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NINETY-FIRST SESSION

H. F. No. 2682

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means
- 05/18/2019 Adoption of Report: Placed on the General Register as Amended
Read for the Second Time
- 05/20/2019 Pursuant to Rule 4.20, returned to the Committee on Ways and Means
- 05/12/2020 Adoption of Report: Placed on the General Register as Amended
Read for the Second Time
- 05/15/2020 Calendar for the Day
Read for the Third Time
Passed by the House and transmitted to the Senate
- 05/18/2020 Presented to Governor
- 05/27/2020 Governor Approval

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to legacy; appropriating money from outdoor heritage fund; appropriating

1.3 money for Medal of Honor memorial; extending and modifying previous

1.4 appropriations from legacy funds; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section

1.5 97A.056, subdivision 5; Laws 2017, chapter 91, article 1, section 2, subdivision

1.6 3; article 4, section 2, subdivision 2; Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 2,

1.7 article 1, section 2, subdivision 5; article 4, section 2, subdivisions 2, 8; Laws

1.8 2019, First Special Session chapter 10, article 1, section 24, subdivision 2.

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

1.10 **ARTICLE 1**

1.11 **OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND**

1.12 Section 1. **OUTDOOR HERITAGE APPROPRIATIONS.**

1.13 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies

1.14 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the outdoor heritage

1.15 fund for the fiscal year indicated for each purpose. The figures "2020" and "2021" used in

1.16 this article mean that the appropriations listed under the figure are available for the fiscal

1.17 year ending June 30, 2020, or June 30, 2021, respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year

1.18 2020. "The second year" is fiscal year 2021. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2020 and 2021.

1.19 These are onetime appropriations.

1.20		<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	
1.21		<u>Available for the Year</u>	
1.22		<u>Ending June 30</u>	
1.23		<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>

1.24 Sec. 2. **OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND**

1.25	<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>117,915,000</u>
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2.1 This appropriation is from the outdoor heritage
 2.2 fund. The amounts that may be spent for each
 2.3 purpose are specified in the following
 2.4 subdivisions.

2.5 Subd. 2. Prairies -0- 35,832,000

2.6 **(a) DNR Wildlife Management Area and**
 2.7 **Scientific and Natural Area Acquisition - Phase**
 2.8 **XII**

2.9 \$2,066,000 the second year is to the
 2.10 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
 2.11 in fee and restore and enhance lands for
 2.12 wildlife management under Minnesota
 2.13 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8, and
 2.14 to acquire lands in fee for scientific and natural
 2.15 areas under Minnesota Statutes, section
 2.16 86A.05, subdivision 5. Subject to evaluation
 2.17 criteria in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900,
 2.18 priority must be given to acquiring lands that
 2.19 are eligible for the native prairie bank under
 2.20 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
 2.21 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of
 2.22 proposed land acquisitions must be provided
 2.23 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

2.24 **(b) Accelerating Wildlife Management Area**
 2.25 **Program - Phase XII**

2.26 \$3,322,000 the second year is to the
 2.27 commissioner of natural resources for an
 2.28 agreement with Pheasants Forever to acquire
 2.29 in fee and restore and enhance lands for
 2.30 wildlife management under Minnesota
 2.31 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8.
 2.32 Subject to evaluation criteria in Minnesota
 2.33 Rules, part 6136.0900, priority must be given
 2.34 to acquiring lands that are eligible for the
 2.35 native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes,
 2.36 section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected

3.1 native prairie. A list of proposed land
3.2 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
3.3 required accomplishment plan.

3.4 **(c) Minnesota Prairie Recovery Project - Phase**
3.5 **X**

3.6 \$3,365,000 the second year is to the
3.7 commissioner of natural resources for an
3.8 agreement with The Nature Conservancy to
3.9 acquire lands in fee and to restore and enhance
3.10 native prairies, grasslands, wetlands, and
3.11 savannas. Subject to evaluation criteria in
3.12 Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
3.13 must be given to acquiring lands that are
3.14 eligible for the native prairie bank under
3.15 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
3.16 adjacent to protected native prairie. No later
3.17 than 180 days after The Nature Conservancy's
3.18 fiscal year ends, The Nature Conservancy must
3.19 submit to the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage
3.20 Council annual income statements and balance
3.21 sheets for income and expenses from land
3.22 acquired with this appropriation. A list of
3.23 proposed land acquisitions must be provided
3.24 as part of the required accomplishment plan,
3.25 and the acquisitions must be consistent with
3.26 the priorities identified in *Minnesota Prairie*
3.27 *Conservation Plan.*

3.28 **(d) Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife**
3.29 **Refuge Land Acquisition - Phase XI**

3.30 \$2,295,000 the second year is to the
3.31 commissioner of natural resources for an
3.32 agreement with The Nature Conservancy, in
3.33 cooperation with the United States Fish and
3.34 Wildlife Service, to acquire lands in fee or
3.35 permanent conservation easements and to
3.36 restore and enhance lands in the Northern

4.1 Tallgrass Prairie Habitat Preservation Area in
4.2 western Minnesota for addition to the Northern
4.3 Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife Refuge.
4.4 Subject to evaluation criteria in Minnesota
4.5 Rules, part 6136.0900, priority must be given
4.6 to acquiring lands that are eligible for the
4.7 native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes,
4.8 section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected
4.9 native prairie. A list of proposed land
4.10 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
4.11 required accomplishment plan, and the
4.12 acquisitions must be consistent with the
4.13 priorities in *Minnesota Prairie Conservation*
4.14 *Plan.*

4.15 **(e) Lower Wild Rice Corridor Habitat**
4.16 **Restoration - Phase III**

4.17 \$1,888,000 the second year is to acquire land
4.18 in permanent conservation easement and to
4.19 restore river and related habitat in the Wild
4.20 Rice River corridor. Of this amount, \$148,000
4.21 is to the commissioner of natural resources for
4.22 an agreement with the Wild Rice Watershed
4.23 District and \$1,740,000 is to the Board of
4.24 Water and Soil Resources. The Board of Water
4.25 and Soil Resources may use up to \$78,000 for
4.26 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
4.27 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
4.28 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
4.29 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed
4.30 acquisitions must be included as part of the
4.31 required accomplishment plan.

4.32 **(f) Martin County DNR WMA Acquisition -**
4.33 **Phase IV**

4.34 \$2,387,000 the second year is to the
4.35 commissioner of natural resources for
4.36 agreements to acquire lands in fee and restore

5.1 and enhance strategic prairie grassland,
5.2 wetland, and other wildlife habitat in Martin
5.3 County for wildlife management under
5.4 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
5.5 subdivision 8. Of this amount, \$1,665,000 is
5.6 to Fox Lake Conservation League Inc.,
5.7 \$618,000 is to Ducks Unlimited, and \$104,000
5.8 is to The Conservation Fund. A list of
5.9 proposed acquisitions must be provided as part
5.10 of the required accomplishment plan.

5.11 **(g) RIM Grasslands Reserve - Phase II**
5.12 \$3,233,000 the second year is to the Board of
5.13 Water and Soil Resources to acquire
5.14 permanent conservation easements and to
5.15 restore and enhance grassland habitat under
5.16 Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.501 to
5.17 103F.531. Of this amount, up to \$58,000 is
5.18 for establishing a monitoring and enforcement
5.19 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
5.20 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
5.21 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent
5.22 conservation easements must be provided as
5.23 part of the final report.

5.24 **(h) Prairie Chicken Habitat Partnership of the**
5.25 **Southern Red River Valley - Phase VI**
5.26 \$1,736,000 the second year is to the
5.27 commissioner of natural resources for an
5.28 agreement with Pheasants Forever, in
5.29 cooperation with the Minnesota Prairie
5.30 Chicken Society, to acquire lands in fee and
5.31 restore and enhance lands in the southern Red
5.32 River valley for wildlife management under
5.33 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
5.34 subdivision 8, or to be designated and
5.35 managed as waterfowl production areas in

6.1 Minnesota in cooperation with the United
6.2 States Fish and Wildlife Service. Subject to
6.3 evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules, part
6.4 6136.0900, priority must be given to acquiring
6.5 lands that are eligible for the native prairie
6.6 bank under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96,
6.7 or lands adjacent to protected native prairie.
6.8 A list of proposed land acquisitions must be
6.9 provided as part of the required
6.10 accomplishment plan.

6.11 **(i) Heron Lake Area Conservation Partnership**

6.12 \$4,493,000 the second year is to the
6.13 commissioner of natural resources for
6.14 agreements to acquire land in fee for wildlife
6.15 management under Minnesota Statutes, section
6.16 86A.05, subdivision 8, or to be designated and
6.17 managed as waterfowl production areas in
6.18 Minnesota, in cooperation with the United
6.19 States Fish and Wildlife Service; to acquire
6.20 land in permanent conservation easement; and
6.21 to restore and enhance wildlife habitat within
6.22 the Heron Lake Watershed as follows:
6.23 \$1,450,000 is to Ducks Unlimited; \$1,181,000
6.24 is to Pheasants Forever; \$801,000 is to the
6.25 Heron Lake Watershed District; and
6.26 \$1,061,000 is to Minnesota Land Trust, of
6.27 which up to \$120,000 to Minnesota Land Trust
6.28 is for establishing monitoring and enforcement
6.29 funds as approved in the accomplishment plan
6.30 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
6.31 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed
6.32 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
6.33 required accomplishment plan.

6.34 **(j) Cannon River Watershed Habitat Complex**
6.35 **- Phase IX**

7.1 \$1,148,000 the second year is to the
7.2 commissioner of natural resources for an
7.3 agreement with The Trust for Public Land, in
7.4 cooperation with Great River Greening, to
7.5 acquire lands in fee in the Cannon River
7.6 watershed for wildlife management under
7.7 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
7.8 subdivision 8; to acquire lands in fee for
7.9 aquatic management areas under Minnesota
7.10 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 14; to
7.11 acquire lands in fee for scientific and natural
7.12 areas under Minnesota Statutes, section
7.13 86A.05, subdivision 5; to acquire lands in fee
7.14 for state forests under Minnesota Statutes,
7.15 section 86A.05, subdivision 7; and to restore
7.16 and enhance lands in the Cannon River
7.17 watershed. Of this amount, \$887,000 is to The
7.18 Trust for Public Land and \$261,000 is to Great
7.19 River Greening. Subject to evaluation criteria
7.20 in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
7.21 must be given to acquiring lands that are
7.22 eligible for the native prairie bank under
7.23 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
7.24 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of
7.25 proposed land acquisitions and restorations
7.26 must be provided as part of the required
7.27 accomplishment plan.

7.28 **(k) Accelerating the USFWS Habitat**
7.29 **Conservation Easement Program - Phase II**

7.30 \$3,187,000 the second year is to the
7.31 commissioner of natural resources for an
7.32 agreement with Ducks Unlimited, in
7.33 cooperation with Pheasants Forever and the
7.34 United States Fish and Wildlife Service, to
7.35 acquire permanent conservation working lands
7.36 easements and to restore wetlands and prairie

8.1 grasslands. Of this amount, \$2,248,000 is to
 8.2 Ducks Unlimited and \$939,000 is to Pheasants
 8.3 Forever. A list of proposed acquisitions and
 8.4 restorations must be provided as part of the
 8.5 required accomplishment plan.

8.6 **(l) DNR Grassland Enhancement - Phase XII**

8.7 \$4,432,000 the second year is to the
 8.8 commissioner of natural resources to
 8.9 accelerate restoration and enhancement of
 8.10 prairies, grasslands, and savannas in wildlife
 8.11 management areas, in scientific and natural
 8.12 areas, in aquatic management areas, on lands
 8.13 in the native prairie bank, in bluff prairies on
 8.14 state forest land in southeastern Minnesota,
 8.15 and in waterfowl production areas and refuge
 8.16 lands of the United States Fish and Wildlife
 8.17 Service. A list of proposed land restorations
 8.18 and enhancements must be provided as part
 8.19 of the required accomplishment plan.

8.20 **(m) Enhanced Public Land: Grasslands - Phase**
 8.21 **IV**

8.22 \$2,280,000 the second year is to the
 8.23 commissioner of natural resources for an
 8.24 agreement with Pheasants Forever to enhance
 8.25 and restore grassland and wetland habitat on
 8.26 public lands. A list of proposed land
 8.27 restorations and enhancements must be
 8.28 provided as part of the required
 8.29 accomplishment plan.

8.30 **Subd. 3. Forests**

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13,669,000

8.31 **(a) Camp Ripley Sentinel Landscape ACUB**
 8.32 **Protection Program - Phase VIII**

8.33 \$2,712,000 the second year is to the Board of
 8.34 Water and Soil Resources, in cooperation with
 8.35 the Morrison County Soil and Water

9.1 Conservation District, to acquire permanent
9.2 conservation easements and restore and
9.3 enhance forest wildlife habitat within the
9.4 boundaries of the Minnesota National Guard
9.5 Camp Ripley Sentinel Landscape and Army
9.6 Compatible Use Buffer. Of this amount, up to
9.7 \$143,000 is to establish a monitoring and
9.8 enforcement fund as approved in the
9.9 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
9.10 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
9.11 list of permanent conservation easements must
9.12 be provided as part of the final report.

9.13 **(b) Southeast Minnesota Protection and**
9.14 **Restoration - Phase VIII**

9.15 \$2,704,000 the second year is to the
9.16 commissioner of natural resources for
9.17 agreements as follows:

9.18 (1) \$1,144,000 to The Nature Conservancy to
9.19 acquire lands in fee for wildlife management
9.20 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
9.21 subdivision 8; for scientific and natural areas
9.22 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
9.23 subdivision 5; for state forests under
9.24 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
9.25 subdivision 7; and for aquatic management
9.26 areas under Minnesota Statutes, section
9.27 86A.05, subdivision 14, and to restore and
9.28 enhance wildlife habitat;

9.29 (2) \$797,000 to The Trust for Public Land to
9.30 acquire lands in fee for wildlife management
9.31 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
9.32 subdivision 8; for scientific and natural areas
9.33 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
9.34 subdivision 5; for state forests under
9.35 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,

10.1 subdivision 7; and for aquatic management
10.2 areas under Minnesota Statutes, section
10.3 86A.05, subdivision 14; and
10.4 (3) \$763,000 to Minnesota Land Trust to
10.5 acquire permanent conservation easements
10.6 and to restore and enhance wildlife habitat, of
10.7 which \$96,000 is to establish a monitoring and
10.8 enforcement fund as approved in the
10.9 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
10.10 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.

10.11 A list of proposed land acquisitions must be
10.12 provided as part of the required
10.13 accomplishment plan.

10.14 **(c) Northern Forest Habitat Conservation**

10.15 \$4,205,000 the second year is to the
10.16 commissioner of natural resources for an
10.17 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
10.18 acquire forest land in fee to be permanently
10.19 protected and managed by St. Louis County
10.20 as county forest lands. A list of proposed land
10.21 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
10.22 required accomplishment plan.

10.23 **(d) DNR Forest Habitat Enhancement**

10.24 \$1,773,000 the second year is to the
10.25 commissioner of natural resources to restore
10.26 and enhance wildlife habitat in the northern
10.27 forest region in wildlife management areas,
10.28 scientific and natural areas, aquatic
10.29 management areas, and state forests. A list of
10.30 proposed land restorations and enhancements
10.31 must be provided as part of the required
10.32 accomplishment plan.

10.33 **(e) Southeast Forest Habitat Enhancement -**
10.34 **Phase II**

11.1 \$1,000,000 the second year is to the
 11.2 commissioner of natural resources to restore
 11.3 and enhance forests in southeastern Minnesota.
 11.4 A list of proposed land enhancements must be
 11.5 provided as part of the required
 11.6 accomplishment plan.

11.7 **(f) Young Forest Conservation - Phase III**

11.8 \$1,275,000 the second year is to the
 11.9 commissioner of natural resources for an
 11.10 agreement with the American Bird
 11.11 Conservancy to enhance publicly owned,
 11.12 permanently protected forest lands for wildlife
 11.13 management. A list of proposed forest land
 11.14 enhancements must be provided as part of the
 11.15 required accomplishment plan.

11.16 **Subd. 4. Wetlands** -0- 12,625,000

11.17 **(a) Accelerating Waterfowl Production Area**
 11.18 **Acquisition - Phase XII**

11.19 \$3,658,000 the second year is to the
 11.20 commissioner of natural resources for an
 11.21 agreement with Pheasants Forever, in
 11.22 cooperation with the United States Fish and
 11.23 Wildlife Service, to acquire lands in fee and
 11.24 to restore and enhance wetlands and grasslands
 11.25 to be designated and managed as waterfowl
 11.26 production areas in Minnesota. A list of
 11.27 proposed land acquisitions must be provided
 11.28 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

11.29 **(b) Shallow Lake and Wetland Protection and**
 11.30 **Restoration Program - Phase IX**

11.31 \$4,608,000 the second year is to the
 11.32 commissioner of natural resources for an
 11.33 agreement with Ducks Unlimited to acquire
 11.34 lands in fee for wildlife management under
 11.35 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,

12.1 subdivision 8, and to restore and enhance
12.2 prairie lands, wetlands, and land buffering
12.3 shallow lakes. A list of proposed acquisitions
12.4 must be provided as part of the required
12.5 accomplishment plan.

12.6 **(c) Wetland Habitat Protection Program - Phase**
12.7 **V**

12.8 \$2,683,000 the second year is to the
12.9 commissioner of natural resources for an
12.10 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
12.11 acquire permanent conservation easements
12.12 and to restore and enhance prairie, wetland,
12.13 and other habitat on permanently protected
12.14 conservation easements in high-priority
12.15 wetland habitat complexes in the prairie and
12.16 forest/prairie transition regions. Of this
12.17 amount, up to \$240,000 is to establish a
12.18 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
12.19 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
12.20 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
12.21 subdivision 17. A list of proposed
12.22 conservation easement acquisitions,
12.23 restorations, and enhancements must be
12.24 provided as part of the required
12.25 accomplishment plan.

12.26 **(d) Accelerated Shallow Lakes and Wetlands**
12.27 **Enhancement - Phase XII**

12.28 \$1,676,000 the second year is to the
12.29 commissioner of natural resources to enhance
12.30 and restore shallow lakes and wetland habitat
12.31 statewide. A list of proposed land restorations
12.32 and enhancements must be provided as part
12.33 of the required accomplishment plan.

- 13.1 Subd. 5. Habitats -0- 55,429,000
- 13.2 (a) Protecting Coldwater Fisheries on
- 13.3 Minnesota's North Shore
- 13.4 \$1,809,000 the second year is to the
- 13.5 commissioner of natural resources for an
- 13.6 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
- 13.7 acquire permanent conservation easements
- 13.8 and to restore and enhance wildlife habitat in
- 13.9 priority coldwater tributaries to Lake Superior.
- 13.10 Of this amount, up to \$144,000 is to establish
- 13.11 a monitoring and enforcement fund as
- 13.12 approved in the accomplishment plan and
- 13.13 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
- 13.14 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed
- 13.15 conservation easement acquisitions,
- 13.16 restorations, and enhancements must be
- 13.17 provided as part of the required
- 13.18 accomplishment plan.
- 13.19 (b) Metro Big Rivers - Phase X
- 13.20 \$6,473,000 the second year is to the
- 13.21 commissioner of natural resources for
- 13.22 agreements to acquire lands in fee and
- 13.23 permanent conservation easements and to
- 13.24 restore and enhance natural habitat systems
- 13.25 associated with the Mississippi, Minnesota,
- 13.26 and St. Croix Rivers and their tributaries in
- 13.27 the metropolitan area. Of this amount,
- 13.28 \$801,000 is to Minnesota Valley National
- 13.29 Wildlife Refuge Trust Inc., \$300,000 is to
- 13.30 Friends of the Mississippi River, \$366,000 is
- 13.31 to Great River Greening, \$3,406,000 is to The
- 13.32 Trust for Public Land, and \$1,600,000 is to
- 13.33 Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$144,000 to
- 13.34 Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a
- 13.35 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved

14.1 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
14.2 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
14.3 subdivision 17. A list of proposed land
14.4 acquisitions and permanent conservation
14.5 easements must be provided as part of the
14.6 required accomplishment plan.

14.7 **(c) Resilient Habitat for Heritage Brook Trout**

14.8 \$2,266,000 the second year is to the
14.9 commissioner of natural resources for
14.10 agreements to acquire land in fee and
14.11 permanent conservation easements and to
14.12 restore and enhance habitat in targeted
14.13 watersheds of southeast Minnesota to improve
14.14 heritage brook trout and coldwater
14.15 communities. Of this amount, \$350,000 is to
14.16 The Nature Conservancy, \$258,000 is to Trout
14.17 Unlimited, \$857,000 is to The Trust for Public
14.18 Land, and \$801,000 is to Minnesota Land
14.19 Trust. Up to \$96,000 to Minnesota Land Trust
14.20 is to establish a monitoring and enforcement
14.21 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
14.22 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
14.23 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed
14.24 land acquisitions and permanent conservation
14.25 easements must be provided as part of the
14.26 required accomplishment plan.

14.27 **(d) Fisheries Habitat Protection on Strategic**
14.28 **North Central Minnesota Lakes - Phase VI**

14.29 \$2,814,000 the second year is to the
14.30 commissioner of natural resources for
14.31 agreements to acquire lands in fee and
14.32 permanent conservation easements and to
14.33 restore and enhance wildlife habitat to sustain
14.34 healthy fish habitat on coldwater lakes in
14.35 Aitkin, Cass, Crow Wing, and Hubbard

15.1 Counties. Of this amount, \$883,000 is to
15.2 Northern Waters Land Trust and \$1,931,000
15.3 is to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$192,000
15.4 to Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a
15.5 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
15.6 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
15.7 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
15.8 subdivision 17. A list of acquisitions must be
15.9 provided as part of the required
15.10 accomplishment plan.

15.11 **(e) Accelerating Habitat Conservation in**
15.12 **Southwest Minnesota**

15.13 \$3,044,000 the second year is to the
15.14 commissioner of natural resources for an
15.15 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
15.16 acquire permanent conservation easements
15.17 and to restore and enhance high-quality
15.18 wildlife habitat in southwest Minnesota. Of
15.19 this amount, up to \$144,000 is to establish a
15.20 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
15.21 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
15.22 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
15.23 subdivision 17. A list of proposed
15.24 conservation easement acquisitions,
15.25 restorations, and enhancements must be
15.26 provided as part of the required
15.27 accomplishment plan.

15.28 **(f) Targeted RIM Easement Program to**
15.29 **Individual Parcel: Pine and Leech Watersheds**
15.30 **- Phase I**

15.31 \$2,458,000 the second year is to the Board of
15.32 Water and Soil Resources to acquire and
15.33 restore permanent conservation easements of
15.34 high-quality forest, wetland, and shoreline
15.35 habitat. Of this amount, \$164,000 is for an
15.36 agreement with the Crow Wing County Soil

16.1 and Water Conservation District. Up to
16.2 \$97,000 of the total amount is for establishing
16.3 a monitoring and enforcement fund as
16.4 approved in the accomplishment plan and
16.5 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
16.6 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed
16.7 acquisitions must be included as part of the
16.8 required accomplishment plan.

16.9 **(g) Mississippi Headwaters Habitat Corridor**
16.10 **Project - Phase V**

16.11 \$3,695,000 the second year is to acquire lands
16.12 in fee and conservation easement and restore
16.13 wildlife habitat in the Mississippi headwaters
16.14 as follows:

16.15 (1) \$2,177,000 is to the commissioner of
16.16 natural resources for agreements as follows:
16.17 \$69,000 to the Mississippi Headwaters Board
16.18 and \$2,108,000 to The Trust for Public Land;
16.19 and

16.20 (2) \$1,518,000 is to the Board of Water and
16.21 Soil Resources, of which up to \$175,000 is
16.22 for establishing a monitoring and enforcement
16.23 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
16.24 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
16.25 97A.056, subdivision 17.

16.26 A list of proposed acquisitions must be
16.27 included as part of the required
16.28 accomplishment plan.

16.29 **(h) Hennepin County Habitat Conservation**
16.30 **Program - Phase II**

16.31 \$3,155,000 the second year is to the
16.32 commissioner of natural resources for
16.33 agreements with Hennepin County, in
16.34 cooperation with Minnesota Land Trust, to
16.35 acquire permanent conservation easements

17.1 and to restore and enhance habitats in
17.2 Hennepin County as follows: \$446,000 to
17.3 Hennepin County and \$2,709,000 to
17.4 Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$264,000 to
17.5 Minnesota Land Trust is for establishing a
17.6 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
17.7 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
17.8 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
17.9 subdivision 17. A list of proposed permanent
17.10 conservation easements, restorations, and
17.11 enhancements must be provided as part of the
17.12 required accomplishment plan.

17.13 **(i) Trout Unlimited Coldwater Fish Habitat**
17.14 **Enhancement and Restoration - Phase XII**

17.15 \$1,474,000 the second year is to the
17.16 commissioner of natural resources for an
17.17 agreement with Trout Unlimited to restore and
17.18 enhance habitat for trout and other species in
17.19 and along coldwater rivers, lakes, and streams
17.20 in Minnesota. A list of proposed land
17.21 acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements
17.22 must be provided as part of the required
17.23 accomplishment plan.

17.24 **(j) DNR Aquatic Habitat Restoration and**
17.25 **Enhancement - Phase III**

17.26 \$3,790,000 the second year is to the
17.27 commissioner of natural resources to restore
17.28 and enhance aquatic habitat in degraded
17.29 streams and aquatic management areas and to
17.30 facilitate fish passage. A list of proposed land
17.31 restorations and enhancements must be
17.32 provided as part of the required
17.33 accomplishment plan.

17.34 **(k) St. Louis River Restoration Initiative - Phase**
17.35 **VII**

18.1 \$2,280,000 the second year is to the
18.2 commissioner of natural resources to restore
18.3 priority aquatic and riparian habitats in the St.
18.4 Louis River estuary. A list of proposed
18.5 restorations must be provided as part of the
18.6 required accomplishment plan.

18.7 **(l) Knife River Habitat Rehabilitation - Phase**
18.8 **V**

18.9 \$700,000 the second year is to the
18.10 commissioner of natural resources for an
18.11 agreement with Zeitgeist, a nonprofit
18.12 corporation, in cooperation with the Lake
18.13 Superior Steelhead Association, to restore and
18.14 enhance trout habitat in the Knife River
18.15 watershed. A list of proposed enhancements
18.16 must be provided as part of the required
18.17 accomplishment plan.

18.18 **(m) Shell Rock River Watershed Habitat**
18.19 **Restoration Program - Phase IX**

18.20 \$1,918,000 the second year is to the
18.21 commissioner of natural resources for an
18.22 agreement with the Shell Rock River
18.23 Watershed District to acquire lands in fee and
18.24 to restore and enhance aquatic habitat in the
18.25 Shell Rock River watershed. A list of proposed
18.26 acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements
18.27 must be provided as part of the required
18.28 accomplishment plan.

18.29 **(n) Rum River Wildlife and Fish Habitat**
18.30 **Enhancement Using Bioengineered Bank**
18.31 **Stabilization**

18.32 \$816,000 the second year is to the
18.33 commissioner of natural resources for an
18.34 agreement with the Anoka County Soil and
18.35 Water Conservation District to restore and
18.36 enhance riverine habitat in the Rum River

19.1 using eco-sensitive, habitat-building, and
19.2 bioengineering approaches. A list of proposed
19.3 enhancements must be provided as part of the
19.4 required accomplishment plan.

19.5 **(o) Roseau River Habitat Restoration**

19.6 \$3,036,000 the second year is to the
19.7 commissioner of natural resources for an
19.8 agreement with the Roseau River Watershed
19.9 District to restore and enhance riverine habitat
19.10 in the Roseau River and the Roseau River
19.11 Wildlife Management Area.

19.12 **(p) Sauk River Watershed Habitat Protection**
19.13 **and Restoration - Phase II**

19.14 \$3,926,000 the second year is to the
19.15 commissioner of natural resources for
19.16 agreements to acquire lands in fee and
19.17 permanent conservation easements and to
19.18 restore and enhance wildlife habitat in the
19.19 Sauk River watershed as follows: \$430,000
19.20 to the Sauk River Watershed District,
19.21 \$2,073,000 to Pheasants Forever, and
19.22 \$1,423,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to
19.23 \$168,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is to
19.24 establish a monitoring and enforcement fund
19.25 as approved in the accomplishment plan and
19.26 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
19.27 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of acquisitions
19.28 must be provided as part of the required
19.29 accomplishment plan.

19.30 **(q) Southeast Wetland Restoration**

19.31 \$1,351,000 the second year is to the
19.32 commissioner of natural resources for an
19.33 agreement with the city of Mankato to acquire
19.34 land in fee in the city of Mankato for wetland
19.35 and grassland restoration. A list of acquisitions

20.1 must be provided as part of the required
20.2 accomplishment plan.

20.3 **(r) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant**
20.4 **Program: Statewide and Metro Habitat - Phase**
20.5 **XII**

20.6 \$10,424,000 the second year is to the
20.7 commissioner of natural resources for a
20.8 program to provide competitive matching
20.9 grants of up to \$400,000 to local, regional,
20.10 state, and national organizations for enhancing,
20.11 restoring, or protecting forests, wetlands,
20.12 prairies, or habitat for fish, game, or wildlife
20.13 in Minnesota. Of this amount, at least
20.14 \$3,250,000 is for grants in the seven-county
20.15 metropolitan area and cities with a population
20.16 of 50,000 or more. Grants must not be made
20.17 for activities required to fulfill the duties of
20.18 owners of lands subject to conservation
20.19 easements. Grants must not be made from the
20.20 appropriation in this paragraph for projects
20.21 that have a total project cost exceeding
20.22 \$575,000. Of the total appropriation, \$475,000
20.23 may be spent for personnel costs and other
20.24 direct and necessary administrative costs.

20.25 Grantees may acquire land or interests in land.
20.26 Easements must be permanent. Grants may
20.27 not be used to establish easement stewardship
20.28 accounts. Land acquired in fee must be open
20.29 to hunting and fishing during the open season
20.30 unless otherwise provided by law. The
20.31 program must require a match of at least ten
20.32 percent from nonstate sources for all grants.
20.33 The match may be cash or in-kind resources.
20.34 For grant applications of \$25,000 or less, the
20.35 commissioner must provide a separate,
20.36 simplified application process. Subject to

21.1 Minnesota Statutes, the commissioner of
21.2 natural resources must, when evaluating
21.3 projects of equal value, give priority to
21.4 organizations that have a history of receiving,
21.5 or a charter to receive, private contributions
21.6 for local conservation or habitat projects. For
21.7 grant requests to acquire land in fee or a
21.8 conservation easement, the commissioner must
21.9 give priority to projects associated with or
21.10 within one mile of existing wildlife
21.11 management areas under Minnesota Statutes,
21.12 section 86A.05, subdivision 8; scientific and
21.13 natural areas under Minnesota Statutes,
21.14 sections 84.033 and 86A.05, subdivision 5; or
21.15 aquatic management areas under Minnesota
21.16 Statutes, sections 86A.05, subdivision 14, and
21.17 97C.02. All restoration or enhancement
21.18 projects must be on land permanently
21.19 protected by a permanent covenant ensuring
21.20 perpetual maintenance and protection of
21.21 restored and enhanced habitat, by a
21.22 conservation easement or public ownership or
21.23 in public waters as defined in Minnesota
21.24 Statutes, section 103G.005, subdivision 15.
21.25 Priority must be given to restoration and
21.26 enhancement projects on public lands.
21.27 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
21.28 subdivision 13, applies to grants awarded
21.29 under this paragraph. This appropriation is
21.30 available until June 30, 2023. No less than five
21.31 percent of the amount of each grant must be
21.32 held back from reimbursement until the grant
21.33 recipient has completed a grant
21.34 accomplishment report by the deadline and in
21.35 the form prescribed by and satisfactory to the
21.36 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council. The

22.1 commissioner must provide notice of the grant
 22.2 program in the summary of game and fish law
 22.3 prepared under Minnesota Statutes, section
 22.4 97A.051, subdivision 2.

22.5 **Subd. 6. Administration** -0- 360,000

22.6 **(a) Contract Management**

22.7 \$210,000 the second year is to the
 22.8 commissioner of natural resources for contract
 22.9 management duties assigned in this section.
 22.10 The commissioner must provide an
 22.11 accomplishment plan in the form specified by
 22.12 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council
 22.13 on expending this appropriation. The
 22.14 accomplishment plan must include a copy of
 22.15 the grant contract template and reimbursement
 22.16 manual. No money may be expended before
 22.17 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council
 22.18 approves the accomplishment plan.

22.19 **(b) Technical Evaluation Panel**

22.20 \$150,000 the second year is to the
 22.21 commissioner of natural resources for a
 22.22 technical evaluation panel to conduct up to 25
 22.23 restoration and enhancement evaluations under
 22.24 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
 22.25 subdivision 10.

22.26 **Subd. 7. Availability of Appropriation**

22.27 Money appropriated in this section may not
 22.28 be spent on activities unless they are directly
 22.29 related to and necessary for a specific
 22.30 appropriation and are specified in the
 22.31 accomplishment plan approved by the
 22.32 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.
 22.33 Money appropriated in this section must not
 22.34 be spent on indirect costs or other institutional

23.1 overhead charges that are not directly related
23.2 to and necessary for a specific appropriation.
23.3 Unless otherwise provided, the amounts in
23.4 this section are available until June 30, 2023.
23.5 For acquisition of real property, the amounts
23.6 in this section are available until June 30,
23.7 2024, if a binding agreement with a landowner
23.8 or purchase agreement is entered into by June
23.9 30, 2023, and closed no later than June 30,
23.10 2024. Funds for restoration or enhancement
23.11 are available until June 30, 2025, or five years
23.12 after acquisition, whichever is later, in order
23.13 to complete initial restoration or enhancement
23.14 work. If a project receives at least 15 percent
23.15 of its funding from federal funds, the time of
23.16 the appropriation may be extended to equal
23.17 the availability of federal funding to a
23.18 maximum of six years if the federal funding
23.19 was confirmed and included in the original
23.20 approved draft accomplishment plan. Funds
23.21 appropriated for fee title acquisition of land
23.22 may be used to restore, enhance, and provide
23.23 for public use of the land acquired with the
23.24 appropriation. Public-use facilities must have
23.25 a minimal impact on habitat in acquired lands.

23.26 **Subd. 8. Payment Conditions and Capital**
23.27 **Equipment Expenditures**

23.28 All agreements referred to in this section must
23.29 be administered on a reimbursement basis
23.30 unless otherwise provided in this section.
23.31 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
23.32 16A.41, expenditures directly related to each
23.33 appropriation's purpose made on or after July
23.34 1, 2020, or the date of accomplishment plan
23.35 approval, whichever is later, are eligible for
23.36 reimbursement unless otherwise provided in

24.1 this section. For the purposes of administering
24.2 appropriations and legislatively authorized
24.3 agreements paid out of the outdoor heritage
24.4 fund, an expense must be considered
24.5 reimbursable by the administering agency
24.6 when the recipient presents the agency with
24.7 an invoice, or a binding agreement with the
24.8 landowner, and the recipient attests that the
24.9 goods have been received or the landowner
24.10 agreement is binding. Periodic reimbursement
24.11 must be made upon receiving documentation
24.12 that the items articulated in the
24.13 accomplishment plan approved by the
24.14 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council have
24.15 been achieved, including partial achievements
24.16 as evidenced by progress reports approved by
24.17 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.
24.18 Reasonable amounts may be advanced to
24.19 projects to accommodate cash flow needs,
24.20 support future management of acquired lands,
24.21 or match a federal share. The advances must
24.22 be approved as part of the accomplishment
24.23 plan. Capital equipment expenditures for
24.24 specific items over \$10,000 must be itemized
24.25 in and approved as part of the accomplishment
24.26 plan.

24.27 **Subd. 9. Mapping**

24.28 Each direct recipient of money appropriated
24.29 in this section, as well as each recipient of a
24.30 grant awarded according to this section, must
24.31 provide geographic information to the
24.32 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council for
24.33 mapping any lands acquired in fee with funds
24.34 appropriated in this section and open to public
24.35 taking of fish and game. The commissioner

25.1 of natural resources must include the lands
25.2 acquired in fee with money appropriated in
25.3 this section on maps showing public
25.4 recreational opportunities. Maps must include
25.5 information on and acknowledgment of the
25.6 outdoor heritage fund, including a notation of
25.7 any restrictions.

25.8 **Subd. 10. Carryforwards**

25.9 (a) The availability of the appropriation in
25.10 Laws 2016, chapter 172, article 1, section 2,
25.11 subdivision 5, paragraph (j), Roseau Lake
25.12 Rehabilitation, is extended to June 30, 2022.

25.13 (b) The availability of the appropriation in
25.14 Laws 2017, chapter 91, article 1, section 2,
25.15 subdivision 2, paragraph (f), Accelerated
25.16 Native Prairie Bank Protection - Phase VI, is
25.17 extended to June 30, 2022.

25.18 **Subd. 11. Cancellations**

25.19 (a) The unspent portion of the appropriation
25.20 in Laws 2017, chapter 91, article 1, section 2,
25.21 subdivision 3, paragraph (g), estimated to be
25.22 \$4,582,000, is canceled.

25.23 (b) The appropriation in Laws 2019, First
25.24 Special Session chapter 2, article 1, section 2,
25.25 subdivision 5, paragraph (l), is canceled.

25.26 **Subd. 12. Extension of Certain Appropriations**

25.27 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes,
25.28 section 16A.28, or any other law to the
25.29 contrary, the availability of any appropriation
25.30 or grant of money from the outdoor heritage
25.31 fund that would otherwise cancel, lapse, or
25.32 expire on June 30, 2020, is extended to June
25.33 30, 2021, if the recipient or grantee does both
25.34 of the following:

26.1 (1) by June 30, 2020, notifies the
26.2 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council in
26.3 the manner specified by the council that the
26.4 recipient or grantee intends to avail itself of
26.5 the extension available under this subdivision;
26.6 and

26.7 (2) modifies the applicable accomplishment
26.8 plan in accordance with the council's
26.9 accomplishment plan modification procedures.

26.10 (b) The council must notify the commissioner
26.11 of management and budget and the
26.12 commissioner of natural resources of any
26.13 extension granted under this subdivision.

26.14 **Subd. 13. Extension of RIM Wetlands**
26.15 **Partnership - Phase VII**

26.16 The availability of the appropriation in Laws
26.17 2016, chapter 172, article 1, section 2,
26.18 subdivision 4, paragraph (c), RIM Wetlands
26.19 Partnership - Phase VII, is extended to June
26.20 30, 2022.

26.21 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** Subdivisions 10, 11, and 12 are effective the day following final
26.22 enactment. Subdivision 13 is effective retroactively from June 30, 2019.

26.23 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 97A.056, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

26.24 Subd. 5. **Open meetings.** (a) Meetings of the council and other groups the council may
26.25 establish are subject to chapter 13D. Except where prohibited by law, the council shall
26.26 establish additional processes to broaden public involvement in all aspects of its deliberations,
26.27 including recording meetings, video conferencing, and publishing minutes. For the purposes
26.28 of this subdivision, a meeting occurs when a quorum is present and the members receive
26.29 information or take action on any matter relating to the duties of the council. The quorum
26.30 requirement for the council shall be seven members.

26.31 (b) Travel to and from scheduled and publicly noticed site visits by council members
26.32 for the purposes of receiving information is not a violation of paragraph (a). Any decision
26.33 or agreement to make a decision during the travel is a violation of paragraph (a).

27.1 (c) For legislative members of the council, enforcement of this subdivision is governed
 27.2 by section 3.055, subdivision 2. For nonlegislative members of the council, enforcement of
 27.3 this subdivision is governed by section 13D.06, subdivisions 1 and 2.

27.4 (d) Unless held at a location outside the Capitol complex, meetings of the council must
 27.5 be made available on a website for live video streaming and be archived on a website for
 27.6 playback at a later time. For meetings of the council held at a location outside the Capitol
 27.7 complex, the council must make meetings available via live video stream and archive the
 27.8 video to the extent practicable.

27.9 Sec. 4. Laws 2017, chapter 91, article 1, section 2, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

27.10 **Subd. 3. Forests** 16,824,000 -0-

27.11 **(a) Carnelian Creek Conservation Corridor**

27.12 \$2,458,000 the first year is to the
 27.13 commissioner of natural resources for an
 27.14 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
 27.15 acquire permanent conservation easements in
 27.16 Washington County. Of this amount, up to
 27.17 ~~\$30,000~~ \$120,000 is for establishing a
 27.18 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
 27.19 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
 27.20 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
 27.21 subdivision 17. A list of proposed permanent
 27.22 conservation easements must be provided as
 27.23 part of the required accomplishment plan. This
 27.24 appropriation is available until June 30, 2022.

27.25 **(b) Laurentian Forest - St. Louis County Habitat**
 27.26 **Project**

27.27 \$2,400,000 the first year is to the
 27.28 commissioner of natural resources for
 27.29 agreements with the Minnesota Deer Hunters
 27.30 Association in cooperation with The
 27.31 Conservation Fund and St. Louis County to
 27.32 acquire land in fee to be transferred to St.
 27.33 Louis County for wildlife habitat purposes.
 27.34 The amount is for agreements as follows:

28.1 \$2,292,000 to the Minnesota Deer Hunter
28.2 Association and \$108,000 to The Conservation
28.3 Fund. A list of proposed land acquisitions
28.4 must be provided as part of the required
28.5 accomplishment plan.

28.6 **(c) Southeast Minnesota Protection and**
28.7 **Restoration - Phase V**

28.8 \$2,375,000 the first year is to the
28.9 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
28.10 land in fee for wildlife management purposes
28.11 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
28.12 subdivision 8; to acquire land in fee for
28.13 scientific and natural areas under Minnesota
28.14 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 5; to
28.15 acquire land in fee for state forest purposes
28.16 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
28.17 subdivision 7; to acquire permanent
28.18 conservation easements; and to restore and
28.19 enhance prairie, grassland, forest, and savanna.

28.20 The amount is for agreements as follows:
28.21 \$1,000,000 to The Nature Conservancy,
28.22 \$675,000 to The Trust for Public Land, and
28.23 \$700,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to
28.24 \$80,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is for
28.25 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
28.26 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
28.27 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
28.28 97A.056, subdivision 17. No later than 180
28.29 days after the The Nature Conservancy's fiscal
28.30 year ends, The Nature Conservancy must
28.31 submit to the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage
28.32 Council annual income statements and balance
28.33 sheets for income and expenses from land
28.34 acquired in fee with this appropriation and not
28.35 transferred to the state or a local governmental
28.36 unit. A list of proposed land acquisitions must

29.1 be provided as part of the required
29.2 accomplishment plan.

29.3 **(d) Minnesota Forests for the Future - Phase V**

29.4 \$2,291,000 the first year is to the
29.5 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
29.6 easements for forest, wetland, and shoreline
29.7 habitat through working forest permanent
29.8 conservation easements under the Minnesota
29.9 forests for the future program pursuant to
29.10 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.66. A
29.11 conservation easement acquired with money
29.12 appropriated under this paragraph must
29.13 comply with Minnesota Statutes, section
29.14 97A.056, subdivision 13. The accomplishment
29.15 plan must include an easement monitoring and
29.16 enforcement plan. Of this amount, up to
29.17 \$72,000 is for establishing a monitoring and
29.18 enforcement fund as approved in the
29.19 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
29.20 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
29.21 list of permanent conservation easements must
29.22 be provided as part of the final report.

29.23 **(e) State Forest Acquisitions - Phase IV**

29.24 \$1,000,000 the first year is to the
29.25 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
29.26 lands in fee for wildlife habitat purposes in
29.27 the Richard J. Dorer Memorial Hardwood
29.28 State Forest under Minnesota Statutes, section
29.29 86A.05, subdivision 7. A list of proposed land
29.30 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
29.31 required accomplishment plan.

29.32 **(f) Critical Shoreland Protection Program -**
29.33 **Phase IV**

29.34 \$1,700,000 the first year is to the
29.35 commissioner of natural resources for an

30.1 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
 30.2 acquire permanent conservation easements
 30.3 along rivers and lakes in the northern forest
 30.4 region. Of this amount, up to \$120,000 is for
 30.5 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
 30.6 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
 30.7 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
 30.8 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed
 30.9 permanent conservation easements must be
 30.10 provided as part of the required
 30.11 accomplishment plan.

30.12 **(g) Bushmen Lake**

30.13 \$4,600,000 the first year is to the
 30.14 commissioner of natural resources for an
 30.15 agreement with The Conservation Fund in
 30.16 cooperation with the United States Forest
 30.17 Service to acquire lands in fee adjacent to
 30.18 Bushmen Lake in St. Louis County to be
 30.19 managed for wildlife habitat purposes. A list
 30.20 of proposed land acquisitions must be
 30.21 provided as part of the required
 30.22 accomplishment plan.

30.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

30.24 Sec. 5. Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 2, article 1, section 2, subdivision 5, is
 30.25 amended to read:

30.26 Subd. 5. Habitats	50,119,000	-0-
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30.27 **(a) St. Croix Watershed Habitat Protection and**
 30.28 **Restoration - Phase I**

30.29 \$3,751,000 the first year is to the
 30.30 commissioner of natural resources for
 30.31 agreements as follows:
 30.32 (1) \$2,209,000 to The Trust for Public Land
 30.33 to acquire land in fee and to acquire permanent
 30.34 conservation stream easements in the St. Croix

31.1 River watershed using the payment method
31.2 prescribed in Minnesota Statutes, section
31.3 84.0272, subdivision 2; Of this amount, up
31.4 to \$20,000 is to the commissioner of natural
31.5 resources to deposit in the natural resources
31.6 conservation easement stewardship account
31.7 established under Minnesota Statutes, section
31.8 84.69, as approved in the accomplishment plan
31.9 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
31.10 97A.056, subdivision 17;
31.11 (2) \$1,377,000 to Minnesota Land Trust to
31.12 acquire permanent conservation easements
31.13 and to restore and enhance natural habitat
31.14 systems in the St. Croix River watershed. Of
31.15 this amount, up to \$168,000 to Minnesota
31.16 Land Trust is to establish a monitoring and
31.17 enforcement fund as approved in the
31.18 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
31.19 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17; and
31.20 (3) \$165,000 to the St. Croix River
31.21 Association to coordinate and administer the
31.22 program under this paragraph.
31.23 A list of proposed land acquisitions and
31.24 permanent conservation easements must be
31.25 provided as part of the required
31.26 accomplishment plan.
31.27 **(b) Metro Big Rivers - Phase IX**
31.28 \$4,163,000 the first year is to the
31.29 commissioner of natural resources for
31.30 agreements to acquire lands in fee and
31.31 permanent conservation easements and to
31.32 restore and enhance natural habitat systems
31.33 associated with the Mississippi, Minnesota,
31.34 and St. Croix Rivers and their tributaries in

32.1 the metropolitan area. Of this amount,
32.2 \$820,000 is to Minnesota Valley National
32.3 Wildlife Refuge Trust Inc., \$532,000 is to
32.4 Friends of the Mississippi River, \$1,061,000
32.5 is to Great River Greening, and \$1,750,000 is
32.6 to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$144,000 to
32.7 Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a
32.8 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
32.9 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
32.10 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
32.11 subdivision 17. A list of proposed land
32.12 acquisitions and permanent conservation
32.13 easements must be provided as part of the
32.14 required accomplishment plan.

32.15 **(c) Dakota County Habitat**
32.16 **Protection/Restoration - Phase VII**

32.17 \$3,516,000 the first year is to the
32.18 commissioner of natural resources for an
32.19 agreement with Dakota County to acquire
32.20 permanent conservation easements and land
32.21 in fee and to restore and enhance riparian and
32.22 other habitats in Dakota County. A list of
32.23 proposed land acquisitions and restorations
32.24 and enhancements must be provided as part
32.25 of the required accomplishment plan.

32.26 **(d) Fisheries Habitat Protection on Strategic**
32.27 **North Central Minnesota Lakes - Phase V**

32.28 \$3,365,000 the first year is to the
32.29 commissioner of natural resources for
32.30 agreements to acquire lands in fee and
32.31 permanent conservation easements and to
32.32 restore and enhance wildlife habitat to sustain
32.33 healthy fish habitat on coldwater lakes in
32.34 Aitkin, Cass, Crow Wing, and Hubbard
32.35 Counties. Of this amount, \$841,000 is to
32.36 Northern Waters Land Trust and \$2,524,000

33.1 is to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$192,000
33.2 to Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a
33.3 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
33.4 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
33.5 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
33.6 subdivision 17. A list of acquisitions must be
33.7 provided as part of the required
33.8 accomplishment plan.

33.9 **(e) Sauk River Watershed Habitat Protection**
33.10 **and Restoration**

33.11 \$2,946,000 the first year is to the
33.12 commissioner of natural resources for
33.13 agreements to acquire lands in fee and
33.14 permanent conservation easements and restore
33.15 and enhance wildlife habitat in the Sauk River
33.16 watershed as follows: \$440,000 to Sauk River
33.17 Watershed District, \$590,000 to Pheasants
33.18 Forever, and \$1,916,000 to Minnesota Land
33.19 Trust. Up to \$192,000 to Minnesota Land
33.20 Trust is to establish a monitoring and
33.21 enforcement fund as approved in the
33.22 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
33.23 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
33.24 list of acquisitions must be provided as part
33.25 of the required accomplishment plan.

33.26 **(f) Trout Unlimited Coldwater Fish Habitat**
33.27 **Enhancement and Restoration - Phase XI**

33.28 \$2,359,000 the first year is to the
33.29 commissioner of natural resources for an
33.30 agreement with Trout Unlimited to acquire
33.31 permanent conservation stream easements
33.32 using the payment method prescribed in
33.33 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.0272,
33.34 subdivision 2, and to restore and enhance
33.35 habitat for trout and other species in and along
33.36 coldwater rivers, lakes, and streams in

34.1 Minnesota. Up to \$40,000 is to establish a
34.2 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
34.3 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
34.4 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
34.5 subdivision 17. A list of proposed land
34.6 acquisitions and restorations and
34.7 enhancements must be provided as part of the
34.8 required accomplishment plan.

34.9 **(g) DNR Aquatic Habitat Restoration and**
34.10 **Enhancement - Phase II**

34.11 \$3,208,000 the first year is to the
34.12 commissioner of natural resources to restore
34.13 and enhance aquatic habitat in degraded
34.14 streams and aquatic management areas and to
34.15 facilitate fish passage. A list of proposed land
34.16 restorations and enhancements must be
34.17 provided as part of the required
34.18 accomplishment plan.

34.19 **(h) St. Louis River Restoration Initiative - Phase**
34.20 **VI**

34.21 \$3,777,000 the first year is to the
34.22 commissioner of natural resources to restore
34.23 aquatic and riparian habitats in the St. Louis
34.24 River estuary. Of this appropriation, up to
34.25 \$2,182,000 is for an agreement with
34.26 Minnesota Land Trust. A list of proposed
34.27 restorations must be provided as part of the
34.28 required accomplishment plan.

34.29 **(i) Knife River Habitat Rehabilitation - Phase**
34.30 **IV**

34.31 \$891,000 the first year is to the commissioner
34.32 of natural resources for an agreement with
34.33 Zeitgeist, in cooperation with the Lake
34.34 Superior Steelhead Association, to restore and
34.35 enhance trout habitat in the Knife River

35.1 watershed. A list of proposed enhancements
35.2 must be provided as part of the required
35.3 accomplishment plan.

35.4 **(j) Shell Rock River Watershed Habitat**
35.5 **Restoration Program - Phase VIII**

35.6 \$2,046,000 the first year is to the
35.7 commissioner of natural resources for an
35.8 agreement with the Shell Rock River
35.9 Watershed District to acquire lands in fee and
35.10 to restore and enhance aquatic habitat in the
35.11 Shell Rock River watershed. A list of proposed
35.12 acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements
35.13 must be provided as part of the required
35.14 accomplishment plan.

35.15 **(k) Pine River Fish Passage Project**

35.16 \$1,246,000 the first year is to the
35.17 commissioner of natural resources for an
35.18 agreement with the Crow Wing Soil and Water
35.19 Conservation District to restore and enhance
35.20 riverine habitat in the Pine River and provide
35.21 fish passage by removing dams and modifying
35.22 and installing structures.

35.23 **(l) Sauk River Dam Fish Passage**

35.24 \$737,000 the first year is to the commissioner
35.25 of natural resources for an agreement with the
35.26 Stearns County Soil and Water Conservation
35.27 District to restore and enhance riverine habitat
35.28 in the Sauk River and provide fish passage by
35.29 removing the dam and modifying and
35.30 installing structures at the Melrose dam site.

35.31 **(m) Restoring Norway Brook Connectivity to**
35.32 **the Pine River**

35.33 \$2,267,000 the first year is to the
35.34 commissioner of natural resources for an

36.1 agreement with the city of Pine River to
36.2 restore and enhance riverine habitat in the Pine
36.3 River and provide fish passage by removing
36.4 the dam and modifying and installing
36.5 structures at the Norway Lake dam site.

36.6 **(n) Pig's Eye Lake Islands Habitat Restoration**
36.7 **and Enhancement**

36.8 \$4,337,000 the first year is to the
36.9 commissioner of natural resources for an
36.10 agreement with Ramsey County to restore and
36.11 enhance wildlife habitat in Pig's Eye Lake, to
36.12 include constructing islands.

36.13 **(o) Restoring Upper Mississippi River at Lake**
36.14 **Pepin**

36.15 \$750,000 the first year is to the commissioner
36.16 of natural resources for an agreement with the
36.17 Lake Pepin Legacy Alliance to restore and
36.18 enhance wildlife habitat on public lands in
36.19 Lake Pepin and the adjacent floodplain. A list
36.20 of proposed restorations and enhancements
36.21 must be provided as part of the required
36.22 accomplishment plan.

36.23 **(p) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant**
36.24 **Program: Statewide and Metro Habitat - Phase**
36.25 **XI**

36.26 \$10,760,000 the first year is to the
36.27 commissioner of natural resources for a
36.28 program to provide competitive matching
36.29 grants of up to \$400,000 to local, regional,
36.30 state, and national organizations for enhancing,
36.31 restoring, or protecting forests, wetlands,
36.32 prairies, or habitat for fish, game, or wildlife
36.33 in Minnesota. Of this amount, at least
36.34 \$3,000,000 is for grants in the seven-county
36.35 metropolitan area and cities with a population
36.36 of 50,000 or greater. Grants must not be made

37.1 for activities required to fulfill the duties of
37.2 owners of lands subject to conservation
37.3 easements. Grants must not be made from the
37.4 appropriation in this paragraph for projects
37.5 that have a total project cost exceeding
37.6 \$575,000. Of the total appropriation, \$445,000
37.7 may be spent for personnel costs and other
37.8 direct and necessary administrative costs.
37.9 Grantees may acquire land or interests in land.
37.10 Easements must be permanent. Grants may
37.11 not be used to establish easement stewardship
37.12 accounts. Land acquired in fee must be open
37.13 to hunting and fishing during the open season
37.14 unless otherwise provided by law. The
37.15 program must require a match of at least ten
37.16 percent from nonstate sources for all grants.
37.17 The match may be cash or in-kind resources.
37.18 For grant applications of \$25,000 or less, the
37.19 commissioner must provide a separate,
37.20 simplified application process. Subject to
37.21 Minnesota statutes, the commissioner of
37.22 natural resources must, when evaluating
37.23 projects of equal value, give priority to
37.24 organizations that have a history of receiving,
37.25 or a charter to receive, private contributions
37.26 for local conservation or habitat projects. If
37.27 acquiring land in fee or a conservation
37.28 easement, priority must be given to projects
37.29 associated with or within one mile of existing
37.30 wildlife management areas under Minnesota
37.31 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8;
37.32 scientific and natural areas under Minnesota
37.33 Statutes, sections 84.033 and 86A.05,
37.34 subdivision 5; or aquatic management areas
37.35 under Minnesota Statutes, sections 86A.05,
37.36 subdivision 14, and 97C.02. All restoration or

38.1 enhancement projects must be on land
38.2 permanently protected by a permanent
38.3 covenant ensuring perpetual maintenance and
38.4 protection of restored and enhanced habitat,
38.5 by a conservation easement or public
38.6 ownership or in public waters as defined in
38.7 Minnesota Statutes, section 103G.005,
38.8 subdivision 15. Priority must be given to
38.9 restoration and enhancement projects on public
38.10 lands. Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
38.11 subdivision 13, applies to grants awarded
38.12 under this paragraph. This appropriation is
38.13 available until June 30, 2023. No less than five
38.14 percent of the amount of each grant must be
38.15 held back from reimbursement until the grant
38.16 recipient has completed a grant
38.17 accomplishment report by the deadline and in
38.18 the form prescribed by and satisfactory to the
38.19 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council. The
38.20 commissioner must provide notice of the grant
38.21 program in the summary of game and fish law
38.22 prepared under Minnesota Statutes, section
38.23 97A.051, subdivision 2.

38.24 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

38.25 **ARTICLE 2**
38.26 **OTHER FUNDS**

38.27 Section 1. Laws 2017, chapter 91, article 4, section 2, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

38.28 **Subd. 2. Availability of Appropriation**

38.29 Money appropriated in this article may not be
38.30 spent on activities unless they are directly
38.31 related to and necessary for a specific
38.32 appropriation. Money appropriated in this
38.33 article must not be spent on institutional
38.34 overhead charges that are not directly related

39.1 to and necessary for a specific appropriation.
39.2 Money appropriated in this article must be
39.3 spent in accordance with the Minnesota
39.4 Management and Budget's Guidance to
39.5 Agencies on Legacy Fund Expenditures.
39.6 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
39.7 16A.28, and unless otherwise specified in this
39.8 article, fiscal year 2018 appropriations are
39.9 available until June 30, 2019, and fiscal year
39.10 2019 appropriations are available until June
39.11 30, ~~2020~~ 2022. If a project receives federal
39.12 funds, the period of the appropriation is
39.13 extended to equal the availability of federal
39.14 funding.

39.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

39.16 Sec. 2. Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 2, article 4, section 2, subdivision 2, is
39.17 amended to read:

39.18 **Subd. 2. Availability of Appropriation**

39.19 Money appropriated in this article may not be
39.20 spent on activities unless they are directly
39.21 related to and necessary for a specific
39.22 appropriation. Money appropriated in this
39.23 article must not be spent on institutional
39.24 overhead charges that are not directly related
39.25 to and necessary for a specific appropriation.
39.26 Money appropriated in this article must be
39.27 spent in accordance with the Minnesota
39.28 Management and Budget's Guidance to
39.29 Agencies on Legacy Fund Expenditures.
39.30 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
39.31 16A.28, or any other law to the contrary, the
39.32 availability of any appropriation or grant of
39.33 money from the arts and cultural heritage fund
39.34 that would otherwise cancel, lapse, or expire

40.1 on June 30, 2020, is extended to June 30,
 40.2 2022. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes,
 40.3 section 16A.28, and unless otherwise specified
 40.4 in this article, fiscal year 2020 appropriations
 40.5 are available until June 30, ~~2021~~ 2022, and
 40.6 fiscal year 2021 appropriations are available
 40.7 until June 30, 2022. If a project receives
 40.8 federal funds, the period of the appropriation
 40.9 is extended to equal the availability of federal
 40.10 funding. To the extent permitted under article
 40.11 XI, section 15, of the Minnesota Constitution,
 40.12 money appropriated under this article may be
 40.13 used to assist grantees to maintain their
 40.14 financial sustainability and long-term viability
 40.15 during any peacetime emergency declared by
 40.16 the governor in an executive order that relates
 40.17 to the infectious disease known as COVID-19
 40.18 and the period following that peacetime
 40.19 emergency.

40.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

40.21 Sec. 3. Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 2, article 4, section 2, subdivision 8, is
 40.22 amended to read:

40.23 Subd. 8. Minnesota Humanities Center	3,150,000	3,250,000
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40.24 (a) These amounts are appropriated to the
 40.25 Board of Directors of the Minnesota
 40.26 Humanities Center for the purposes specified
 40.27 in this subdivision. The Minnesota Humanities
 40.28 Center may use up to 4.5 percent of the
 40.29 following grants to cover the cost of
 40.30 administering, planning, evaluating, and
 40.31 reporting these grants. The Minnesota
 40.32 Humanities Center must develop a written
 40.33 plan to issue the grants in this subdivision and
 40.34 must submit the plan for review and approval

41.1 by the Department of Administration. The
41.2 written plan must require the Minnesota
41.3 Humanities Center to create and adhere to
41.4 grant policies that are similar to those
41.5 established according to Minnesota Statutes,
41.6 section 16B.97, subdivision 4, paragraph (a),
41.7 clause (1).

41.8 No grants awarded in this subdivision may be
41.9 used for travel outside the state of Minnesota.

41.10 The grant agreement must specify the
41.11 repercussions for failing to comply with the
41.12 grant agreement.

41.13 **(b) Programs and Purposes**

41.14 \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,100,000 the
41.15 second year are for programs and purposes of
41.16 the Minnesota Humanities Center.

41.17 **(c) Children's Museum Grants**

41.18 \$1,200,000 each year is for arts and cultural
41.19 heritage grants to children's museums for arts
41.20 and cultural exhibits and related educational
41.21 outreach programs. Of this amount:

41.22 (1) \$525,000 each the first year is and
41.23 \$375,000 the second year are for the
41.24 Minnesota Children's Museum for interactive
41.25 exhibits and outreach programs on arts and
41.26 cultural heritage, including, during the first
41.27 year only, the Minnesota Children's Museum
41.28 in Rochester;

41.29 (2) \$150,000 the second year is for the
41.30 Children's Museum of Rochester for
41.31 interactive exhibits and outreach programs on
41.32 arts and cultural heritage;

42.1 ~~(3)~~ \$50,000 each year is to develop and
42.2 fabricate a permanent STEM exhibit for the
42.3 Minnesota Children's Museum of Rochester,
42.4 which must be under a separate grant
42.5 agreement from the grant agreement used to
42.6 provide funding to the Minnesota Children's
42.7 Museum; and

42.8 ~~(3)~~ (4) \$625,000 each year is for grants to
42.9 other children's museums to pay for start-up
42.10 costs or new exhibit and program
42.11 development.

42.12 Funds are to be distributed through a
42.13 competitive grant process. The Minnesota
42.14 Humanities Center must administer these
42.15 funds using established grant mechanisms.

42.16 **(d) Community Identity and Heritage Grant**
42.17 **Program**

42.18 \$850,000 the first year and \$850,000 the
42.19 second year are for a competitive grants
42.20 program to provide grants to preserve and
42.21 promote the cultural heritage of Minnesota.

42.22 The Minnesota Humanities Center must
42.23 operate a competitive grants program to
42.24 provide grants to programs that preserve and
42.25 honor the cultural heritage of Minnesota or
42.26 that provide education and student outreach
42.27 on cultural diversity or to programs that
42.28 empower communities to build their identity
42.29 and culture. Priority must be given to grants
42.30 for individuals and organizations working to
42.31 create, celebrate, and teach indigenous arts
42.32 and cultural activities and arts organizations
42.33 and programs preserving, sharing, and
42.34 educating on the arts and cultural heritage of
42.35 immigrant communities in Minnesota.

43.1 (1) Of this amount, \$250,000 the first year is
 43.2 for a grant to one or more community
 43.3 organizations that provide arts and cultural
 43.4 heritage programming celebrating Hmong
 43.5 heritage.

43.6 (2) Of this amount, \$250,000 the first year is
 43.7 for a grant to one or more community
 43.8 organizations that provide arts and cultural
 43.9 heritage programming celebrating Somali
 43.10 heritage.

43.11 **(e) Civics Programs**

43.12 \$100,000 each year is for grants to the
 43.13 Minnesota Civic Education Coalition:
 43.14 Minnesota Civic Youth, the Learning Law and
 43.15 Democracy Foundation, and YMCA Youth in
 43.16 Government to conduct civics education
 43.17 programs for the civic and cultural
 43.18 development of Minnesota youth. Civics
 43.19 education is the study of constitutional
 43.20 principles and the democratic foundation of
 43.21 our national, state, and local institutions and
 43.22 the study of political processes and structures
 43.23 of government, grounded in the understanding
 43.24 of constitutional government under the rule
 43.25 of law.

43.26 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

43.27 Sec. 4. Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 10, article 1, section 24, subdivision 2,
 43.28 is amended to read:

43.29 Subd. 2. Operations and Services	1,302,000	602,000
43.30 \$700,000 in the first year is for moving and		
43.31 relocation expenses for the board. Moving and		
43.32 relocation expenses are limited to the design		
43.33 and construction of new leased office space;		

44.1 moving, installing and reconfiguring
44.2 information technology systems and audio
44.3 visual equipment; purchasing and installing
44.4 work stations; and professional moving
44.5 services necessary to complete the relocation.

44.6 The board may use no more than \$5,000 for
44.7 other miscellaneous services, provided that
44.8 the services must be directly related to the
44.9 office relocation. On June 30, ~~2020~~ 2021, any
44.10 unexpended amounts appropriated for moving
44.11 and relocation expenses cancel to the general
44.12 fund.

44.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

44.14 Sec. 5. **EXTENSION OF AVAILABILITY OF CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS;**
44.15 **OTHER LEGACY FUNDS.**

44.16 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, or any other law to the contrary,
44.17 the availability of any appropriation or grant of money from the clean water fund or the
44.18 parks and trails fund that would otherwise cancel, lapse, or expire on June 30, 2020, is
44.19 extended to June 30, 2021.

44.20 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

44.21 Sec. 6. **APPROPRIATION; MINNESOTA MEDAL OF HONOR**
44.22 **COMMEMORATIVE MEMORIAL.**

44.23 \$250,000 in fiscal year 2020 is appropriated from the arts and cultural heritage fund to
44.24 the commissioner of administration to be transferred to the Medal of Honor account to
44.25 complete design and construction of a memorial in the Capitol Area to honor all Minnesota
44.26 Medal of Honor recipients. This appropriation is a replacement for the appropriation in
44.27 Laws 2017, chapter 91, article 4, section 2, subdivision 6, paragraph (p), that canceled at
44.28 the close of fiscal year 2019.

44.29 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.