

The Natural Resource Commission consists of seven citizens, appointed to six-year terms by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. The commission works with the Conservation and Recreation Division of the Department of Natural Resources. This division includes the bureaus of Fisheries, Forestry, Land and Waters, Law Enforcement, State Parks, and Wildlife. Some of the substantive work of the commission includes reviewing and approving hunting and fishing administrative rules, public land donations, acquisitions, easements, construction and general business contracts, leases, grants, and annual budgets.

STATE ADVISORY BOARD FOR PRESERVES

§465C.2

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Des Moines 50319; 515.725.8383*

<i>Name</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Term Ending/Type</i>
Leesa McNeil, Chair.....	Sioux City.....	June 30, 2018
Tony Caligiuri.....	Osceola.....	June 30, 2020
Kirk Larsen.....	Decorah.....	June 30, 2018
Wayne Phipps.....	Jefferson.....	June 30, 2020
Barbara Schroeder.....	Decorah.....	June 30, 2019
Bruce Trautman, designee of Director, Department of Natural Resources.....		Statutory

The General Assembly in 1965 authorized the establishment of a state system of preserves to maintain areas with unusual flora, fauna, geological, archaeological, scenic, or historical features as nearly as possible in their natural condition. The advisory board recommends dedication of certain areas as preserves, makes rules and regulations for their management, and recommends the inclusion of additional public or private lands in the preserves system. Preserve designation provides an area with the highest form of protection the state of Iowa offers for the public benefit.

BOARD OF PAROLE

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<i>Name</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Term Ending</i>
John F. Hodges, Chair.....	Bondurant.....	April 30, 2018
Norman L. Granger, Vice Chair.....	Waterloo.....	April 30, 2018
Charles W. Larson Sr.....	Des Moines.....	April 30, 2021
Susan L. Lerdal.....	Urbandale.....	April 30, 2020
Sheila A. Wilson.....	West Des Moines.....	April 30, 2021
<i>Alternate members</i>		
Gregory Crocker.....	Mitchellville.....	April 30, 2021
Jacklyn Romp.....	Des Moines.....	April 30, 2021
Susie Weinacht.....	Cedar Rapids.....	April 30, 2021

The Board of Parole was established in 1907 by the General Assembly. The board consists of five members, and three alternate members, appointed to terms of four years by the Governor and subject to confirmation by the Senate and is supported by staff responsible for victim services, parole liaisons and investigators, and an administrative law judge. The board is directly responsible to the Governor. From those five members, the chairperson and vice chairperson of the board are selected by the Governor and may serve more than one term. A majority of the members of the board constitutes a quorum to transact business.

The board is charged with the responsibility to consider inmates for parole and work release, investigate parole and work release programs within the state of Iowa and nationwide, make recommendations to the Governor regarding clemency and commutation applications, and provide technical assistance related to the board's purposes to public and private entities. The board is

required to review for release each inmate incarcerated in Iowa each year except those serving life sentences or sentences where a mandatory minimum term has not yet been served. The board utilizes evidence-based practices to assist in making release decisions and maintains a risk assessment protocol designed to help keep communities safe. The board may revoke and remand to prison any person it has released on parole for any reason it deems proper. It also retains the power to grant a final discharge to any parolee under the supervision of the eight judicial districts in Iowa, usually on the recommendation of the supervising officer.

IOWA COMPREHENSIVE PETROLEUM UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK FUND BOARD

§455G.4

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<i>Name</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Term Ending/Type</i>
Douglas Beech, Chair	Ankeny	April 30, 2021
Karen Andeweg	Urbandale	April 30, 2019
Patricia Beck	Carroll	April 30, 2020
Dawn Carlson	Dallas Center	April 30, 2019
Timothy Gartin	Ames	April 30, 2021
N. Kurt Mumm Jr.	Johnston	April 30, 2020
Joseph Barry, designee of Department of Management		Statutory
Michael L. Fitzgerald, Treasurer of State		Statutory
Chuck R. Gipp, Director, Department of Natural Resources		Statutory
<i>Nonvoting member</i>		
Jeff W. Robinson, designee of Legislative Services Agency		Statutory

The Iowa Comprehensive Petroleum Underground Storage Tank (UST) Fund Board was created in 1989 with several goals. These goals were to create adequate and reliable financial assurance for the costs of cleanup on preexisting (prior to October 26, 1990) releases of petroleum from underground storage tanks, create a financial responsibility assurance mechanism (insurance) to pay for future releases, minimize societal costs and environmental damage, and maintain Iowa’s rural petroleum distribution network, all as interim measures. The payment for releases preexisting on October 26, 1990, is the remaining goal to be met.

The board’s statutes provide for the reimbursement of eligible claimants for remedial claims, i.e., those claims reported prior to October 26, 1990; and retroactive claims, the few claims that were being addressed prior to the creation of the UST Fund; and innocent landowner claims, i.e., those preexisting releases that had occurred prior to the October 26, 1990, deadline but were not reported until much later.

The board administers various funds from which to make reimbursement for the work required by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to address risks to health created by the eligible releases. Payments are made as work progresses and cease upon the DNR’s classification as “No Action Required.” The board meets monthly to approve claim payments and handle other administrative matters affecting the program.

Owners of petroleum-contaminated property or former underground storage tank owners may contact the board to pursue any potential benefits available to them. Additionally, the board’s statutes grant benefits to governmental subdivisions that acquire former UST sites pursuant to eminent domain. Counties are also eligible for benefits for properties they acquire through delinquent taxes.

The board works closely with the DNR to coordinate assessment and corrective action at eligible claimant sites. The DNR determines what must occur to reach “No Action Required” status, and the board determines what activities will be reimbursable. The board preapproves all costs prior to the commencement of the activities at an eligible site.