



## Regular Meeting of the Natural Heritage Advisory Committee

August 10, 2023

Remote participation: Contact [natural.heritage@dncr.nc.gov](mailto:natural.heritage@dncr.nc.gov) for Teams meeting link.

In-person meeting location: Nature Research Center, 121 West Jones Street, Raleigh, NC, room 4508

Documents to be discussed during the meeting will be accessible online at:

<https://www.ncnhp.org/news/events/natural-heritage-advisory-committee-meeting-aug-10-2023>

**NHAC Members:** Jeff Marcus (chair), Alan Weakley, Lee Leidy, Ron Myers, Jay Leutze, Randolph Harrison, Joey Owle, Sue Cameron. One seat is vacant, to be filled by Jocelyn Wilson beginning Oct 1, 2023.

**NHP Staff:** Misty Buchanan, Scott Pohlman, Jess Schaner, Judith Ratcliffe

**DNCR Staff:** Deputy Secretary Jeff Michael, Division of Land and Water Stewardship Director Will Summer, Assistant General Counsel: Zoe Hansen Burnet

## AGENDA

### Call to Order and Reading of Ethics Reminder – Jeff Marcus, Chair

Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute section 138A-15(e), the chair reminds all members of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest under the State Government Ethics Act. Are there any known conflicts of interest with respect to any matters coming before the Committee?

### Land Acknowledgement – Jeff Marcus, Chair

As we gather to discuss wise stewardship of critically important properties in NC, we gratefully acknowledge the Native American peoples who were the original stewards of these lands. We pay our respect to those past, present, and emerging people who have been custodians of these lands and waters.

**Welcome, Introductions, and Logistics:** NHAC, DNCR, NHP,

- DNCR Updates – Legislative and NCLWF updates (Deputy Secretary Jeff Michael and/or Division Director Will Summer)
- NHP updates (Misty) –Special projects, ongoing priorities

01 Review Agenda for Additions and Deletions – All

02 Review Previous Meeting Minutes – All

### **Dedication Overview (Scott Pohlman)**

#### **New or amended Dedicated Nature Preserves:**

Plant Conservation Program

03 Boiling Spring Lakes Preserve Amendment

Foothills Conservancy

04 Smith Cliff/Henry Fork

#### **Dedicated Nature Preserve Amendment Proposals for Review**

05 Shocco Creek Game Land Amendment for Bridge Replacement  
(Scott Pohlman)

#### **New Registry**

06 Western Piedmont Community College (Jess Schaner)

#### **Registered Heritage Area Proposals for Review**

07 Lower New Hope Creek Slopes – City of Durham Force Main

#### **Other Topics**

Next Meeting: November 1, 2023 9:00 am – 4:00 pm in Raleigh

Wrap Up and Adjourn