**UMRCC WILDLIFE TECHNICAL SECTION**

**2021 Virtual Spring Meeting**

**March 16, 2021**

**1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

1:00 - 1:10 Welcome and Housekeeping - *Brenda Kelly, Chair*

1:10 – 1:30 Initial Estimates of Forest Mortality Following Multiple Years of Growing Season Flooding in the St. Paul District - *Andy Meier, USACE*

1:30 – 2:00 Lake Onalaska Voluntary Waterfowl Avoidance Area

* *Luke Fara, USGS, Steve Houdek, USGS*

2:00 – 2:20 Creel Survey/Recreation Use Study Initiation - *Rebekah Anderson, IL DNR*

2:20 – 2:45 New and Old Business – *Brenda Kelly*

* Vegetation Ad Hoc
	+ Committee Chair, Rotation, Bylaws, Motion

**Break**

3:00 – 3:30 Business Continued

* Bowfishing
* Website

3:30 – 3:55 Manoomin – The Food that Grows on Water: from Culture to Climate Change

* *Peter David, Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission*

3:55 – 4:15Wild celery winter bud dynamics in Pools 4, 8, and 13 of the Upper Mississippi River

* *Kirsten Schmidt, USFWS*

4:15 – 4:25UMRCC Coordinator’s Report – *Neal Jackson, USFWS*

**Break**

4:30 Fall Meeting – All

 Social – All

Grab a beverage and chat and screen share with your fellow colleagues a spring fishing hot spot, favorite hiking location, good book reads, a favorite recipe, etc.

5:00 Adjourn

*Written report submission by agencies requested in advance of meeting for minutes*

MN – Brandon Schad IL – Jeff Horn

 IA – Curt Kemmerer MO – Mike Flaspohler

 WI – Brenda Kelly USFWS – Steve Winter

USACE – Andy Meier/Ben Vandermyde USGS