuesday, March 17th, 2026
3:00 – 5:00 pm

Agenda

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1. **Call to Order**

2. **SF 4340 (Hauschild) - Minnesota wild elk population and range expansion grant availability extension provision**
   - *Mike Schrage, Wildlife Biologist, Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa*

   - **SF 4304 (Hawj) - Outdoor heritage fund appropriation and prior appropriations extension and modification**
   - *Kristina Smitten, Executive Director, LSOHC*
   - *Joe Pavelko, Assistant Director, LSOHC*
   - *Kelly Pennington, Invasive Species Unit Supervisor, DNR*
   - *Debby Stone MN Landowners Coalition*
   - *Erick Kardaal, Mohrman, Kardaal and Erickson, P.A.*
   - *Kurt Kveen, Landowner*
   - *Maxwell Becker, Mohrman, Kardaal and Erickson, P.A. (REMOTE)*
   - *Tracy Halstensgard, Administrator, Roseau River Watershed Board Manager (REMOTE)*
   - *Vangie Buflygien, Landowner (REMOTE)*
   - *Monica Dohmen, Landowner (REMOTE)*
   - *Mitchell Magnusson, Landowner (REMOTE)*

   - **SF 4361 (Johnson Stewart) - Permitting efficiency provisions modification**
   - *Alexis Donath, Assistant Director of Government Relations, MPCA*

3. **SF 3677 (Green) - Certain agricultural land exemption from certain wetland replacement plan requirements**
   - *John Jashke, Director, Board of Soil & Water Resources*
   - *Commissioner Ed Arneson, Lake of the Woods County (REMOTE)*
   - *Josh Stromlund, Land & Water Planning Director, Lake of the Woods County (REMOTE)*
   - *Brian Martinson, Policy Analyst, Association of Minnesota Counties*
   - *Hunter Pederson, Minnesota Farm Bureau Federation*

4. **Adjourn**