

## 2017 LCCMR North Shore and Northeast Minnesota Site Visit

Wednesday, July 19 and Thursday, July 20, 2017

Locations and times may change due to weather and other circumstances – if you are planning on attending please contact LCCMR staff for the most up to date information and directions 651 296-2406

Day 1: Blue Heron Lake Superior Research Vessel and North Shore

Day 2: United Taconite Mine and Iron Range

### Day One – Wednesday July 19, 2017

8:00 a.m.	<b>State Office Building</b> – bus departs from front of building for Duluth
10:30 a.m.	<b>Minnesota Point Pine Forest Scientific and Natural Area (SNA), Duluth</b> <b>Topic:</b> Overview of Minnesota Point Pine Forest SNA Acquisition, rare pine forest, and Lake Superior beach dunes
12:30 p.m. Lunch on Boat	<b>U of MN Blue Heron Research Vessel</b> (docked at U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Vessel Yard) - Travel by boat from Duluth to Two Harbors <b>Topics:</b> Overview of Blue Heron, Lake Superior water quality and Lake Superior research and Issues Note: There is limited space on the boat.
3:30 p.m.	<b>Two Harbors</b> (The Breakwater and Lighthouse) – transfer from Blue Heron Research Vessel to bus
4:00 p.m.	<b>White Cedar Restoration Site Near Two Harbors</b> <b>Topic:</b> Overview of white cedar restoration and white cedar, black ash and forest ecology of the North Shore - Board of Soil and Water Resources (BWSR)
5:20 p.m. Dinner at the Park	<b>Tettegouche State Park and Palisade Head Overlook</b> <b>Topics:</b> Overview Tettegouche State Park and Palisade Head Overlook, Superior Hiking Trail and the Gitchi Gami Trail
8:15 p.m.	<b>Overnight in Ely, Minnesota</b> (Super 8 Hotel)

### DAY TWO – Thursday July 20, 2017

8:15 a.m.	<b>International Wolf Center, Ely</b> <b>Topics:</b> Overview International Wolf Center and wolves in Minnesota
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10:30 a.m.	<b>United Taconite (UTAC), Eveleth</b> <b>Topics:</b> Overview Iron Mining in Minnesota-UTAC Note: there is limited space for the mine visit.
1: 00 p.m.  Lunch at the Station	<b>Mesabi Trail Station Facility</b> <b>Topics:</b> Overview Mesabi Trail development and construction
4:00 p.m.	<b>Moose Lake State Park</b> <b>Topics:</b> Brief park overview and agate display
5:30 p.m.	<b>State Office building</b> - bus returns