



Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program
Natural Heritage Database Review
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Sam Griffith, City of Sandstone,

We have received your request for a Natural Heritage Database Review specific to your Conservation Partners Legacy Grant application, titled Robinson Park Invasive Species Eradication and Rehabilitation. The following information is the result of that review, completed for the project location(s) within your proposed project.

There are 8 records from within one mile of your project site, with no records from directly within your project site. Of the 8 records, the closest is from within the Kettle River, a Southern Brook Lamprey (*Ichthyomyzon gagei*). All upland invasive species work should not impact this aquatic species. Care when using pesticides (if applicable) should be taken to prevent run-off of chemical into the river during application.

There is also one Western fox snake (*Elaphe vulpine*) record within one mile of your project site. Snakes should be avoided when seen and care should be taken not to disturb nests. Any snake seen should remain undisturbed and allowed to move from the area before any activities resume. Please see attached fact sheet on use of erosion control netting and snakes. General [prescribed burning guidelines](#) have been developed for amphibians and reptiles in the Midwest, although land managers conducting burns in areas with known rare reptile or amphibian species or high concentrations of reptiles and/or amphibians may wish to contact their Regional Nongame Wildlife Specialist for input on burn planning, including timing of burns, so as to minimize impacts on these species.

Please note:

- This review only applies to the Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program application referenced above.
- This information has no bearing on any related permits or projects not covered under the request for review.
- This information will not be valid after June 30, 2014. The only use of this data is to record potential impacts and minimization or avoidance techniques for any Natural Heritage Database records found in or within 1 mile of the listed project site(s).

Please contact CPL Grant staff at LSCPLGrants@state.mn.us with any questions. Thank you for your interest in the CPL Grant Program.

