84.0845 ADVANCE OF MATCHING FUNDS.

The commissioner may advance funds appropriated for fish and wildlife programs to government agencies, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, federally recognized Indian Tribes and Bands, and private, nonprofit organizations for the purposes of securing nonstate matching funds for projects involving acquisition and improvement of fish and wildlife habitat and related research and management. The commissioner shall execute agreements for contracts with the matching parties under sections 16C.03, subdivision 4, and 16C.05 prior to advancing any state funds. The agreement or contract shall contain provisions for return of the state's share and the matching funds within a period of time specified by the commissioner. The state's funds and the nonstate matching funds must be deposited in a separate account and expended solely for the purposes set forth in the agreement or contract. The commissioner shall enter into agreements or contracts only with the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and federal and nonprofit authorities deemed by the commissioner to be dedicated to the purposes of the project.

History: *1993 c 269 s 1; 1998 c 386 art 2 s 26*