



## Natural Areas Department Staff Report

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# Collaborations and Partnerships

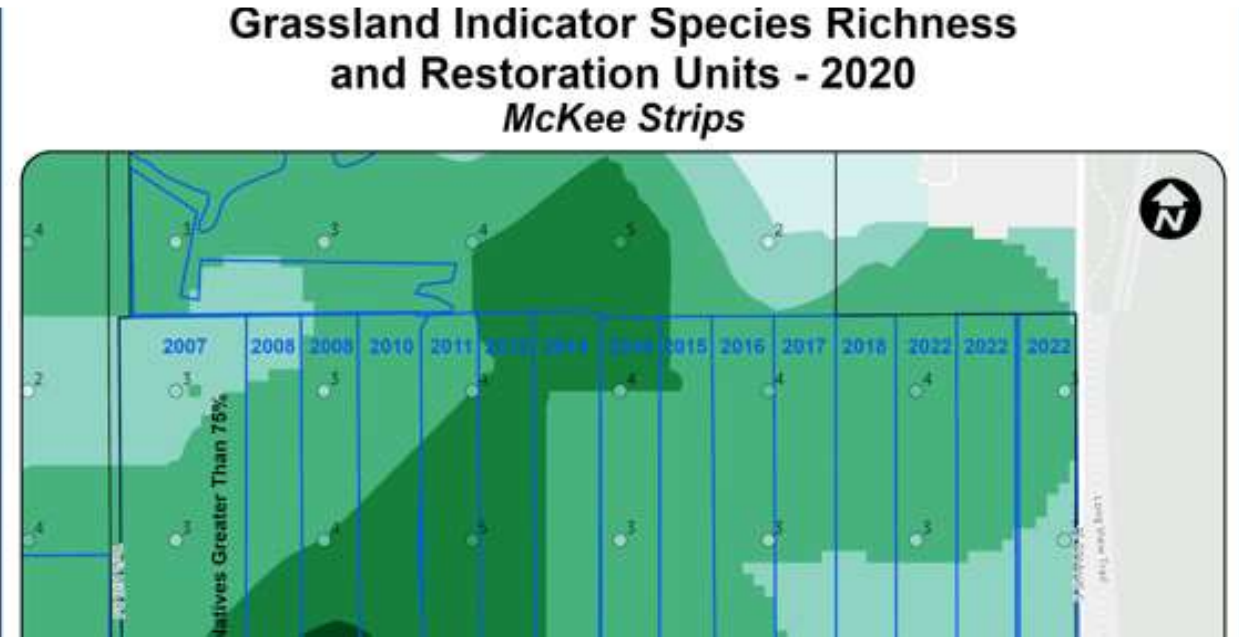


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## Move toward Adaptive Management Cycle

- Species classification vs diversity and function
- Start at the soil; increase absorption
- Build nutrient cycles not dead ends
- Disturbance through grazing and prescribed fire

## Decisions based on monitoring feedback

- Plan, do, check, act
- Catch restoration projects before degradation
- Bring a correct, planned disturbance at the right time
- High quality habitat for specialized species

# Function-based Management on a Landscape Scale



# Linda Stanley Receives Conservation Achievement Award



- This award recognizes community-wide, multi-generational impacts to conservation in our region.
- Award presented at the annual Natural Areas Volunteer Appreciation Dinner.
- Ms. Stanley is the second recipient of the Kelly Ohlson Natural Areas Conservation Award.



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