

## ***Trail News – 6/29/11***

### **1. State Trails Council Meeting: Friday, July 8, 2011**

The next meeting of the Governor's State Trails Council will be held Friday, July 8, 2011 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the George W. Mead State Wildlife Area, S2148 County Highway S, Milladore 54454. The meeting agenda is available:

<http://dnr.wi.gov/org/land/parks/trails/council/agendas/STC20110708agenda.pdf>.

The State Trails Council (STC) is appointed by the Governor under the authority of statute 15.347(16) to provide state trail user groups and individuals a voice in the statewide trails program. The STC also provides a forum for dealing with solutions to conflicts between and within trail user groups and trail providers. Additionally, the STC provides advice and consultation to the Department of Natural Resources regarding the planning, acquisition, development, and management of trails in Wisconsin. Additional information about the Governor's State Trails Council, is available on the internet:

<http://dnr.wi.gov/org/land/parks/trails/council/>.

Lunch will be catered in for State Trails Council members and selected guests. Draft minutes from the April STC meeting are available via the Internet address above. Please RSVP by July 1, 2011 to [DNRWISateTrails@wi.gov](mailto:DNRWISateTrails@wi.gov) if you are planning to attend the July 8 meeting.

### **2. Governor's State Trail Council Seeks New Members**

The State Trails Council (STC) is implementing a number of changes in order to ensure balanced and complete representation of Wisconsin trail users. These changes, a result of recommendations contained in a 2009 report by the Committee to Recommend Improvements to the Structure of the State Trails Council, include increasing the number of members on the council to include non-voting representatives from five previously unrepresented user groups. The current open positions on the council are:

1. Snowmobiles
2. Boards and Small Wheels (in-line skates, mountain boards, etc)
3. Non-Motorized Water Trails
4. Off-Road Bicycles/Mountain Bicycles

Many of the changes are reflected on the STC website. Updates include: the revised STC mission statement, details on how to become a member of the STC and how to participate in the STC as a member of the public.

The application form and instructions, position description, and overview of the application process are available on the State Trails Council website:

<http://dnr.wi.gov/org/land/parks/trails/council/#appointments>.

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