

Listening Session https://www.lcc.mn.gov/foraging/

# Agenda

#### 1. Introduction to the Task Force

# 2. Participation Ground Rules and Logistics

- Those who have signed up will be called on first, then others will be invited to raise their hands
- Please plan to limit your comments to 3 minutes.
- If there is a large turnout, time limits may be reduced to 2 minutes
- You are welcome to supplement your comments with written information (send to nick.nero@lcc.mn.gov)
- Respectful language is required. You may disagree with plans or policies, but please be mindful of how you express yourself.
- If joining an online listening session, please be prepared to come on camera during your testimony, or at least when introducing yourself, if possible.
- Listening sessions will be recorded. Recordings will be posted to the task force website after the session has concluded.

# 3. Public Input

- Please see below for discussion prompts
- You may speak on anything you wish, but the task force wanted to share some of their questions
- Remarks from the chair

# 4. Wrap Up

**Discussion Prompts** (you may speak on any topic you choose, however, the task force would like to share some of their questions):

- What do you most hope the task force will accomplish?
- What do you want task force members to consider as they develop recommendations?
- What are your thoughts on the balance between conservation and Minnesotans' interest in foraging on state lands?
- What are you most concerned about related to foraging on Minnesota's state lands?
- In your view, what does responsible foraging look like, and how might it be supported or encouraged?
- What do you think about the current rules or permissions around foraging?
- Imagine it's five years from now—what would success look like for foraging in our state?
- If the task force could make one meaningful change or policy related to foraging, what would you hope it would be?
- What experiences—positive, negative, or neutral—have you or others had with foraging on state lands?
- How do people in your community currently learn about foraging or decide where and what to forage?