

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to state government; appropriating money from outdoor heritage, clean

1.3 water, parks and trails, and arts and cultural heritage funds; modifying and

1.4 extending prior appropriations; ensuring grantee accountability; amending

1.5 Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 97A.056, subdivision 22; 129D.17, by adding

1.6 a subdivision; Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 2, article 2, section 8, as

1.7 amended; Laws 2020, chapter 104, article 1, section 2, subdivision 5, as amended.

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

1.9 **ARTICLE 1**

1.10 **OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND**

1.11 Section 1. **APPROPRIATIONS.**

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

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

1.14 fund for the fiscal year indicated for each purpose. The "first year" is fiscal year 2024. The

1.15 "second year" is fiscal year 2025. The "biennium" is fiscal years 2024 and 2025. The

1.16 appropriations in this article are onetime appropriations.

	<b><u>APPROPRIATIONS</u></b>
	<b><u>Available for the Year</u></b>
	<b><u>Ending June 30</u></b>
	<b><u>2024</u>                      <u>2025</u></b>

1.21 Sec. 2. **OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND**

1.22 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation**                      **\$    171,135,000 \$                      655,000**

1.23 This appropriation is from the outdoor heritage

1.24 fund. The amounts that may be spent for each

2.1 purpose are specified in the following  
2.2 subdivisions.

2.3 Subd. 2. **Prairies** 31,917,000 -0-

2.4 **(a) Minnesota Prairie Recovery Program, Phase**  
2.5 **XIII**

2.6 \$3,856,000 the first year is to the  
2.7 commissioner of natural resources for an  
2.8 agreement with The Nature Conservancy to  
2.9 acquire land in fee and restore and enhance  
2.10 native prairie, grasslands, wetlands, and  
2.11 savanna. Subject to the evaluation criteria in  
2.12 Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority  
2.13 must be given to acquiring lands that are  
2.14 eligible for the native prairie bank under  
2.15 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands  
2.16 adjacent to protected native prairie. Annual  
2.17 income statements and balance sheets for  
2.18 income and expenses from land acquired with  
2.19 this appropriation must be submitted to the  
2.20 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council no  
2.21 later than 180 days after the close of The  
2.22 Nature Conservancy's fiscal year. A list of  
2.23 proposed land acquisitions, restorations, and  
2.24 enhancements must be provided as part of the  
2.25 required accomplishment plan and must be  
2.26 consistent with the priorities identified in the  
2.27 *Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan.*

2.28 **(b) Martin County DNR WMA Acquisition,**  
2.29 **Phase VII**

2.30 \$2,137,000 the first year is to the  
2.31 commissioner of natural resources for  
2.32 agreements to acquire land in fee and restore  
2.33 and enhance strategic prairie grassland,  
2.34 wetland, and other wildlife habitat in Martin  
2.35 and Watonwan Counties for wildlife

3.1 management area purposes under Minnesota  
3.2 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8, as  
3.3 follows: \$1,670,000 to Fox Lake Conservation  
3.4 League Inc.; \$421,000 to Ducks Unlimited;  
3.5 and \$46,000 to The Conservation Fund. A list  
3.6 of proposed acquisitions must be provided as  
3.7 part of the required accomplishment plan.

3.8 **(c) RIM Grasslands Reserve, Phase V**

3.9 \$2,747,000 the first year is to the Board of  
3.10 Water and Soil Resources to acquire  
3.11 permanent conservation easements and to  
3.12 restore and enhance grassland habitat under  
3.13 Minnesota Statutes, sections 103F.501 to  
3.14 103F.531. Of this amount, up to \$46,000 is  
3.15 for establishing a monitoring and enforcement  
3.16 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan  
3.17 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
3.18 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent  
3.19 conservation easements must be provided as  
3.20 part of the final report.

3.21 **(d) Prairie Chicken Habitat Partnership of the**  
3.22 **Southern Red River Valley, Phase IX**

3.23 \$4,400,000 the first year is to the  
3.24 commissioner of natural resources for an  
3.25 agreement with Pheasants Forever, in  
3.26 cooperation with the Minnesota Prairie  
3.27 Chicken Society, to acquire land in fee and  
3.28 restore and enhance lands in the southern Red  
3.29 River Valley for wildlife management  
3.30 purposes under Minnesota Statutes, section  
3.31 86A.05, subdivision 8, or to be designated and  
3.32 managed as waterfowl production areas in  
3.33 Minnesota, in cooperation with the United  
3.34 States Fish and Wildlife Service. Subject to  
3.35 the evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules,

4.1 part 6136.0900, priority must be given to  
4.2 acquiring lands that are eligible for the native  
4.3 prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes, section  
4.4 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected native  
4.5 prairie. A list of proposed land acquisitions  
4.6 must be provided as part of the required  
4.7 accomplishment plan.

4.8 **(e) Working Lands for Habitat**

4.9 \$2,709,000 the first year is to the Board of  
4.10 Water and Soil Resources to acquire  
4.11 permanent conservation easements that allow  
4.12 long-term grazing while also protecting  
4.13 wildlife habitat and water quality under  
4.14 Minnesota Statutes, sections 103F.501 to  
4.15 103F.531. Grazing plans must be developed  
4.16 before grazing is allowed. Of this amount, up  
4.17 to \$46,000 is for establishing a monitoring and  
4.18 enforcement fund as approved in the  
4.19 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota  
4.20 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A  
4.21 list of permanent conservation easements must  
4.22 be provided as part of the final report.

4.23 **(f) Accelerating the Wildlife Management Area**  
4.24 **Program, Phase XV**

4.25 \$5,216,000 the first year is to the  
4.26 commissioner of natural resources for an  
4.27 agreement with Pheasants Forever to acquire  
4.28 in fee and restore and enhance lands for  
4.29 wildlife management area purposes under  
4.30 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,  
4.31 subdivision 8. Subject to the evaluation criteria  
4.32 in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority  
4.33 must be given to acquiring lands that are  
4.34 eligible for the native prairie bank under  
4.35 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands

5.1 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of  
5.2 proposed land acquisitions must be provided  
5.3 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

5.4 **(g) Accelerating the USFWS Habitat**  
5.5 **Conservation Easement Program, Phase IV**

5.6 \$5,077,000 the first year is to the  
5.7 commissioner of natural resources for  
5.8 agreements to restore and enhance wetland  
5.9 and prairie habitat on habitat easements of the  
5.10 United States Fish and Wildlife Service as  
5.11 follows: \$3,391,000 to Ducks Unlimited and  
5.12 \$1,686,000 to Pheasants Forever. A list of  
5.13 proposed land restorations and enhancements  
5.14 must be provided as part of the required  
5.15 accomplishment plan.

5.16 **(h) DNR Grassland Enhancement, Phase XV**

5.17 \$3,003,000 the first year is to the  
5.18 commissioner of natural resources to  
5.19 accelerate the restoration and enhancement of  
5.20 prairies, grasslands, and savannas in wildlife  
5.21 management areas, in scientific and natural  
5.22 areas, in aquatic management areas, on lands  
5.23 in the native prairie bank, in bluff prairies on  
5.24 state forest land in southeastern Minnesota,  
5.25 and in waterfowl production areas and refuge  
5.26 lands of the United States Fish and Wildlife  
5.27 Service. A list of proposed land restorations  
5.28 and enhancements must be provided as part  
5.29 of the required accomplishment plan.

5.30 **(i) Enhanced Public Land - Grasslands, Phase**  
5.31 **VI**

5.32 \$2,772,000 the first year is to the  
5.33 commissioner of natural resources for an  
5.34 agreement with Pheasants Forever to enhance  
5.35 and restore grassland and wetland habitat on

6.1 public lands. A list of proposed land  
6.2 restorations and enhancements must be  
6.3 provided as part of the required  
6.4 accomplishment plan.

6.5 **Subd. 3. Forests** 6,569,000 -0-

6.6 **(a) Hardwood Hills Habitat Conservation**  
6.7 **Program**

6.8 \$1,894,000 the first year is to the  
6.9 commissioner of natural resources for  
6.10 agreements to acquire permanent conservation  
6.11 easements and restore and enhance forest  
6.12 habitats in the hardwood hills ecological  
6.13 section of west-central Minnesota as follows:  
6.14 \$175,000 to St. John's University and  
6.15 \$1,719,000 to Minnesota Land Trust.  
6.16 \$168,000 of the amount to Minnesota Land  
6.17 Trust is to establish a monitoring and  
6.18 enforcement fund as approved in the  
6.19 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota  
6.20 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A  
6.21 list of proposed permanent conservation  
6.22 easements, restorations, and enhancements  
6.23 must be provided as part of the required  
6.24 accomplishment plan.

6.25 **(b) Camp Ripley Sentinel Landscape Protection**  
6.26 **Program ACUB, Phase XI**

6.27 \$2,133,000 the first year is to the Board of  
6.28 Water and Soil Resources, in cooperation with  
6.29 the Morrison County Soil and Water  
6.30 Conservation District, to acquire permanent  
6.31 conservation easements and restore and  
6.32 enhance forest wildlife habitat within the  
6.33 boundaries of the Minnesota National Guard  
6.34 Camp Ripley Sentinel Landscape and Army  
6.35 Compatible Use Buffer. Up to \$111,000 to the

7.1 Board of Water and Soil Resources is to  
7.2 establish a monitoring and enforcement fund  
7.3 as approved in the accomplishment plan and  
7.4 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
7.5 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent  
7.6 conservation easements must be provided as  
7.7 part of the final report.

7.8 **(c) Protecting and Enhancing Public Land**  
7.9 **Forest Habitats by Strategically Acquiring**  
7.10 **Private Land Inholdings**

7.11 \$1,046,000 the first year is to the  
7.12 commissioner of natural resources for an  
7.13 agreement with the Ruffed Grouse Society to  
7.14 protect and enhance forest habitats by  
7.15 strategically acquiring private forest land  
7.16 inholdings to provide better public forest  
7.17 management, reduce fragmentation, and  
7.18 provide public access. A list of proposed  
7.19 acquisitions and enhancements must be  
7.20 provided as part of the required  
7.21 accomplishment plan.

7.22 **(d) DNR Forest Habitat Enhancement, Phase**  
7.23 **III**

7.24 \$1,496,000 the first year is to the  
7.25 commissioner of natural resources to restore  
7.26 and enhance forest wildlife habitats on public  
7.27 lands throughout Minnesota. A list of  
7.28 proposed land restorations and enhancements  
7.29 must be provided as part of the required  
7.30 accomplishment plan.

7.31 **Subd. 4. Wetlands**

33,469,000

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7.32 **(a) RIM Wetlands - Restoring the Most**  
7.33 **Productive Habitat in Minnesota, Phase XII**

7.34 \$4,122,000 the first year is to the Board of  
7.35 Water and Soil Resources to acquire

8.1 permanent conservation easements and to  
8.2 restore wetlands and native grassland habitat  
8.3 under Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.515.

8.4 Of this amount, up to \$72,000 is for  
8.5 establishing a monitoring and enforcement  
8.6 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan  
8.7 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
8.8 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent  
8.9 conservation easements must be provided as  
8.10 part of the final report.

8.11 **(b) Shallow Lake and Wetland Protection and**  
8.12 **Restoration Program, Phase XII**

8.13 \$7,061,000 the first year is to the  
8.14 commissioner of natural resources for an  
8.15 agreement with Ducks Unlimited to acquire  
8.16 land in fee for wildlife management purposes  
8.17 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,  
8.18 subdivision 8, and to restore and enhance  
8.19 prairie lands, wetlands, and land that buffers  
8.20 shallow lakes. A list of proposed acquisitions  
8.21 must be provided as part of the required  
8.22 accomplishment plan.

8.23 **(c) Wetland Habitat Protection and Restoration**  
8.24 **Program, Phase VIII**

8.25 \$3,012,000 the first year is to the  
8.26 commissioner of natural resources for an  
8.27 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to  
8.28 acquire permanent conservation easements  
8.29 and restore and enhance prairie, wetland, and  
8.30 other habitat on permanently protected  
8.31 conservation easements in high-priority  
8.32 wetland habitat complexes in the prairie,  
8.33 forest/prairie transition, and forest regions. Of  
8.34 this amount, up to \$168,000 is to establish a  
8.35 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved  
8.36 in the accomplishment plan and subject to

9.1 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,  
9.2 subdivision 17. A list of proposed  
9.3 conservation easement acquisitions and  
9.4 restorations and enhancements must be  
9.5 provided as part of the required  
9.6 accomplishment plan.

9.7 **(d) Accelerating the Waterfowl Production Area**  
9.8 **Acquisition Program, Phase XIV**

9.9 \$5,231,000 the first year is to the  
9.10 commissioner of natural resources for an  
9.11 agreement with Pheasants Forever, in  
9.12 cooperation with the United States Fish and  
9.13 Wildlife Service, to acquire land in fee and  
9.14 restore and enhance wetlands and grasslands  
9.15 to be designated and managed as waterfowl  
9.16 production areas in Minnesota. A list of  
9.17 proposed land acquisitions must be provided  
9.18 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

9.19 **(e) Wetland Enhancement in the Big Woods**

9.20 \$619,000 the first year is to the commissioner  
9.21 of natural resources for an agreement with  
9.22 Scott-Le Sueur Waterfowlers to restore and  
9.23 enhance wetlands in Scott and Rice Counties.  
9.24 A list of proposed restorations and  
9.25 enhancements must be provided as part of the  
9.26 required accomplishment plan.

9.27 **(f) Living Shallow Lakes and Wetlands**  
9.28 **Enhancement and Restoration Initiative, Phase**  
9.29 **IX**

9.30 \$6,634,000 the first year is to the  
9.31 commissioner of natural resources for an  
9.32 agreement with Ducks Unlimited to restore  
9.33 and enhance shallow lakes, wetlands, and  
9.34 grasslands on public lands and wetlands and  
9.35 grasslands under permanent conservation

10.1 easement for wildlife management. A list of  
10.2 proposed shallow-lake enhancements and  
10.3 wetland restorations must be provided as part  
10.4 of the required accomplishment plan.

10.5 **(g) Voyageurs National Park Wetland**  
10.6 **Restoration Project, Phase III**

10.7 \$1,153,000 the first year is to the  
10.8 commissioner of natural resources for an  
10.9 agreement with the National Park Service to  
10.10 restore and enhance wetland and lacustrine  
10.11 habitat in Voyageurs National Park. A list of  
10.12 proposed restorations and enhancements must  
10.13 be provided as part of the required  
10.14 accomplishment plan.

10.15 **(h) Accelerated Shallow Lakes and Wetland**  
10.16 **Enhancement, Phase XV**

10.17 \$3,695,000 the first year is to the  
10.18 commissioner of natural resources to enhance  
10.19 and restore shallow lakes and wetland habitat  
10.20 statewide. A list of proposed shallow lake and  
10.21 wetland restorations and enhancements must  
10.22 be provided as part of the required  
10.23 accomplishment plan.

10.24 **(i) Bone Lake South Wetland Acquisition**

10.25 \$1,942,000 the first year is to the  
10.26 commissioner of natural resources for an  
10.27 agreement with the Comfort Lake-Forest Lake  
10.28 Watershed District to acquire in fee and restore  
10.29 and enhance lands for wildlife and water  
10.30 quality purposes in the Bone Lake watershed.  
10.31 A list of proposed acquisitions must be  
10.32 provided as part of the required  
10.33 accomplishment plan.

11.1	<u>Subd. 5. Habitats</u>	<u>97,349,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
11.2	<u>(a) Hennepin County Habitat Conservation</u>		
11.3	<u>Program, Phase III</u>		
11.4	<u>\$4,649,000 the first year is to the</u>		
11.5	<u>commissioner of natural resources for</u>		
11.6	<u>agreements to acquire permanent conservation</u>		
11.7	<u>easements and to restore and enhance wildlife</u>		
11.8	<u>habitat in Hennepin County as follows:</u>		
11.9	<u>\$1,687,000 to Hennepin County and</u>		
11.10	<u>\$2,962,000 to Minnesota Land Trust.</u>		
11.11	<u>\$216,000 of the amount to Minnesota Land</u>		
11.12	<u>Trust is to establish a monitoring and</u>		
11.13	<u>enforcement fund as approved in the</u>		
11.14	<u>accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota</u>		
11.15	<u>Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A</u>		
11.16	<u>list of proposed permanent conservation</u>		
11.17	<u>easements, restorations, and enhancements</u>		
11.18	<u>must be provided as part of the required</u>		
11.19	<u>accomplishment plan.</u>		
11.20	<u>(b) Anoka Sand Plain Habitat Conservation,</u>		
11.21	<u>Phase VIII</u>		
11.22	<u>\$3,269,000 the first year is to the</u>		
11.23	<u>commissioner of natural resources for</u>		
11.24	<u>agreements to acquire permanent conservation</u>		
11.25	<u>easements and to restore and enhance wildlife</u>		
11.26	<u>habitat on public lands and easements in the</u>		
11.27	<u>Anoka Sand Plain ecoregion and intersecting</u>		
11.28	<u>minor watersheds as follows: \$802,000 to the</u>		
11.29	<u>Anoka Conservation District; \$839,000 to</u>		
11.30	<u>Great River Greening; \$175,000 to the</u>		
11.31	<u>National Wild Turkey Federation; \$280,000</u>		
11.32	<u>to Sherburne County; and \$1,173,000 to</u>		
11.33	<u>Minnesota Land Trust. \$144,000 of the</u>		
11.34	<u>amount to Minnesota Land Trust is to establish</u>		
11.35	<u>a monitoring and enforcement fund as</u>		
11.36	<u>approved in the accomplishment plan and</u>		

- 12.1 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
12.2 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed  
12.3 permanent conservation easements,  
12.4 restorations, and enhancements must be  
12.5 provided as part of the required  
12.6 accomplishment plan.
- 12.7 **(c) Accelerating Habitat Conservation in**  
12.8 **Southwest Minnesota, Phase II**
- 12.9 \$3,071,000 the first year is to the  
12.10 commissioner of natural resources for an  
12.11 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to  
12.12 acquire permanent conservation easements  
12.13 and to restore and enhance high-quality  
12.14 wildlife habitat in southwest Minnesota. Of  
12.15 this amount, up to \$168,000 is to establish a  
12.16 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved  
12.17 in the accomplishment plan and subject to  
12.18 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,  
12.19 subdivision 17. A list of proposed  
12.20 conservation easement acquisitions,  
12.21 restorations, and enhancements must be  
12.22 provided as part of the required  
12.23 accomplishment plan.
- 12.24 **(d) Buffalo-Red River Watershed District**  
12.25 **Stream Habitat Program, Phase III**
- 12.26 \$3,748,000 the first year is to acquire  
12.27 permanent conservation easements and restore  
12.28 and enhance aquatic and upland habitat  
12.29 associated with the Red River and Buffalo  
12.30 River watersheds. Of this amount, \$2,250,000  
12.31 is to the commissioner of natural resources for  
12.32 an agreement with the Buffalo-Red River  
12.33 Watershed District and \$1,498,000 is to the  
12.34 Board of Water and Soil Resources. \$102,000  
12.35 of the amount to the Board of Water and Soil  
12.36 Resources is for establishing a monitoring and

13.1 enforcement fund as approved in the  
13.2 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota  
13.3 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A  
13.4 list of proposed acquisitions and restorations  
13.5 must be included as part of the required  
13.6 accomplishment plan.

13.7 **(e) Southeast Minnesota Protection and**  
13.8 **Restoration, Phase XI**

13.9 \$3,675,000 the first year is to the  
13.10 commissioner of natural resources for  
13.11 agreements to acquire lands in fee and  
13.12 permanent conservation easements and to  
13.13 restore and enhance wildlife habitat on public  
13.14 lands and permanent conservation easements  
13.15 in southeast Minnesota as follows: \$1,311,000  
13.16 to The Nature Conservancy; \$942,000 to Trust  
13.17 for Public Land; and \$1,422,000 to Minnesota  
13.18 Land Trust. \$168,000 of the amount to  
13.19 Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a  
13.20 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved  
13.21 in the accomplishment plan and subject to  
13.22 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,  
13.23 subdivision 17. A list of proposed land  
13.24 acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements  
13.25 must be provided as part of the required  
13.26 accomplishment plan.

13.27 **(f) Protecting Minnesota's Lakes of Outstanding**  
13.28 **Biological Significance, Phase II**

13.29 \$3,648,000 the first year is to the  
13.30 commissioner of natural resources for  
13.31 agreements to acquire land in fee and  
13.32 permanent conservation easements and to  
13.33 restore and enhance lakes of outstanding  
13.34 biological significance in northeast and  
13.35 north-central Minnesota. Of this amount,  
13.36 \$1,507,000 is to Northern Waters Land Trust

14.1 and \$2,141,000 is to Minnesota Land Trust.  
14.2 \$192,000 of the amount to Minnesota Land  
14.3 Trust is for establishing a monitoring and  
14.4 enforcement fund as approved in the  
14.5 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota  
14.6 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A  
14.7 list of proposed acquisitions must be included  
14.8 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

14.9 **(g) Fisheries Habitat Protection on Strategic**  
14.10 **North-Central Minnesota Lakes, Phase IX**

14.11 \$3,719,000 the first year is to the  
14.12 commissioner of natural resources for  
14.13 agreements to acquire land in fee and in  
14.14 permanent conservation easements and to  
14.15 restore and enhance wildlife habitat to sustain  
14.16 healthy fish habitat on coldwater lakes in  
14.17 Aitkin, Cass, Crow Wing, and Hubbard  
14.18 Counties as follows: \$1,777,000 to Northern  
14.19 Waters Land Trust and \$1,942,000 to  
14.20 Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$168,000 to  
14.21 Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a  
14.22 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved  
14.23 in the accomplishment plan and subject to  
14.24 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,  
14.25 subdivision 17. A list of acquisitions must be  
14.26 provided as part of the required  
14.27 accomplishment plan.

14.28 **(h) DNR Wildlife Management Area and**  
14.29 **Scientific and Natural Area Acquisition, Phase**  
14.30 **XV**

14.31 \$2,340,000 the first year is to the  
14.32 commissioner of natural resources to acquire  
14.33 in fee and restore and enhance lands for  
14.34 wildlife management purposes under  
14.35 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,  
14.36 subdivision 8, and to acquire land in fee for

15.1 scientific and natural area purposes under  
15.2 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,  
15.3 subdivision 5. Subject to the evaluation criteria  
15.4 in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority  
15.5 must be given to acquiring lands that are  
15.6 eligible for the native prairie bank under  
15.7 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands  
15.8 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of  
15.9 proposed land acquisitions must be provided  
15.10 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

15.11 **(i) DNR Trout Stream Conservation Easements,**  
15.12 **Phase III**

15.13 \$1,043,000 the first year is to the  
15.14 commissioner of natural resources to acquire  
15.15 land in permanent conservation easements to  
15.16 protect trout-stream aquatic habitat. Of this  
15.17 amount, up to \$120,000 is for establishing a  
15.18 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved  
15.19 in the accomplishment plan and subject to  
15.20 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,  
15.21 subdivision 17. A list of permanent  
15.22 conservation easements must be provided as  
15.23 part of the required accomplishment plan.

15.24 **(j) Metro Big Rivers, Phase XIII**

15.25 \$15,339,000 the first year is to the  
15.26 commissioner of natural resources for  
15.27 agreements to acquire land in fee and  
15.28 permanent conservation easements and to  
15.29 restore and enhance natural habitat systems  
15.30 associated with the Mississippi, Minnesota,  
15.31 and St. Croix Rivers and their tributaries in  
15.32 the metropolitan area as follows: \$700,000 to  
15.33 Minnesota Valley Trust; \$540,000 to Friends  
15.34 of the Mississippi River; \$928,000 to Great  
15.35 River Greening; \$11,171,000 to Trust for

16.1 Public Land; and \$2,000,000 to Minnesota  
16.2 Land Trust. Up to \$192,000 to Minnesota  
16.3 Land Trust is to establish a monitoring and  
16.4 enforcement fund as approved in the  
16.5 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota  
16.6 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A  
16.7 list of proposed land acquisitions and  
16.8 permanent conservation easements must be  
16.9 provided as part of the required  
16.10 accomplishment plan.

16.11 **(k) St. Croix Watershed Habitat Protection and**  
16.12 **Restoration, Phase IV**

16.13 \$13,306,000 the first year is to the  
16.14 commissioner of natural resources for  
16.15 agreements to acquire land in fee and  
16.16 permanent conservation easements and to  
16.17 restore and enhance natural habitat systems in  
16.18 the St. Croix River watershed as follows:  
16.19 \$11,171,000 to Trust for Public Land;  
16.20 \$105,000 to Wild Rivers Conservancy; and  
16.21 \$2,030,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to  
16.22 \$168,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is to  
16.23 establish a monitoring and enforcement fund  
16.24 as approved in the accomplishment plan and  
16.25 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
16.26 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed  
16.27 land acquisitions and permanent conservation  
16.28 easements must be provided as part of the  
16.29 required accomplishment plan.

16.30 **(l) Shell Rock River Watershed Habitat**  
16.31 **Restoration Program, Phase XII**

16.32 \$2,198,000 the first year is to the  
16.33 commissioner of natural resources for an  
16.34 agreement with the Shell Rock River  
16.35 Watershed District to acquire land in fee and  
16.36 to restore and enhance habitat in the Shell

17.1 Rock River watershed. A list of proposed  
17.2 acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements  
17.3 must be provided as part of the required  
17.4 accomplishment plan.

17.5 **(m) Integrating Habitat and Clean Water, Phase**  
17.6 **II**

17.7 \$3,269,000 the first year is to the Board of  
17.8 Water and Soil Resources to acquire  
17.9 permanent conservation easements and restore  
17.10 and enhance wildlife habitat identified in One  
17.11 Watershed, One Plan for stacked benefit to  
17.12 wildlife and clean water. Up to \$85,000 of the  
17.13 amount is for establishing a monitoring and  
17.14 enforcement fund as approved in the  
17.15 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota  
17.16 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A  
17.17 list of permanent conservation easements must  
17.18 be provided as part of the final report.

17.19 **(n) Cannon River Watershed Habitat**  
17.20 **Restoration and Protection Program, Phase XII**

17.21 \$2,981,000 the first year is to the  
17.22 commissioner of natural resources for  
17.23 agreements to acquire lands in fee and restore  
17.24 and enhance wildlife habitat in the Cannon  
17.25 River watershed as follows: \$119,000 to Clean  
17.26 River Partners; \$994,000 to Great River  
17.27 Greening; and \$1,868,000 to Trust for Public  
17.28 Land. A list of proposed land acquisitions,  
17.29 restorations, and enhancements must be  
17.30 provided as part of the required  
17.31 accomplishment plan.

17.32 **(o) Enhance Metro and Southeast Minnesota**  
17.33 **Trout Stream Habitats, Phase II**

17.34 \$1,690,000 the first year is to the  
17.35 commissioner of natural resources for an

18.1 agreement with Minnesota Trout Unlimited  
18.2 to restore and enhance habitat for trout and  
18.3 other species in and along coldwater rivers,  
18.4 lakes, and streams in the metro and southeast  
18.5 regions of Minnesota. A list of proposed  
18.6 restorations and enhancements must be  
18.7 provided as part of the required  
18.8 accomplishment plan.

18.9 **(p) Lake Nokomis Shoreline Enhancements for**  
18.10 **Turtles and Pollinators, Phase II**

18.11 \$755,000 the first year is to the commissioner  
18.12 of natural resources for an agreement with the  
18.13 Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board to  
18.14 enhance shoreline and upland habitat on Lake  
18.15 Nokomis. A list of proposed enhancements  
18.16 must be provided as part of the required  
18.17 accomplishment plan.

18.18 **(q) Upper Sioux Community Habitat**  
18.19 **Restoration**

18.20 \$966,000 the first year is to the commissioner  
18.21 of natural resources for an agreement with the  
18.22 Upper Sioux Community to restore and  
18.23 enhance oak savanna, forest, prairie, and other  
18.24 wildlife habitats on Tribal lands. A list of  
18.25 proposed restorations and enhancements must  
18.26 be provided as part of the required  
18.27 accomplishment plan.

18.28 **(r) Rum River Corridor Fish and Wildlife**  
18.29 **Habitat Enhancement, Phase II**

18.30 \$1,699,000 the first year is to the  
18.31 commissioner of natural resources for an  
18.32 agreement with the Anoka County Soil and  
18.33 Water Conservation District to restore and  
18.34 enhance upland and riverine habitat in the  
18.35 Rum River corridor. A list of proposed

19.1 enhancements and restorations must be  
19.2 provided as part of the required  
19.3 accomplishment plan.

19.4 **(s) Restoring and Enhancing Minnesota's**  
19.5 **Important Bird Areas in the St. Croix River**  
19.6 **Valley**

19.7 \$1,034,000 the first year is to the  
19.8 commissioner of natural resources for an  
19.9 agreement with Audubon Minnesota to restore  
19.10 and enhance wildlife habitat in important bird  
19.11 areas and other priority wildlife areas in the  
19.12 St. Croix River Valley. A list of proposed  
19.13 restorations and enhancements must be  
19.14 provided as part of the required  
19.15 accomplishment plan.

19.16 **(t) DNR St. Louis River Restoration Initiative,**  
19.17 **Phase X**

19.18 \$2,596,000 the first year is to the  
19.19 commissioner of natural resources to restore  
19.20 and enhance priority aquatic, riparian, and  
19.21 forest habitats in the St. Louis River estuary.  
19.22 Of this amount, up to \$140,000 is for an  
19.23 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust. A list  
19.24 of proposed restorations and enhancements  
19.25 must be provided as part of the required  
19.26 accomplishment plan.

19.27 **(u) DNR Aquatic Habitat Restoration and**  
19.28 **Enhancement, Phase XI**

19.29 \$4,122,000 the first year is to the  
19.30 commissioner of natural resources to restore  
19.31 and enhance aquatic habitat in degraded  
19.32 streams and aquatic management areas and to  
19.33 facilitate fish passage. A list of proposed land  
19.34 restorations and enhancements must be  
19.35 provided as part of the required  
19.36 accomplishment plan.

20.1 **(v) DNR Roving Crew, Phase II**  
20.2 \$8,732,000 the first year is to the  
20.3 commissioner of natural resources to restore  
20.4 and enhance fish and wildlife habitat on  
20.5 permanently protected lands throughout  
20.6 Minnesota using the roving crew program of  
20.7 the Department of Natural Resources. A list  
20.8 of restoration and enhancement projects must  
20.9 be provided as part of the required  
20.10 accomplishment plan.

20.11 **(w) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant**  
20.12 **Program: Statewide and Metro Habitat, Phase**  
20.13 **XV**

20.14 \$9,500,000 the first year is to the  
20.15 commissioner of natural resources for a  
20.16 program to provide competitive matching  
20.17 grants of up to \$500,000 to local, regional,  
20.18 state, and national organizations for enhancing,  
20.19 restoring, or protecting forests, wetlands,  
20.20 prairies, or habitat for fish, game, or wildlife  
20.21 in Minnesota. Of this amount, at least  
20.22 \$2,500,000 is for grants in the seven-county  
20.23 metropolitan area and cities with a population  
20.24 of 50,000 or greater. Grants must not be made  
20.25 for activities required to fulfill the duties of  
20.26 owners of lands subject to conservation  
20.27 easements. Grants must not be made from the  
20.28 appropriation in this paragraph for projects  
20.29 that have a total project cost exceeding  
20.30 \$1,000,000. Of the total appropriation,  
20.31 \$450,000 may be spent for personnel costs  
20.32 and other direct and necessary administrative  
20.33 costs. Grantees may acquire land or interests  
20.34 in land. Easements must be permanent. Grants  
20.35 may not be used to establish easement  
20.36 stewardship accounts. Land acquired in fee

21.1 must be open to hunting and fishing during  
21.2 the open season unless otherwise provided by  
21.3 law. The program must require a match of at  
21.4 least ten percent from nonstate sources for all  
21.5 grants. The match may be cash or in-kind  
21.6 resources. For grant applications of \$25,000  
21.7 or less, the commissioner must provide a  
21.8 separate, simplified application process.  
21.9 Subject to Minnesota Statutes, the  
21.10 commissioner of natural resources must, when  
21.11 evaluating projects of equal value, give  
21.12 priority to organizations that have a history of  
21.13 receiving, or a charter to receive, private  
21.14 contributions for local conservation or habitat  
21.15 projects. For grant requests to acquire land in  
21.16 fee or a conservation easement, the  
21.17 commissioner must give priority to projects  
21.18 associated with or within one mile of existing  
21.19 wildlife management areas under Minnesota  
21.20 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8;  
21.21 scientific and natural areas under Minnesota  
21.22 Statutes, sections 84.033 and 86A.05,  
21.23 subdivision 5; or aquatic management areas  
21.24 under Minnesota Statutes, sections 86A.05,  
21.25 subdivision 14, and 97C.02. All restoration or  
21.26 enhancement projects must be on land  
21.27 permanently protected by a permanent  
21.28 covenant ensuring perpetual maintenance and  
21.29 protection of restored and enhanced habitat,  
21.30 by a conservation easement, or by public  
21.31 ownership or in public waters as defined in  
21.32 Minnesota Statutes, section 103G.005,  
21.33 subdivision 15. Priority must be given to  
21.34 restoration and enhancement projects on public  
21.35 lands. Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,  
21.36 subdivision 13, applies to grants awarded

22.1 under this paragraph. This appropriation is  
22.2 available until June 30, 2026. No less than five  
22.3 percent of the amount of each grant must be  
22.4 held back from reimbursement until the grant  
22.5 recipient has completed a grant  
22.6 accomplishment report by the deadline and in  
22.7 the form prescribed by and satisfactory to the  
22.8 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council. The  
22.9 commissioner must provide notice of the grant  
22.10 program in the summary of game and fish law  
22.11 prepared under Minnesota Statutes, section  
22.12 97A.051, subdivision 2.

22.13 **Subd. 6. Administration**

1,831,000

655,000

22.14 **(a) Contract Management**

22.15 \$336,000 the first year is to the commissioner  
22.16 of natural resources for contract management  
22.17 duties assigned in this section. The  
22.18 commissioner must provide an  
22.19 accomplishment plan in the form specified by  
22.20 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council  
22.21 on expending this appropriation. The  
22.22 accomplishment plan must include a copy of  
22.23 the grant contract template and reimbursement  
22.24 manual. No money may be expended before  
22.25 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council  
22.26 approves the accomplishment plan. Money  
22.27 appropriated in this paragraph is available until  
22.28 June 30, 2025.

22.29 **(b) Legislative Coordinating Commission**

22.30 \$634,000 the first year and \$651,000 the  
22.31 second year are to the Legislative  
22.32 Coordinating Commission for administrative  
22.33 expenses of the Lessard-Sams Outdoor  
22.34 Heritage Council and for compensating and  
22.35 reimbursing expenses of council members.

23.1 This appropriation is available until June 30,  
23.2 2025. Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.281,  
23.3 applies to this appropriation.

23.4 **(c) Technical Evaluation Panel**

23.5 \$190,000 the first year is to the commissioner  
23.6 of natural resources for a technical evaluation  
23.7 panel to conduct up to 25 restoration and  
23.8 enhancement evaluations under Minnesota  
23.9 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 10. This  
23.10 appropriation is available until June 30, 2025.

23.11 **(d) Core Functions in Partner-Led OHF Land**  
23.12 **Acquisitions**

23.13 \$668,000 the first year is to the commissioner  
23.14 of natural resources to administer the initial  
23.15 development, restoration, and enhancement  
23.16 of fee title acquisitions funded through the  
23.17 outdoor heritage fund. Money may be used  
23.18 for land acquisition costs incurred by the  
23.19 department as part of conveying parcels to the  
23.20 Department of Natural Resources and for  
23.21 initial development activities on fee title  
23.22 acquisitions. This appropriation is available  
23.23 until June 30, 2026.

23.24 **(e) Legacy Website**

23.25 \$3,000 the first year and \$4,000 the second  
23.26 year are to the Legislative Coordinating  
23.27 Commission for the website required under  
23.28 Minnesota Statutes, section 3.303, subdivision  
23.29 10.

23.30 **Subd. 7. Availability of Appropriation**

23.31 (a) Money appropriated in this section may  
23.32 not be spent on activities unless they are  
23.33 directly related to and necessary for a specific  
23.34 appropriation and are specified in the

- 24.1 accomplishment plan approved by the  
24.2 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.  
24.3 Money appropriated in this section must not  
24.4 be spent on indirect costs or other institutional  
24.5 overhead charges that are not directly related  
24.6 to and necessary for a specific appropriation.  
24.7 Money appropriated to acquire land in fee title  
24.8 may be used to restore, enhance, and provide  
24.9 for public use of the land acquired with the  
24.10 appropriation. Public-use facilities must have  
24.11 a minimal impact on habitat in acquired lands.
- 24.12 (b) Money appropriated in this section is  
24.13 available as follows:
- 24.14 (1) money appropriated to acquire real  
24.15 property is available until June 30, 2027;
- 24.16 (2) money appropriated to restore and enhance  
24.17 land acquired with an appropriation in this act  
24.18 is available for four years after the acquisition  
24.19 date with a maximum end date of June 30,  
24.20 2031;
- 24.21 (3) money appropriated to restore and enhance  
24.22 other land is available until June 30, 2028;
- 24.23 (4) notwithstanding clauses (1) to (3), money  
24.24 appropriated for a project that receives at least  
24.25 15 percent of its funding from federal funds  
24.26 is available until a date sufficient to match the  
24.27 availability of federal funding to a maximum  
24.28 of six years if the federal funding was  
24.29 confirmed and included in the original  
24.30 approved draft accomplishment plan; and
- 24.31 (5) money appropriated for other projects is  
24.32 available until the end of the fiscal year in  
24.33 which it is appropriated.

25.1 **Subd. 8. Payment Conditions and Capital**  
25.2 **Equipment Expenditures**

25.3 All agreements referred to in this section must  
25.4 be administered on a reimbursement basis  
25.5 unless otherwise provided in this section.

25.6 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section  
25.7 16A.41, expenditures directly related to each  
25.8 appropriation's purpose made on or after July  
25.9 1, 2023, or the date of accomplishment plan  
25.10 approval, whichever is later, are eligible for  
25.11 reimbursement unless otherwise provided in  
25.12 this section. For purposes of administering  
25.13 appropriations and legislatively authorized  
25.14 agreements paid out of the outdoor heritage  
25.15 fund, an expense must be considered  
25.16 reimbursable by the administering agency  
25.17 when the recipient presents the agency with  
25.18 an invoice or binding agreement with the  
25.19 landowner and the recipient attests that the  
25.20 goods have been received or the landowner  
25.21 agreement is binding. Periodic reimbursement  
25.22 must be made upon receiving documentation  
25.23 that the items articulated in the  
25.24 accomplishment plan approved by the  
25.25 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council have  
25.26 been achieved, including partial achievements  
25.27 as evidenced by progress reports approved by  
25.28 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.

25.29 Reasonable amounts may be advanced to  
25.30 projects to accommodate cash-flow needs,  
25.31 support future management of acquired lands,  
25.32 or match a federal share. The advances must  
25.33 be approved as part of the accomplishment  
25.34 plan. Capital equipment expenditures for  
25.35 specific items over \$10,000 must be itemized

26.1 in and approved as part of the accomplishment  
26.2 plan.

26.3 **Subd. 9. Mapping**

26.4 Each direct recipient of money appropriated  
26.5 in this section, as well as each recipient of a  
26.6 grant awarded under this section, must provide  
26.7 geographic information to the Lessard-Sams  
26.8 Outdoor Heritage Council to map any lands  
26.9 that are acquired in fee with money  
26.10 appropriated in this section and open to public  
26.11 taking of fish and game. The commissioner  
26.12 of natural resources must include the lands  
26.13 acquired in fee with money appropriated in  
26.14 this section on maps showing public recreation  
26.15 opportunities. Maps must include information  
26.16 on and acknowledgment of the outdoor  
26.17 heritage fund, including a notation of any  
26.18 restrictions.

26.19 **Subd. 10. Carryforward**

26.20 (a) The availability of the appropriation under  
26.21 Laws 2016, chapter 172, article 1, section 2,  
26.22 subdivision 5, paragraph (j), Roseau Lake  
26.23 Rehabilitation, is extended to June 30, 2024.

26.24 (b) The availability of the appropriation under  
26.25 Laws 2017, chapter 91, article 1, section 2,  
26.26 subdivision 2, paragraph (g), Reinvest in  
26.27 Minnesota (RIM) Buffers for Wildlife and  
26.28 Water - Phase VII, is extended to June 30,  
26.29 2025.

26.30 (c) The availability of the appropriation under  
26.31 Laws 2018, chapter 208, article 1, section 2,  
26.32 subdivision 5, paragraph (i), Lower  
26.33 Mississippi River Habitat Partnership - Phase  
26.34 IV, is extended to June 30, 2027.

27.1 (d) The availability of the appropriation under  
27.2 Laws 2018, chapter 208, section 2, subdivision  
27.3 5, paragraph (n), Buffalo River Watershed  
27.4 Stream Habitat Program, is extended to June  
27.5 30, 2025.

27.6 (e) The availability of the appropriation for  
27.7 Laws 2020, chapter 104, article 1, section 2,  
27.8 subdivision 5, paragraph (a), Protecting  
27.9 Coldwater Fisheries on Minnesota's North  
27.10 Shore, is extended to June 30, 2025.

27.11 (f) The availability of the appropriation for  
27.12 Laws 2020, chapter 104, article 1, section 2,  
27.13 subdivision 5, paragraph (h), Hennepin County  
27.14 Habitat Conservation Program - Phase II, is  
27.15 extended to June 30, 2025.

27.16 (g) The availability of the appropriation under  
27.17 Laws 2022, chapter 77, article 1, section 2,  
27.18 subdivision 6, paragraph (a), Contract  
27.19 Management, is extended to June 30, 2024.

27.20 (h) The availability of the appropriation under  
27.21 Laws 2022, chapter 77, article 1, section 2,  
27.22 subdivision 6, paragraph (b), Technical  
27.23 Evaluation Panel, is extended to June 30,  
27.24 2024.

27.25 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 97A.056, subdivision 22, is amended to read:

27.26 Subd. 22. **Revenues.** (a) A recipient must disclose to the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage  
27.27 Council and the commissioner all revenues that are received by the recipient before the  
27.28 availability of the appropriation ends and that are generated from activities on land acquired  
27.29 in fee title or easement, restored, or enhanced with money from the outdoor heritage fund.  
27.30 The revenues must be disclosed to the council and commissioner no later than ~~60~~ 90 days  
27.31 after the availability of the appropriation ends.

27.32 (b) For all revenues disclosed under paragraph (a), a recipient must:

28.1 (1) use the revenues to protect, restore, or enhance wetlands, prairies, forests, or habitat  
28.2 for fish, game, or wildlife according to the appropriation purposes and the approved  
28.3 accomplishment plan;

28.4 (2) use the revenues for other purposes as approved in the accomplishment plan by the  
28.5 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council; or

28.6 (3) transfer the revenues to the outdoor heritage fund no later than ~~60~~ 90 days after the  
28.7 availability of the appropriation ends, unless otherwise approved by the council.

28.8 (c) Paragraph (b), clause (3), does not apply to the state and its departments and agencies.

28.9 Sec. 4. Laws 2020, chapter 104, article 1, section 2, subdivision 5, as amended by Laws  
28.10 2021, First Special Session chapter 1, article 1, section 4, is amended to read:

28.11 Subd. 5. **Habitats** -0- 55,429,000

28.12 **(a) Protecting Coldwater Fisheries on**  
28.13 **Minnesota's North Shore**

28.14 \$1,809,000 the second year is to the  
28.15 commissioner of natural resources for an  
28.16 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to  
28.17 acquire permanent conservation easements  
28.18 and to restore and enhance wildlife habitat in  
28.19 priority coldwater tributaries to Lake Superior.

28.20 Of this amount, up to ~~\$144,000~~ \$240,000 is  
28.21 to establish a monitoring and enforcement  
28.22 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan  
28.23 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
28.24 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed  
28.25 conservation easement acquisitions,  
28.26 restorations, and enhancements must be  
28.27 provided as part of the required  
28.28 accomplishment plan.

28.29 **(b) Metro Big Rivers - Phase X**

28.30 \$6,473,000 the second year is to the  
28.31 commissioner of natural resources for  
28.32 agreements to acquire lands in fee and  
28.33 permanent conservation easements and to

29.1 restore and enhance natural habitat systems  
29.2 associated with the Mississippi, Minnesota,  
29.3 and St. Croix Rivers and their tributaries in  
29.4 the metropolitan area. Of this amount,  
29.5 \$801,000 is to Minnesota Valley National  
29.6 Wildlife Refuge Trust Inc., \$300,000 is to  
29.7 Friends of the Mississippi River, \$366,000 is  
29.8 to Great River Greening, \$3,406,000 is to The  
29.9 Trust for Public Land, and \$1,600,000 is to  
29.10 Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$144,000 to  
29.11 Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a  
29.12 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved  
29.13 in the accomplishment plan and subject to  
29.14 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,  
29.15 subdivision 17. A list of proposed land  
29.16 acquisitions and permanent conservation  
29.17 easements must be provided as part of the  
29.18 required accomplishment plan.

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

29.20 \$2,266,000 the second year is to the  
29.21 commissioner of natural resources for  
29.22 agreements to acquire land in fee and  
29.23 permanent conservation easements and to  
29.24 restore and enhance habitat in targeted  
29.25 watersheds of southeast Minnesota to improve  
29.26 heritage brook trout and coldwater  
29.27 communities. Of this amount, \$350,000 is to  
29.28 The Nature Conservancy, \$258,000 is to Trout  
29.29 Unlimited, \$857,000 is to The Trust for Public  
29.30 Land, and \$801,000 is to Minnesota Land  
29.31 Trust. Up to \$96,000 to Minnesota Land Trust  
29.32 is to establish a monitoring and enforcement  
29.33 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan  
29.34 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
29.35 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed

30.1 land acquisitions and permanent conservation  
30.2 easements must be provided as part of the  
30.3 required accomplishment plan.

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

30.6 \$2,814,000 the second year is to the  
30.7 commissioner of natural resources for  
30.8 agreements to acquire lands in fee and  
30.9 permanent conservation easements and to  
30.10 restore and enhance wildlife habitat to sustain  
30.11 healthy fish habitat on coldwater lakes in  
30.12 Aitkin, Cass, Crow Wing, and Hubbard  
30.13 Counties. Of this amount, \$883,000 is to  
30.14 Northern Waters Land Trust and \$1,931,000  
30.15 is to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$192,000  
30.16 to Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a  
30.17 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved  
30.18 in the accomplishment plan and subject to  
30.19 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,  
30.20 subdivision 17. A list of acquisitions must be  
30.21 provided as part of the required  
30.22 accomplishment plan.

30.23 **(e) Accelerating Habitat Conservation in**  
30.24 **Southwest Minnesota**

30.25 \$3,044,000 the second year is to the  
30.26 commissioner of natural resources for an  
30.27 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to  
30.28 acquire permanent conservation easements  
30.29 and to restore and enhance high-quality  
30.30 wildlife habitat in southwest Minnesota. Of  
30.31 this amount, up to \$144,000 is to establish a  
30.32 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved  
30.33 in the accomplishment plan and subject to  
30.34 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,  
30.35 subdivision 17. A list of proposed  
30.36 conservation easement acquisitions,

31.1 restorations, and enhancements must be  
31.2 provided as part of the required  
31.3 accomplishment plan.

31.4 **(f) Targeted RIM Easement Program to**  
31.5 **Individual Parcel: Pine and Leech Watersheds**  
31.6 **- Phase I**

31.7 \$2,458,000 the second year is to the Board of  
31.8 Water and Soil Resources to acquire and  
31.9 restore permanent conservation easements of  
31.10 high-quality forest, wetland, and shoreline  
31.11 habitat. Of this amount, \$164,000 is for an  
31.12 agreement with the Crow Wing County Soil  
31.13 and Water Conservation District. Up to  
31.14 \$97,000 of the total amount is for establishing  
31.15 a monitoring and enforcement fund as  
31.16 approved in the accomplishment plan and  
31.17 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
31.18 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed  
31.19 acquisitions must be included as part of the  
31.20 required accomplishment plan.

31.21 **(g) Mississippi Headwaters Habitat Corridor**  
31.22 **Project - Phase V**

31.23 \$3,695,000 the second year is to acquire lands  
31.24 in fee and conservation easement and restore  
31.25 wildlife habitat in the Mississippi headwaters  
31.26 as follows:

31.27 (1) \$2,177,000 is to the commissioner of  
31.28 natural resources for agreements as follows:  
31.29 \$69,000 to the Mississippi Headwaters Board  
31.30 and \$2,108,000 to The Trust for Public Land;  
31.31 and

31.32 (2) \$1,518,000 is to the Board of Water and  
31.33 Soil Resources, of which up to \$175,000 is  
31.34 for establishing a monitoring and enforcement  
31.35 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan

32.1 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
32.2 97A.056, subdivision 17.

32.3 A list of proposed acquisitions must be  
32.4 included as part of the required  
32.5 accomplishment plan.

32.6 **(h) Hennepin County Habitat Conservation**  
32.7 **Program - Phase II**

32.8 \$3,155,000 the second year is to the  
32.9 commissioner of natural resources for  
32.10 agreements with Hennepin County, in  
32.11 cooperation with Minnesota Land Trust, to  
32.12 acquire permanent conservation easements  
32.13 and to restore and enhance habitats in  
32.14 Hennepin County as follows: \$446,000 to  
32.15 Hennepin County and \$2,709,000 to  
32.16 Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$264,000 to  
32.17 Minnesota Land Trust is for establishing a  
32.18 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved  
32.19 in the accomplishment plan and subject to  
32.20 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,  
32.21 subdivision 17. A list of proposed permanent  
32.22 conservation easements, restorations, and  
32.23 enhancements must be provided as part of the  
32.24 required accomplishment plan.

32.25 **(i) Trout Unlimited Coldwater Fish Habitat**  
32.26 **Enhancement and Restoration - Phase XII**

32.27 \$1,474,000 the second year is to the  
32.28 commissioner of natural resources for an  
32.29 agreement with Trout Unlimited to restore and  
32.30 enhance habitat for trout and other species in  
32.31 and along coldwater rivers, lakes, and streams  
32.32 in Minnesota. A list of proposed land  
32.33 acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements  
32.34 must be provided as part of the required  
32.35 accomplishment plan.

33.1 **(j) DNR Aquatic Habitat Restoration and**  
33.2 **Enhancement - Phase III**

33.3 \$3,790,000 the second year is to the  
33.4 commissioner of natural resources to restore  
33.5 and enhance aquatic habitat in degraded  
33.6 streams and aquatic management areas and to  
33.7 facilitate fish passage. A list of proposed land  
33.8 restorations and enhancements must be  
33.9 provided as part of the required  
33.10 accomplishment plan.

33.11 **(k) St. Louis River Restoration Initiative - Phase**  
33.12 **VII**

33.13 \$2,280,000 the second year is to the  
33.14 commissioner of natural resources to restore  
33.15 priority aquatic and riparian habitats in the St.  
33.16 Louis River estuary. A list of proposed  
33.17 restorations must be provided as part of the  
33.18 required accomplishment plan.

33.19 **(l) Knife River Habitat Rehabilitation - Phase**  
33.20 **V**

33.21 \$700,000 the second year is to the  
33.22 commissioner of natural resources for an  
33.23 agreement with Zeitgeist, a nonprofit  
33.24 corporation, in cooperation with the Lake  
33.25 Superior Steelhead Association, to restore and  
33.26 enhance trout habitat in the Knife River  
33.27 watershed. A list of proposed enhancements  
33.28 must be provided as part of the required  
33.29 accomplishment plan.

33.30 **(m) Shell Rock River Watershed Habitat**  
33.31 **Restoration Program - Phase IX**

33.32 \$1,918,000 the second year is to the  
33.33 commissioner of natural resources for an  
33.34 agreement with the Shell Rock River  
33.35 Watershed District to acquire lands in fee and

34.1 to restore and enhance aquatic habitat in the  
34.2 Shell Rock River watershed. A list of proposed  
34.3 acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements  
34.4 must be provided as part of the required  
34.5 accomplishment plan.

34.6 **(n) Rum River Wildlife and Fish Habitat**  
34.7 **Enhancement Using Bioengineered Bank**  
34.8 **Stabilization**

34.9 \$816,000 the second year is to the  
34.10 commissioner of natural resources for an  
34.11 agreement with the Anoka County Soil and  
34.12 Water Conservation District to restore and  
34.13 enhance riverine habitat in the Rum River  
34.14 using eco-sensitive, habitat-building, and  
34.15 bioengineering approaches. A list of proposed  
34.16 enhancements must be provided as part of the  
34.17 required accomplishment plan.

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

34.19 \$3,036,000 the second year is to the  
34.20 commissioner of natural resources for an  
34.21 agreement with the Roseau River Watershed  
34.22 District to restore and enhance riverine habitat  
34.23 in the Roseau River and the Roseau River  
34.24 Wildlife Management Area.

34.25 **(p) Sauk River Watershed Habitat Protection**  
34.26 **and Restoration - Phase II**

34.27 \$3,926,000 the second year is to the  
34.28 commissioner of natural resources for  
34.29 agreements to acquire lands in fee and  
34.30 permanent conservation easements and to  
34.31 restore and enhance wildlife habitat in the  
34.32 Sauk River watershed as follows: \$430,000  
34.33 to the Sauk River Watershed District,  
34.34 \$2,073,000 to Pheasants Forever, and  
34.35 \$1,423,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to

35.1 \$168,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is to  
35.2 establish a monitoring and enforcement fund  
35.3 as approved in the accomplishment plan and  
35.4 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section  
35.5 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of acquisitions  
35.6 must be provided as part of the required  
35.7 accomplishment plan.

35.8 **(q) Southeast Wetland Restoration**

35.9 \$1,351,000 the second year is to the  
35.10 commissioner of natural resources for an  
35.11 agreement with the city of Mankato to acquire  
35.12 land in fee in the city of Mankato for wetland  
35.13 and grassland restoration. A list of acquisitions  
35.14 must be provided as part of the required  
35.15 accomplishment plan.

35.16 **(r) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant**  
35.17 **Program: Statewide and Metro Habitat - Phase**  
35.18 **XII**

35.19 \$10,424,000 the second year is to the  
35.20 commissioner of natural resources for a  
35.21 program to provide competitive matching  
35.22 grants of up to \$400,000 to local, regional,  
35.23 state, and national organizations for enhancing,  
35.24 restoring, or protecting forests, wetlands,  
35.25 prairies, or habitat for fish, game, or wildlife  
35.26 in Minnesota. Of this amount, at least  
35.27 \$3,250,000 is for grants in the seven-county  
35.28 metropolitan area and cities with a population  
35.29 of 50,000 or more. Grants must not be made  
35.30 for activities required to fulfill the duties of  
35.31 owners of lands subject to conservation  
35.32 easements. Grants must not be made from the  
35.33 appropriation in this paragraph for projects  
35.34 that have a total project cost exceeding  
35.35 \$575,000. Of the total appropriation, \$475,000  
35.36 may be spent for personnel costs and other

36.1 direct and necessary administrative costs.

36.2 Grantees may acquire land or interests in land.

36.3 Easements must be permanent. Grants may

36.4 not be used to establish easement stewardship

36.5 accounts. Land acquired in fee must be open

36.6 to hunting and fishing during the open season

36.7 unless otherwise provided by law. The

36.8 program must require a match of at least ten

36.9 percent from nonstate sources for all grants.

36.10 The match may be cash or in-kind resources.

36.11 For grant applications of \$25,000 or less, the

36.12 commissioner must provide a separate,

36.13 simplified application process. Subject to

36.14 Minnesota Statutes, the commissioner of

36.15 natural resources must, when evaluating

36.16 projects of equal value, give priority to

36.17 organizations that have a history of receiving,

36.18 or a charter to receive, private contributions

36.19 for local conservation or habitat projects. For

36.20 grant requests to acquire land in fee or a

36.21 conservation easement, the commissioner must

36.22 give priority to projects associated with or

36.23 within one mile of existing wildlife

36.24 management areas under Minnesota Statutes,

36.25 section 86A.05, subdivision 8; scientific and

36.26 natural areas under Minnesota Statutes,

36.27 sections 84.033 and 86A.05, subdivision 5; or

36.28 aquatic management areas under Minnesota

36.29 Statutes, sections 86A.05, subdivision 14, and

36.30 97C.02. All restoration or enhancement

36.31 projects must be on land permanently

36.32 protected by a permanent covenant ensuring

36.33 perpetual maintenance and protection of

36.34 restored and enhanced habitat, by a

36.35 conservation easement or public ownership or

36.36 in public waters as defined in Minnesota



38.1 This appropriation is from the clean water  
38.2 fund. The amounts that may be spent for each  
38.3 purpose are specified in the following sections.

38.4 **Subd. 2. Availability of Appropriation**

38.5 Money appropriated in this article may not be  
38.6 spent on activities unless they are directly  
38.7 related to and necessary for a specific  
38.8 appropriation. Money appropriated in this  
38.9 article must be spent in accordance with  
38.10 Minnesota Management and Budget *MMB*  
38.11 *Guidance to Agencies on Legacy Fund*  
38.12 *Expenditure*. Notwithstanding Minnesota  
38.13 Statutes, section 16A.28, and unless otherwise  
38.14 specified in this article, fiscal year 2024  
38.15 appropriations are available until June 30,  
38.16 2025, and fiscal year 2025 appropriations are  
38.17 available until June 30, 2026. If a project  
38.18 receives federal funds, the period of the  
38.19 appropriation is extended to equal the  
38.20 availability of federal funding.

38.21 **Subd. 3. Disability Access**

38.22 Where appropriate, grant recipients of clean  
38.23 water funds, in consultation with the Council  
38.24 on Disability and other appropriate  
38.25 governor-appointed disability councils, boards,  
38.26 committees, and commissions, should make  
38.27 progress toward providing people with  
38.28 disabilities greater access to programs, print  
38.29 publications, and digital media related to the  
38.30 programs the recipient funds using  
38.31 appropriations made in this article.

38.32 **Sec. 3. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**    \$    **20,839,000**    \$    **20,839,000**

38.33 (a) \$350,000 the first year and \$350,000 the  
38.34 second year are to increase monitoring for

39.1 pesticides and pesticide degradates in surface  
39.2 water and groundwater and to use data  
39.3 collected to assess pesticide use practices. This  
39.4 appropriation is available until June 30, 2028.

39.5 (b) \$3,000,000 the first year and \$3,000,000  
39.6 the second year are for monitoring and  
39.7 evaluating trends in the concentration of  
39.8 nitrate in groundwater; promoting, developing,  
39.9 and evaluating regional and crop-specific  
39.10 nutrient best management practices, cover  
39.11 crops, and other vegetative cover; assessing  
39.12 adoption of best management practices and  
39.13 other recommended practices; education and  
39.14 technical support from University of  
39.15 Minnesota Extension; grants to support  
39.16 agricultural demonstration and implementation  
39.17 activities, including research activities at the  
39.18 Rosholt Research Farm; and other actions to  
39.19 protect groundwater from degradation from  
39.20 nitrate. This appropriation is available until  
39.21 June 30, 2028.

39.22 (c) \$4,799,000 the first year and \$4,799,000  
39.23 the second year are for the agriculture best  
39.24 management practices loan program. Any  
39.25 unencumbered balance at the end of the second  
39.26 year must be added to the corpus of the loan  
39.27 fund.

39.28 (d) \$1,500,000 the first year and \$1,500,000  
39.29 the second year are for technical assistance;  
39.30 research, demonstration, and promotion  
39.31 projects on properly implementing best  
39.32 management practices and vegetative cover;  
39.33 and more-precise information on nonpoint  
39.34 contributions to impaired waters and for grants  
39.35 to support on-farm demonstration of

- 40.1 agricultural practices. This appropriation is  
40.2 available until June 30, 2028.
- 40.3 (e) \$40,000 the first year and \$40,000 the  
40.4 second year are for maintenance of the  
40.5 Minnesota Water Research Digital Library.  
40.6 Costs for information technology development  
40.7 or support for the digital library may be paid  
40.8 to the Office of MN.IT Services. This  
40.9 appropriation is available until June 30, 2028.
- 40.10 (f) \$3,500,000 the first year and \$3,500,000  
40.11 the second year are to implement the  
40.12 Minnesota agricultural water quality  
40.13 certification program statewide. This  
40.14 appropriation is available until June 30, 2028.
- 40.15 (g) \$150,000 the first year and \$150,000 the  
40.16 second year are for a regional irrigation water  
40.17 quality specialist through University of  
40.18 Minnesota Extension. This appropriation is  
40.19 available until June 30, 2028.
- 40.20 (h) \$3,000,000 the first year and \$3,000,000  
40.21 the second year are for grants to the Board of  
40.22 Regents of the University of Minnesota to  
40.23 fund the Forever Green agriculture initiative  
40.24 and to protect the state's natural resources  
40.25 while increasing the efficiency, profitability,  
40.26 and productivity of Minnesota farmers by  
40.27 incorporating perennial and winter-annual  
40.28 crops into existing agricultural practices. This  
40.29 appropriation is available until June 30, 2028.
- 40.30 (i) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the  
40.31 second year are for testing drinking-water  
40.32 wells for pesticides and establishing a  
40.33 mitigation program for water treatment of

41.1 contaminated wells. This appropriation is  
41.2 available until June 30, 2028.  
41.3 (j) \$1,750,000 the first year and \$1,750,000  
41.4 the second year are for conservation  
41.5 equipment assistance grants to purchase  
41.6 equipment or items to retrofit existing  
41.7 equipment that has climate and water quality  
41.8 benefits. This appropriation is available until  
41.9 June 30, 2028.

41.10 (k) \$1,500,000 the first year and \$1,500,000  
41.11 the second year are for expanding the existing  
41.12 state weather station and soil temperature  
41.13 network to provide accurate and timely  
41.14 weather data to optimize the timing of  
41.15 irrigation, fertilizer, pesticide, and manure  
41.16 applications and support land management  
41.17 decisions. This appropriation is available until  
41.18 June 30, 2028.

41.19 (l) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the  
41.20 second year are for grants for research and  
41.21 demonstration sites and projects to evaluate,  
41.22 develop, demonstrate, and promote regional  
41.23 and animal-specific recommendations for  
41.24 manure crediting and to develop or revise  
41.25 manure best management practices through  
41.26 University of Minnesota Extension. This  
41.27 appropriation is available until June 30, 2028.

41.28 **Sec. 4. POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY    \$    24,187,000 \$    24,188,000**

41.29 (a) \$9,050,000 the first year and \$9,050,000  
41.30 the second year are for completing needed  
41.31 statewide assessments of surface water quality  
41.32 and trends according to Minnesota Statutes,  
41.33 chapter 114D. Of this amount, \$163,000 the  
41.34 first year and \$163,000 the second year are

- 42.1 for grants to the Red River Watershed
- 42.2 Management Board to enhance and expand
- 42.3 the existing water quality and watershed
- 42.4 monitoring river watch activities in schools in
- 42.5 the Red River of the North watershed. By
- 42.6 February 15, 2025, the Red River Watershed
- 42.7 Management Board must provide a report to
- 42.8 the commissioner and to the chairs and ranking
- 42.9 minority members of the legislative
- 42.10 committees and divisions with jurisdiction
- 42.11 over environment and natural resources
- 42.12 finance and policy and the clean water fund
- 42.13 on the expenditure of this appropriation.
- 42.14 (b) \$6,350,000 the first year and \$6,350,000
- 42.15 the second year are to update watershed
- 42.16 restoration and protection strategies, which
- 42.17 include total maximum daily load (TMDL)
- 42.18 studies and TMDL implementation plans
- 42.19 according to Minnesota Statutes, chapter
- 42.20 114D, for waters on the impaired waters list
- 42.21 approved by the United States Environmental
- 42.22 Protection Agency.
- 42.23 (c) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000
- 42.24 the second year are for groundwater
- 42.25 assessment, including enhancing the ambient
- 42.26 monitoring network, modeling, evaluating
- 42.27 trends.
- 42.28 (d) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the
- 42.29 second year are for implementing the St. Louis
- 42.30 River System Area of Concern remedial action
- 42.31 plan.
- 42.32 (e) \$1,500,000 the first year and \$1,500,000
- 42.33 the second year are for national pollutant
- 42.34 discharge elimination system wastewater and
- 42.35 stormwater TMDL implementation efforts.

- 43.1 (f) \$3,550,000 the first year and \$3,550,000  
43.2 the second year are for enhancing the  
43.3 county-level delivery systems for subsurface  
43.4 sewage treatment system (SSTS) activities  
43.5 necessary to implement Minnesota Statutes,  
43.6 sections 115.55 and 115.56, for protecting  
43.7 groundwater. This appropriation includes base  
43.8 grants for all counties with SSTS programs.  
43.9 Counties that receive base grants must report  
43.10 the number of properties with noncompliant  
43.11 systems upgraded through an SSTS  
43.12 replacement, connection to a centralized sewer  
43.13 system, or other means, including property  
43.14 abandonment or buyout. Counties also must  
43.15 report the number of existing SSTS  
43.16 compliance inspections conducted in areas  
43.17 under county jurisdiction. The required reports  
43.18 must be part of the established annual  
43.19 reporting for SSTS programs. Of this amount,  
43.20 at least \$900,000 each year is available to  
43.21 counties for grants to low-income landowners  
43.22 to address systems that pose an imminent  
43.23 threat to public health or safety or fail to  
43.24 protect groundwater. A county receiving a  
43.25 grant under this paragraph must submit a  
43.26 report to the agency listing the projects funded,  
43.27 including an account of the expenditures.
- 43.28 (g) \$650,000 the first year and \$650,000 the  
43.29 second year are for activities and grants that  
43.30 reduce chloride pollution.
- 43.31 (h) \$337,000 the first year and \$338,000 the  
43.32 second year are to support activities of the  
43.33 Clean Water Council according to Minnesota  
43.34 Statutes, section 114D.30, subdivision 1.

44.1 (i) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000  
 44.2 the second year are for a grant program for  
 44.3 sanitary sewer projects that are included in the  
 44.4 draft or any updated *Voyageurs National Park*  
 44.5 *Clean Water Project Comprehensive Plan* to  
 44.6 restore the water quality of waters in  
 44.7 *Voyageurs National Park*. Grants must be  
 44.8 awarded to local government units for projects  
 44.9 approved by the *Voyageurs National Park*  
 44.10 *Clean Water Joint Powers Board* and must be  
 44.11 matched by at least 25 percent from sources  
 44.12 other than the clean water fund.

44.13 (j) Any unencumbered grant balances in the  
 44.14 first year do not cancel but are available for  
 44.15 grants in the second year. Notwithstanding  
 44.16 Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, the  
 44.17 appropriations in this section are available  
 44.18 until June 30, 2028.

44.19 **Sec. 5. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL**  
 44.20 **RESOURCES**

**\$ 12,780,000 \$ 12,780,000**

44.21 (a) \$2,550,000 the first year and \$2,550,000  
 44.22 the second year are for streamflow monitoring.

44.23 (b) \$1,450,000 the first year and \$1,450,000  
 44.24 the second year are for lake Index of  
 44.25 Biological Integrity (IBI) assessments.

44.26 (c) \$455,000 the first year and \$455,000 the  
 44.27 second year are for assessing mercury and  
 44.28 other fish contaminants, including PFAS  
 44.29 compounds, and monitoring to track the status  
 44.30 of impaired waters over time.

44.31 (d) \$2,150,000 the first year and \$2,150,000  
 44.32 the second year are for developing targeted,  
 44.33 science-based watershed restoration and

- 45.1 protection strategies and for technical  
45.2 assistance for local governments.
- 45.3 (e) \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000  
45.4 the second year are for water-supply planning,  
45.5 aquifer protection, and monitoring activities  
45.6 and analysis.
- 45.7 (f) \$1,600,000 the first year and \$1,600,000  
45.8 the second year are for technical assistance to  
45.9 support local implementation of nonpoint  
45.10 source restoration and protection activities and  
45.11 targeted forest stewardship for water quality.
- 45.12 (g) \$650,000 the first year and \$650,000 the  
45.13 second year are for applied research and tools,  
45.14 including maintaining and updating spatial  
45.15 data for watershed boundaries, streams, and  
45.16 water bodies and integrating high-resolution  
45.17 digital elevation data and for assessing the  
45.18 effectiveness of forestry best management  
45.19 practices for water quality.
- 45.20 (h) \$25,000 the first year and \$25,000 the  
45.21 second year are for maintaining and updating  
45.22 buffer maps and for technical guidance on  
45.23 interpreting buffer maps for local units of  
45.24 government implementing buffer  
45.25 requirements. Maps must be provided to local  
45.26 units of government and made available to  
45.27 landowners on the Department of Natural  
45.28 Resources website.
- 45.29 (i) \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the  
45.30 second year are for accelerating completion  
45.31 of or updates to county geologic atlases and  
45.32 supplementing water chemistry or chemical  
45.33 movement studies.

46.1 (j) \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the  
46.2 second year are for increasing native  
46.3 freshwater mussel production capacity and  
46.4 restoring and monitoring freshwater mussel  
46.5 restoration efforts.

46.6 (k) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the  
46.7 second year are for implementing water  
46.8 storage projects on state-administered land to  
46.9 enhance water quality and ecological benefits.

46.10 (l) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000  
46.11 the second year are for providing technical  
46.12 and financial assistance for county and local  
46.13 governments to replace failing or ineffective  
46.14 culverts using modern designs that restore  
46.15 floodplain connectivity, biological  
46.16 connectivity, and channel stability. This  
46.17 appropriation is available for up to two  
46.18 additional years.

46.19 **Sec. 6. BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL**  
46.20 **RESOURCES**

**\$ 78,064,000 \$ 78,063,000**

46.21 (a) \$39,500,000 the first year and \$39,500,000  
46.22 the second year are for grants to implement  
46.23 state-approved watershed-based plans. The  
46.24 grants may be used to implement projects or  
46.25 programs that protect, enhance, and restore  
46.26 surface water quality in lakes, rivers, and  
46.27 streams; protect groundwater from  
46.28 degradation; and protect drinking water  
46.29 sources. Projects must be identified in a  
46.30 comprehensive watershed plan developed  
46.31 under the One Watershed, One Plan program  
46.32 and seven-county metropolitan groundwater  
46.33 or surface water management frameworks as  
46.34 provided for in Minnesota Statutes, chapters  
46.35 103B, 103C, 103D, and 114D. Grant recipients

47.1 must identify a nonstate match and may use  
 47.2 other legacy funds to supplement projects  
 47.3 funded under this paragraph. This  
 47.4 appropriation may be used for:  
 47.5 (1) implementing state-approved plans,  
 47.6 including within the following watershed  
 47.7 planning areas: Bois de Sioux - Mustinka,  
 47.8 Buffalo-Red River, Cannon River, Cedar -  
 47.9 Wapsipinicon, Chippewa River, Clearwater  
 47.10 River, Cottonwood-Middle Minnesota, Crow  
 47.11 Wing River, Des Moines River, Greater  
 47.12 Zumbro River, Hawk Creek - Middle  
 47.13 Minnesota, Kettle and Upper St. Croix, Lac  
 47.14 qui Parle-Yellow Bank, Lake of the Woods,  
 47.15 Lake Superior North, Le Sueur River, Leech  
 47.16 Lake River, Long Prairie River, Lower  
 47.17 Minnesota River East, Lower Minnesota River  
 47.18 West, Lower St. Croix River,  
 47.19 Middle-Snake-Tamarac Rivers, Mississippi  
 47.20 River Brainerd, Mississippi River Headwaters,  
 47.21 Mississippi River St. Cloud, Mississippi River  
 47.22 Winona/La Crescent, Missouri River Basin,  
 47.23 Nemadji River, North Fork Crow River, Otter  
 47.24 Tail, Pine River, Pomme de Terre River,  
 47.25 Rainy-Rapid River, Rainy River Headwaters  
 47.26 - Vermilion River, Rainy River-Rainy  
 47.27 Lake/Lower Rainy River, Red Lake River,  
 47.28 Redeye River, Root River, Roseau River, Rum  
 47.29 River, Sand Hill River, Sauk River, Shell Rock  
 47.30 and Winnebago River, Snake River, South  
 47.31 Fork of the Crow River, St. Louis River, Thief  
 47.32 River, Two Rivers Plus, Upper and Lower Red  
 47.33 Lake, Upper Minnesota River, Upper  
 47.34 Mississippi - Grand Rapids, Watonwan River,  
 47.35 Wild Rice - Marsh, and Yellow Medicine  
 47.36 River;

48.1 (2) seven-county metropolitan groundwater  
48.2 or surface water management frameworks;  
48.3 and  
48.4 (3) other comprehensive watershed  
48.5 management plan planning areas that have a  
48.6 board-approved and local-government-adopted  
48.7 plan as authorized in Minnesota Statutes,  
48.8 section 103B.801.

48.9 The board must establish eligibility criteria  
48.10 and determine whether a planning area is ready  
48.11 to proceed and has the nonstate match  
48.12 committed.

48.13 (b) \$8,500,000 the first year and \$8,500,000  
48.14 the second year are for grants to local  
48.15 government units to protect and restore surface  
48.16 water and drinking water; to keep water on  
48.17 the land; to protect, enhance, and restore water  
48.18 quality in lakes, rivers, and streams; and to  
48.19 protect groundwater and drinking water,  
48.20 including feedlot water quality and subsurface  
48.21 sewage treatment system projects and stream  
48.22 bank, stream channel, shoreline restoration,  
48.23 and ravine stabilization projects. The projects  
48.24 must use practices demonstrated to be  
48.25 effective, be of long-lasting public benefit,  
48.26 include a match, and be consistent with total  
48.27 maximum daily load (TMDL) implementation  
48.28 plans, watershed restoration and protection  
48.29 strategies (WRAPS), or local water  
48.30 management plans or their equivalents. Up to  
48.31 20 percent of this appropriation is available  
48.32 for land-treatment projects and practices that  
48.33 benefit drinking water.

48.34 (c) \$5,500,000 the first year and \$5,500,000  
48.35 the second year are for accelerated

49.1 implementation, local resource protection,  
49.2 enhancement grants, statewide analytical  
49.3 targeting or technology tools that fill an  
49.4 identified gap, program enhancements for  
49.5 technical assistance, citizen and community  
49.6 outreach, compliance, and training and  
49.7 certification.

49.8 (d) \$1,250,000 the first year and \$1,250,000  
49.9 the second year are:

49.10 (1) to provide state oversight and  
49.11 accountability, evaluate and communicate  
49.12 results, provide implementation tools, and  
49.13 measure the value of conservation program  
49.14 implementation by local governments; and

49.15 (2) to prepare, in consultation with the  
49.16 commissioners of natural resources, health,  
49.17 agriculture, and the Pollution Control Agency,  
49.18 and submit to the legislature by March 1 each  
49.19 even-numbered year a biennial report detailing  
49.20 the recipients and projects funded and the  
49.21 results accomplished under this section.

49.22 (e) \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000  
49.23 the second year are to provide assistance,  
49.24 oversight, and grants for supporting local  
49.25 governments in implementing and complying  
49.26 with riparian protection and excessive soil loss  
49.27 requirements.

49.28 (f) \$2,500,000 the first year and \$2,500,000  
49.29 the second year are for a working lands  
49.30 floodplain program and to purchase, restore,  
49.31 or preserve riparian land and floodplains  
49.32 adjacent to lakes, rivers, streams, and  
49.33 tributaries, by conservation easements or  
49.34 contracts to keep water on the land, to decrease

50.1 sediment, pollutant, and nutrient transport;  
 50.2 reduce hydrologic impacts to surface waters;  
 50.3 and increase protection and recharge for  
 50.4 groundwater. Up to \$200,000 is for deposit in  
 50.5 a conservation easement stewardship account  
 50.6 established according to Minnesota Statutes,  
 50.7 section 103B.103.

50.8 (g) \$2,500,000 the first year and \$2,500,000  
 50.9 the second year are for permanent  
 50.10 conservation easements on wellhead protection  
 50.11 areas under Minnesota Statutes, section  
 50.12 103F.515, subdivision 2, paragraph (d), or for  
 50.13 grants to local units of government for fee title  
 50.14 acquisition to permanently protect  
 50.15 groundwater supply sources on wellhead  
 50.16 protection areas or for otherwise ensuring  
 50.17 long-term protection of groundwater supply  
 50.18 sources as described under alternative  
 50.19 management tools in the Department of  
 50.20 Agriculture *Minnesota Nitrogen Fertilizer*  
 50.21 *Management Plan*, including using  
 50.22 low-nitrogen cropping systems or  
 50.23 implementing nitrogen fertilizer best  
 50.24 management practices. Priority must be placed  
 50.25 on land that is located where the vulnerability  
 50.26 of the drinking water supply is designated as  
 50.27 high or very high by the commissioner of  
 50.28 health, where drinking water protection plans  
 50.29 have identified specific activities that will  
 50.30 achieve long-term protection, and on lands  
 50.31 with expiring conservation reserve program  
 50.32 contracts. Up to \$200,000 is for deposit in a  
 50.33 conservation easement stewardship account  
 50.34 established according to Minnesota Statutes,  
 50.35 section 103B.103.

- 51.1 (h) \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the  
51.2 second year are for a technical evaluation  
51.3 panel to conduct restoration evaluations under  
51.4 Minnesota Statutes, section 114D.50,  
51.5 subdivision 6.
- 51.6 (i) \$1,750,000 the first year and \$1,750,000  
51.7 the second year are for assistance, oversight,  
51.8 and grants to local governments to transition  
51.9 local water management plans to a watershed  
51.10 approach as provided for in Minnesota  
51.11 Statutes, section 103B.801.
- 51.12 (j) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000  
51.13 the second year are for technical assistance  
51.14 and grants for the conservation drainage  
51.15 program, in consultation with the Drainage  
51.16 Work Group, coordinated under Minnesota  
51.17 Statutes, section 103B.101, subdivision 13,  
51.18 and including projects to improve  
51.19 multipurpose water management under  
51.20 Minnesota Statutes, section 103E.015.
- 51.21 (k) \$1,500,000 the first year and \$1,500,000  
51.22 the second year are to purchase permanent  
51.23 conservation easements to protect lands  
51.24 adjacent to public waters that have good water  
51.25 quality but that are threatened with  
51.26 degradation. Up to \$150,000 is for deposit in  
51.27 a conservation easement stewardship account  
51.28 established according to Minnesota Statutes,  
51.29 section 103B.103.
- 51.30 (l) \$425,000 the first year and \$425,000 the  
51.31 second year are for grants or contracts for a  
51.32 program to systematically collect data and  
51.33 produce county, watershed, and statewide  
51.34 estimates of soil erosion caused by water and  
51.35 wind, along with tracking adoption of

52.1 conservation measures, including cover crops,  
52.2 to address erosion. This appropriation may be  
52.3 used for grants to or contracts with the  
52.4 University of Minnesota to complete this  
52.5 work.

52.6 (m) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the  
52.7 second year are for developing and  
52.8 implementing a water legacy grant program  
52.9 to expand partnerships for clean water.

52.10 (n) \$5,000,000 the first year and \$5,000,000  
52.11 the second year are for permanent  
52.12 conservation easements to protect and restore  
52.13 wetlands and associated uplands. Up to  
52.14 \$300,000 is for deposit in a conservation  
52.15 easement stewardship account established  
52.16 according to Minnesota Statutes, section  
52.17 103B.103.

52.18 (o) \$6,039,000 the first year and \$6,038,000  
52.19 the second year are for financial and technical  
52.20 assistance to enhance adoption of cover crops  
52.21 and other soil health practices to achieve water  
52.22 quality or drinking water benefits. The board  
52.23 may use grants to local governments and  
52.24 agreements with the United States Department  
52.25 of Agriculture, AgCentric at Minnesota State  
52.26 Center for Excellence, and other practitioners  
52.27 and partners to accomplish this work. Up to  
52.28 \$450,000 is for an agreement with the  
52.29 University of Minnesota Office for Soil Health  
52.30 for applied research and education on  
52.31 Minnesota's agroecosystems and soil health  
52.32 management systems. This appropriation is  
52.33 available until June 30, 2028, and may be  
52.34 extended to leverage available federal funds.

53.1 (p) The board must contract for delivery of  
53.2 services with Conservation Corps Minnesota  
53.3 for restoration, maintenance, training, and  
53.4 other activities under this section for up to  
53.5 \$750,000 the first year and up to \$750,000 the  
53.6 second year.

53.7 (q) The board may shift grant, implementation,  
53.8 or easement funds in this section and may  
53.9 adjust the technical and administrative  
53.10 assistance portion of the funds to leverage  
53.11 federal or other nonstate funds or to address  
53.12 oversight responsibilities or high-priority  
53.13 activities identified by the board consistent  
53.14 with local water management plans.

53.15 (r) The board must require grantees to specify  
53.16 the outcomes that will be achieved by the  
53.17 grants.

53.18 (s) The appropriations in this section are  
53.19 available until June 30, 2028, except grant or  
53.20 easement funds are available for five years  
53.21 after the date a grant or other agreement is  
53.22 executed. Returned grant funds must be  
53.23 regranted consistent with the purposes of this  
53.24 section.

53.25 **Sec. 7. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH                    \$        11,296,000 \$        11,904,000**

53.26 (a) \$4,746,000 the first year and \$5,354,000  
53.27 the second year are for developing  
53.28 health-based, Minnesota-specific water  
53.29 guidance for contaminants found or anticipated  
53.30 to be found in Minnesota drinking water, to  
53.31 certify private laboratories to conduct analyses  
53.32 for these contaminants, and to increase the  
53.33 capacity of the department's laboratory to  
53.34 analyze for these contaminants.

- 54.1 (b) \$1,500,000 the first year and \$1,500,000  
54.2 the second year are for ensuring safe drinking  
54.3 water for private well users, including studying  
54.4 the occurrence and magnitude of contaminants  
54.5 in private wells; developing guidance and  
54.6 conducting outreach and education about well  
54.7 testing and mitigation; awarding grants to local  
54.8 governments; and designing voluntary  
54.9 interventions to reduce health risks to private  
54.10 well owners.
- 54.11 (c) \$3,750,000 the first year and \$3,750,000  
54.12 the second year are for protecting sources of  
54.13 drinking water, including planning,  
54.14 implementation, and surveillance activities  
54.15 and grants to local governments and public  
54.16 water systems.
- 54.17 (d) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the  
54.18 second year are to develop and deliver  
54.19 groundwater restoration and protection  
54.20 strategies on a watershed scale for use in local  
54.21 comprehensive water planning efforts, to  
54.22 provide resources to local governments for  
54.23 activities that protect sources of drinking  
54.24 water, and to enhance approaches that improve  
54.25 the capacity of local governmental units to  
54.26 protect and restore groundwater resources.
- 54.27 (e) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the  
54.28 second year are to develop public health  
54.29 policies and an action plan to address threats  
54.30 to safe drinking water, including development  
54.31 of a statewide plan for protecting drinking  
54.32 water that incorporates select  
54.33 recommendations from the University of  
54.34 Minnesota's *Future of Drinking Water* report.

55.1 (f) \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the  
55.2 second year are for developing a statewide  
55.3 recreational water portal that includes an  
55.4 inventory of public beaches and information  
55.5 about local monitoring results and closures  
55.6 and that provides information about preventing  
55.7 illness and recreational water stewardship.

55.8 (g) Unless otherwise specified, the  
55.9 appropriations in this section are available  
55.10 until June 30, 2027.

55.11 **Sec. 8. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL                    \$            1,875,000 \$            1,875,000**

55.12 (a) \$1,125,000 the first year and \$1,125,000  
55.13 the second year are to implement projects that  
55.14 address emerging threats to the drinking water  
55.15 supply; provide cost-effective regional  
55.16 solutions; leverage interjurisdictional  
55.17 coordination; support local implementation of  
55.18 water supply reliability projects; support the  
55.19 growing needs of community water suppliers  
55.20 facing challenges, including PFAS,  
55.21 groundwater appropriation limitations, system  
55.22 reliability and resilience, and increased  
55.23 regional growth; and prevent degradation of  
55.24 groundwater resources in the metropolitan  
55.25 area. These projects provide communities  
55.26 with:

55.27 (1) potential solutions to leverage regional  
55.28 water use by using surface water, stormwater,  
55.29 wastewater, and groundwater;

55.30 (2) an analysis of infrastructure requirements  
55.31 for different alternatives;

55.32 (3) development of planning-level cost  
55.33 estimates, including capital costs and operating  
55.34 costs;

56.1 (4) identification of funding mechanisms and  
 56.2 an equitable cost-sharing structure for  
 56.3 regionally beneficial water supply  
 56.4 development projects; and  
 56.5 (5) development of subregional groundwater  
 56.6 models and strategies.

56.7 (b) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the  
 56.8 second year are for the water demand  
 56.9 reduction grants to assist municipalities in the  
 56.10 metropolitan area with implementing water  
 56.11 demand reduction measures to ensure the  
 56.12 reliability and protection of drinking water  
 56.13 supplies.

56.14 **Sec. 9. UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA           \$           1,500,000 \$           1,500,000**

56.15 (a) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the  
 56.16 second year are for developing Part A of  
 56.17 county geologic atlases. This appropriation is  
 56.18 available until June 30, 2030.

56.19 (b) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000  
 56.20 the second year are for a program to evaluate  
 56.21 performance and technology transfer for  
 56.22 stormwater best management practices, to  
 56.23 evaluate best management performance and  
 56.24 effectiveness to support meeting total  
 56.25 maximum daily loads, to develop standards  
 56.26 and incorporate state-of-the-art guidance using  
 56.27 minimal impact design standards as the model,  
 56.28 and to implement a system to transfer  
 56.29 knowledge and technology across local  
 56.30 government, industry, and regulatory sectors.  
 56.31 This appropriation is available until June 30,  
 56.32 2030.

56.33 **Sec. 10. LEGISLATURE   \$                                   6,000 \$                                   -0-**

57.1 \$6,000 the first year is for the Legislative  
57.2 Coordinating Commission for the website  
57.3 required under Minnesota Statutes, section  
57.4 3.303, subdivision 10.

57.5 **Sec. 11. PUBLIC FACILITIES AUTHORITY \$ 8,350,000 \$ 8,350,000**

57.6 (a) \$8,250,000 the first year and \$8,250,000  
57.7 the second year are for the point source  
57.8 implementation grants program under  
57.9 Minnesota Statutes, section 446A.073. This  
57.10 appropriation is available until June 30, 2030.

57.11 (b) \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the  
57.12 second year are for small community  
57.13 wastewater treatment grants and loans under  
57.14 Minnesota Statutes, section 446A.075. This  
57.15 appropriation is available until June 30, 2030.

57.16 (c) If there is any uncommitted money at the  
57.17 end of each fiscal year under paragraph (a) or  
57.18 (b), the Public Facilities Authority may  
57.19 transfer the remaining funds to eligible  
57.20 projects under any of the programs listed in  
57.21 this section according to a project's priority  
57.22 rank on the Pollution Control Agency's project  
57.23 priority list.

57.24 Sec. 12. Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 2, article 2, section 8, as amended by  
57.25 Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 1, article 2, section 21, is amended to read:

57.26 **Sec. 8. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH \$ 6,497,000 \$ 6,497,000**

57.27 (a) \$1,700,000 the first year and \$1,700,000  
57.28 the second year are for addressing public  
57.29 health concerns related to contaminants found  
57.30 in Minnesota drinking water for which no  
57.31 health-based drinking water standards exist,  
57.32 for improving the department's capacity to  
57.33 monitor the water quality of drinking water

58.1 sources and to develop interventions to  
58.2 improve water quality, and for the  
58.3 department's laboratory to analyze unregulated  
58.4 contaminants. Of this amount, \$400,000 the  
58.5 first year and \$400,000 the second year are  
58.6 for the commissioner to work in cooperation  
58.7 with the commissioners of agriculture, the  
58.8 Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, and  
58.9 natural resources to sample surface water and  
58.10 groundwater, including drinking water  
58.11 sources, and for an assessment to evaluate  
58.12 potential risks from microplastics and  
58.13 nanoplastics and identify appropriate  
58.14 follow-up actions. This appropriation is  
58.15 available until June 30, 2024.

58.16 (b) \$2,747,000 the first year and \$2,747,000  
58.17 the second year are for protecting drinking  
58.18 water sources.

58.19 (c) \$550,000 the first year and \$550,000 the  
58.20 second year are to develop and deliver  
58.21 groundwater restoration and protection  
58.22 strategies on a watershed scale for use in local  
58.23 comprehensive water planning efforts, to  
58.24 provide resources to local governments for  
58.25 activities that protect sources of drinking  
58.26 water, and to enhance approaches that improve  
58.27 the capacity of local governmental units to  
58.28 protect and restore groundwater resources.

58.29 (d) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the  
58.30 second year are for studying the occurrence  
58.31 and magnitude of contaminants in private  
58.32 wells and developing guidance, outreach, and  
58.33 interventions to reduce risks to private-well  
58.34 owners. This appropriation is available until  
58.35 June 30, 2024.

59.1 (e) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the  
59.2 second year are for evaluating and addressing  
59.3 the risks from viruses, bacteria, and protozoa  
59.4 in groundwater supplies and for evaluating  
59.5 land uses that may contribute to contamination  
59.6 of public water systems with these pathogens.

59.7 (f) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the  
59.8 second year are to develop public health  
59.9 policies and an action plan to address threats  
59.10 to safe drinking water, including development  
59.11 of a statewide plan for protecting drinking  
59.12 water.

59.13 (g) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the  
59.14 second year are to create a road map for water  
59.15 reuse implementation in Minnesota and to  
59.16 address research gaps by studying Minnesota  
59.17 water reuse systems. This appropriation is  
59.18 available until June 30, 2024.

59.19 (h) Unless otherwise specified, the  
59.20 appropriations in this section are available  
59.21 until June 30, 2023.

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

59.23 **ARTICLE 3**  
59.24 **PARKS AND TRAILS FUND**

59.25 Section 1. **PARKS AND TRAILS FUND APPROPRIATIONS.**

59.26 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies  
59.27 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the parks and  
59.28 trails fund and are available for the fiscal years indicated for each purpose. The figures  
59.29 "2024" and "2025" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under the figure  
59.30 are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, or June 30, 2025, respectively. "The  
59.31 first year" is fiscal year 2024. "The second year" is fiscal year 2025. "The biennium" is  
59.32 fiscal years 2024 and 2025. These are onetime appropriations.

60.1			<b><u>APPROPRIATIONS</u></b>
60.2			<b><u>Available for the Year</u></b>
60.3			<b><u>Ending June 30</u></b>
60.4			<b><u>2024</u>                      <u>2025</u></b>

60.5 **Sec. 2. PARKS AND TRAILS**

60.6 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation**                      **\$      72,162,000 \$      64,452,000**

60.7 The amounts that may be spent for each  
60.8 purpose are specified in the following sections.

60.9 **Subd. 2. Availability of Appropriation**

60.10 Money appropriated in this article may not be  
60.11 spent on activities unless they are directly  
60.12 related to and necessary for a specific  
60.13 appropriation. Money appropriated in this  
60.14 article must be spent in accordance with  
60.15 Minnesota Management and Budget *MMB*  
60.16 *Guidance to Agencies on Legacy Fund*  
60.17 *Expenditure*. Notwithstanding Minnesota  
60.18 Statutes, section 16A.28, and unless otherwise  
60.19 specified in this article, fiscal year 2024  
60.20 appropriations are available until June 30,  
60.21 2026, and fiscal year 2025 appropriations are  
60.22 available until June 30, 2027. If a project  
60.23 receives federal funds, the period of the  
60.24 appropriation is extended to equal the  
60.25 availability of federal funding.

60.26 **Subd. 3. Disability Access**

60.27 Where appropriate, grant recipients of parks  
60.28 and trails funds, in consultation with the  
60.29 Council on Disability and other appropriate  
60.30 governor-appointed disability councils, boards,  
60.31 committees, and commissions, should make  
60.32 progress toward providing people with  
60.33 disabilities greater access to programs, print  
60.34 publications, and digital media related to the

61.1 programs the recipient funds using  
61.2 appropriations made in this article.

61.3 **Sec. 3. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL**  
61.4 **RESOURCES**

**\$ 43,566,000 \$ 38,926,000**

61.5 (a) \$28,593,000 the first year and \$25,526,000  
61.6 the second year are for state parks, recreation  
61.7 areas, and trails to:

61.8 (1) connect people to the outdoors;

61.9 (2) acquire land and create opportunities;

61.10 (3) maintain existing holdings; and

61.11 (4) improve cooperation by coordinating with  
61.12 partners to implement the 25-year long-range  
61.13 parks and trails legacy plan.

61.14 (b) \$14,296,000 the first year and \$12,763,000

61.15 the second year are for grants for parks and

61.16 trails of regional significance outside the

61.17 seven-county metropolitan area under

61.18 Minnesota Statutes, section 85.535. The grants

61.19 awarded under this paragraph must be based

61.20 on the lists of recommended projects

61.21 submitted to the legislative committees under

61.22 Minnesota Statutes, section 85.536,

61.23 subdivision 10, from the Greater Minnesota

61.24 Regional Parks and Trails Commission

61.25 established under Minnesota Statutes, section

61.26 85.536. Grants funded under this paragraph

61.27 must support parks and trails of regional or

61.28 statewide significance that meet the applicable

61.29 definitions and criteria for regional parks and

61.30 trails contained in the *Greater Minnesota*

61.31 *Regional Parks and Trails Strategic Plan*

61.32 adopted by the Greater Minnesota Regional

61.33 Parks and Trails Commission on April 22,

61.34 2015. Grant recipients identified under this

62.1 paragraph must submit a grant application to  
62.2 the commissioner of natural resources. Up to  
62.3 2.5 percent of the appropriation may be used  
62.4 by the commissioner for the actual cost of  
62.5 issuing and monitoring the grants for the  
62.6 commission. Of the amount appropriated,  
62.7 \$475,000 the first year and \$475,000 the  
62.8 second year are for the Greater Minnesota  
62.9 Regional Parks and Trails Commission to  
62.10 carry out its duties under Minnesota Statutes,  
62.11 section 85.536, including the continued  
62.12 development of a statewide system plan for  
62.13 regional parks and trails outside the  
62.14 seven-county metropolitan area.

62.15 (c) By January 15, 2024, the Greater  
62.16 Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails  
62.17 Commission must submit a list of projects that  
62.18 contains the commission's recommendations  
62.19 for funding from the parks and trails fund for  
62.20 fiscal year 2025 to the chairs and ranking  
62.21 minority members of the legislative  
62.22 committees and divisions with jurisdiction  
62.23 over environment and natural resources and  
62.24 the parks and trails fund.

62.25 (d) By January 15, 2024, the Greater  
62.26 Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails  
62.27 Commission must submit a report that contains  
62.28 the commission's criteria for funding from the  
62.29 parks and trails fund, including the criteria  
62.30 used to determine if a park or trail is of  
62.31 regional significance, to the chairs and ranking  
62.32 minority members of the legislative  
62.33 committees and divisions with jurisdiction  
62.34 over environment and natural resources and  
62.35 the parks and trails fund.

63.1 (e) \$677,000 the first year and \$637,000 the  
 63.2 second year are for coordination and projects  
 63.3 between the department, the Metropolitan  
 63.4 Council, and the Greater Minnesota Regional  
 63.5 Parks and Trails Commission; enhanced  
 63.6 web-based information for park and trail users;  
 63.7 and support of activities of the Parks and  
 63.8 Trails Legacy Advisory Committee.

63.9 (f) The commissioner must contract for  
 63.10 services with Conservation Corps Minnesota  
 63.11 for restoration, maintenance, and other  
 63.12 activities under this section for at least  
 63.13 \$850,000 the first year and \$850,000 the  
 63.14 second year.

63.15 (g) Grant recipients of an appropriation under  
 63.16 this section must give consideration to  
 63.17 contracting with Conservation Corps  
 63.18 Minnesota for restoration, maintenance, and  
 63.19 other activities.

63.20 Sec. 4. **METROPOLITAN COUNCIL**                    **\$**            **28,593,000** **\$**            **25,526,000**

63.21 (a) \$28,593,000 the first year and \$25,526,000  
 63.22 the second year are for distribution according  
 63.23 to Minnesota Statutes, section 85.53,  
 63.24 subdivision 3.

63.25 (b) Money appropriated under this section and  
 63.26 distributed to implementing agencies must be  
 63.27 used only to fund the list of projects approved  
 63.28 by the elected representatives of each of the  
 63.29 metropolitan parks implementing agencies.  
 63.30 Projects funded by the money appropriated  
 63.31 under this section must be substantially  
 63.32 consistent with the project descriptions and  
 63.33 dollar amounts approved by each elected body.  
 63.34 Any money remaining after completing the





66.1 to and necessary for a specific appropriation.  
 66.2 Money appropriated in this article must be  
 66.3 spent in accordance with Minnesota  
 66.4 Management and Budget *MMB Guidance to*  
 66.5 *Agencies on Legacy Fund Expenditure.*  
 66.6 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section  
 66.7 16A.28, and unless otherwise specified in this  
 66.8 article, fiscal year 2024 appropriations are  
 66.9 available until June 30, 2025, and fiscal year  
 66.10 2025 appropriations are available until June  
 66.11 30, 2026. If a project receives federal funds,  
 66.12 the period of the appropriation is extended to  
 66.13 equal the availability of federal funding.

66.14 **Subd. 3. Minnesota State Arts Board** 48,421,000 41,796,000

66.15 (a) The amounts in this subdivision are  
 66.16 appropriated to the Minnesota State Arts  
 66.17 Board for arts, arts education, arts  
 66.18 preservation, and arts access. Grant  
 66.19 agreements entered into by the Minnesota  
 66.20 State Arts Board and other recipients of  
 66.21 appropriations in this subdivision must ensure  
 66.22 that these funds are used to supplement and  
 66.23 not substitute for traditional sources of  
 66.24 funding. Each grant program established in  
 66.25 this appropriation must be separately  
 66.26 administered from other state appropriations  
 66.27 for program planning and outcome  
 66.28 measurements, but may take into consideration  
 66.29 other state resources awarded in the selection  
 66.30 of applicants and grant award size.

66.31 **(b) Arts and Arts Access Initiatives**  
 66.32 \$38,737,000 the first year and \$33,437,000  
 66.33 the second year are to support Minnesota  
 66.34 artists and arts organizations in creating,  
 66.35 producing, and presenting high-quality arts

67.1 activities; to preserve, maintain, and interpret  
67.2 art forms and works of art so that they are  
67.3 accessible to Minnesota audiences; to  
67.4 overcome barriers to accessing high-quality  
67.5 arts activities; and to instill the arts into the  
67.6 community and public life in this state.

67.7 **(c) Arts Education**

67.8 \$7,263,000 the first year and \$6,269,000 the  
67.9 second year are for high-quality,  
67.10 age-appropriate arts education for Minnesotans  
67.11 of all ages to develop knowledge, skills, and  
67.12 understanding of the arts.

67.13 **(d) Arts and Cultural Heritage**

67.14 \$2,421,000 the first year and \$2,090,000 the  
67.15 second year are for events and activities that  
67.16 represent, preserve, and maintain the diverse  
67.17 cultural arts traditions, including folk and  
67.18 traditional artists and art organizations,  
67.19 represented in this state.

67.20 **(e) Up to five percent of the money**  
67.21 **appropriated in paragraphs (b) to (d) may be**  
67.22 **used by the board for administering grant**  
67.23 **programs, delivering technical services,**  
67.24 **providing fiscal oversight for the statewide**  
67.25 **system, and ensuring accountability in fiscal**  
67.26 **year 2024 and fiscal year 2025.**

67.27 **(f) Up to 30 percent of the remaining total**  
67.28 **appropriation to each of the categories listed**  
67.29 **in paragraphs (b) to (d) is for grants to the**  
67.30 **regional arts councils. Notwithstanding any**  
67.31 **other provision of law, regional arts council**  
67.32 **grants or other arts council grants for touring**  
67.33 **programs, projects, or exhibits must ensure**  
67.34 **the programs, projects, or exhibits are able to**

68.1 tour in their own region as well as all other  
68.2 regions of the state.

68.3 (g) Any unencumbered balance remaining  
68.4 under this subdivision the first year does not  
68.5 cancel but is available the second year.

68.6 **Subd. 4. Minnesota Historical Society** 19,995,000 18,720,000

68.7 (a) The amounts in this subdivision are  
68.8 appropriated to the governing board of the  
68.9 Minnesota Historical Society to preserve and  
68.10 enhance access to Minnesota's history and its  
68.11 cultural and historical resources. Grant  
68.12 agreements entered into by the Minnesota  
68.13 Historical Society and other recipients of  
68.14 appropriations in this subdivision must ensure  
68.15 that these funds are used to supplement and  
68.16 not substitute for traditional sources of  
68.17 funding. Money directly appropriated to the  
68.18 Minnesota Historical Society must be used to  
68.19 supplement and not substitute for traditional  
68.20 sources of funding. Notwithstanding  
68.21 Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, for  
68.22 historic preservation projects that improve  
68.23 historic structures, the amounts are available  
68.24 until June 30, 2027. The Minnesota Historical  
68.25 Society or grant recipients of the Minnesota  
68.26 Historical Society using arts and cultural  
68.27 heritage funds under this subdivision must  
68.28 give consideration to Conservation Corps  
68.29 Minnesota and Northern Bedrock Historic  
68.30 Preservation Corps, or an organization  
68.31 carrying out similar work, for projects with  
68.32 the potential to need historic preservation  
68.33 services.

68.34 **(b) Historical Grants and Programs**

68.35 **(1) Statewide Historic and Cultural Grants**

69.1 \$7,500,000 the first year and \$7,500,000 the  
69.2 second year are for statewide historic and  
69.3 cultural grants to local, county, regional, or  
69.4 other historical or cultural organizations or for  
69.5 activities to preserve significant historic and  
69.6 cultural resources. Money must be distributed  
69.7 through a competitive grant process. The  
69.8 Minnesota Historical Society must administer  
69.9 the money using established grant  
69.10 mechanisms, with assistance from the advisory  
69.11 committee created under Laws 2009, chapter  
69.12 172, article 4, section 2, subdivision 4,  
69.13 paragraph (b), item (ii).

69.14 (2) Statewide History Programs

69.15 \$7,500,000 the first year and \$7,500,000 the  
69.16 second year are for historic and cultural  
69.17 programs and purposes related to the heritage  
69.18 of the state.

69.19 (3) History Partnerships

69.20 \$2,820,000 the first year and \$2,820,000 the  
69.21 second year are for history partnerships  
69.22 involving multiple organizations, which may  
69.23 include the Minnesota Historical Society, to  
69.24 preserve and enhance access to Minnesota's  
69.25 history and cultural heritage in all regions of  
69.26 the state.

69.27 (4) Statewide Survey of Historical and  
69.28 Archaeological Sites

69.29 \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the  
69.30 second year are for one or more contracts to  
69.31 be competitively awarded to conduct statewide  
69.32 surveys or investigations of Minnesota's sites  
69.33 of historical, archaeological, and cultural  
69.34 significance. Results of the surveys or  
69.35 investigations must be published in a

- 70.1 searchable form and available to the public
- 70.2 cost-free. The Minnesota Historical Society,
- 70.3 the Office of the State Archaeologist, the
- 70.4 Indian Affairs Council, and the State Historic
- 70.5 Preservation Office must each appoint a
- 70.6 representative to an oversight board to select
- 70.7 contractors and direct the conduct of the
- 70.8 surveys or investigations. The oversight board
- 70.9 must consult with the Department of
- 70.10 Transportation and Department of Natural
- 70.11 Resources.
- 70.12 (5) Digital Library
- 70.13 \$400,000 the first year and \$400,000 the
- 70.14 second year are for a digital library project to
- 70.15 preserve, digitize, and share Minnesota
- 70.16 images, documents, and historical materials.
- 70.17 The Minnesota Historical Society must
- 70.18 cooperate with the Minitex interlibrary loan
- 70.19 system and must jointly share this
- 70.20 appropriation for these purposes.
- 70.21 **(c) Grants**
- 70.22 (1) \$100,000 the first year is for a grant to the
- 70.23 Litchfield Opera House to repair and update
- 70.24 the electrical capabilities in the Litchfield
- 70.25 Opera House;
- 70.26 (2) \$275,000 the first year is for a grant to the
- 70.27 Dakota County Historical Society to upgrade
- 70.28 and improve the Lawshe Memorial Museum;
- 70.29 and
- 70.30 (3) \$900,000 the first year is for a grant to
- 70.31 Olmsted County Historical Society to
- 70.32 rehabilitate the historic George Stoppel stone
- 70.33 house and barn and to construct an accessible
- 70.34 pathway to the farmstead.

71.1 **(d) Balance Remaining**

71.2 Any unencumbered balance remaining under  
71.3 this subdivision the first year does not cancel  
71.4 but is available the second year.

71.5 **Subd. 5. Department of Education**

2,750,000

2,750,000

71.6 \$2,750,000 the first year and \$2,750,000 the  
71.7 second year are appropriated to the  
71.8 commissioner of education for grants to the  
71.9 12 Minnesota regional library systems to  
71.10 provide educational opportunities in the arts,  
71.11 history, literary arts, and cultural heritage of  
71.12 Minnesota. This money must be allocated  
71.13 using the formulas in Minnesota Statutes,  
71.14 section 134.355, subdivisions 3 to 5, with the  
71.15 remaining 25 percent to be distributed to all  
71.16 qualifying systems in an amount proportionate  
71.17 to the number of qualifying system entities in  
71.18 each system. For purposes of this subdivision,  
71.19 "qualifying system entity" means a public  
71.20 library, a regional library system, a regional  
71.21 library system headquarters, a county, or an  
71.22 outreach service program. This money may  
71.23 be used to sponsor programs provided by  
71.24 regional libraries or to provide grants to local  
71.25 arts and cultural heritage programs for  
71.26 programs in partnership with regional libraries.  
71.27 This money must be distributed in ten equal  
71.28 payments per year. Notwithstanding  
71.29 Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, the  
71.30 appropriations encumbered on or before June  
71.31 30, 2025, as grants or contracts in this  
71.32 subdivision are available until June 30, 2027.

71.33 **Subd. 6. Department of Administration**

15,779,000

12,015,000

71.34 (a) The amounts in this subdivision are  
71.35 appropriated to the commissioner of

72.1 administration for grants to the named  
72.2 organizations for the purposes specified in this  
72.3 subdivision. The commissioner of  
72.4 administration may use a portion of this  
72.5 appropriation for costs that are directly related  
72.6 to and necessary for the administration of  
72.7 grants in this subdivision.

72.8 (b) Grant agreements entered into by the  
72.9 commissioner and recipients of appropriations  
72.10 under this subdivision must ensure that money  
72.11 appropriated in this subdivision is used to  
72.12 supplement and not substitute for traditional  
72.13 sources of funding.

72.14 **(c) Minnesota Public Radio**

72.15 \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000 the  
72.16 second year are for Minnesota Public Radio  
72.17 to create programming and expand news  
72.18 service on Minnesota's cultural heritage and  
72.19 history.

72.20 **(d) Association of Minnesota Public Educational**  
72.21 **Radio Stations**

72.22 \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000 the  
72.23 second year are to the Association of  
72.24 Minnesota Public Educational Radio Stations  
72.25 for production and acquisition grants in  
72.26 accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section  
72.27 129D.19. This appropriation is available until  
72.28 June 30, 2025.

72.29 **(e) Public Television**

72.30 \$5,460,000 the first year and \$4,460,000 the  
72.31 second year are to the Minnesota Public  
72.32 Television Association for production and  
72.33 acquisition grants according to Minnesota  
72.34 Statutes, section 129D.18. Of the amount in

- 73.1 the first year, \$1,000,000 is for producing  
73.2 Minnesota military and veterans' history  
73.3 stories.
- 73.4 **(f) Wilderness Inquiry**
- 73.5 \$475,000 the first year and \$475,000 the  
73.6 second year are to Wilderness Inquiry to  
73.7 preserve Minnesota's outdoor history, culture,  
73.8 and heritage by connecting Minnesota youth  
73.9 and families to natural resources.
- 73.10 **(g) Como Park Zoo**
- 73.11 \$1,700,000 the first year and \$1,700,000 the  
73.12 second year are for a grant to the Como Park  
73.13 Zoo and Conservatory for program  
73.14 development that features educational  
73.15 programs and habitat enhancement, special  
73.16 exhibits, music appreciation programs, and  
73.17 historical garden access and preservation.
- 73.18 **(h) Science Museum of Minnesota**
- 73.19 \$800,000 the first year and \$800,000 the  
73.20 second year are to the Science Museum of  
73.21 Minnesota for arts, arts education, and arts  
73.22 access and to preserve Minnesota's history and  
73.23 cultural heritage, including student and teacher  
73.24 outreach, statewide educational initiatives, and  
73.25 community-based exhibits that preserve  
73.26 Minnesota's history and cultural heritage.
- 73.27 **(i) Appetite for Change**
- 73.28 \$200,000 the first year is to the nonprofit  
73.29 Appetite for Change for the Community Cooks  
73.30 programming, which will preserve the cultural  
73.31 heritage of growing and cooking food in  
73.32 Minnesota.
- 73.33 **(j) Lake Superior Zoo**

74.1 \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the  
74.2 second year are to the Lake Superior Zoo to  
74.3 develop educational exhibits and programs.

74.4 **(k) Veterans Memorial Park in Wyoming**

74.5 \$154,000 the first year is for a grant to the city  
74.6 of Wyoming to build the Veterans Memorial  
74.7 Plaza and related interpretive walk in Railroad  
74.8 Park.

74.9 **(l) Great Lakes Aquarium**

74.10 \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the  
74.11 second year are to the Lake Superior Center  
74.12 Authority to prepare, fabricate, and install a  
74.13 hands-on exhibit with interactive learning  
74.14 components to educate Minnesotans on the  
74.15 history of the natural landscape of the state.

74.16 **(m) Minnesota State Band**

74.17 \$50,000 the first year is for a grant to the  
74.18 Minnesota State Band to provide for public  
74.19 performances across Minnesota.

74.20 **(n) Great Northern Festival**

74.21 \$150,000 the first year and \$150,000 the  
74.22 second year are for a grant to support the Great  
74.23 Northern Festival, which connects attendees  
74.24 to parks, outdoor spaces, and cultural venues  
74.25 through a festival.

74.26 **(o) Governor's Council on Developmental**  
74.27 **Disabilities**

74.28 \$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the second  
74.29 year are to the Minnesota Governor's Council  
74.30 on Developmental Disabilities to continue to  
74.31 preserve and raise awareness of the history of  
74.32 Minnesotans with developmental disabilities.

74.33 **(p) Minnesota Council on Disability**

75.1 \$550,000 the first year is to the Minnesota  
75.2 Council on Disability to provide educational  
75.3 opportunities in the arts, history, and cultural  
75.4 heritage of Minnesotans with disabilities in  
75.5 conjunction with the 50th anniversary of the  
75.6 Minnesota Council on Disability. This  
75.7 appropriation is available until June 30, 2027.

75.8 **(q) Keller Regional Park**

75.9 \$850,000 the first year is for a grant to Ramsey  
75.10 County to preserve Minnesota's cultural  
75.11 heritage by enhancing the tuj lub courts at  
75.12 Keller Regional Park.

75.13 **(r) Changsha Friendship Garden**

75.14 \$850,000 the first year is for a grant to the city  
75.15 of St. Paul for the design, project management,  
75.16 and construction of Phase II of the Changsha  
75.17 Friendship Garden in Phalen Regional Park.  
75.18 The city must prioritize completing the Hmong  
75.19 Plaza, the Heritage Wall, and the History Wall  
75.20 with grant proceeds.

75.21 **(s) Camille Gage Artist Fellowship**

75.22 \$55,000 the first year and \$55,000 the second  
75.23 year are for a grant to YWCA Minneapolis to  
75.24 fund an annual fellowship to be known as the  
75.25 Camille J. Gage Artist Fellowship. Of this  
75.26 amount, up to \$5,000 each year may be used  
75.27 for administrative expenses. YWCA  
75.28 Minneapolis must select a person for the  
75.29 Camille J. Gage Artist Fellowship after an  
75.30 application process that allows both  
75.31 applications by interested persons and  
75.32 nominations of persons by third parties. By  
75.33 October 1, 2026, YWCA Minneapolis must  
75.34 report to the chairs and ranking minority

76.1 members of the legislative committees and  
 76.2 divisions with jurisdiction over legacy on the  
 76.3 use of money appropriated under this  
 76.4 paragraph and on the activities of the person  
 76.5 selected for the Camille J. Gage Artist  
 76.6 Fellowship under this paragraph. This  
 76.7 appropriation is available until June 30, 2026.

76.8 **(t) Minnesota African American Heritage**  
 76.9 **Museum and Gallery**

76.10 \$235,000 the first year and \$125,000 the  
 76.11 second year are for arts and cultural heritage  
 76.12 programming celebrating African American  
 76.13 and Black communities in Minnesota. Of the  
 76.14 amount in the first year, \$110,000 is for C.  
 76.15 Caldwell Fine Arts for an outdoor mural  
 76.16 project in North Minneapolis to work with  
 76.17 young people to develop skills while using art  
 76.18 as the impetus.

76.19 **Subd. 7. Minnesota Zoo** 2,000,000 2,000,000

76.20 The amounts in this subdivision are  
 76.21 appropriated to the Minnesota Zoological  
 76.22 Board for programs and development of the  
 76.23 Minnesota Zoological Garden and to provide  
 76.24 access and education related to programs on  
 76.25 the cultural heritage of Minnesota.

76.26 **Subd. 8. Minnesota Humanities Center** 10,651,000 9,571,000

76.27 (a) These amounts are appropriated to the  
 76.28 Board of Directors of the Minnesota  
 76.29 Humanities Center for the purposes specified  
 76.30 in this subdivision. The Minnesota Humanities  
 76.31 Center may use up to 4.5 percent of the  
 76.32 following grants, and up to five percent of the  
 76.33 appropriations specific to competitive grants  
 76.34 programs, to cover the cost of administering,  
 76.35 planning, evaluating, and reporting these

- 77.1 grants. The Minnesota Humanities Center  
77.2 must develop a written plan to issue the grants  
77.3 under this subdivision and must submit the  
77.4 plan for review and approval by the  
77.5 commissioner of administration. The written  
77.6 plan must require the Minnesota Humanities  
77.7 Center to create and adhere to grant policies  
77.8 that are similar to those established according  
77.9 to Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.97,  
77.10 subdivision 4, paragraph (a), clause (1).
- 77.11 No grants awarded under this subdivision may  
77.12 be used for travel outside the state of  
77.13 Minnesota. The grant agreement must specify  
77.14 the repercussions for failing to comply with  
77.15 the grant agreement.
- 77.16 **(b) Programs and Purposes**
- 77.17 \$1,536,000 the first year and \$1,536,000 the  
77.18 second year are for programs and purposes of  
77.19 the Minnesota Humanities Center.
- 77.20 **(c) Children's Museum Grants**
- 77.21 \$1,325,000 the first year and \$1,325,000 the  
77.22 second year are for arts and cultural heritage  
77.23 grants to children's museums for arts and  
77.24 cultural exhibits and related educational  
77.25 outreach programs. Of this amount:
- 77.26 (1) \$500,000 each year is for the Minnesota  
77.27 Children's Museum, St. Paul;
- 77.28 (2) \$75,000 each year is for the Children's  
77.29 Museum of Rochester, Rochester;
- 77.30 (3) \$75,000 each year is for The Works,  
77.31 Bloomington;
- 77.32 (4) \$75,000 each year is for the WonderTrek  
77.33 Children's Museum, Brainerd-Baxter;

- 78.1 (5) \$75,000 each year is for the Children's  
78.2 Discovery Center, Breckenridge;
- 78.3 (6) \$75,000 each year is for the Duluth  
78.4 Children's Museum, Duluth;
- 78.5 (7) \$75,000 each year is for the Otter Cove  
78.6 Children's Museum, Fergus Falls;
- 78.7 (8) \$75,000 each year is for the Children's  
78.8 Discovery Museum, Grand Rapids;
- 78.9 (9) \$75,000 each year is for the Wheel and  
78.10 Cog Children's Museum, Hutchinson;
- 78.11 (10) \$75,000 each year is for the Children's  
78.12 Museum of Southern Minnesota, Mankato;
- 78.13 (11) \$75,000 each year is for the Great River  
78.14 Children's Museum, St. Cloud; and
- 78.15 (12) \$75,000 each year is for The Village  
78.16 Children's Museum, Willmar.
- 78.17 **(d) The Bakken Museum**
- 78.18 \$75,000 each year is for a grant to The Bakken  
78.19 Museum for interactive exhibits and outreach  
78.20 programs on arts and cultural heritage.
- 78.21 **(e) Community Identity and Heritage Grant**  
78.22 **Program**
- 78.23 (1) \$2,500,000 the first year and \$6,510,000  
78.24 the second year are for a competitive grant  
78.25 program to provide grants to organizations or  
78.26 individuals residing or based in diverse  
78.27 Minnesota communities, including but not  
78.28 limited to Asian and Pacific Island  
78.29 communities, the Somali diaspora and other  
78.30 African immigrant communities, Indigenous  
78.31 communities with a focus on the 11 Tribes in  
78.32 Minnesota, the African American community,  
78.33 the Latinx community, the LGBTQIA+

79.1 community, and other underrepresented  
79.2 cultural groups to create, celebrate, and teach  
79.3 the art, culture, and heritage of these diverse  
79.4 Minnesota communities. In awarding grants  
79.5 under this clause, the Minnesota Humanities  
79.6 Center must consider the extent to which  
79.7 applicants represent groups that have been  
79.8 underrepresented in past awards of grant  
79.9 money from the arts and cultural heritage fund,  
79.10 and an individual or organization that receives  
79.11 a grant under this clause must do at least one  
79.12 of the following:

79.13 (i) preserve and honor the cultural heritage of  
79.14 Minnesota;

79.15 (ii) provide education and student outreach on  
79.16 cultural diversity;

79.17 (iii) support the development of culturally  
79.18 diverse humanities programming, including  
79.19 arts programming, by individuals and  
79.20 organizations; or

79.21 (iv) empower communities in building identity  
79.22 and culture, including preserving and honoring  
79.23 communities whose Indigenous cultures are  
79.24 endangered or disappearing;

79.25 (2) \$50,000 the first year is for a grant to the  
79.26 Tibetan American Foundation of Minnesota  
79.27 to celebrate and teach the art, culture, and  
79.28 heritage of Tibetan Americans in Minnesota;

79.29 (3) \$50,000 the first year is for a grant to Hong  
79.30 De Wu Guan to create cultural arts projects  
79.31 like Lion Dance for after-school programs for  
79.32 youth;

79.33 (4) \$100,000 the first year is for a grant to the  
79.34 Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians for the

- 80.1 Red Lake Nation Tribal College Urban Center  
80.2 to develop new programs for the Red Lake  
80.3 Nation Community Dance Choir to provide  
80.4 dance and movement, singing, and combined  
80.5 traditional Indigenous, American Indian, and  
80.6 western music studies;
- 80.7 (5) \$50,000 the first year is for a grant to the  
80.8 Sepak Takraw of USA to work with youth and  
80.9 after-school programs in the community to  
80.10 teach the cultural games of tuj lub and sepak  
80.11 takraw. This appropriation may not be used  
80.12 to hold events;
- 80.13 (6) \$150,000 the first year is for a grant to  
80.14 30,000 Feet, a nonprofit organization, to help  
80.15 youth and community artists further develop  
80.16 their artistic skills, to create community art  
80.17 and artistic performances, and to promote and  
80.18 share African American history and culture  
80.19 through the arts;
- 80.20 (7) \$180,000 the first year is for a grant to  
80.21 Siengkane Lao MN to create cultural arts  
80.22 projects and to preserve traditional  
80.23 performances;
- 80.24 (8) \$300,000 the first year is for a grant to the  
80.25 Hmong Cultural Center of Minnesota for  
80.26 museum-related programming and educational  
80.27 outreach activities to teach the public about  
80.28 the historical, cultural, and folk arts heritage  
80.29 of Hmong Minnesotans;
- 80.30 (9) \$300,000 the first year is for a grant to  
80.31 Special Guerrilla Units Veterans and Families  
80.32 of USA, Inc. to collect, document, archive,  
80.33 preserve, and make available to the public  
80.34 Hmong Special Guerrilla Units veterans'

- 81.1 histories and for programming and educational  
81.2 efforts to teach the public about their history  
81.3 serving as proxy soldiers for the United States  
81.4 during the Secret War in Laos;
- 81.5 (10) \$460,000 the first year is for  
81.6 museum-related programming and educational  
81.7 efforts to teach the public about the history  
81.8 and cultural heritage of Indigenous people in  
81.9 Minnesota; to upgrade and convert the  
81.10 Carnegie Library building in Park Rapids to  
81.11 Giiwedionong - The Museum and Cultural  
81.12 Center of the North; to coordinate, curate, and  
81.13 organize displays of collections from Akiing  
81.14 and other organizations at the museum; and  
81.15 to develop curriculum and program  
81.16 presentations for ongoing learning activities  
81.17 at the museum;
- 81.18 (11) \$500,000 the first year is for a grant to  
81.19 Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio  
81.20 (CLUES) to expand arts programming to  
81.21 celebrate Latino cultural heritage; support  
81.22 local artists; and provide professional  
81.23 development, networking, and presentation  
81.24 opportunities;
- 81.25 (12) \$900,000 the first year is for grants to  
81.26 recipients who have demonstrated knowledge  
81.27 and interest in preserving Hmong culture to  
81.28 preserve Hmong Minnesotans' heritage,  
81.29 history, language, and culture. \$750,000 of  
81.30 this amount must be used in conjunction with  
81.31 Minnesota universities to improve and develop  
81.32 a unified and standardized Latin alphabet form  
81.33 of the Hmong RPA writing system; and  
81.34 \$150,000 of this amount must be used to  
81.35 record, document, and transcribe Hmong

- 82.1 traditional music, courtship songs, and  
82.2 wedding and funeral songs; to provide youth  
82.3 education about Hmong heritage; to create  
82.4 bilingual Hmong and English novels or  
82.5 children's books with audio accompaniment;  
82.6 to make traditional Hmong hemp textiles; and  
82.7 to collect, preserve, and display Hmong  
82.8 artifacts and historical documents. No portion  
82.9 of this appropriation may be used to encourage  
82.10 religious membership or to conduct personal  
82.11 ceremonies or events;
- 82.12 (13) \$250,000 the first year is for a grant to  
82.13 the Somali Museum of Minnesota for heritage  
82.14 arts and cultural vitality programs to provide  
82.15 classes, exhibits, presentations, and outreach  
82.16 about the Somali community and heritage in  
82.17 Minnesota;
- 82.18 (14) \$900,000 the first year is for a grant to  
82.19 the Minnesota Museum of American Art for  
82.20 exhibit programming and for a Native  
82.21 American Fellowship at the museum; and
- 82.22 (15) \$900,000 the first year is for a grant to  
82.23 Ka Joog statewide Somali-based collaborative  
82.24 programs for arts and cultural heritage. The  
82.25 funding must be used for Fanka programs to  
82.26 provide arts education and workshops, mentor  
82.27 programs, and community presentations and  
82.28 community engagement events throughout  
82.29 Minnesota.
- 82.30 Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed  
82.31 to prevent a recipient of a grant under clauses  
82.32 (2) to (15) from applying to receive additional  
82.33 grant money under clause (1), provided that  
82.34 the applicant submits to the same application  
82.35 and oversight process as other recipients of

83.1 money under that clause. The Board of  
83.2 Directors of the Minnesota Humanities Center  
83.3 must ensure that all expenditures of money  
83.4 appropriated in this paragraph are allowable  
83.5 under Minnesota Constitution, article XI,  
83.6 section 15.

83.7 **(f) Civics Programs**

83.8 \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the  
83.9 second year are for grants to the Minnesota  
83.10 Civic Education Coalition: Minnesota Civic  
83.11 Youth, the Learning Law and Democracy  
83.12 Foundation, and YMCA Youth in Government  
83.13 to conduct civics education programs for the  
83.14 civic and cultural development of Minnesota  
83.15 youth. Civics education is the study of  
83.16 constitutional principles and the democratic  
83.17 foundation of our national, state, and local  
83.18 institutions and the study of political processes  
83.19 and structures of government, grounded in the  
83.20 understanding of constitutional government  
83.21 under the rule of law.

83.22 **Subd. 9. Indian Affairs Council** 2,300,000 2,300,000

83.23 \$2,300,000 the first year and \$2,300,000 the  
83.24 second year are appropriated to the Indian  
83.25 Affairs Council for grants for preserving  
83.26 Dakota and Ojibwe Indian languages and for  
83.27 protecting Indian graves. The money must be  
83.28 distributed as follows:

83.29 (1) \$850,000 the first year and \$850,000 the  
83.30 second year are to provide grants to Minnesota  
83.31 Tribal Nations to preserve Dakota and Ojibwe  
83.32 Indian languages and to foster education  
83.33 programs and services for Dakota and Ojibwe  
83.34 languages;

84.1 (2) \$460,000 the first year and \$460,000 the  
84.2 second year are for grants to Dakota and  
84.3 Ojibwe Indian language-immersion  
84.4 educational institutions;

84.5 (3) \$850,000 the first year and \$850,000 the  
84.6 second year are to provide grants to preserve  
84.7 the Dakota and Ojibwe Indian languages  
84.8 through support of projects and services and  
84.9 to support educational programs and  
84.10 immersion efforts in Dakota and Ojibwe  
84.11 Indian languages;

84.12 (4) \$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the  
84.13 second year are to the Indian Affairs Council  
84.14 for a Dakota and Ojibwe Indian language  
84.15 working group coordinated by the Indian  
84.16 Affairs Council; and

84.17 (5) \$90,000 the first year and \$90,000 the  
84.18 second year are to carry out responsibilities  
84.19 under Minnesota Statutes, section 307.08, to  
84.20 comply with Public Law 101-601, the federal  
84.21 Native American Graves Protection and  
84.22 Repatriation Act.

84.23 **Subd. 10. Department of Agriculture**

84.24 (a) \$400,000 the first year and \$400,000 the  
84.25 second year are for grants to county  
84.26 agricultural societies to enhance arts access  
84.27 and education and to preserve and promote  
84.28 Minnesota's history and cultural heritage as  
84.29 embodied in its county fairs. The grants must  
84.30 be distributed in equal amounts to each of the  
84.31 95 county fairs. The grants are in addition to  
84.32 the aid distribution to county agricultural  
84.33 societies under Minnesota Statutes, section  
84.34 38.02. The commissioner of agriculture must

450,000

450,000

85.1 develop grant-making criteria and guidance  
 85.2 for expending money under this subdivision  
 85.3 to provide funding for projects and events that  
 85.4 provide access to the arts or the state's  
 85.5 agricultural, historical, and cultural heritage.  
 85.6 The commissioner must seek input from all  
 85.7 interested parties.

85.8 (b) \$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the  
 85.9 second year are to the University of Minnesota  
 85.10 Extension Office to provide grants to  
 85.11 Minnesota 4-H chapters that have members  
 85.12 participating in state and national  
 85.13 4-H-sanctioned shooting sports events.  
 85.14 Eligible costs for grant money include  
 85.15 shooting sports equipment and supplies and  
 85.16 event fees associated with participating in state  
 85.17 shooting sports events.

85.18 **Subd. 11. Legislative Coordinating Commission** 4,000 -0-

85.19 The amount in this subdivision is appropriated  
 85.20 for the Legislative Coordinating Commission  
 85.21 to maintain the website required under  
 85.22 Minnesota Statutes, section 3.303, subdivision  
 85.23 10.

85.24 **Subd. 12. Minnesota Historical Society Fiscal**  
 85.25 **Year 2023 Appropriations** -0- -0-

85.26 (a) \$2,226,000 in fiscal year 2023 is for  
 85.27 historic and cultural programs and purposes  
 85.28 related to the heritage of the state. This is a  
 85.29 onetime appropriation and any unencumbered  
 85.30 balance remaining in fiscal year 2023 does not  
 85.31 cancel but is available until June 30, 2024.

85.32 (b) \$358,000 in fiscal year 2023 is for history  
 85.33 partnerships involving multiple organizations,  
 85.34 which may include the Minnesota Historical  
 85.35 Society, to preserve and enhance access to

86.1 Minnesota's history and cultural heritage in  
86.2 all regions of the state. This is a onetime  
86.3 appropriation and any unencumbered balance  
86.4 remaining in fiscal year 2023 does not cancel  
86.5 but is available until June 30, 2024.

86.6 (c) \$510,000 in fiscal year 2023 is for one or  
86.7 more contracts to be competitively awarded  
86.8 to conduct statewide surveys or investigations  
86.9 of Minnesota's sites of historical,  
86.10 archaeological, and cultural significance. This  
86.11 is a onetime appropriation and any  
86.12 unencumbered balance remaining in fiscal  
86.13 year 2023 does not cancel but is available until  
86.14 June 30, 2024.

86.15 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** Subdivision 12 is effective the day following final enactment.

86.16 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 129D.17, is amended by adding a subdivision to  
86.17 read:

86.18 Subd. 6. **Prohibited activities.** Funding from the arts and cultural heritage fund must  
86.19 not be used for projects that promote domestic terrorism or criminal activities.

## 86.20 **ARTICLE 5**

### 86.21 **FINANCIAL REVIEW OF GRANT AND BUSINESS SUBSIDY RECIPIENTS**

#### 86.22 Section 1. **FINANCIAL REVIEW OF GRANT AND BUSINESS SUBSIDY** 86.23 **RECIPIENTS.**

86.24 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) As used in this section, the following terms have the  
86.25 meanings given.

86.26 (b) "Grant" means a grant or business subsidy funded by an appropriation in this act.

86.27 (c) "Grantee" means a business entity as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 5.001.

86.28 Subd. 2. **Financial information required; determination of ability to perform.** Before  
86.29 an agency awards a competitive, legislatively named, single-source, or sole-source grant,  
86.30 the agency must assess the risk that a grantee cannot or would not perform the required  
86.31 duties. In making this assessment, the agency must review the following information:

87.1 (1) the grantee's history of performing duties similar to those required by the grant,  
87.2 whether the size of the grant requires the grantee to perform services at a significantly  
87.3 increased scale, and whether the size of the grant will require significant changes to the  
87.4 operation of the grantee's organization;

87.5 (2) for a grantee that is a nonprofit organization, the grantee's Form 990 or Form 990-EZ  
87.6 filed with the Internal Revenue Service in each of the prior three years. If the grantee has  
87.7 not been in existence long enough or is not required to file Form 990 or Form 990-EZ, the  
87.8 grantee must demonstrate to the grantor's satisfaction that the grantee is exempt and must  
87.9 instead submit the grantee's most recent board-reviewed financial statements and  
87.10 documentation of internal controls;

87.11 (3) for a for-profit business, three years of federal and state tax returns, current financial  
87.12 statements, certification that the business is not under bankruptcy proceedings, and disclosure  
87.13 of any liens on its assets. If a business has not been in business long enough to have three  
87.14 years of tax returns, the grantee must demonstrate to the grantor's satisfaction that the grantee  
87.15 has appropriate internal financial controls;

87.16 (4) evidence of registration and good standing with the secretary of state under Minnesota  
87.17 Statutes, chapter 317A, or other applicable law;

87.18 (5) if the grantee's total annual revenue exceeds \$750,000, the grantee's most recent  
87.19 financial audit performed by an independent third party in accordance with generally accepted  
87.20 accounting principles; and

87.21 (6) certification, provided by the grantee, that none of its principals have been convicted  
87.22 of a financial crime.

87.23 Subd. 3. **Additional measures for some grantees.** The agency may require additional  
87.24 information and must provide enhanced oversight for grants that have not previously received  
87.25 state or federal grants for similar amounts or similar duties and so have not yet demonstrated  
87.26 the ability to perform the duties required under the grant on the scale required.

87.27 Subd. 4. **Assistance from administration.** An agency without adequate resources or  
87.28 experience to perform obligations under this section may contract with the commissioner  
87.29 of administration to perform the agency's duties under this section.

87.30 Subd. 5. **Agency authority to not award grant.** If an agency determines that there is  
87.31 an appreciable risk that a grantee receiving a competitive, single-source, or sole-source  
87.32 grant cannot or would not perform the required duties under the grant agreement, the agency  
87.33 must notify the grantee and the commissioner of administration and give the grantee an

88.1 opportunity to respond to the agency's concerns. If the grantee does not satisfy the agency's  
88.2 concerns within 45 days, the agency must not award the grant.

88.3 Subd. 6. **Legislatively named grantees.** If an agency determines that there is an  
88.4 appreciable risk that a grantee receiving a legislatively named grant cannot or would not  
88.5 perform the required duties under the grant agreement, the agency must notify the grantee,  
88.6 the commissioner of administration, the chair and ranking minority member of the Ways  
88.7 and Means Committee in the house of representatives, the chair and ranking minority member  
88.8 of the Finance Committee in the senate, and the chairs and ranking minority members of  
88.9 the committees in the house of representatives and the senate with primary jurisdiction over  
88.10 the bill in which the money for the grant was appropriated. The agency must give the grantee  
88.11 an opportunity to respond to the agency's concerns. If the grantee does not satisfy the agency's  
88.12 concerns within 45 days, the agency must delay award of the grant until adjournment of the  
88.13 next regular or special legislative session.

88.14 Subd. 7. **Subgrants.** If a grantee will disburse the money received from the grant to  
88.15 other organizations to perform duties required under the grant agreement, the agency must  
88.16 be a party to agreements between the grantee and a subgrantee. Before entering agreements  
88.17 for subgrants, the agency must perform the financial review required under this section with  
88.18 respect to the subgrantees.

88.19 Subd. 8. **Effect.** The requirements of this section are in addition to other requirements  
88.20 imposed by law; the commissioner of administration under Minnesota Statutes, sections  
88.21 16B.97 and 16B.98; or agency grant policy.