North Carolina Sandhills Conservation Partnership
Quarterly Meeting Agenda
“Sandhills Subterranean” & end-of-year updates
1:00-4:30 PM, Wednesday, December 7, 2022
Meeting in-person at the Moore County Agricultural Center with Zoom option available,
https://tnc.zoom.us/j/95847618295; Meeting ID: 958 4761 8295

1:00 Welcome and partner updates (by agency)
1:45 Open discussion: New funding opportunities in the Sandhills
2:00 Working Group updates
   2:00 RCW Recovery Update – Kerry Brust, Sandhills Ecological Institute
   2:35 Communications – Debbie Crane, The Nature Conservancy
   2:45 Reserve Design – Sarah Hecocks, TNC/USFWS
2:50 Introduction – Sarah Hecocks, TNC/USFWS
2:55 Legume-rhizobia symbiosis as a tool to enhance restoration success – Alyssa Young, UNC Greensboro
3:15 Effects of fire on soil microbial community function in longleaf pine ecosystems – Kevin Robertson, Tall Timbers Research Station
3:35 The ecology of invasive fire ants in natural wetlands of North Carolina – Lisa Kelly, UNC Pembroke
4:05 Herps in the basement: Subterranean ecology of Sandhills herpetofauna – Jeff Beane, NC Museum of Natural Sciences
4:25 Closing remarks

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Next meeting: Wednesday, March 15, 1:00-4:30pm