

A bill for an act
relating to water; appropriating money for a comprehensive statewide sustainable
water resources detailed framework.

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

Section 1. **COMPREHENSIVE STATEWIDE SUSTAINABLE WATER
RESOURCES DETAILED FRAMEWORK.**

(a) \$750,000 in fiscal year 2010 is appropriated from the clean water fund to the
University of Minnesota for the development of a comprehensive statewide sustainable
water resources detailed framework to protect, conserve, and enhance the quantity and
quality of the state's ground and surface waters. The detailed framework shall be a
long-range, 25-year detailed framework, with an implementation schedule and associated
benchmarks, for policy, research, monitoring, and evaluation in order to achieve
sustainable ground and surface water use, including the ecological benefits provided by
water resources to humans and fish and wildlife habitat. For the purposes of the detailed
framework, water use is sustainable when current use does not harm ecosystems, degrade
water quality, or compromise the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

(b) The detailed framework shall be developed by the University of Minnesota Water
Resources Center in cooperation with federal, state, and local government and private
nonprofits with expertise in water resources. In developing the detailed framework, the
water resources plans of organizations with water resources expertise shall be considered.
The detailed framework must include, but is not limited to, identification of infrastructure
needs, drinking water, ground and surface waters, storm water, agricultural and industrial
needs, the interfaces of climate change, development and land use, and demographics.
The detailed framework must identify best practices and methods for determining the

2.1 effectiveness of those practices for wastewater treatment, drinking water source protection,
2.2 pollution prevention, conservation, and water valuation.

2.3 (c) The University of Minnesota shall submit the detailed framework to the chairs of
2.4 the legislative committees with jurisdiction over environment and natural resources policy
2.5 and finance by January 1, 2011.

2.6 (d) It is a condition of acceptance of this appropriation that the University
2.7 of Minnesota must submit a work program and semiannual progress reports to the
2.8 Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources in the form determined by the
2.9 commission. None of the money appropriated in this section may be spent unless the
2.10 commission has approved the work program.