

**103G.505 DAM CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE BY STATE.**

Subdivision 1. **Authority.** The commissioner may construct, maintain, and operate dikes, dams, and other structures necessary to maintain uniform water levels established under this chapter to improve navigation, protect and improve domestic water supply, protect and preserve fish and other wildlife, protect the public interest in the shore and shorelines of public waters, and promote public health.

Subd. 2. **Acquiring land.** The commissioner may acquire lands or any necessary interest in lands by purchase, gift, or condemnation.

Subd. 3. **Operating dams on state property.** Dams owned by the state or built on property owned or controlled by the state must be maintained under the direction of the commissioner and operated under the commissioner's direction and control.

Subd. 4. **Accepting local funding.** The commissioner may accept funds from local governmental and civic agencies or persons to acquire property for or to construct, maintain, or operate dams and control structures.

**History:** 1990 c 391 art 7 s 44