



JULY 2025 WETLAND PROFESSIONALS ASSOCIATION FIELD TRIP

Topic: Rare Plant and Plant Community Phenology at the Cedar Creek Ecosystem Science Reserve

When: Friday, July 11th from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Where: Cedar Creek Ecosystem Science Reserve, 2660 Fawn Lake Drive NE, East Bethel, MN 55005
(links for directions below)

Cost*: \$10 for Current Members of the Wetland Professionals Association
\$30 for Nonmembers and \$10 for students (both include a 1-year WPA membership)
*All money collected goes directly to support the Cedar Creek Ecosystem Science Reserve

Registration: Please register by Monday, June 30th on the event registration form:
<https://forms.gle/Vfx6X33utjWTQihT6>
Registration will be limited to 15 WPA members.

Guide: Jason Husveth, Principal Ecologist at Critical Connections Ecological Services (CCES)

Topic Details: A full day ecological and botanical field trip to the Bison Enclosure area of the Cedar Creek Ecosystem Science Reserve. This is a unique opportunity to visit and botanize the diverse wetlands, prairies, and savannas within the Cedar Creek Bison Enclosure in a year where there will be no bison present. We discuss landscape setting, surficial geology and soils, hydrology, plant community ecology and rare species autecology. Jason will cover the identification of over a dozen rare plant species of the Anoka Sand Plain, including some of the rarest species in the state. As well Jason will be available to answer questions about native plant identification, with a special focus on the genus *Carex* and the *Cyperaceae*.

Agenda:

8:00 AM Check In: Meet at Cedar Creek Ecosystem Science Reserve Classrooms
2660 Fawn Lake Drive NE, East Bethel: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/AcFQzTTUijoWkway7>

8:30 AM Classroom Presentation on Anoka Sand Plain Ecosystems and Flora

9:00 AM Field Session 1: Anoka Sand Plain Native Plant Communities and Flora of the Bison Enclosure Area
Durant Street, East Bethel: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/usWzvWdbFGVAs4Ve9>

12:00 PM Break for Lunch (1 Hour: **Bring your own lunch to eat in the field**)

1:00 PM Field Session 2: Rare Plants, Sedges, Native Plants of the Bison Enclosure Area

4:00 PM Adjourn

MPWCP/PWS Credits: 6 in-person credit hours

Items to Bring:

Lunch	Hat	Boots	Plant Identification Books
Water	Sunglasses	Bug/Tick Spray	Field Appropriate Clothing