**RESEARCH PERMIT APPLICATION**

**The Nature Conservancy in Minnesota,**

**North Dakota and South Dakota**

**INSTRUCTIONS & INFORMATION**

1. Complete the electronic application form.
2. E-mail questions and/or the completed application to: Marissa Ahlering (mahlering@tnc.org).
3. Completed applications will be reviewed by the appropriate TNC staff. If there are questions or concerns, we will call or e-mail you.
4. If your proposed research involves a legally protected species, appropriate state and/or federal research permits must be obtained directly from the appropriate agencies prior to initiating the research.
5. In Minnesota, some TNC preserves are also state Scientific and Natural Areas (SNAs). In these cases, a separate permit is needed from the SNA Program at the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources. This does not apply to North Dakota and South Dakota.
6. It is the responsibility of the researcher to obtain these (#s 4 and 5) and any other local, state, or federal permits or approvals.
7. **Early submission of your completed application is strongly advised.** The turn-around time varies from a few days to up to a month or more depending on the complexity of the request, necessary reviews, workloads, and other factors.

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| **Research Project Title:**Click or tap here to enter text. |
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| **RESEARCH PROJECT PERSONNEL & CONTACT INFORMATION** |
| **Name of Principal Investigator:**Click or tap here to enter text. | **Advisor’s name (if student)**Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Institutional Affiliation:**Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Address: (Street address, city state, zip code):**Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Work Telephone:**Click or tap here to enter text. | **Home/Cell Telephone:**Click or tap here to enter text. | **Email:**Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Experience in Research Area:** Click or tap here to enter text. |
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| **PROJECT LOCATION** |
| **TNC Preserves to be included in the study:** Click or tap here to enter text. |
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| **RESEARCH PROJECT DESCRIPTION** |
| **Project Objectives (list specific research objective(s)):** Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Field Work Schedule (beginning/ending date & frequency of visits):** Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Design & Methods (be specific; please include information on specimens to be collected (if relevant) and project impacts such as stakes, tags or vegetation/soil disturbance to the site):** Click or tap here to enter text. |
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| **ADDITIONAL PERMITS OR LICENSES** |
| **List any additional permits or licenses needed for the activities described above** | **Permit Number** | **Status** |
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