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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Policy and Finance

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A bill for an act

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relating to natural resources; appropriating money for floodway modeling.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

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Section 1. **FLOODWAY MODELING APPROPRIATION.**

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\$187,000 is appropriated in fiscal year 2017 from the general fund to the

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commissioner of natural resources for a grant to the Middle-Snake-Tamarac Rivers

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Watershed District to match equal funds from the North Dakota State Water Commission

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and North Dakota water boards to conduct hydraulic modeling of alternative floodway

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options for the reach including and upstream and downstream of the Minnesota and North

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Dakota agricultural levies in the vicinity of Oslo, Minnesota. The modeling must include

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evaluating removal of floodway flow obstructions, channel obstructions, transportation

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access, and equalization of agricultural levy protection. The project must be conducted

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in partnership with the border township association group representing four Minnesota

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townships and the city of Oslo and the three adjacent townships in North Dakota. This is a

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onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2018.