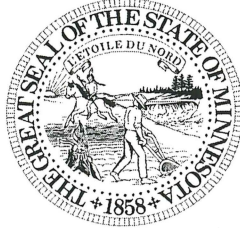


STATE OF MINNESOTA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT



MARK DAYTON
GOVERNOR

Executive Order 15-10

Directing the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources to Discontinue Placing Radio Collars on Moose

I, Mark Dayton, Governor of the State of Minnesota, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

Whereas, the State of Minnesota has a diverse and rich natural heritage;

Whereas, moose are an iconic part of Minnesota's natural heritage;

Whereas, the moose population in northeast Minnesota has been in decline since 2006, the causes of which are poorly understood;

Whereas, the Department of Natural Resources initiated research, which included placing radio collars on moose, to identify and understand the causes of the moose decline; and

Whereas, unintended and unanticipated mortality of moose occurred during the collaring process.

Now, Therefore, I hereby order that:

1. The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources discontinue placing any additional radio collars on moose.
2. The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources discontinue issuing permits for placing any additional radio collars on moose.

3. No additional collars shall be placed on moose under existing Department of Natural Resources permits.

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 4.035, subdivision 2, this executive order will be effective fifteen (15) days after publication in the State Register and filing with the Secretary of State and will remain in effect, in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 4.035, subdivision 3.

In Testimony Whereof, I have set my hand on this 28th day of April, 2015.



Mark Dayton
Governor

Filed According to Law:



Steve Simon
Secretary of State

