

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 303 as follows:

1.2 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

1.3 "ARTICLE 1

1.4 OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND

1.5 Section 1. OUTDOOR HERITAGE APPROPRIATION.

1.6 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the
1.7 agencies and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the
1.8 outdoor heritage fund for the fiscal year indicated for each purpose. The figures "2016"
1.9 and "2017" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under the figure are
1.10 available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, respectively. The
1.11 "first year" is fiscal year 2016. The "second year" is fiscal year 2017. The "biennium" is
1.12 fiscal years 2016 and 2017, respectively. The appropriations in this article are onetime.

1.13		<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	
1.14		<u>Available for the Year</u>	
1.15		<u>Ending June 30</u>	
1.16		<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>

1.17 Sec. 2. OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND

1.18	<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$ 99,386,000</u>	<u>\$ 607,000</u>
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1.19 This appropriation is from the outdoor
1.20 heritage fund. The amounts that may be
1.21 spent for each purpose are specified in the
1.22 following subdivisions.

1.23	<u>Subd. 2. Prairies</u>	<u>40,948,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
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2.1 **(a) DNR Wildlife Management Area and**
2.2 **Scientific and Natural Area Acquisition - Phase**
2.3 **VII**

2.4 \$4,570,000 in the first year is to the
2.5 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
2.6 land in fee for wildlife management purposes
2.7 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
2.8 subdivision 8, and to acquire land in fee
2.9 for scientific and natural area purposes
2.10 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
2.11 subdivision 5. Subject to evaluation criteria
2.12 in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
2.13 must be given to acquisition of lands that
2.14 are eligible for the native prairie bank under
2.15 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
2.16 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of
2.17 proposed land and permanent conservation
2.18 easement acquisitions must be provided as
2.19 part of the required accomplishment plan.

2.20 **(b) Accelerating Wildlife Management Area**
2.21 **Acquisition - Phase VII**

2.22 \$7,452,000 in the first year is to the
2.23 commissioner of natural resources for an
2.24 agreement with Pheasants Forever to acquire
2.25 land in fee for wildlife management area
2.26 purposes under Minnesota Statutes, section
2.27 86A.05, subdivision 8. Subject to evaluation
2.28 criteria in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900,
2.29 priority must be given to acquisition of
2.30 lands that are eligible for the native prairie
2.31 bank under Minnesota Statutes, section
2.32 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected native
2.33 prairie. A list of proposed land acquisitions
2.34 must be provided as part of the required
2.35 accomplishment plan.

3.1 **(c) Minnesota Prairie Recovery Project - Phase**
3.2 **VI**

3.3 \$4,032,000 in the first year is to the
3.4 commissioner of natural resources for an
3.5 agreement with The Nature Conservancy
3.6 to acquire native prairie, wetlands, and
3.7 savanna and restore and enhance grasslands,
3.8 wetlands, and savanna. Subject to evaluation
3.9 criteria in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900,
3.10 priority must be given to acquisition of lands
3.11 that are eligible for the native prairie bank
3.12 under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or
3.13 lands adjacent to protected native prairie.
3.14 Annual income statements and balance sheets
3.15 for income and expenses from land acquired
3.16 with this appropriation must be submitted
3.17 to the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage
3.18 Council no later than 180 days following
3.19 the close of The Nature Conservancy's fiscal
3.20 year. A list of proposed land acquisitions
3.21 must be provided as part of the required
3.22 accomplishment plan and must be consistent
3.23 with the priorities identified in the Minnesota
3.24 Prairie Conservation Plan.

3.25 **(d) Northern Tallgrass Prairie National**
3.26 **Wildlife Refuge Land Acquisition - Phase V**

3.27 \$3,430,000 in the first year is to the
3.28 commissioner of natural resources for an
3.29 agreement with The Nature Conservancy
3.30 in cooperation with the United States Fish
3.31 and Wildlife Service to acquire land in
3.32 fee or permanent conservation easements
3.33 within the Northern Tallgrass Prairie Habitat
3.34 Preservation Area in western Minnesota
3.35 for addition to the Northern Tallgrass
3.36 Prairie National Wildlife Refuge. Subject

4.1 to evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules,
4.2 part 6136.0900, priority must be given to
4.3 acquisition of lands that are eligible for
4.4 the native prairie bank under Minnesota
4.5 Statutes, section 84.96, or lands adjacent to
4.6 protected native prairie. A list of proposed
4.7 land acquisitions must be provided as part
4.8 of the required accomplishment plan and
4.9 must be consistent with the priorities in the
4.10 Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan.

4.11 **(e) Accelerated Native Prairie Bank Protection**
4.12 **- Phase IV**

4.13 \$3,740,000 in the first year is to the
4.14 commissioner of natural resources
4.15 to implement the Minnesota Prairie
4.16 Conservation Plan through the acquisition
4.17 of permanent conservation easements to
4.18 protect native prairie and grasslands. Up
4.19 to \$165,000 is for establishing monitoring
4.20 and enforcement funds as approved in
4.21 the accomplishment plan and subject to
4.22 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
4.23 subdivision 17. Subject to evaluation criteria
4.24 in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
4.25 must be given to acquisition of lands that
4.26 are eligible for the native prairie bank under
4.27 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
4.28 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of
4.29 permanent conservation easements must be
4.30 provided as part of the final report.

4.31 **(f) Minnesota Buffers for Wildlife and Water**
4.32 **- Phase V**

4.33 \$4,544,000 in the first year is to the Board
4.34 of Water and Soil Resources to acquire
4.35 permanent conservation easements to protect
4.36 and enhance habitat by expanding the clean

5.1 water fund riparian buffer program for at
5.2 least equal wildlife benefits from buffers
5.3 on private land. Up to \$72,500 is for
5.4 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
5.5 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
5.6 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
5.7 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent
5.8 conservation easements must be provided as
5.9 part of the final report.

5.10 **(g) Cannon River Headwaters Habitat**
5.11 **Complex - Phase V**

5.12 \$1,380,000 in the first year is to the
5.13 commissioner of natural resources for an
5.14 agreement with The Trust for Public Land to
5.15 acquire and restore lands in the Cannon River
5.16 watershed for wildlife management purposes
5.17 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
5.18 subdivision 8. Subject to evaluation criteria
5.19 in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
5.20 must be given to acquisition of lands that
5.21 are eligible for the native prairie bank under
5.22 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
5.23 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of
5.24 proposed land acquisitions must be provided
5.25 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

5.26 **(h) Prairie Chicken Habitat Partnership of the**
5.27 **Southern Red River Valley**

5.28 \$1,800,000 in the first year is to the
5.29 commissioner of natural resources for
5.30 an agreement with Pheasants Forever in
5.31 cooperation with the Minnesota Prairie
5.32 Chicken Society to acquire and restore lands
5.33 in the southern Red River Valley for wildlife
5.34 management purposes under Minnesota
5.35 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8,
5.36 or for designation and management as

6.1 waterfowl production areas in Minnesota,
6.2 in cooperation with the United States Fish
6.3 and Wildlife Service. A list of proposed land
6.4 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
6.5 required accomplishment plan.

6.6 **(i) Protecting and Restoring Minnesota's**
6.7 **Important Bird Areas**

6.8 \$1,730,000 in the first year is to the
6.9 commissioner of natural resources for
6.10 agreements to acquire conservation
6.11 easements within important bird areas
6.12 identified in the Minnesota Prairie
6.13 Conservation Plan, to be used as follows:
6.14 \$408,000 is to Audubon Minnesota and
6.15 \$1,322,000 is to Minnesota Land Trust, of
6.16 which up to \$100,000 is for establishing
6.17 monitoring and enforcement funds as
6.18 approved in the accomplishment plan and
6.19 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
6.20 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent
6.21 conservation easements must be provided as
6.22 part of the final report.

6.23 **(j) Wild Rice River Corridor Habitat**
6.24 **Restoration**

6.25 \$2,270,000 in the first year is to the
6.26 commissioner of natural resources for an
6.27 agreement with the Wild Rice Watershed
6.28 District to acquire land in fee and permanent
6.29 conservation easement and to `restore river
6.30 and related habitat in the Wild Rice River
6.31 corridor. A list of proposed acquisitions and
6.32 restorations must be provided as part of the
6.33 required accomplishment plan.

6.34 **(k) Accelerated Prairie Restoration and**
6.35 **Enhancement on DNR Lands - Phase VII**

7.1 \$4,880,000 in the first year is to the
 7.2 commissioner of natural resources to
 7.3 accelerate the restoration and enhancement
 7.4 of prairie communities on wildlife
 7.5 management areas, scientific and natural
 7.6 areas, state forest land, and land under
 7.7 native prairie bank easements. A list of
 7.8 proposed land restorations and enhancements
 7.9 must be provided as part of the required
 7.10 accomplishment plan.

7.11 **(l) Enhanced Public Land Grasslands - Phase II**

7.12 \$1,120,000 in the first year is to the
 7.13 commissioner of natural resources for an
 7.14 agreement with Pheasants Forever to enhance
 7.15 and restore habitat on public lands. A list of
 7.16 proposed land restorations and enhancements
 7.17 must be provided as part of the final report.

7.18 Subd. 3. Forests 12,634,000 -0-

7.19 **(a) Camp Ripley Partnership - Phase V**

7.20 \$1,500,000 in the first year is to the
 7.21 Board of Water and Soil Resources in
 7.22 cooperation with the Morrison County Soil
 7.23 and Water Conservation District to acquire
 7.24 permanent conservation easements within
 7.25 the boundaries of the Minnesota National
 7.26 Guard Compatible Use Buffer to protect
 7.27 forest wildlife habitat. Up to \$55,000 is for
 7.28 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
 7.29 fund, as approved in the accomplishment
 7.30 plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes,
 7.31 section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of
 7.32 permanent conservation easements must be
 7.33 provided as part of the final report.

7.34 **(b) Southeast Minnesota Protection and**
 7.35 **Restoration - Phase III**

8.1 \$2,910,000 in the first year is to the
8.2 commissioner of natural resources for an
8.3 agreement with The Nature Conservancy to
8.4 acquire land in fee for wildlife management
8.5 purposes under Minnesota Statutes, section
8.6 86A.05, subdivision 8; to acquire land
8.7 in fee for scientific and natural areas
8.8 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
8.9 subdivision 5; for state forest purposes
8.10 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
8.11 subdivision 7; and to enhance grasslands,
8.12 forest, and savanna. A list of proposed
8.13 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
8.14 required accomplishment plan.

8.15 **(c) Protecting Pinelands Sands Aquifer**
8.16 **Forestlands - Phase II**

8.17 \$2,180,000 in the first year is to the
8.18 commissioner of natural resources to
8.19 acquire forest lands in Cass and Wadena
8.20 Counties for wildlife management purposes
8.21 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
8.22 subdivision 8, and to acquire land in fee
8.23 for state forests under Minnesota Statutes,
8.24 section 86A.05, subdivision 7. A list of
8.25 proposed land acquisitions must be provided
8.26 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

8.27 **(d) Protect Key Forest Lands in Cass County**
8.28 **- Phase VI**

8.29 \$442,000 in the first year is to the
8.30 commissioner of natural resources for an
8.31 agreement with Cass County to acquire land
8.32 in fee in Cass County for forest wildlife
8.33 habitat or to prevent forest fragmentation.
8.34 A list of proposed land acquisitions
8.35 must be provided as part of the required
8.36 accomplishment plan.

9.1 **(e) Critical Shoreland Protection Program -**
9.2 **Phase III**

9.3 \$1,690,000 in the first year is to the
9.4 commissioner of natural resources for an
9.5 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
9.6 acquire permanent conservation easements
9.7 along rivers and lakes in the northern
9.8 forest region. Up to \$220,000 is for
9.9 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
9.10 fund, as approved in the accomplishment
9.11 plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes,
9.12 section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of
9.13 proposed permanent conservation easements
9.14 must be provided as part of the required
9.15 accomplishment plan.

9.16 **(f) Mississippi Headwaters Habitat Partnership**

9.17 \$3,002,000 in the first year is to the
9.18 commissioner of natural resources to
9.19 acquire lands in fee and for permanent
9.20 conservation easements in the Mississippi
9.21 Headwaters and for agreements as follows:
9.22 \$1,217,000 to The Trust for Public Land;
9.23 and \$824,000 to Minnesota Land Trust,
9.24 of which up to \$80,000 is for establishing
9.25 a monitoring and enforcement fund as
9.26 approved in the accomplishment plan and
9.27 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
9.28 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed
9.29 acquisitions must be included as part of the
9.30 required accomplishment plan.

9.31 **(g) Southeast Forest Habitat Enhancement**

9.32 \$910,000 in the first year is to the
9.33 commissioner of natural resources to
9.34 enhance forests in southeastern Minnesota.
9.35 A list of proposed land enhancements

10.1 must be provided as part of the required
 10.2 accomplishment plan.

10.3 Subd. 4. Wetlands 22,578,000 -0-

10.4 **(a) Accelerating the Waterfowl Production**
 10.5 **Area Acquisition - Phase VII**

10.6 \$7,620,000 in the first year is to the
 10.7 commissioner of natural resources for an
 10.8 agreement with Pheasants Forever to acquire
 10.9 land in fee to be designated and managed as
 10.10 waterfowl production areas in Minnesota,
 10.11 in cooperation with the United States Fish
 10.12 and Wildlife Service. A list of proposed land
 10.13 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
 10.14 required accomplishment plan.

10.15 **(b) Living Shallow Lakes and Wetland**
 10.16 **Initiative - Phase V**

10.17 \$9,040,000 in the first year is to the
 10.18 commissioner of natural resources for an
 10.19 agreement with Ducks Unlimited to acquire
 10.20 land in fee for wildlife management purposes
 10.21 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
 10.22 subdivision 8. A list of proposed acquisitions
 10.23 must be provided as part of the required
 10.24 accomplishment plan.

10.25 **(c) Wild Rice Shoreland Protection Program**
 10.26 **- Phase IV**

10.27 \$131,000 in the first year is to the
 10.28 commissioner of natural resources for the
 10.29 acquisition of land in fee and \$1,469,000 is
 10.30 to the Board of Water and Soil Resources to
 10.31 acquire permanent conservation easements
 10.32 on wild rice lake shoreland habitat for native
 10.33 wild rice bed protection. Of this amount, up
 10.34 to \$90,000 to the Board of Water and Soil
 10.35 Resources is for establishing a monitoring

11.1 and enforcement fund as approved in
 11.2 the accomplishment plan and subject to
 11.3 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
 11.4 subdivision 17. A list of proposed fee land
 11.5 acquisitions must be included as part of
 11.6 the required accomplishment plan by the
 11.7 Department of Natural Resources and a list
 11.8 of permanent conservation easements must
 11.9 be provided as part of the final report by the
 11.10 Board of Water and Soil Resources.

11.11 **(d) Accelerated Shallow Lakes and Wetlands**
 11.12 **Enhancement - Phase VII**

11.13 \$4,318,000 in the first year is to the
 11.14 commissioner of natural resources to
 11.15 enhance and restore shallow lakes statewide.
 11.16 A list of proposed land restorations and
 11.17 enhancements must be provided as part of
 11.18 the required accomplishment plan.

11.19 Subd. 5. **Habitats** 22,368,000 -0-

11.20 **(a) DNR Aquatic Habitat - Phase VII**

11.21 \$4,540,000 in the first year is to the
 11.22 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
 11.23 interests in land in fee and permanent
 11.24 conservation easements for aquatic
 11.25 management purposes under Minnesota
 11.26 Statutes, sections 86A.05, subdivision 14,
 11.27 and 97C.02, to acquire interests in land in
 11.28 permanent conservation easements for fish
 11.29 and wildlife habitat under Minnesota Statutes,
 11.30 section 84.66, and to restore and enhance
 11.31 aquatic habitat. Up to \$130,000 is for
 11.32 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
 11.33 fund as approved in the accomplishment
 11.34 plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes,
 11.35 section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of

12.1 proposed land acquisitions and restorations
12.2 and enhancements must be provided as part
12.3 of the required accomplishment plan.

12.4 **(b) Metro Big Rivers - Phase VI**

12.5 \$2,000,000 in the first year is to the
12.6 commissioner of natural resources for
12.7 agreements to acquire land in fee and in
12.8 permanent conservation easements and
12.9 to restore and enhance natural systems
12.10 associated with the Mississippi, Minnesota,
12.11 and St. Croix Rivers as follows: \$475,000 to
12.12 Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge
12.13 Trust, Inc.; \$275,000 to Friends of the
12.14 Mississippi River; \$400,000 to Great River
12.15 Greening; \$375,000 to Minnesota Land Trust;
12.16 and \$475,000 to The Trust for Public Land.
12.17 Up to \$60,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is for
12.18 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
12.19 fund as approved in the accomplishment
12.20 plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes,
12.21 section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of
12.22 proposed land acquisitions and permanent
12.23 conservation easements must be provided as
12.24 part of the required accomplishment plan.

12.25 **(c) Minnesota Trout Unlimited Coldwater Fish**
12.26 **Habitat Enhancement and Restoration - Phase**
12.27 **VII**

12.28 \$1,890,000 in the first year is to the
12.29 commissioner of natural resources for an
12.30 agreement with Minnesota Trout Unlimited
12.31 to restore and enhance habitat for trout
12.32 and other species in and along coldwater
12.33 rivers and streams in Minnesota. A list of
12.34 proposed restorations and enhancements
12.35 must be provided as part of the required
12.36 accomplishment plan.

13.1 **(d) Lake Bemidji South Shore Restoration and**
13.2 **Enhancement**

13.3 \$1,650,000 in the first year is to the
13.4 commissioner of natural resources for
13.5 an agreement with the city of Bemidji to
13.6 restore and enhance fish habitat on Lake
13.7 Bemidji. A list of proposed restorations and
13.8 enhancements must be provided as part of
13.9 the required accomplishment plan.

13.10 **(e) Sand Hill River Fish Passage**

13.11 \$990,000 in the first year is to the
13.12 commissioner of natural resources for
13.13 an agreement with the Sand Hill River
13.14 Watershed District to restore fish habitat
13.15 in the Sand Hill River watershed. A list of
13.16 proposed restorations must be provided as
13.17 part of the required accomplishment plan.

13.18 **(f) Shell Rock River Watershed Habitat**
13.19 **Restoration Program - Phase IV**

13.20 \$2,414,000 in the first year is to the
13.21 commissioner of natural resources for
13.22 an agreement with the Shell Rock River
13.23 Watershed District to protect, restore,
13.24 and enhance aquatic habitat in the Shell
13.25 Rock River watershed. A list of proposed
13.26 acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements
13.27 must be provided as part of the required
13.28 accomplishment plan.

13.29 **(g) Lake Nokomis Integrated Habitat**
13.30 **Enhancement**

13.31 \$444,000 in the first year is to the
13.32 commissioner of natural resources for an
13.33 agreement with the Minneapolis Park and
13.34 Recreation Board to enhance aquatic habitat
13.35 on Lake Nokomis. A list of proposed

14.1 enhancements must be provided as part of
14.2 the required accomplishment plan.

14.3 **(h) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant**
14.4 **Program: Statewide and Metro Habitat -**
14.5 **Phase VII**

14.6 \$8,440,000 in the first year is to the
14.7 commissioner of natural resources for a
14.8 program to provide competitive, matching
14.9 grants of up to \$400,000 to local, regional,
14.10 state, and national organizations for
14.11 enhancing, restoring, or protecting forests,
14.12 wetlands, prairies, or habitat for fish, game,
14.13 or wildlife in Minnesota. Of this amount,
14.14 \$3,692,000 is for grants in the seven-county
14.15 metropolitan area and cities with a population
14.16 of 50,000 or greater. Grants shall not be made
14.17 for activities required to fulfill the duties
14.18 of owners of lands subject to conservation
14.19 easements. Grants shall not be made from the
14.20 appropriation in this paragraph for projects
14.21 that have a total project cost exceeding
14.22 \$575,000. Of this appropriation, \$596,000
14.23 may be spent for personnel costs and other
14.24 direct and necessary administrative costs.

14.25 Grantees may acquire land or interests in
14.26 land. Easements must be permanent. Grants
14.27 may not be used to establish easement
14.28 stewardship accounts. Land acquired in fee
14.29 must be open to hunting and fishing during
14.30 the open season unless otherwise provided
14.31 by law. The program must require a match
14.32 of at least ten percent from nonstate sources
14.33 for all grants. The match may be cash or
14.34 in-kind resources. For grant applications
14.35 of \$25,000 or less, the commissioner shall
14.36 provide a separate, simplified application

15.1 process. Subject to Minnesota Statutes, the
15.2 commissioner of natural resources shall,
15.3 when evaluating projects of equal value,
15.4 give priority to organizations that have a
15.5 history of receiving or a charter to receive
15.6 private contributions for local conservation
15.7 or habitat projects. If acquiring land or a
15.8 conservation easement, priority must be
15.9 given to projects associated with or within
15.10 one mile of existing wildlife management
15.11 areas under Minnesota Statutes, section
15.12 86A.05, subdivision 8; scientific and natural
15.13 areas under Minnesota Statutes, sections
15.14 84.033 and 86A.05, subdivision 5; or aquatic
15.15 management areas under Minnesota Statutes,
15.16 sections 86A.05, subdivision 14, and 97C.02.
15.17 All restoration or enhancement projects
15.18 must be on land permanently protected by
15.19 a permanent covenant ensuring perpetual
15.20 maintenance and protection of restored
15.21 and enhanced habitat, by a conservation
15.22 easement, or by public ownership or in
15.23 public waters as defined in Minnesota
15.24 Statutes, section 103G.005, subdivision
15.25 15. Priority must be given to restoration
15.26 and enhancement projects on public lands.
15.27 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
15.28 subdivision 13, applies to grants awarded
15.29 under this paragraph. This appropriation is
15.30 available until June 30, 2018. No less than
15.31 five percent of the amount of each grant
15.32 must be held back from reimbursement until
15.33 the grant recipient has completed a grant
15.34 accomplishment report by the deadline and
15.35 in the form prescribed by and satisfactory to
15.36 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.

16.1 The commissioner shall provide notice of
 16.2 the grant program in the game and fish law
 16.3 summary prepared under Minnesota Statutes,
 16.4 section 97A.051, subdivision 2.

16.5 Subd. 6. Administration 858,000 607,000

16.6 **(a) Contract Management**

16.7 \$150,000 in the first year is to the
 16.8 commissioner of natural resources for
 16.9 contract management duties assigned in this
 16.10 section. The commissioner shall provide an
 16.11 accomplishment plan in the form specified by
 16.12 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council
 16.13 on the expenditure of this appropriation.
 16.14 The accomplishment plan must include a
 16.15 copy of the grant contract template and
 16.16 reimbursement manual. No money may
 16.17 be expended prior to the Lessard-Sams
 16.18 Outdoor Heritage Council's approval of the
 16.19 accomplishment plan.

16.20 **(b) Legislative Coordinating Commission**

16.21 \$608,000 in the first year and \$607,000
 16.22 in the second year are to the Legislative
 16.23 Coordinating Commission for administrative
 16.24 expenses of the Lessard-Sams Outdoor
 16.25 Heritage Council and for compensation and
 16.26 expense reimbursement of council members.
 16.27 This appropriation is available until June 30,
 16.28 2017. Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.281,
 16.29 applies to this appropriation.

16.30 **(c) Technical Evaluation Panel**

16.31 \$100,000 in the first year is to the
 16.32 commissioner of natural resources for a
 16.33 technical evaluation panel to conduct up to

17.1 ten restoration evaluations under Minnesota
17.2 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 10.
17.3 Subd. 7. **Availability of Appropriation**

17.4 Money appropriated in this section may
17.5 not be spent on activities unless they are
17.6 directly related to and necessary for a
17.7 specific appropriation and are specified in
17.8 the accomplishment plan approved by the
17.9 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.
17.10 Money appropriated in this section must not
17.11 be spent on indirect costs or other institutional
17.12 overhead charges that are not directly related
17.13 to and necessary for a specific appropriation.
17.14 Unless otherwise provided, the amounts
17.15 in this section are available until June 30,
17.16 2018. For acquisition of real property, the
17.17 amounts in this section are available until
17.18 June 30, 2019, if a binding agreement with a
17.19 landowner or purchase agreement is entered
17.20 into by June 30, 2018, and closed no later
17.21 than June 30, 2019. Money for restoration or
17.22 enhancement is available until June 30, 2020,
17.23 or five years after acquisition, whichever is
17.24 later, in order to complete initial restoration
17.25 or enhancement work. If a project receives
17.26 at least 15 percent of its funding from federal
17.27 funds, the time period of the appropriation
17.28 may be extended to equal the availability
17.29 of federal funding to a maximum of six
17.30 years, provided the federal funding was
17.31 confirmed and included within the first draft
17.32 accomplishment plan. Money appropriated
17.33 for fee title acquisition of land may be used to
17.34 restore, enhance, and provide for public use
17.35 of the land acquired with the appropriation.

18.1 Public use facilities must have a minimal
18.2 impact on habitat in acquired lands.

18.3 **Subd. 8. Payment Conditions and Capital**
18.4 **Equipment Expenditures**

18.5 All agreements referred to in this section must
18.6 be administered on a reimbursement basis
18.7 unless otherwise provided in this section.

18.8 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
18.9 16A.41, expenditures directly related
18.10 to each appropriation's purpose made
18.11 on or after July 1, 2015, or the date of
18.12 accomplishment plan approval, whichever is
18.13 later, are eligible for reimbursement unless
18.14 otherwise provided in this section. For the
18.15 purposes of administering appropriations
18.16 and legislatively authorized agreements paid
18.17 out of the outdoor heritage fund, an expense
18.18 must be considered reimbursable by the
18.19 administering agency when the recipient
18.20 presents the agency with an invoice, or
18.21 binding agreement with the landowner, and
18.22 the recipient attests that the goods have
18.23 been received or the landowner agreement
18.24 is binding. Periodic reimbursement must
18.25 be made upon receiving documentation that
18.26 the items articulated in the accomplishment
18.27 plan approved by the Lessard-Sams Outdoor
18.28 Heritage Council have been achieved,
18.29 including partial achievements as evidenced
18.30 by progress reports approved by the
18.31 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.

18.32 Reasonable amounts may be advanced to
18.33 projects to accommodate cash flow needs,
18.34 support future management of acquired
18.35 lands, or match a federal share. The
18.36 advances must be approved as part of the

19.1 accomplishment plan. Capital equipment
 19.2 expenditures for specific items in excess of
 19.3 \$10,000 must be itemized in and approved as
 19.4 part of the accomplishment plan.

19.5 Subd. 9. **Mapping**

19.6 Each direct recipient of money appropriated
 19.7 in this section, as well as each recipient of
 19.8 a grant awarded pursuant to this section,
 19.9 must provide geographic information to the
 19.10 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council
 19.11 for mapping any lands acquired in fee with
 19.12 money appropriated in this section and
 19.13 open to public taking of fish and game.
 19.14 The commissioner of natural resources
 19.15 shall include the lands acquired in fee with
 19.16 money appropriated in this section on maps
 19.17 showing public recreation opportunities.
 19.18 Maps must include information on and
 19.19 acknowledgement of the outdoor heritage
 19.20 fund, including a notation of any restrictions.

19.21 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 97A.056, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

19.22 Subd. 2. **Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.** (a) The Lessard-Sams
 19.23 Outdoor Heritage Council of 12 members is created in the legislative branch, consisting of:

19.24 (1) two public members appointed by the senate Subcommittee on Committees of
 19.25 the Committee on Rules and Administration;

19.26 (2) two public members appointed by the speaker of the house;

19.27 (3) four public members appointed by the governor;

19.28 (4) two members of the senate appointed by the senate Subcommittee on Committees
 19.29 of the Committee on Rules and Administration; and

19.30 (5) two members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the
 19.31 house.

19.32 (b) Members appointed under paragraph (a) must not be registered lobbyists. In
 19.33 making appointments, the governor, senate Subcommittee on Committees of the Committee
 19.34 on Rules and Administration, and the speaker of the house shall consider geographic

20.1 balance, gender, age, ethnicity, and varying interests including hunting and fishing. The
20.2 governor's appointments to the council are subject to the advice and consent of the senate.

20.3 (c) Public members appointed under paragraph (a) shall have practical experience
20.4 or expertise or demonstrated knowledge in the science, policy, or practice of restoring,
20.5 protecting, and enhancing wetlands, prairies, forests, and habitat for fish, game, and
20.6 wildlife.

20.7 (d) Legislative members appointed under paragraph (a) shall include the chairs
20.8 of the legislative committees with jurisdiction over environment and natural resources
20.9 finance or their designee, one member from the minority party of the senate, and one
20.10 member from the minority party of the house of representatives.

20.11 (e) Public members serve four-year terms. Appointed legislative members serve
20.12 at the pleasure of the appointing authority. Public and legislative members continue to
20.13 serve until their successors are appointed. Public members shall be initially appointed
20.14 according to the following schedule of terms:

20.15 (1) two public members appointed by the governor for a term ending the first
20.16 Monday in January 2011;

20.17 (2) one public member appointed by the senate Subcommittee on Committees of the
20.18 Committee on Rules and Administration for a term ending the first Monday in January 2011;

20.19 (3) one public member appointed by the speaker of the house for a term ending
20.20 the first Monday in January 2011;

20.21 (4) two public members appointed by the governor for a term ending the first
20.22 Monday in January 2013;

20.23 (5) one public member appointed by the senate Subcommittee on Committees of the
20.24 Committee on Rules and Administration for a term ending the first Monday in January
20.25 2013; and

20.26 (6) one public member appointed by the speaker of the house for a term ending
20.27 the first Monday in January 2013.

20.28 (f) Terms, compensation, and removal of public members are as provided in section
20.29 15.0575. A vacancy on the council may be filled by the appointing authority for the
20.30 remainder of the unexpired term.

20.31 ~~(g) The first meeting of the council shall be convened by the chair of the Legislative~~
20.32 ~~Coordinating Commission no later than December 1, 2008.~~ Members shall elect a chair,
20.33 vice-chair, secretary, and other officers as determined by the council. The chair may
20.34 convene meetings as necessary to conduct the duties prescribed by this section.

20.35 ~~(h) Upon coordination with The Legislative Coordinating Commission, the council~~
20.36 may appoint nonpartisan staff and contract with consultants as necessary to carry out

21.1 support the functions of the council. Up to one percent of the money appropriated from the
21.2 fund may be used to pay for administrative expenses of the council and for compensation
21.3 and expense reimbursement of council members.

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

21.5 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 97A.056, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

21.6 Subd. 8. **Revenues.** (a) When a parcel of land that was previously purchased with
21.7 money from the outdoor heritage funds fund is transferred to the state, the owner of the
21.8 land shall disclose to the council and commissioner of natural resources:

21.9 (1) all revenues generated from activities on the land from the time the land was
21.10 purchased with money from the outdoor heritage funds fund until the land was transferred
21.11 to the state;

21.12 (2) all holding costs associated with managing the land between the time of purchase
21.13 with money from the outdoor heritage funds fund and the time the land was transferred to
21.14 the state; and

21.15 (3) the total net revenues as determined by subtracting the costs described in clause
21.16 (2) from the revenues described in clause (1).

21.17 (b) The owner of the land shall submit the total net revenues determined under
21.18 paragraph (a), clause (3), to the state no later than 60 days after the land is transferred to
21.19 the state.

21.20 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 97A.056, is amended by adding a subdivision
21.21 to read:

21.22 Subd. 20. **Donations.** A recipient shall not accept a monetary donation or payment
21.23 from an owner of land that is acquired in fee in whole or in part with an appropriation from
21.24 the outdoor heritage fund that exceeds the documented expenses that are directly related
21.25 to and necessary for activities specified in the accomplishment plan approved by the
21.26 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council, unless expressly approved by the Lessard-Sams
21.27 Outdoor Heritage Council in the accomplishment plan. This subdivision does not apply to
21.28 donations that are not connected with the acquisition transaction or bargain sales, as defined
21.29 by Code of Federal Regulations, title 26, section 1.1011-2, provided that the purchase
21.30 price reimbursed by the state does not exceed the purchase price paid by the recipient.

21.31 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2016, and applies to money
21.32 appropriated on or after that date.

22.1 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 97A.056, is amended by adding a subdivision
22.2 to read:

22.3 Subd. 21. **Haying and grazing.** Lands acquired with money appropriated from the
22.4 outdoor heritage fund may not be used for emergency haying and grazing in response to
22.5 federal or state disaster declarations. Conservation grazing under a management plan that
22.6 is being implemented prior to the emergency declaration may continue.

22.7 Sec. 7. Laws 2012, chapter 264, article 1, section 2, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

22.8 Subd. 5. **Habitats** -0- 28,620,000

22.9 (a) **DNR Aquatic Habitat - Phase IV**

22.10 \$3,480,000 in the second year is to the
22.11 commissioner of natural resources to
22.12 acquire interests in land in fee or permanent
22.13 conservation easements for aquatic
22.14 management areas under Minnesota Statutes,
22.15 sections 86A.05, subdivision 14, and
22.16 97C.02, and to restore and enhance aquatic
22.17 habitat. A list of proposed land acquisitions
22.18 must be provided as part of the required
22.19 accomplishment plan. The accomplishment
22.20 plan must include an easement stewardship
22.21 plan. Up to \$25,000 is for establishing
22.22 a monitoring and enforcement fund as
22.23 approved in the accomplishment plan
22.24 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
22.25 97A.056, subdivision 17. An annual financial
22.26 report is required for any monitoring and
22.27 enforcement fund established, including
22.28 expenditures from the fund and a description
22.29 of annual monitoring and enforcement
22.30 activities.

22.31 (b) **Metro Big Rivers Habitat - Phase III**

22.32 \$3,680,000 in the second year is to the
22.33 commissioner of natural resources for
22.34 agreements to acquire interests in land in

23.1 fee or permanent conservation easements
23.2 and to restore and enhance natural systems
23.3 associated with the Mississippi, Minnesota,
23.4 and St. Croix Rivers as follows: \$1,000,000
23.5 to the Minnesota Valley National Wildlife
23.6 Refuge Trust, Inc.; \$375,000 to the Friends
23.7 of the Mississippi; \$375,000 to Great River
23.8 Greening; \$930,000 to The Minnesota
23.9 Land Trust; and \$1,000,000 to The Trust
23.10 for Public Land. A list of proposed
23.11 acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements
23.12 must be provided as part of the required
23.13 accomplishment plan. The accomplishment
23.14 plan must include an easement stewardship
23.15 plan. Up to \$51,000 is for establishing
23.16 a monitoring and enforcement fund as
23.17 approved in the accomplishment plan
23.18 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
23.19 97A.056, subdivision 17. An annual financial
23.20 report is required for any monitoring and
23.21 enforcement fund established, including
23.22 expenditures from the fund and a description
23.23 of annual monitoring and enforcement
23.24 activities.

23.25 **(c) Dakota County Riparian and Lakeshore**
23.26 **Protection and Management - Phase III**

23.27 \$480,000 in the second year is to the
23.28 commissioner of natural resources for an
23.29 agreement with Dakota County to acquire
23.30 permanent conservation easements and
23.31 restore and enhance habitats along the
23.32 Mississippi, Cannon, and Vermillion Rivers.
23.33 A list of proposed acquisitions, restorations,
23.34 and enhancements must be provided as
23.35 part of the required accomplishment plan.
23.36 The accomplishment plan must include

24.1 an easement stewardship plan. Up to
24.2 \$20,000 is for establishing a monitoring
24.3 and enforcement fund as approved in
24.4 the accomplishment plan and subject to
24.5 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
24.6 subdivision 17. An annual financial report is
24.7 required for any monitoring and enforcement
24.8 fund established, including expenditures
24.9 from the fund and a description of annual
24.10 monitoring and enforcement activities.

24.11 **(d) Lower St. Louis River Habitat Restoration**

24.12 \$3,670,000 in the second year is to the
24.13 commissioner of natural resources to restore
24.14 habitat in the lower St. Louis River estuary.
24.15 A list of proposed projects must be provided
24.16 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

24.17 **(e) Coldwater Fish Habitat Enhancement -**
24.18 **Phase IV**

24.19 \$2,120,000 in the second year is to the
24.20 commissioner of natural resources for an
24.21 agreement with Minnesota Trout Unlimited
24.22 to restore and enhance coldwater fish lake,
24.23 river, and stream habitats in Minnesota. A list
24.24 of proposed restorations and enhancements
24.25 must be provided as part of the required
24.26 accomplishment plan.

24.27 **(f) Grand Marais Creek Outlet Restoration**

24.28 \$2,320,000 in the second year is to the
24.29 commissioner of natural resources for an
24.30 agreement with the Red Lake Watershed
24.31 District to restore and enhance stream and
24.32 related habitat in Grand Marais Creek. A list
24.33 of proposed restorations and enhancements
24.34 must be provided as part of the required
24.35 accomplishment plan.

25.1 **(g) Knife River Habitat Restoration**

25.2 \$380,000 in the second year is to the
25.3 commissioner of natural resources for an
25.4 agreement with the Lake Superior Steelhead
25.5 Association to restore trout habitat in the
25.6 Upper Knife River Watershed. A list of
25.7 proposed restorations must be provided as
25.8 part of the required accomplishment plan.
25.9 Notwithstanding rules of the commissioner
25.10 of natural resources, restorations conducted
25.11 pursuant to this paragraph may be
25.12 accomplished by excavation.

25.13 **(h) Protect Aquatic Habitat from Asian**
25.14 **Invasive Carp**

25.15 \$7,500,000 in the second year is to the
25.16 commissioner of natural resources ~~to~~ for
25.17 ~~design, construct, operate, and evaluate~~
25.18 construction, including acquisition,
25.19 operation, and evaluation of structural
25.20 deterrents for Asian invasive carp to protect
25.21 Minnesota's aquatic habitat. Use of this
25.22 money requires a one-to-one match for
25.23 projects on state boundary waters.

25.24 **(i) Outdoor Heritage Conservation Partners**
25.25 **Grant Program - Phase IV**

25.26 \$4,990,000 in the second year is to the
25.27 commissioner of natural resources for a
25.28 program to provide competitive, matching
25.29 grants of up to \$400,000 to local, regional,
25.30 state, and national organizations for
25.31 enhancing, restoring, or protecting forests,
25.32 wetlands, prairies, and habitat for fish, game,
25.33 or wildlife in Minnesota. Grants shall not be
25.34 made for activities required to fulfill the duties
25.35 of owners of lands subject to conservation

26.1 easements. Grants shall not be made from
26.2 appropriations in this paragraph for projects
26.3 that have a total project cost exceeding
26.4 \$575,000. \$366,000 of this appropriation
26.5 may be spent for personnel costs and other
26.6 direct and necessary administrative costs.
26.7 Grantees may acquire land or interests in
26.8 land. Easements must be permanent. Land
26.9 acquired in fee must be open to hunting
26.10 and fishing during the open season unless
26.11 otherwise provided by state law. The
26.12 program shall require a match of at least ten
26.13 percent from nonstate sources for all grants.
26.14 The match may be cash or in-kind resources.
26.15 For grant applications of \$25,000 or less,
26.16 the commissioner shall provide a separate,
26.17 simplified application process. Subject to
26.18 Minnesota Statutes, the commissioner of
26.19 natural resources shall, when evaluating
26.20 projects of equal value, give priority to
26.21 organizations that have a history of receiving
26.22 or charter to receive private contributions
26.23 for local conservation or habitat projects. If
26.24 acquiring land or a conservation easement,
26.25 priority shall be given to projects associated
26.26 with existing wildlife management areas
26.27 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
26.28 subdivision 8; scientific and natural areas
26.29 under Minnesota Statutes, sections 84.033
26.30 and 86A.05, subdivision 5; and aquatic
26.31 management areas under Minnesota Statutes,
26.32 sections 86A.05, subdivision 14, and 97C.02.
26.33 All restoration or enhancement projects
26.34 must be on land permanently protected by a
26.35 conservation easement or public ownership
26.36 or in public waters as defined in Minnesota

27.1 Statutes, section 103G.005, subdivision
 27.2 15. Priority shall be given to restoration
 27.3 and enhancement projects on public lands.
 27.4 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
 27.5 subdivision 13, applies to grants awarded
 27.6 under this paragraph. This appropriation is
 27.7 available until June 30, 2016. No less than
 27.8 five percent of the amount of each grant
 27.9 must be held back from reimbursement until
 27.10 the grant recipient has completed a grant
 27.11 accomplishment report by the deadline and
 27.12 in the form prescribed by and satisfactory to
 27.13 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.
 27.14 The commissioner shall provide notice of
 27.15 the grant program in the game and fish law
 27.16 summaries that are prepared under Minnesota
 27.17 Statutes, section 97A.051, subdivision 2.

27.18 Sec. 8. Laws 2014, chapter 256, article 1, section 2, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

27.19 Subd. 5. **Habitats** -0- 30,890,000

27.20 **(a) DNR Aquatic Habitat - Phase VI**

27.21 \$2,560,000 in the second year is to the
 27.22 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
 27.23 interests in land in fee and permanent
 27.24 conservation easements for aquatic
 27.25 management purposes under Minnesota
 27.26 Statutes, sections 86A.05, subdivision 14,
 27.27 and 97C.02, and to restore and enhance
 27.28 aquatic habitat. Up to \$32,500 is for
 27.29 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
 27.30 fund as approved in the accomplishment
 27.31 plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes,
 27.32 section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of
 27.33 proposed land acquisitions and restorations

28.1 and enhancements must be provided as part
28.2 of the required accomplishment plan.

28.3 **(b) Fisheries Habitat Protection on**
28.4 **Strategic North Central Minnesota Lakes**

28.5 \$2,130,000 in the second year is to the
28.6 commissioner of natural resources for
28.7 agreements with the Leech Lake Area
28.8 Watershed Foundation and Minnesota Land
28.9 Trust to acquire land in fee and permanent
28.10 conservation easements to sustain healthy
28.11 fish habitat on lakes in Aitkin, Cass, Crow
28.12 Wing, and Hubbard Counties as follows:
28.13 \$1,150,300 to Leech Lake Area Watershed
28.14 Foundation; and \$979,700 to Minnesota
28.15 Land Trust, of which up to \$120,000 to
28.16 Minnesota Land Trust is for establishing
28.17 a monitoring and enforcement fund as
28.18 approved in the accomplishment plan and
28.19 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
28.20 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed
28.21 land acquisitions must be provided as part of
28.22 the required accomplishment plan.

28.23 **(c) Habitat Protection in Dakota County**
28.24 **- Phase V**

28.25 \$1,190,000 in the second year is to the
28.26 commissioner of natural resources for a
28.27 contract with Dakota County to acquire
28.28 permanent conservation easements and land
28.29 in fee and to restore and enhance habitats in
28.30 rivers and lake watersheds in Dakota County.
28.31 Up to \$15,000 to Dakota County is for
28.32 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
28.33 fund as approved in the accomplishment
28.34 plan and subject to Minnesota Statutes,
28.35 section 97A.056, subdivision 17. Lands

29.1 acquired or lands with easements acquired
29.2 with this appropriation may not be used for
29.3 emergency haying and grazing in response
29.4 to federal or state disaster declarations.
29.5 Conservation grazing under a management
29.6 plan that is already being implemented may
29.7 continue. A list of proposed land acquisitions
29.8 and restorations and enhancements must
29.9 be provided as part of the required
29.10 accomplishment plan.

29.11 **(d) Metro Big Rivers - Phase V**

29.12 \$2,650,000 in the second year is to the
29.13 commissioner of natural resources for
29.14 agreements to acquire land in fee and
29.15 permanent conservation easements and
29.16 to restore and enhance natural systems
29.17 associated with the Mississippi, Minnesota,
29.18 and St. Croix Rivers as follows: \$600,000
29.19 to Minnesota Valley National Wildlife
29.20 Refuge Trust, Inc.; \$160,000 to Friends of
29.21 the Mississippi River; \$400,000 to Great
29.22 River Greening; \$590,000 to Minnesota
29.23 Land Trust, of which up to \$77,000 is for
29.24 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
29.25 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
29.26 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
29.27 97A.056, subdivision 17; and \$900,000 to
29.28 The Trust for Public Land. Lands acquired
29.29 or lands with easements acquired with
29.30 this appropriation may not be used for
29.31 emergency haying and grazing in response
29.32 to federal or state disaster declarations.
29.33 Conservation grazing under a management
29.34 plan that is already being implemented may
29.35 continue. A list of proposed land acquisitions
29.36 and permanent conservation easements

30.1 must be provided as part of the required
30.2 accomplishment plan.

30.3 **(e) Mustinka River Fish and Wildlife**
30.4 **Habitat Corridor Rehabilitation**

30.5 \$2,440,000 in the second year is to the
30.6 commissioner of natural resources for
30.7 an agreement with the Bois de Sioux
30.8 Watershed District to acquire land in fee
30.9 and to restore natural systems associated
30.10 with the Mustinka River located within the
30.11 Bois de Sioux Watershed. Lands acquired
30.12 with this appropriation may not be used for
30.13 emergency haying and grazing in response
30.14 to federal or state disaster declarations.
30.15 Conservation grazing under a management
30.16 plan that is already being implemented may
30.17 continue. A list of proposed land acquisitions
30.18 must be provided as part of the required
30.19 accomplishment plan.

30.20 **(f) Minnesota Trout Unlimited Coldwater**
30.21 **Fish Habitat Enhancement and**
30.22 **Restoration - Phase VI**

30.23 \$1,900,000 in the second year is to the
30.24 commissioner of natural resources for an
30.25 agreement with Minnesota Trout Unlimited
30.26 to restore and enhance habitat for trout
30.27 and other species in and along coldwater
30.28 rivers and streams in Minnesota. A list of
30.29 proposed land restorations and enhancements
30.30 must be provided as part of the required
30.31 accomplishment plan.

30.32 **(g) St. Louis River Restoration Initiative -**
30.33 **Phase II**

31.1 \$2,290,000 in the second year is to the
31.2 commissioner of natural resources to restore
31.3 habitat in the lower St. Louis River estuary.
31.4 Of this appropriation, up to \$500,000 is for
31.5 an agreement with Minnesota Land Trust. A
31.6 list of proposed restorations must be provided
31.7 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

31.8 **(h) Knife River Habitat Rehabilitation -**
31.9 **Phase II**

31.10 \$1,410,000 in the second year is to the
31.11 commissioner of natural resources for an
31.12 agreement with the Lake Superior Steelhead
31.13 Association to enhance trout habitat in the
31.14 Knife River watershed. A list of proposed
31.15 enhancements must be provided as part of
31.16 the required accomplishment plan.

31.17 **(i) Restoration and Enhancement of**
31.18 **Washington County Public Lands**

31.19 \$430,000 in the second year is to the
31.20 commissioner of natural resources for an
31.21 agreement with Washington County to
31.22 restore and enhance habitat on public lands
31.23 in Washington County. A restoration and
31.24 enhancement plan and a list of proposed
31.25 land restorations and enhancements
31.26 must be provided as part of the required
31.27 accomplishment plan.

31.28 **(j) Wirth Park Enhancements**

31.29 \$600,000 in the second year is to the
31.30 commissioner of natural resources for an
31.31 agreement with the Minneapolis Park Board
31.32 to enhance riparian and upland habitat
31.33 within Wirth Park in Hennepin County.
31.34 A restoration and enhancement plan and

32.1 a list of proposed land restorations and
32.2 enhancements must be provided as part of
32.3 the required accomplishment plan.

32.4 **(k) Evaluate Effectiveness of Aquatic**
32.5 **Invasive Species Prevention Strategies**

32.6 \$4,040,000 in the second year is to the
32.7 commissioner of natural resources for an
32.8 agreement with the Central Minnesota
32.9 Initiative Fund to develop a series of pilot
32.10 projects to enhance aquatic habitat by
32.11 preventing the spread of aquatic invasive
32.12 species, including pilot projects conducting
32.13 education and outreach, inspection and
32.14 decontamination, enforcement, and other
32.15 activities. All pilot projects must be
32.16 conducted on a reimbursement basis and
32.17 require a match of nonoutdoor heritage fund
32.18 dollars. A required evaluation of results
32.19 must be funded with nonoutdoor heritage
32.20 fund dollars. The required evaluation must
32.21 evaluate the efficacy of inspection and
32.22 decontamination activities utilized in any of
32.23 the pilot projects in preventing the spread
32.24 of aquatic invasive species. A list of pilot
32.25 projects must be included in the required final
32.26 report. This appropriation is available until
32.27 June 30, 2019. The accomplishment plan
32.28 must accelerate the start of the pilot project.

32.29 **(l) Albert Lea Lake Management and**
32.30 **Invasive Species Control Structure -**
32.31 **Supplement**

32.32 \$700,000 in the second year is added to
32.33 the appropriation contained in Laws 2013,
32.34 chapter 137, article 1, section 2, subdivision
32.35 5, paragraph (h), to the commissioner of

33.1 natural resources for an agreement with
33.2 the Shell Rock River Watershed District to
33.3 construct structural deterrents and lake level
33.4 controls.

33.5 **(m) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant**
33.6 **Program - Phase VI**

33.7 \$4,550,000 in the second year is to the
33.8 commissioner of natural resources for a
33.9 program to provide competitive, matching
33.10 grants of up to \$400,000 to local, regional,
33.11 state, and national organizations for
33.12 enhancing, restoring, or protecting forests,
33.13 wetlands, prairies, or habitat for fish, game,
33.14 or wildlife in Minnesota. Grants shall not
33.15 be made for activities required to fulfill
33.16 the duties of owners of lands subject to
33.17 conservation easements. Grants shall not
33.18 be made from the appropriation in this
33.19 paragraph for projects that have a total
33.20 project cost exceeding \$575,000. Of this
33.21 appropriation, ~~\$460,000~~ \$265,000 may be
33.22 spent for personnel costs and other direct and
33.23 necessary administrative costs. Grantees may
33.24 acquire land or interests in land. Easements
33.25 must be permanent. Grants may not be used
33.26 to establish easement stewardship accounts.
33.27 Land acquired in fee must be open to hunting
33.28 and fishing during the open season unless
33.29 otherwise provided by law. Lands acquired
33.30 or lands with easements acquired with this
33.31 appropriation may not be used for emergency
33.32 haying and grazing in response to federal
33.33 or state disaster declarations. Conservation
33.34 grazing under a management plan that is
33.35 already being implemented may continue.
33.36 The program shall require a match of at

34.1 least ten percent from nonstate sources
34.2 for all grants. The match may be cash or
34.3 in-kind resources. For grant applications
34.4 of \$25,000 or less, the commissioner shall
34.5 provide a separate, simplified application
34.6 process. Subject to Minnesota Statutes, the
34.7 commissioner of natural resources shall,
34.8 when evaluating projects of equal value,
34.9 give priority to organizations that have a
34.10 history of receiving or charter to receive
34.11 private contributions for local conservation
34.12 or habitat projects. If acquiring land or a
34.13 conservation easement, priority shall be
34.14 given to projects associated with or within
34.15 one mile of existing wildlife management
34.16 areas under Minnesota Statutes, section
34.17 86A.05, subdivision 8; scientific and natural
34.18 areas under Minnesota Statutes, sections
34.19 84.033 and 86A.05, subdivision 5; or aquatic
34.20 management areas under Minnesota Statutes,
34.21 sections 86A.05, subdivision 14, and 97C.02.
34.22 All restoration or enhancement projects
34.23 must be on land permanently protected by
34.24 a permanent covenant ensuring perpetual
34.25 maintenance and protection of restored
34.26 and enhanced habitat, by a conservation
34.27 easement, or by public ownership or in public
34.28 waters as defined in Minnesota Statutes,
34.29 section 103G.005, subdivision 15. Priority
34.30 shall be given to restoration and enhancement
34.31 projects on public lands. Minnesota Statutes,
34.32 section 97A.056, subdivision 13, applies
34.33 to grants awarded under this paragraph.
34.34 This appropriation is available until June
34.35 30, 2018. No less than five percent of the
34.36 amount of each grant must be held back from

35.1 reimbursement until the grant recipient has
35.2 completed a grant accomplishment report by
35.3 the deadline and in the form prescribed by
35.4 and satisfactory to the Lessard-Sams Outdoor
35.5 Heritage Council. The commissioner shall
35.6 provide notice of the grant program in
35.7 the game and fish law summary prepared
35.8 under Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.051,
35.9 subdivision 2.

35.10 **(n) Conservation Partners Legacy Metro**
35.11 **Grant Program**

35.12 \$4,000,000 in the second year is to the
35.13 commissioner of natural resources for a
35.14 program to provide competitive, matching
35.15 grants of up to \$400,000 to local, regional,
35.16 state, and national organizations for
35.17 enhancing, restoring, or protecting forests,
35.18 wetlands, prairies, or habitat for fish, game,
35.19 or wildlife in the seven-county metropolitan
35.20 area and cities with a population of 50,000
35.21 or greater. Grants shall not be made for
35.22 activities required to fulfill the duties of
35.23 owners of lands subject to conservation
35.24 easements. Grants shall not be made from the
35.25 appropriation in this paragraph for projects
35.26 that have a total project cost exceeding
35.27 \$575,000. Of this appropriation, ~~\$70,000~~
35.28 \$250,000 may be spent for personnel costs
35.29 and other direct and necessary administrative
35.30 costs. Grantees may acquire land or interests
35.31 in land. Easements must be permanent.
35.32 Grants may not be used to establish easement
35.33 stewardship accounts. Land acquired in fee
35.34 must be open to hunting and fishing during
35.35 the open season unless otherwise provided
35.36 by law. Lands acquired or lands with

36.1 easements acquired with this appropriation
36.2 may not be used for emergency haying and
36.3 grazing in response to federal or state disaster
36.4 declarations. Conservation grazing under
36.5 a management plan that is already being
36.6 implemented may continue. The program
36.7 shall require a match of at least ten percent
36.8 from nonstate sources for all grants. The
36.9 match may be cash or in-kind resources.
36.10 For grant applications of \$25,000 or less,
36.11 the commissioner shall provide a separate,
36.12 simplified application process. Subject to
36.13 Minnesota Statutes, the commissioner of
36.14 natural resources shall, when evaluating
36.15 projects of equal value, give priority to
36.16 organizations that have a history of receiving
36.17 or charter to receive private contributions
36.18 for local conservation or habitat projects. If
36.19 acquiring land or a conservation easement,
36.20 priority shall be given to projects associated
36.21 with or within one mile of existing wildlife
36.22 management areas under Minnesota Statutes,
36.23 section 86A.05, subdivision 8; scientific
36.24 and natural areas under Minnesota Statutes,
36.25 sections 84.033 and 86A.05, subdivision
36.26 5; or aquatic management areas under
36.27 Minnesota Statutes, sections 86A.05,
36.28 subdivision 14, and 97C.02. All restoration
36.29 or enhancement projects must be on land
36.30 permanently protected by a permanent
36.31 covenant ensuring perpetual maintenance
36.32 and protection of restored and enhanced
36.33 habitat, by a conservation easement, or
36.34 by public ownership or in public waters
36.35 as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section
36.36 103G.005, subdivision 15. Priority shall

37.1 be given to restoration and enhancement
 37.2 projects on public lands. Minnesota Statutes,
 37.3 section 97A.056, subdivision 13, applies
 37.4 to grants awarded under this paragraph.
 37.5 This appropriation is available until June
 37.6 30, 2018. No less than five percent of the
 37.7 amount of each grant must be held back from
 37.8 reimbursement until the grant recipient has
 37.9 completed a grant accomplishment report by
 37.10 the deadline and in the form prescribed by
 37.11 and satisfactory to the Lessard-Sams Outdoor
 37.12 Heritage Council. The commissioner shall
 37.13 provide notice of the grant program in
 37.14 the game and fish law summary prepared
 37.15 under Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.051,
 37.16 subdivision 2.

37.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively from July 1, 2014.

37.18 **ARTICLE 2**

37.19 **CLEAN WATER FUND**

37.20 Section 1. **CLEAN WATER FUND APPROPRIATIONS.**

37.21 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the
 37.22 agencies and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the
 37.23 clean water fund and are available for the fiscal years indicated for allowable activities
 37.24 under the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 15. The figures "2016" and "2017"
 37.25 used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under them are available for the
 37.26 fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, or June 30, 2017, respectively. "The first year" is fiscal
 37.27 year 2016. "The second year" is fiscal year 2017. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2016
 37.28 and 2017. The appropriations in this article are onetime.

37.29		<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	
37.30		<u>Available for the Year</u>	
37.31		<u>Ending June 30</u>	
37.32		<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>

37.33 Sec. 2. **CLEAN WATER**

37.34	<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>113,203,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>112,999,000</u>
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38.1 The amounts that may be spent for each
 38.2 purpose are specified in the following
 38.3 sections.

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

38.5 Money appropriated in this article may
 38.6 not be spent on activities unless they are
 38.7 directly related to and necessary for a
 38.8 specific appropriation. Money appropriated
 38.9 in this article must be spent in accordance
 38.10 with Minnesota Management and Budget's
 38.11 Guidance to Agencies on Legacy Fund
 38.12 Expenditure. Notwithstanding Minnesota
 38.13 Statutes, section 16A.28, and unless
 38.14 otherwise specified in this article, fiscal year
 38.15 2016 appropriations are available until June
 38.16 30, 2017, and fiscal year 2017 appropriations
 38.17 are available until June 30, 2018. If a project
 38.18 receives federal funds, the time period of
 38.19 the appropriation is extended to equal the
 38.20 availability of federal funding.

38.21 **Sec. 3. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE** \$ **5,834,000** \$ **5,832,000**

38.22 (a) \$350,000 the first year and \$350,000 the
 38.23 second year are to increase monitoring for
 38.24 pesticides and pesticide degradates in surface
 38.25 water and groundwater and to use data
 38.26 collected to assess pesticide use practices.

38.27 (b) \$2,586,000 the first year and \$2,585,000
 38.28 the second year are for monitoring and
 38.29 evaluating trends in the concentration of
 38.30 nitrate in groundwater in areas vulnerable
 38.31 to groundwater degradation; monitoring
 38.32 for pesticides when nitrate is detected;
 38.33 promoting, developing, and evaluating
 38.34 regional and crop-specific nutrient best

39.1 management practices; assessing best
39.2 management practice adoption; education
39.3 and technical support from University of
39.4 Minnesota Extension; and other actions to
39.5 protect groundwater from degradation from
39.6 nitrate. This appropriation is available until
39.7 June 30, 2018.

39.8 (c) \$75,000 the first year and \$75,000 the
39.9 second year are for administering clean water
39.10 funds managed through the agriculture best
39.11 management practices loan program. Any
39.12 unencumbered balance at the end of the
39.13 second year shall be added to the corpus of
39.14 the loan fund.

39.15 (d) \$1,125,000 the first year and \$1,125,000
39.16 the second year are for technical assistance,
39.17 research, and demonstration projects on
39.18 proper implementation of best management
39.19 practices and more precise information on
39.20 nonpoint contributions to impaired waters.
39.21 This appropriation is available until June 30,
39.22 2020.

39.23 (e) \$788,000 the first year and \$787,000 the
39.24 second year are for research to quantify and
39.25 reduce agricultural contributions to impaired
39.26 waters and for development and evaluation
39.27 of best management practices to protect and
39.28 restore water resources. This appropriation
39.29 is available until June 30, 2020.

39.30 (f) \$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the
39.31 second year are for a research inventory
39.32 database containing water-related research
39.33 activities. Costs for information technology
39.34 development or support for this research
39.35 inventory database may be paid to the Office

40.1 of MN.IT Services. This appropriation is
40.2 available until June 30, 2018.

40.3 (g) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the
40.4 second year are to implement the Minnesota
40.5 agricultural water quality certification
40.6 program statewide. This appropriation is
40.7 available until June 30, 2020.

40.8 (h) \$110,000 the first year and \$110,000 the
40.9 second year are to provide funding for a
40.10 regional irrigation water quality specialist
40.11 through University of Minnesota Extension.

40.12 (i) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the
40.13 second year are for a perennial and cover crop
40.14 research program to develop perennial and
40.15 cover cropping systems specific to Minnesota
40.16 that are necessary to protect and restore the
40.17 state's surface and groundwater resources
40.18 while increasing efficiency, profitability, and
40.19 productivity of Minnesota farmers. This
40.20 appropriation is available until June 30, 2018.

40.21 **Sec. 4. PUBLIC FACILITIES AUTHORITY \$ 9,250,000 \$ 9,250,000**

40.22 (a) \$9,000,000 the first year and \$9,000,000
40.23 the second year are for the point source
40.24 implementation grants program under
40.25 Minnesota Statutes, section 446A.073. This
40.26 appropriation is available until June 30, 2020.

40.27 (b) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000
40.28 the second year are for small community
40.29 wastewater treatment grants and loans under
40.30 Minnesota Statutes, section 446A.075. This
40.31 appropriation is available until June 30, 2020.

40.32 (c) If there are any uncommitted funds at
40.33 the end of each fiscal year under paragraph

41.1 (a) or (b), the Public Facilities Authority
 41.2 may transfer the remaining funds to eligible
 41.3 projects under any of the programs listed
 41.4 in this section based on their priority rank
 41.5 on the Pollution Control Agency's project
 41.6 priority list.

41.7 **Sec. 5. POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY \$ 26,250,000 \$ 26,248,000**

41.8 (a) \$8,250,000 the first year and \$8,250,000
 41.9 the second year are for completion of 20
 41.10 percent of the needed statewide assessments
 41.11 of surface water quality and trends. If the
 41.12 amount in the first year is insufficient, the
 41.13 amount in the second year is available in the
 41.14 first year.

41.15 (b) \$9,795,000 the first year and \$9,795,000
 41.16 the second year are to develop watershed
 41.17 restoration and protection strategies
 41.18 (WRAPS), which include total maximum
 41.19 daily load (TMDL) studies and TMDL
 41.20 implementation plans for waters listed on
 41.21 the Unites States Environmental Protection
 41.22 Agency approved impaired waters list in
 41.23 accordance with Minnesota Statutes, chapter
 41.24 114D. The agency shall complete an average
 41.25 of ten percent of the TMDLs each year over
 41.26 the biennium.

41.27 (c) \$1,182,000 the first year and \$1,181,000
 41.28 the second year are for groundwater
 41.29 assessment, including enhancing the
 41.30 ambient monitoring network, modeling, and
 41.31 evaluating trends, including the reassessment
 41.32 of groundwater that was assessed ten to 15
 41.33 years ago and found to be contaminated.

- 42.1 (d) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000
42.2 the second year are for water quality
42.3 improvements in the lower St. Louis River
42.4 and Duluth harbor within the St. Louis River
42.5 System Area of Concern. This appropriation
42.6 must be matched at a rate of 65 percent
42.7 nonstate money to 35 percent state money.
- 42.8 (e) \$275,000 the first year and \$275,000 the
42.9 second year are for storm water research and
42.10 guidance.
- 42.11 (f) \$1,150,000 the first year and \$1,150,000
42.12 the second year are for TMDL research and
42.13 database development.
- 42.14 (g) \$900,000 the first year and \$900,000
42.15 the second year are for national pollutant
42.16 discharge elimination system wastewater and
42.17 storm water TMDL implementation efforts.
- 42.18 (h) \$3,623,000 the first year and \$3,622,000
42.19 the second year are for enhancing the
42.20 county-level delivery systems for subsurface
42.21 sewage treatment system (SSTS) activities
42.22 necessary to implement Minnesota Statutes,
42.23 sections 115.55 and 115.56, for protection
42.24 of groundwater, including base grants
42.25 for all counties with SSTS programs and
42.26 competitive grants to counties with specific
42.27 plans to significantly reduce water pollution
42.28 by reducing the number of systems that
42.29 are an imminent threat to public health or
42.30 safety or are otherwise failing. Counties that
42.31 receive base grants must report the number
42.32 of sewage noncompliant properties upgraded
42.33 through SSTS replacement, connection
42.34 to a centralized sewer system, or other
42.35 means, including property abandonment

43.1 or buy-out. Counties also must report
43.2 the number of existing SSTS compliance
43.3 inspections conducted in areas under county
43.4 jurisdiction. These required reports are to
43.5 be part of established annual reporting for
43.6 SSTS programs. Counties that conduct SSTS
43.7 inventories or those with an ordinance in
43.8 place that requires an SSTS to be inspected
43.9 as a condition of transferring property or as a
43.10 condition of obtaining a local permit must be
43.11 given priority for competitive grants under
43.12 this paragraph. Of this amount, \$750,000
43.13 each year is available to counties for grants to
43.14 low-income landowners to address systems
43.15 that pose an imminent threat to public health
43.16 or safety or fail to protect groundwater. A
43.17 grant awarded under this paragraph may not
43.18 exceed \$500,000 for the biennium. A county
43.19 receiving a grant under this paragraph must
43.20 submit a report to the agency listing the
43.21 projects funded, including an account of the
43.22 expenditures.

43.23 (i) \$275,000 the first year and \$275,000
43.24 the second year are for a storm water
43.25 best management practice performance
43.26 evaluation and technology transfer program
43.27 to enhance data and information management
43.28 of storm water best management practices;
43.29 evaluate best management performance
43.30 and effectiveness to support meeting total
43.31 maximum daily loads; develop standards
43.32 and incorporate state of the art guidance
43.33 using minimal impact design standards as
43.34 the model; and implement a knowledge
43.35 and technology transfer system across
43.36 local government, industry, and regulatory

44.1 sectors for pass-through to the University of
 44.2 Minnesota. This appropriation is available
 44.3 until June 30, 2018.

44.4 (j) \$50,000 the first year and \$50,000 the
 44.5 second year are to support activities of the
 44.6 Clean Water Council according to Minnesota
 44.7 Statutes, section 114D.30, subdivision 1.

44.8 (k) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes,
 44.9 section 16A.28, the appropriations in this
 44.10 section encumbered on or before June 30,
 44.11 2017, as grants or contracts are available
 44.12 until June 30, 2020.

44.13 **Sec. 6. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL**
 44.14 **RESOURCES**

\$ 8,500,000 \$ 8,500,000

44.15 (a) \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000
 44.16 the second year are for stream flow
 44.17 monitoring.

44.18 (b) \$1,300,000 the first year and \$1,300,000
 44.19 the second year are for lake Index of
 44.20 Biological Integrity (IBI) assessments.

44.21 (c) \$135,000 the first year and \$135,000
 44.22 the second year are for assessing mercury
 44.23 and other contaminants of fish, including
 44.24 monitoring to track the status of impaired
 44.25 waters over time.

44.26 (d) \$1,940,000 the first year and \$1,940,000
 44.27 the second year are for developing targeted,
 44.28 science-based watershed restoration and
 44.29 protection strategies.

44.30 (e) \$1,375,000 the first year and \$1,375,000
 44.31 the second year are for water supply planning,
 44.32 aquifer protection, and monitoring activities.

45.1 (f) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the
45.2 second year are for technical assistance to
45.3 support local implementation of nonpoint
45.4 source restoration and protection activities,
45.5 including water quality protection in forested
45.6 watersheds.

45.7 (g) \$675,000 the first year and \$675,000 the
45.8 second year are for applied research and tools,
45.9 including watershed hydrologic modeling;
45.10 maintaining and updating spatial data for
45.11 watershed boundaries, streams, and water
45.12 bodies and integrating high-resolution digital
45.13 elevation data; assessing effectiveness of
45.14 forestry best management practices for water
45.15 quality; and developing a biomonitoring
45.16 database.

45.17 (h) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000
45.18 the second year are for developing county
45.19 geologic atlases.

45.20 (i) \$325,000 the first year and \$325,000 the
45.21 second year are for analysis and mapping
45.22 in each county related to compliance
45.23 with riparian buffer or alternate practice
45.24 requirements and to provide statewide
45.25 coordination and guidance to local units of
45.26 government for implementation of buffer
45.27 requirements. Maps must be provided to
45.28 local units of government and made available
45.29 to landowners on the Department of Natural
45.30 Resources' Web site.

45.31 (j) A portion of the funds in this section may
45.32 be used for programs to train state and local
45.33 outreach staff in the intersection between
45.34 agricultural economics and agricultural
45.35 conservation.

46.1	Sec. 7. <u>BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL</u>			
46.2	<u>RESOURCES</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>58,131,000</u>	<u>\$</u>
				<u>58,132,000</u>

46.3 (a) \$8,929,000 the first year and \$8,929,000
 46.4 the second year are for grants to local
 46.5 government units organized for the
 46.6 management of water in a watershed or
 46.7 subwatershed that have multiyear plans
 46.8 that will result in a significant reduction in
 46.9 water pollution in a selected subwatershed.
 46.10 The grants may be used for establishment
 46.11 of riparian buffers; practices to store
 46.12 water for natural treatment and infiltration,
 46.13 including rain gardens; capturing storm
 46.14 water for reuse; stream bank, shoreland, and
 46.15 ravine stabilization; enforcement activities;
 46.16 and implementation of best management
 46.17 practices for feedlots within riparian areas
 46.18 and other practices demonstrated to be
 46.19 most effective in protecting, enhancing, and
 46.20 restoring water quality in lakes, rivers, and
 46.21 streams and protecting groundwater from
 46.22 degradation. Grant recipients must identify
 46.23 a nonstate match and may use other legacy
 46.24 funds to supplement projects funded under
 46.25 this paragraph. Grants awarded under this
 46.26 paragraph are available for four years and
 46.27 priority must be given to the best designed
 46.28 plans each year.

46.29 (b) \$14,775,000 the first year and
 46.30 \$14,775,000 the second year are for grants
 46.31 to protect and restore surface water and
 46.32 drinking water; to keep water on the land; to
 46.33 protect, enhance, and restore water quality
 46.34 in lakes, rivers, and streams; and to protect
 46.35 groundwater and drinking water, including
 46.36 feedlot water quality and subsurface sewage

47.1 treatment system projects and stream bank,
47.2 stream channel, shoreline restoration,
47.3 and ravine stabilization projects. The
47.4 projects must use practices demonstrated
47.5 to be effective, be of long-lasting public
47.6 benefit, include a match, and be consistent
47.7 with total maximum daily load (TMDL)
47.8 implementation plans, watershed restoration
47.9 and protection strategies (WRAPS), or local
47.10 water management plans or their equivalents.
47.11 A portion of these funds may be used to seek
47.12 administrative efficiencies through shared
47.13 resources by multiple local governmental
47.14 units.

47.15 (c) \$6,000,000 the first year and \$6,000,000
47.16 the second year are for targeted local
47.17 resource protection and enhancement grants
47.18 and statewide program enhancements for
47.19 technical assistance, citizen and community
47.20 outreach, and training and certification, as
47.21 well as projects, practices, and programs that
47.22 supplement or otherwise exceed current state
47.23 standards for protection, enhancement, and
47.24 restoration of water quality in lakes, rivers,
47.25 and streams or that protect groundwater from
47.26 degradation, including compliance.

47.27 (d) \$950,000 the first year and \$950,000
47.28 the second year are to provide state
47.29 oversight and accountability, evaluate
47.30 results, provide implementation tools, and
47.31 measure the value of conservation program
47.32 implementation by local governments,
47.33 including submission to the legislature by
47.34 March 1 each even-numbered year a biennial
47.35 report prepared by the board, in consultation
47.36 with the commissioners of natural resources,

48.1 health, agriculture, and the Pollution Control
48.2 Agency, detailing the recipients, the projects
48.3 funded under this section, and the amount of
48.4 pollution reduced.

48.5 (e) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000
48.6 the second year are for grants to local units
48.7 of government to enhance compliance
48.8 with riparian buffer or alternate practice
48.9 requirements.

48.10 (f) \$10,043,000 the first year and \$10,044,000
48.11 the second year are to restore or preserve
48.12 permanent conservation on riparian buffers
48.13 adjacent to lakes, rivers, streams, and
48.14 tributaries, to keep water on the land in order
48.15 to decrease sediment, pollutant, and nutrient
48.16 transport; reduce hydrologic impacts to
48.17 surface waters; and increase infiltration for
48.18 groundwater recharge. This appropriation
48.19 may be used for restoration of riparian
48.20 buffers permanently protected by easements
48.21 purchased with this appropriation or contracts
48.22 to achieve permanent protection for riparian
48.23 buffers or stream bank restorations when the
48.24 riparian buffers have been restored. Up to
48.25 \$344,000 is for deposit in a monitoring and
48.26 enforcement account.

48.27 (g) \$1,750,000 the first year and \$1,750,000
48.28 the second year are for permanent
48.29 conservation easements on wellhead
48.30 protection areas under Minnesota Statutes,
48.31 section 103F.515, subdivision 2, paragraph
48.32 (d), or for grants to local units of government
48.33 for fee title acquisition to permanently
48.34 protect groundwater supply sources on
48.35 wellhead protection areas or for otherwise

49.1 assuring long-term protection of groundwater
49.2 supply sources as described under alternative
49.3 management tools in the Department
49.4 of Agriculture's Nitrogen Fertilizer
49.5 Management Plan, including low nitrogen
49.6 cropping systems or implementing nitrogen
49.7 fertilizer best management practices. Priority
49.8 must be placed on land that is located where
49.9 the vulnerability of the drinking water supply
49.10 is designated as high or very high by the
49.11 commissioner of health, where drinking
49.12 water protection plans have identified
49.13 specific activities that will achieve long-term
49.14 protection, and on lands with expiring
49.15 Conservation Reserve Program contracts.
49.16 Up to \$52,500 is for deposit in a monitoring
49.17 and enforcement account.

49.18 (h) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000
49.19 the second year are for community partner
49.20 grants to local units of government for:
49.21 (1) structural or vegetative management
49.22 practices that reduce storm water runoff
49.23 from developed or disturbed lands to reduce
49.24 the movement of sediment, nutrients, and
49.25 pollutants for restoration, protection, or
49.26 enhancement of water quality in lakes, rivers,
49.27 and streams and to protect groundwater
49.28 and drinking water; and (2) installation
49.29 of proven and effective water retention
49.30 practices including, but not limited to, rain
49.31 gardens and other vegetated infiltration
49.32 basins and sediment control basins in order
49.33 to keep water on the land. The projects must
49.34 be of long-lasting public benefit, include a
49.35 local match, and be consistent with TMDL
49.36 implementation plans, watershed restoration

50.1 and protection strategies (WRAPS), or local
50.2 water management plans or their equivalents.
50.3 Local government unit costs may be used as
50.4 a match.

50.5 (i) \$84,000 the first year and \$84,000 the
50.6 second year are for a technical evaluation
50.7 panel to conduct ten restoration evaluations
50.8 under Minnesota Statutes, section 114D.50,
50.9 subdivision 6.

50.10 (j) \$2,100,000 the first year and \$2,100,000
50.11 the second year are for assistance, oversight,
50.12 and grants to local governments to transition
50.13 local water management plans to a watershed
50.14 approach as provided for in Minnesota
50.15 Statutes, chapters 103B, 103C, 103D, and
50.16 114D.

50.17 (k) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000
50.18 the second year are for technical assistance
50.19 and grants for the conservation drainage
50.20 program in consultation with the Drainage
50.21 Work Group, coordinated under Minnesota
50.22 Statutes, section 103B.101, subdivision
50.23 13, that includes projects to improve
50.24 multipurpose water management under
50.25 Minnesota Statutes, section 103E.015.

50.26 (l) \$9,000,000 the first year and \$9,000,000
50.27 the second year are to purchase and restore
50.28 permanent conservation sites via easements
50.29 or contracts to treat and store water on the
50.30 land for water quality improvement purposes
50.31 and related technical assistance. This work
50.32 may be done in cooperation with the United
50.33 States Department of Agriculture with a first
50.34 priority use to accomplish a conservation
50.35 reserve enhancement program, or equivalent,

- 51.1 in the state. Up to \$1,285,000 is for deposit
51.2 in a monitoring and enforcement account.
- 51.3 (m) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000
51.4 the second year are to purchase permanent
51.5 conservation easements to protect lands
51.6 adjacent to public waters with good water
51.7 quality but threatened with degradation. Up
51.8 to \$190,000 is for deposit in a monitoring
51.9 and enforcement account.
- 51.10 (n) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000
51.11 the second year are for a program to
51.12 systematically collect data and produce
51.13 county, watershed, and statewide estimates
51.14 of soil erosion caused by water and wind
51.15 along with tracking adoption of conservation
51.16 measures to address erosion.
- 51.17 (o) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000
51.18 the second year are to supplement, in equal
51.19 amounts, each soil and water conservation
51.20 district's general service grant.
- 51.21 (p) The board may contract for delivery of
51.22 services with Conservation Corps Minnesota
51.23 for restoration, maintenance, and other
51.24 activities under this section.
- 51.25 (q) The board may shift grant or cost-share
51.26 funds in this section and may adjust the
51.27 technical and administrative assistance
51.28 portion of the funds to leverage federal or
51.29 other nonstate funds or to address oversight
51.30 responsibilities or high-priority needs
51.31 identified in local water management plans.
- 51.32 (r) The board shall require grantees to specify
51.33 the outcomes that will be achieved by the
51.34 grants prior to any grant awards.

52.1 (s) The appropriations in this section are
 52.2 available until June 30, 2020. Returned grant
 52.3 funds are available until expended and shall
 52.4 be regranted consistent with the purposes of
 52.5 this section.

52.6 Sec. 8. **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH** **\$** **4,013,000** **\$** **3,812,000**

52.7 (a) \$1,100,000 the first year and \$1,100,000
 52.8 the second year are for addressing public
 52.9 health concerns related to contaminants
 52.10 found in Minnesota drinking water for which
 52.11 no health-based drinking water standards
 52.12 exist, including accelerating the development
 52.13 of health risk limits and improving the
 52.14 capacity of the department's laboratory to
 52.15 analyze unregulated contaminants. The
 52.16 commissioner shall contract with the Board
 52.17 of Regents of the University of Minnesota
 52.18 to provide an independent review of the
 52.19 department's drinking water contaminants
 52.20 of emerging concern program. The review
 52.21 must include an assessment and ranking of
 52.22 contaminants that are threats to drinking
 52.23 water supplies and include benchmarking
 52.24 that compares efforts at the department with
 52.25 efforts by other states and the United States
 52.26 Environmental Protection Agency. The
 52.27 review must be submitted to the Clean Water
 52.28 Council and the chairs and ranking minority
 52.29 members of the house of representatives
 52.30 and senate committees and divisions with
 52.31 jurisdiction over environment and natural
 52.32 resources by June 1, 2016.

52.33 (b) \$1,900,000 the first year and \$1,900,000
 52.34 the second year are for protection of drinking
 52.35 water sources.

- 53.1 (c) \$113,000 the first year and \$112,000 the
53.2 second year are for cost-share assistance to
53.3 public and private well owners for up to 50
53.4 percent of the cost of sealing unused wells.
- 53.5 (d) \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000
53.6 the second year are to develop and deliver
53.7 groundwater restoration and protection
53.8 strategies for use on a watershed scale for use
53.9 in local water planning efforts and to provide
53.10 resources to local governments for drinking
53.11 water source protection activities.
- 53.12 (e) \$325,000 the first year and \$325,000 the
53.13 second year are for studying the occurrence
53.14 and magnitude of contaminants in private
53.15 wells and developing guidance to ensure
53.16 that new well placement minimizes the
53.17 potential for risks, in cooperation with the
53.18 commissioner of agriculture.
- 53.19 (f) \$275,000 the first year and \$75,000
53.20 the second year are for development
53.21 and implementation of a groundwater
53.22 virus monitoring plan, including an
53.23 epidemiological study to determine the
53.24 association between groundwater virus
53.25 concentration and community illness rates.
- 53.26 (g) \$175,000 the first year and \$175,000 the
53.27 second year are to prepare a comprehensive
53.28 study of and recommendations for regulatory
53.29 and nonregulatory approaches to water reuse
53.30 for use in the development of state policy for
53.31 water reuse in Minnesota.
- 53.32 (h) Unless otherwise specified, the
53.33 appropriations in this section are available
53.34 until June 30, 2019.

54.1	Sec. 9. <u>METROPOLITAN COUNCIL</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>1,225,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>1,225,000</u>
54.2	<u>(a) \$975,000 the first year and \$975,000</u>				
54.3	<u>the second year are to implement projects</u>				
54.4	<u>that address emerging drinking water supply</u>				
54.5	<u>threats, provide cost-effective regional</u>				
54.6	<u>solutions, leverage interjurisdictional</u>				
54.7	<u>coordination, support local implementation</u>				
54.8	<u>of water supply reliability projects, and</u>				
54.9	<u>prevent degradation of groundwater</u>				
54.10	<u>resources in the metropolitan area. These</u>				
54.11	<u>projects will provide to communities:</u>				
54.12	<u>(1) potential solutions to leverage regional</u>				
54.13	<u>water use through utilization of surface water,</u>				
54.14	<u>storm water, wastewater, and groundwater;</u>				
54.15	<u>(2) an analysis of infrastructure requirements</u>				
54.16	<u>for different alternatives;</u>				
54.17	<u>(3) development of planning level cost</u>				
54.18	<u>estimates, including capital cost and</u>				
54.19	<u>operation cost;</u>				
54.20	<u>(4) identification of funding mechanisms</u>				
54.21	<u>and an equitable cost-sharing structure</u>				
54.22	<u>for regionally beneficial water supply</u>				
54.23	<u>development projects; and</u>				
54.24	<u>(5) development of subregional groundwater</u>				
54.25	<u>models.</u>				
54.26	<u>(b) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000</u>				
54.27	<u>the second year are for the water demand</u>				
54.28	<u>reduction grant program to encourage</u>				
54.29	<u>implementation of water demand reduction</u>				
54.30	<u>measures by municipalities in the</u>				
54.31	<u>metropolitan area to ensure the reliability and</u>				
54.32	<u>protection of drinking water supplies.</u>				

55.1 Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 103A.206, is amended to read:

55.2 **103A.206 SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION POLICY.**

55.3 Maintaining and enhancing the quality of soil and water for the environmental and
 55.4 economic benefits they produce, preventing degradation, and restoring degraded soil and
 55.5 water resources of this state contribute greatly to the health, safety, economic well-being,
 55.6 and general welfare of this state and its citizens. Land occupiers have the responsibility to
 55.7 implement practices that conserve the soil and water resources of the state. Soil and water
 55.8 conservation measures implemented on private lands in this state provide benefits to the
 55.9 general public by reducing erosion, sedimentation, siltation, water pollution, and damages
 55.10 caused by floods. The soil and water conservation policy of the state is to encourage land
 55.11 occupiers to conserve soil, water, and the natural resources they support through the
 55.12 implementation of practices that:

55.13 (1) control or prevent erosion, sedimentation, siltation, and related pollution in
 55.14 order to preserve natural resources;

55.15 (2) ensure continued soil health, as defined under section 103C.101, subdivision
 55.16 10a, and soil productivity;

55.17 (3) protect water quality;

55.18 (4) prevent impairment of dams and reservoirs;

55.19 (5) reduce damages caused by floods;

55.20 (6) preserve wildlife;

55.21 (7) protect the tax base; and

55.22 (8) protect public lands and waters.

55.23 Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 103B.101, is amended by adding a
 55.24 subdivision to read:

55.25 Subd. 16. **Water quality practices; standardized specifications.** The Board of
 55.26 Water and Soil Resources shall work with state and federal agencies, academic institutions,
 55.27 local governments, practitioners, and stakeholders to foster mutual understanding and
 55.28 provide recommendations for standardized specifications for water quality and soil
 55.29 conservation protection and improvement practices and projects. The board may convene
 55.30 working groups or work teams to develop information, education, and recommendations.

55.31 Sec. 12. **[103B.801] COMPREHENSIVE WATERSHED MANAGEMENT**
 55.32 **PLANNING PROGRAM.**

55.33 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** The definitions under section 103B.3363, subdivisions 2
 55.34 to 4, apply to this section.

56.1 Subd. 2. **Program purposes.** The purposes of the comprehensive watershed
56.2 management plan program under section 103B.101, subdivision 14, paragraph (a), are to:
56.3 (1) align local water planning purposes and procedures under chapters 103B, 103C,
56.4 and 103D on watershed boundaries to create a systematic, watershed-wide, science-based
56.5 approach to watershed management;
56.6 (2) acknowledge and build off existing local government structure, water plan
56.7 services, and local capacity;
56.8 (3) incorporate and make use of data and information, including watershed
56.9 restoration and protection strategies under section 114D.26;
56.10 (4) solicit input and engage experts from agencies, citizens, and stakeholder groups;
56.11 (5) focus on implementation of prioritized and targeted actions capable of achieving
56.12 measurable progress; and
56.13 (6) serve as a substitute for a comprehensive plan, local water management plan, or
56.14 watershed management plan developed or amended, approved, and adopted, according
56.15 to chapter 103B, 103C, or 103D.

56.16 Subd. 3. **Coordination.** The board shall develop policies for coordination and
56.17 development of comprehensive watershed management plans. To ensure effectiveness
56.18 and accountability in meeting the purposes of subdivision 2, these policies must address,
56.19 at a minimum:

56.20 (1) a boundary framework consistent with section 103B.101, subdivision 14,
56.21 paragraph (a), and procedures, requirements, and criteria for establishing or modifying
56.22 the framework consistent with the goals of section 103A.212. The metropolitan area, as
56.23 defined under section 473.121, subdivision 2, may be considered for inclusion in the
56.24 boundary framework. If included, the metropolitan area is not excluded from the water
56.25 management programs under sections 103B.201 to 103B.255;

56.26 (2) requirements for coordination, participation, and commitment between local
56.27 government units in the development, approval, adoption, and implementation of
56.28 comprehensive watershed management plans within planning boundaries identified
56.29 according to this subdivision;

56.30 (3) requirements for consistency with state agency-adopted water and natural
56.31 resources-related plans and documents required by chapters 103A, 103B, 103C, 103D,
56.32 103E, 103F, 103G, and 114D; and

56.33 (4) procedures for plan development, review, and approval consistent with the intent
56.34 of sections 103B.201, 103B.255, 103B.311, 103B.321, 103D.401, and 103D.405. If the
56.35 procedures in these sections are contradictory as applied to a specific proceeding, the
56.36 board must establish a forum where the public interest conflicts involved can be presented

57.1 and, by consideration of the whole body of water law, the controlling policy can be
57.2 determined and apparent inconsistencies resolved.

57.3 Subd. 4. **Plan content.** (a) The board shall develop policies for required
57.4 comprehensive watershed management plan content consistent with comprehensive local
57.5 water management planning. To ensure effectiveness and accountability in meeting the
57.6 purposes of subdivision 2, plan content must include, at a minimum:

57.7 (1) an analysis and prioritization of issues and resource concerns;

57.8 (2) measurable goals to address the issues and concerns, including but not limited to:

57.9 (i) restoration, protection, and preservation of natural surface water and groundwater
57.10 storage and retention systems;

57.11 (ii) minimization of public capital expenditures needed to correct flooding and
57.12 water quality problems;

57.13 (iii) restoration, protection, and improvement of surface water and groundwater
57.14 quality;

57.15 (iv) establishment of more uniform local policies and official controls for surface
57.16 water and groundwater management;

57.17 (v) identification of priority areas for wetland enhancement, restoration, and
57.18 establishment;

57.19 (vi) identification of priority areas for riparian zone management and buffers;

57.20 (vii) prevention of erosion and soil transport into surface water systems;

57.21 (viii) promotion of groundwater recharge;

57.22 (ix) protection and enhancement of fish and wildlife habitat and water recreational
57.23 facilities; and

57.24 (x) securing other benefits associated with the proper management of surface water
57.25 and groundwater;

57.26 (3) a targeted implementation schedule describing at a minimum the actions,
57.27 locations, timeline, estimated costs, method of measurement, and identification of roles
57.28 and responsible government units;

57.29 (4) a description of implementation programs, including how the implementation
57.30 schedule will be achieved and how the plan will be administered and coordinated between
57.31 local water management responsibilities; and

57.32 (5) a land and water resource inventory.

57.33 Subd. 5. **Timelines; administration.** (a) The board shall develop and adopt, by
57.34 June 30, 2016, a transition plan for development, approval, adoption, and coordination
57.35 of plans consistent with section 103A.212. The transition plan must include a goal of

58.1 completing statewide transition to comprehensive watershed management plans by 2025.

58.2 The metropolitan area may be considered for inclusion in the transition plan.

58.3 (b) The board may use the authority under section 103B.3369, subdivision 9, to
58.4 support development or implementation of a comprehensive watershed management
58.5 plan under this section.

58.6 Subd. 6. **Authority.** Notwithstanding any laws to the contrary, the authorities
58.7 granted to local government through chapters 103B, 103C, and 103D are retained when
58.8 a comprehensive watershed management plan is adopted as a substitute for a watershed
58.9 management plan required under section 103B.231, a county groundwater plan authorized
58.10 under section 103B.255, a county water plan authorized under section 103B.311, a
58.11 comprehensive plan authorized under section 103C.331, or a watershed management plan
58.12 required under section 103D.401 or 103D.405.

58.13 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 103C.101, is amended by adding a
58.14 subdivision to read:

58.15 Subd. 10a. **Soil health.** "Soil health" means the continued capacity of soil to
58.16 function as a vital living system that sustains plants, animals, and humans. Indicators
58.17 of soil health include water infiltration capacity; organic matter content; water holding
58.18 capacity; biological capacity to break down plant residue and other substances and
58.19 to maintain soil aggregation; nutrient sequestration and cycling capacity; carbon
58.20 sequestration; and soil resistance.

58.21 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 103C.401, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

58.22 Subdivision 1. **Powers and duties.** In addition to the powers and duties of the state
58.23 board provided by other law, the state board shall:

58.24 (1) offer to assist the district boards to implement their programs;

58.25 (2) keep the district boards of the state informed of the activities and experience of
58.26 other districts and facilitate cooperation and an interchange of advice and experience
58.27 among the districts;

58.28 (3) coordinate the programs and activities of the districts with appropriate agencies
58.29 by advice and consultation;

58.30 (4) approve or disapprove the plans or programs of districts relating to the use of
58.31 state funds administered by the state board;

58.32 (5) secure the cooperation and assistance of agencies in the work of the districts
58.33 and develop a program to advise and assist appropriate agencies in obtaining state and

59.1 federal funds for erosion, sedimentation, flooding, and agriculturally related pollution
59.2 control programs;

59.3 (6) develop and implement a public information program concerning the districts'
59.4 activities and programs, the problems and preventive practices relating to erosion control,
59.5 sedimentation, agriculturally related pollution, flood prevention, and the advantages of
59.6 formation of districts in areas where their organization is desirable;

59.7 (7) consolidate districts without a hearing or a referendum;

59.8 (8) assist the statewide program to inventory and classify the types of soils in the
59.9 state as determined by the Minnesota Cooperative Soil Survey;

59.10 (9) identify research needs and cooperate with other public agencies in research
59.11 concerning the nature and extent of erosion, sedimentation, flooding and agriculturally
59.12 related pollution, the amounts and sources of sediment and pollutants delivered to the
59.13 waters of the state, and long-term soil productivity;

59.14 (10) develop structural, land use management practice, and other programs to reduce
59.15 or prevent soil erosion, sedimentation, flooding, and agriculturally related pollution;

59.16 (11) develop a system of priorities to identify the erosion, flooding, sediment, and
59.17 agriculturally related pollution problem areas that most need control systems;

59.18 (12) ensure compliance with statewide programs and policies established by the state
59.19 board by advice, consultation, and approval of grant agreements with the districts; ~~and~~

59.20 (13) service requests from districts to consolidate districts across county boundaries
59.21 and facilitate other agreed-to reorganizations of districts with other districts or other
59.22 local units of government, including making grants, within the limits of available funds,
59.23 to offset the cost of consolidation or reorganization; and

59.24 (14) develop and implement a state-led technical training and certification program.

59.25 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 103C.501, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

59.26 Subd. 5. **Contracts by districts.** (a) A district board may contract on a cost-share
59.27 basis to furnish financial aid to a land occupier or to a state agency for permanent systems
59.28 for erosion or sedimentation control or water quality or water quantity improvements that
59.29 are consistent with the district's comprehensive and annual work plans.

59.30 (b) A district board, with approval from the state board and consistent with state
59.31 board rules and policies, may contract on a cost-share basis to furnish financial aid to a
59.32 land occupier for nonstructural land management practices that are part of a planned
59.33 erosion control or water quality improvement plan.

59.34 ~~(b)~~ (c) The duration of the contract must, at a minimum, be the time required to
59.35 complete the planned systems. A contract must specify that the land occupier is liable for

60.1 monetary damages and penalties in an amount up to 150 percent of the financial assistance
60.2 received from the district, for failure to complete the systems or practices in a timely
60.3 manner or maintain the systems or practices as specified in the contract.

60.4 ~~(e)~~ (d) A contract may provide for cooperation or funding with federal agencies.
60.5 A land occupier or state agency may provide the cost-sharing portion of the contract
60.6 through services in kind.

60.7 ~~(d)~~ (e) The state board or the district board may not furnish any financial aid for
60.8 practices designed only to increase land productivity.

60.9 ~~(e)~~ (f) When a district board determines that long-term maintenance of a system or
60.10 practice is desirable, the board may require that maintenance be made a covenant upon
60.11 the land for the effective life of the practice. A covenant under this subdivision shall be
60.12 construed in the same manner as a conservation restriction under section 84.65.

60.13 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 114D.30, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

60.14 Subd. 2. **Membership; appointment.** (a) The commissioners of natural resources,
60.15 agriculture, health, and the Pollution Control Agency, ~~and~~ the executive director of the
60.16 Board of Water and Soil Resources, the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota,
60.17 and the Metropolitan Council shall each appoint one person from their respective ~~agency~~
60.18 entity to serve as a nonvoting member of the council. Two members of the house of
60.19 representatives, including one member from the majority party and one member from the
60.20 minority party, appointed by the speaker and two senators, including one member from
60.21 the majority party and one member from the minority party, appointed according to the
60.22 rules of the senate shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority as nonvoting
60.23 members of the council. ~~Agency and legislative~~ Members appointed under this paragraph
60.24 serve as nonvoting members of the council.

60.25 (b) ~~Nineteen~~ Seventeen voting members of the council shall be appointed by the
60.26 governor as follows:

60.27 (1) two members representing statewide farm organizations;

60.28 (2) two members representing business organizations;

60.29 (3) two members representing environmental organizations;

60.30 (4) one member representing soil and water conservation districts;

60.31 (5) one member representing watershed districts;

60.32 (6) one member representing nonprofit organizations focused on improvement of
60.33 Minnesota lakes or streams;

61.1 (7) two members representing organizations of county governments, one member
 61.2 representing the interests of rural counties and one member representing the interests of
 61.3 counties in the seven-county metropolitan area;

61.4 (8) two members representing organizations of city governments;

61.5 ~~(9) one member representing the Metropolitan Council established under section~~
 61.6 ~~473.123;~~

61.7 ~~(10)~~ (9) one member representing township officers;

61.8 ~~(11)~~ (10) one member representing the interests of tribal governments;

61.9 ~~(12)~~ (11) one member representing statewide hunting organizations; and

61.10 ~~(13) one member representing the University of Minnesota or a Minnesota state~~
 61.11 ~~university; and~~

61.12 ~~(14)~~ (12) one member representing statewide fishing organizations.

61.13 Members appointed under this paragraph must not be registered lobbyists or legislators.

61.14 In making appointments, the governor must attempt to provide for geographic balance.

61.15 The members of the council appointed by the governor are subject to the advice and

61.16 consent of the senate.

61.17 Sec. 17. Laws 2013, chapter 137, article 2, section 6, is amended to read:

61.18	Sec. 6. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL		<u>12,635,000</u>	<u>9,450,000</u>
61.19	RESOURCES	\$	<u>12,135,000</u>	\$ <u>8,950,000</u>

61.20 (a) \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000
 61.21 the second year are for stream flow
 61.22 monitoring, including the installation of
 61.23 additional monitoring gauges, and monitoring
 61.24 necessary to determine the relationship
 61.25 between stream flow and groundwater.

61.26 (b) \$1,300,000 the first year and \$1,300,000
 61.27 the second year are for lake Index of
 61.28 Biological Integrity (IBI) assessments.

61.29 (c) \$135,000 the first year and \$135,000
 61.30 the second year are for assessing mercury
 61.31 contamination and other contaminants of
 61.32 fish, including monitoring to track the status
 61.33 of waters impaired by mercury and mercury
 61.34 reduction efforts over time.

62.1 (d) \$1,850,000 the first year and \$1,850,000
62.2 the second year are for developing targeted,
62.3 science-based watershed restoration and
62.4 protection strategies, including regional
62.5 technical assistance for TMDL plans and
62.6 development of a watershed assessment tool,
62.7 in cooperation with the commissioner of the
62.8 Pollution Control Agency. By January 15,
62.9 2016, the commissioner shall submit a report
62.10 to the chairs and ranking minority members
62.11 of the senate and house of representatives
62.12 committees and divisions with jurisdiction
62.13 over environment and natural resources
62.14 policy and finance providing the outcomes
62.15 to lakes, rivers, streams, and groundwater
62.16 achieved with this appropriation and
62.17 recommendations.

62.18 (e) \$1,375,000 the first year and \$1,375,000
62.19 the second year are for water supply planning,
62.20 aquifer protection, and monitoring activities.

62.21 (f) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000
62.22 the second year are for technical assistance
62.23 to support local implementation of nonpoint
62.24 source restoration and protection activities,
62.25 including water quality protection in forested
62.26 watersheds.

62.27 (g) \$675,000 the first year and \$675,000
62.28 the second year are for applied research
62.29 and tools, including watershed hydrologic
62.30 modeling; maintaining and updating spatial
62.31 data for watershed boundaries, streams, and
62.32 water bodies and integrating high-resolution
62.33 digital elevation data; assessing effectiveness
62.34 of forestry best management practices for

63.1 water quality; and developing an ecological
63.2 monitoring database.

63.3 (h) \$615,000 the first year and \$615,000
63.4 the second year are for developing county
63.5 geologic atlases.

63.6 (i) \$85,000 the first year is to develop design
63.7 standards and best management practices
63.8 for public water access sites to maintain and
63.9 improve water quality by avoiding shoreline
63.10 erosion and runoff.

63.11 (j) \$3,000,000 the first year is for beginning
63.12 to develop and designate groundwater
63.13 management areas under Minnesota Statutes,
63.14 section 103G.287, subdivision 4. The
63.15 commissioner, in consultation with the
63.16 commissioners of the Pollution Control
63.17 Agency, health, and agriculture, shall
63.18 establish a uniform statewide hydrogeologic
63.19 mapping system that will include designated
63.20 groundwater management areas. The
63.21 mapping system must include wellhead
63.22 protection areas, special well construction
63.23 areas, groundwater provinces, groundwater
63.24 recharge areas, and other designated or
63.25 geographical areas related to groundwater.
63.26 This mapping system shall be used to
63.27 implement all groundwater-related laws
63.28 and for reporting and evaluations. This
63.29 appropriation is available until June 30, 2017.

63.30 ~~(k) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the~~
63.31 ~~second year are for grants to counties and~~
63.32 ~~other local units of government to adopt and~~
63.33 ~~implement advanced shoreland protection~~
63.34 ~~measures. The grants awarded under this~~
63.35 ~~paragraph shall be for up to \$100,000 and~~

64.1 ~~must be used to restore and enhance riparian~~
64.2 ~~areas to protect, enhance, and restore water~~
64.3 ~~quality in lakes, rivers, and streams. Grant~~
64.4 ~~recipients must submit a report to the~~
64.5 ~~commissioner on the outcomes achieved~~
64.6 ~~with the grant. To be eligible for a grant~~
64.7 ~~under this paragraph, a county or other local~~
64.8 ~~unit of government must be adopting or have~~
64.9 ~~adopted an ordinance for the subdivision,~~
64.10 ~~use, redevelopment, and development of~~
64.11 ~~shoreland that has been approved by the~~
64.12 ~~commissioner of natural resources as having~~
64.13 ~~advanced shoreland protection measures. An~~
64.14 ~~ordinance must meet or exceed the following~~
64.15 ~~standards:~~

64.16 ~~(1) requires new sewage treatment systems~~
64.17 ~~to be set back at least 100 feet from the~~
64.18 ~~ordinary high water level for recreational~~
64.19 ~~development shorelands and 75 feet for~~
64.20 ~~general development lake shorelands;~~

64.21 ~~(2) requires redevelopment and new~~
64.22 ~~development on shoreland to have at least~~
64.23 ~~a 50-foot vegetative buffer. An access path~~
64.24 ~~and recreational use area may be allowed;~~

64.25 ~~(3) requires mitigation when any variance to~~
64.26 ~~standards designed to protect lakes, rivers,~~
64.27 ~~and streams is granted;~~

64.28 ~~(4) requires best management practices to be~~
64.29 ~~used to control storm water and sediment as~~
64.30 ~~part of a land alteration;~~

64.31 ~~(5) includes other criteria developed by the~~
64.32 ~~commissioner; and~~

64.33 ~~(6) has been adopted by July 1, 2015.~~

65.1 ~~An ordinance that does not exceed all the~~
 65.2 ~~standards in clauses (1) to (5) is considered~~
 65.3 ~~to meet the requirement if the commissioner~~
 65.4 ~~determines that the ordinance provides~~
 65.5 ~~significantly greater protection for both~~
 65.6 ~~waters and shoreland than those standards.~~

65.7 ~~The commissioner of natural resources~~
 65.8 ~~may develop additional criteria for the~~
 65.9 ~~grants awarded under this paragraph. In~~
 65.10 ~~developing the criteria, the commissioner~~
 65.11 ~~shall consider the proposed changes to~~
 65.12 ~~the department's shoreland rules discussed~~
 65.13 ~~during the rulemaking process authorized~~
 65.14 ~~under Laws 2007, chapter 57, article 1,~~
 65.15 ~~section 4, subdivision 3. This appropriation~~
 65.16 ~~is available until spent.~~

65.17 ~~(+) (k) \$100,000 the first year is for the~~
 65.18 ~~commissioner of natural resources for~~
 65.19 ~~rulemaking under Minnesota Statutes,~~
 65.20 ~~section 116G.15, subdivision 7.~~

65.21 **Sec. 18. CANCELLATION OF PRIOR APPROPRIATIONS.**

65.22 (a) The unspent balance of the appropriation to the Public Facilities Authority for the
 65.23 clean water legacy phosphorus reduction grant program under Minnesota Statutes, section
 65.24 446A.074, in Laws 2009, chapter 172, article 2, section 3, paragraph (b), is canceled.

65.25 (b) The unspent balance of the appropriation to the Public Facilities Authority for
 65.26 the clean water legacy phosphorus reduction grant program under Minnesota Statutes,
 65.27 section 446A.074, in Laws 2011, First Special Session chapter 6, article 2, section 4,
 65.28 paragraph (b), is canceled.

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

65.30 **ARTICLE 3**

65.31 **PARKS AND TRAILS FUND**

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

66.1 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the
 66.2 agencies and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the
 66.3 parks and trails fund and are available for the fiscal years indicated for each purpose. The
 66.4 figures "2016" and "2017" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under
 66.5 them are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, or June 30, 2017, respectively.
 66.6 "The first year" is fiscal year 2016. "The second year" is fiscal year 2017. "The biennium"
 66.7 is fiscal years 2016 and 2017. All appropriations in this article are onetime.

66.8		<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	
66.9		<u>Available for the Year</u>	
66.10		<u>Ending June 30</u>	
66.11		<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>

66.12 **Sec. 2. PARKS AND TRAILS**

66.13	<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>43,628,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>45,722,000</u>
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66.14 The amounts that may be spent for each
 66.15 purpose are specified in the following
 66.16 sections.

66.17 **Subd. 2. Availability of Appropriation**

66.18 Money appropriated in this article may
 66.19 not be spent on activities unless they are
 66.20 directly related to and necessary for a
 66.21 specific appropriation. Money appropriated
 66.22 in this article must be spent in accordance
 66.23 with Minnesota Management and Budget's
 66.24 Guidance to Agencies on Legacy Fund
 66.25 Expenditure. Notwithstanding Minnesota
 66.26 Statutes, section 16A.28, and unless
 66.27 otherwise specified in this article, fiscal year
 66.28 2016 appropriations are available until June
 66.29 30, 2018, and fiscal year 2017 appropriations
 66.30 are available until June 30, 2019. If a project
 66.31 receives federal funds, the time period of
 66.32 the appropriation is extended to equal the
 66.33 availability of federal funding.

67.1	Sec. 3. <u>DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL</u>		
67.2	<u>RESOURCES</u>	\$	<u>26,391,000</u>
		\$	<u>27,655,000</u>

67.3 (a) \$17,237,000 the first year and
 67.4 \$18,067,000 the second year are for state
 67.5 parks, recreation areas, and trails to:

67.6 (1) connect people to the outdoors;
 67.7 (2) acquire land and create opportunities;
 67.8 (3) maintain existing holdings; and
 67.9 (4) improve cooperation by coordinating
 67.10 with partners to implement the 25-year
 67.11 long-range parks and trails legacy plan.

67.12 (b) \$8,618,000 the first year and \$9,033,000
 67.13 the second year are for grants in accordance
 67.14 with Minnesota Statutes, section 85.535,
 67.15 for parks and trails of regional or statewide
 67.16 significance outside of the metropolitan area,
 67.17 as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section
 67.18 473.121, subdivision 2. Up to 2.5 percent of
 67.19 the total appropriation may be used by the
 67.20 department for administering the grants. Of
 67.21 the total appropriation, \$356,000 the first year
 67.22 and \$362,000 the second year are for grants
 67.23 to the Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and
 67.24 Trails Commission for operating costs.

67.25 (c) \$536,000 the first year and \$555,000 the
 67.26 second year are for coordination and projects
 67.27 between the department, Metropolitan
 67.28 Council, and the Greater Minnesota Regional
 67.29 Parks and Trails Commission; enhanced
 67.30 Web-based information for park and trail
 67.31 users; and support of activities of the Parks
 67.32 and Trails Legacy Advisory Committee.

67.33 (d) The commissioner shall contract for
 67.34 services with Conservation Corps Minnesota

68.1 for restoration, maintenance, and other
 68.2 activities under this section for at least
 68.3 \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000 the
 68.4 second year.

68.5 (e) The implementing agencies receiving
 68.6 appropriations under this section shall
 68.7 give consideration to contracting with
 68.8 Conservation Corps Minnesota for
 68.9 restoration, maintenance, and other activities.

68.10 **Sec. 4. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL \$ 17,237,000 \$ 18,067,000**

68.11 (a) \$17,237,000 the first year and
 68.12 \$18,067,000 the second year are for
 68.13 distribution according to Minnesota Statutes,
 68.14 section 85.53, subdivision 3.

68.15 (b) Money appropriated under this section
 68.16 and distributed to implementing agencies
 68.17 must be used to fund the list of recommended
 68.18 projects in the report submitted pursuant to
 68.19 Laws 2013, chapter 137, article 3, section
 68.20 4, paragraph (o). Projects funded by the
 68.21 money appropriated under this section must
 68.22 be substantially consistent with the project
 68.23 descriptions and dollar amounts in the report.
 68.24 Any funds remaining after completion of
 68.25 the listed projects may be spent by the
 68.26 implementing agencies on projects to support
 68.27 parks and trails.

68.28 (c) Grant agreements entered into by the
 68.29 Metropolitan Council and recipients of
 68.30 money appropriated under this section must
 68.31 ensure that the funds are used to supplement
 68.32 and not substitute for traditional sources of
 68.33 funding.

- 70.1 (6) trail reconstruction under East River
70.2 Road on the Rice Creek West Regional Trail;
- 70.3 (7) contracts with Conservation Corps
70.4 Minnesota;
- 70.5 (8) a volunteer or resource coordinator
70.6 position;
- 70.7 (9) a landscape designer or architect;
- 70.8 (10) design, engineering, and construction of
70.9 the Central Anoka County Regional Trail;
- 70.10 (11) road rehabilitation at Lake George
70.11 Regional Park;
- 70.12 (12) reconstruction of a retaining wall on the
70.13 Mississippi River Regional Trail;
- 70.14 (13) a trail connection on the Mississippi
70.15 River Regional Trail to connect Mississippi
70.16 West Regional Park to the city of Ramsey;
- 70.17 (14) improvements of the Heritage
70.18 Laboratory/Day Camp at the Rice Creek
70.19 Chain of Lakes Park Reserve; and
- 70.20 (15) trail reconstruction on the Rice Creek
70.21 North Regional Trail from Lexington Avenue
70.22 to Golden Lake Elementary School.
- 70.23 (c) \$289,000 the first year and \$292,000
70.24 the second year are for grants to the city of
70.25 Bloomington to reconstruct parking lots at the
70.26 Hyland-Bush-Anderson Lakes Park Reserve.
- 70.27 (d) \$294,000 the first year and \$297,000 the
70.28 second year are for grants to Carver County
70.29 to connect the Minnesota River Bluffs
70.30 Regional Trail and Southwest Regional Trail
70.31 and for trail and bridge construction on the
70.32 Minnesota River Bluff Regional Trail.

- 71.1 (e) \$1,174,000 the first year and \$1,183,000
71.2 the second year are for grants to Dakota
71.3 County for:
- 71.4 (1) engineering to extend the Mississippi
71.5 River Regional Trail and Big Rivers Regional
71.6 Trails, including extensions to St. Paul, and
71.7 to provide a connection to Lilydale Regional
71.8 Trail;
- 71.9 (2) a trail connection for the Mississippi
71.10 River Regional Trail to connect St. Paul and
71.11 to construct a bridge over railroad tracks;
- 71.12 (3) engineering and construction of regional
71.13 trail segments throughout the county;
- 71.14 (4) engineering and construction of a bridge
71.15 and trails through the Minnesota Zoological
71.16 Garden on the North Creek Regional
71.17 Greenway; and
- 71.18 (5) resource management of the county's
71.19 parks and trails system.
- 71.20 (f) \$3,221,000 the first year and \$3,246,000
71.21 the second are for grants to the Minneapolis
71.22 Park and Recreation Board for:
- 71.23 (1) design and construction of trail loops,
71.24 river access areas, landscapes, and storm
71.25 water management improvements at Above
71.26 the Falls Regional Park;
- 71.27 (2) land acquisition at Above the Falls
71.28 Regional Park;
- 71.29 (3) a master plan and trail design for Central
71.30 Mississippi Riverfront Regional Park;
- 71.31 (4) planning and design for the Central
71.32 Riverfront including the water works and the
71.33 Mississippi Whitewater Park sites;

- 72.1 (5) trail, path, and shoreline improvements
72.2 and play area rehabilitation at
72.3 Nokomis-Hiawatha Regional Park;
- 72.4 (6) trail, shoreline, water access,
72.5 picnic, sailboat facility, and concession
72.6 improvements at Minneapolis Chain of
72.7 Lakes Regional Park;
- 72.8 (7) a bird sanctuary, trail stabilization, habitat
72.9 restoration, accessibility improvements, and
72.10 construction of new entrances at Minneapolis
72.11 Chain of Lakes Regional Park;
- 72.12 (8) a trail connection for the Minnehaha
72.13 Parkway Regional Trail below Lyndale
72.14 Avenue; and
- 72.15 (9) trail work at Theodore Wirth Regional
72.16 Park.
- 72.17 (g) \$1,299,000 the first year and \$1,309,000
72.18 the second year are for grants to Ramsey
72.19 County for:
- 72.20 (1) wayfinding for cross-country ski trails
72.21 at Battle Creek Regional Park, Tamarack
72.22 Nature Center, and Grass-Vadnais-Snail
72.23 Lakes Regional Park;
- 72.24 (2) contracts with Conservation Corps
72.25 Minnesota;
- 72.26 (3) design and construction of an early
72.27 learning center at Tamarack Nature Center
72.28 and pedestrian connections, landscape
72.29 restoration, signage, and other site amenities
72.30 at Bald Eagle-Otter Lakes Regional Park;
- 72.31 (4) improvements to Tamarack Nature
72.32 Center;

- 73.1 (5) building and supporting a volunteer corps
73.2 for Tamarack Nature Center and Discovery
73.3 Hollow;
- 73.4 (6) trail development to connect Tamarack
73.5 Nature Center to the Otter Lake boat launch;
- 73.6 (7) a trail on Vadnais Lake, storm water
73.7 management improvements, and site
73.8 amenities at Grass-Vadnais-Snail Lakes
73.9 Regional Park;
- 73.10 (8) trail development and connection, storm
73.11 water management improvements, and site
73.12 amenities at Rice Creek North Regional
73.13 Trail; and
- 73.14 (9) the Bruce Vento Regional Trail.
- 73.15 (h) \$2,378,000 the first year and \$2,397,000
73.16 the second year are for grants to the city of
73.17 Saint Paul for:
- 73.18 (1) an education coordinator;
- 73.19 (2) a volunteer coordinator;
- 73.20 (3) Como Regional Park shuttle operation;
- 73.21 (4) a trail connection to connect Harriet
73.22 Island to the Mississippi Regional Trail;
- 73.23 (5) Estabrook Road reconstruction and
73.24 lighting upgrades at Como Regional Park;
73.25 and
- 73.26 (6) a trail connection and railroad bridge
73.27 reconstruction at Lilydale Regional Park.
- 73.28 (i) \$550,000 the first year and \$554,000 the
73.29 second year are for grants to Scott County for
73.30 construction at Cedar Lake Farm Regional
73.31 Park.

- 74.1 (j) \$3,669,000 the first year and \$3,697,000
74.2 the second year are for grants to Three Rivers
74.3 Park District for:
- 74.4 (1) a trail connection to connect Grand
74.5 Rounds to Nine Mile Creek Trail;
- 74.6 (2) a ~~trail bridge over~~ safe trail crossing of
74.7 County State-Aid Highway 19 for the Lake
74.8 Minnetonka LRT Regional Trail;
- 74.9 (3) trail construction on the Crystal Lake
74.10 Regional Trail;
- 74.11 (4) trail construction on the Bassett Creek
74.12 Regional Trail;
- 74.13 (5) trail construction on the Twin Lakes
74.14 Regional Trail; and
- 74.15 (6) trail construction on the Nine Mile Creek
74.16 Regional Trail.
- 74.17 (k) \$821,000 the first year and \$827,000 the
74.18 second year are for grants to Washington
74.19 County for:
- 74.20 (1) parking, buildings, and other
74.21 improvements at the Swim Pond in Lake
74.22 Elmo Park Reserve;
- 74.23 (2) design and construction of the Point
74.24 Douglas Regional Trail, which connects to
74.25 Wisconsin; and
- 74.26 (3) paving improvements to Hardwood Creek
74.27 Regional Trail, which may include new trail
74.28 sections toward Bald Eagle Regional Park.
- 74.29 (l) \$1,682,000 the first year and \$1,695,000
74.30 the second year are for grants to implementing
74.31 agencies for land acquisition within
74.32 Metropolitan Council approved regional
74.33 parks and trails master plan boundaries as

75.1 provided under Minnesota Statutes, section
75.2 85.53, subdivision 3, clause (4).

75.3 (m) A recipient of a grant awarded under
75.4 this section must give consideration to
75.5 Conservation Corps Minnesota for possible
75.6 use of corps services to contract for
75.7 restoration and enhancement services.

75.8 (n) For projects with the potential to need
75.9 historic preservation services, a recipient
75.10 of a grant awarded under this section must
75.11 give consideration to the Northern Bedrock
75.12 Conservation Corps for possible use of the
75.13 corps' services.

75.14 (o) By January 15, 2015, the council
75.15 shall submit a list of projects, ranked in
75.16 priority order, that contains the council's
75.17 recommendations for funding from the
75.18 parks and trails fund for the 2016 and
75.19 2017 biennium to the chairs and ranking
75.20 minority members of the senate and house
75.21 of representatives committees and divisions
75.22 with jurisdiction over the environment and
75.23 natural resources and the parks and trails
75.24 fund.

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

75.26 Sec. 6. **MESABI TRAIL GRANT EXTENSION.**

75.27 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, or other law to the contrary,
75.28 \$512,000 of the money appropriated in fiscal year 2013 under Laws 2011, First Special
75.29 Session chapter 6, article 3, section 3, paragraph (c), clause (1), for grants under Minnesota
75.30 Statutes, section 85.535, is available until June 30, 2017. The commissioner of natural
75.31 resources shall extend the \$512,000 grant to the St. Louis and Lake Counties Regional
75.32 Railroad Authority for extension of the Mesabi Trail to June 30, 2017.

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

ARTICLE 4

ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE FUND

Section 1. ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE FUND APPROPRIATIONS.

The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the entities and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the arts and cultural heritage fund and are available for the fiscal years indicated for allowable activities under the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 15. The figures "2016" and "2017" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under the figure are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year 2016. "The second year" is fiscal year 2017. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2016 and 2017. All appropriations in this article are onetime.

<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	
<u>Available for the Year</u>	
<u>Ending June 30</u>	
<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>

Sec. 2. ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE

Subdivision 1. <u>Total Appropriation</u>	\$	<u>61,192,000</u>	\$	<u>62,823,000</u>
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The amounts that may be spent for each purpose are specified in the following subdivisions.

Subd. 2. Availability of Appropriation

Money appropriated in this article may not be spent on activities unless they are directly related to and necessary for a specific appropriation. Money appropriated in this article must not be spent on indirect costs or other institutional overhead charges that are not directly related to and necessary for a specific appropriation. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, and unless otherwise specified in this article, fiscal year 2016 appropriations are available until June 30, 2017, and fiscal year 2017 appropriations are available until June 30,

77.1 2018. If a project receives federal funds, the
 77.2 time period of the appropriation is extended
 77.3 to equal the availability of federal funding.

77.4 Subd. 3. **Minnesota State Arts Board** 28,300,000 29,040,000

77.5 (a) These amounts are appropriated to
 77.6 the Minnesota State Arts Board for arts,
 77.7 arts education, arts preservation, and arts
 77.8 access. Grant agreements entered into
 77.9 by the Minnesota State Arts Board and
 77.10 other recipients of appropriations in this
 77.11 subdivision shall ensure that these funds are
 77.12 used to supplement and not substitute for
 77.13 traditional sources of funding. Each grant
 77.14 program established within this appropriation
 77.15 shall be separately administered from other
 77.16 state appropriations for program planning
 77.17 and outcome measurements, but may take
 77.18 into consideration other state resources
 77.19 awarded in the selection of applicants and
 77.20 grant award size.

77.21 **(b) Arts Preservation**

77.22 \$2,200,000 the first year are for transfer
 77.23 to the commissioner of administration for
 77.24 restoration and preservation of the fine art
 77.25 located in the state capitol complex.

77.26 **(c) Arts and Arts Access Initiatives**

77.27 \$20,300,00 the first year and \$23,240,000 the
 77.28 second year are to support Minnesota artists
 77.29 and arts organizations in creating, producing,
 77.30 and presenting high-quality arts activities; to
 77.31 overcome barriers to accessing high-quality
 77.32 arts activities; and to instill the arts into the
 77.33 community and public life in this state.

77.34 **(d) Arts Education**

78.1 \$4,050,000 the first year and \$4,050,000
 78.2 the second year are for high-quality,
 78.3 age-appropriate arts education for
 78.4 Minnesotans of all ages to develop
 78.5 knowledge, skills, and understanding of the
 78.6 arts.

78.7 **(e) Arts and Cultural Heritage**

78.8 \$1,750,000 the first year and \$1,750,000 the
 78.9 second year are for events and activities that
 78.10 represent the diverse cultural arts traditions,
 78.11 including folk and traditional artists and art
 78.12 organizations, represented in this state.

78.13 (f) Up to 4.5 percent of the funds appropriated
 78.14 in paragraphs (b) to (d) may be used by the
 78.15 board for administration of grant programs,
 78.16 delivering technical services, providing
 78.17 fiscal oversight for the statewide system, and
 78.18 ensuring accountability.

78.19 (g) Thirty percent of the remaining total
 78.20 appropriation to each of the categories listed
 78.21 in paragraphs (b) to (d) is for grants to the
 78.22 regional arts councils. Notwithstanding any
 78.23 other provision of law, regional arts council
 78.24 grants or other arts council grants for touring
 78.25 programs, projects, or exhibits shall be able
 78.26 to tour in their own region as well as all other
 78.27 regions of the state.

78.28 (h) Any unencumbered balance remaining
 78.29 under this section in the first year does not
 78.30 cancel, but is available for the second year
 78.31 of the biennium.

78.32 <u>Subd. 4. Minnesota Historical Society</u>	<u>15,995,000</u>	<u>16,415,000</u>
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78.33 (a) These amounts are appropriated to the
 78.34 governing board of the Minnesota Historical

79.1 Society to preserve and enhance access to
79.2 Minnesota's history and its cultural and
79.3 historical resources. Grant agreements
79.4 entered into by the Minnesota Historical
79.5 Society and other recipients of appropriations
79.6 in this subdivision must ensure that
79.7 these funds are used to supplement and
79.8 not substitute for traditional sources of
79.9 funding. Funds directly appropriated to the
79.10 Minnesota Historical Society shall be used to
79.11 supplement, and not substitute for, traditional
79.12 sources of funding. Notwithstanding
79.13 Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, for
79.14 historic preservation projects that improve
79.15 historic structures, the amounts are available
79.16 until June 30, 2019. The Minnesota
79.17 Historical Society or grant recipients of the
79.18 Minnesota Historical Society using arts and
79.19 cultural heritage funds under this subdivision
79.20 must give consideration to Conservation
79.21 Corps Minnesota and Northern Bedrock
79.22 Conservation Corps, or an organization
79.23 carrying out similar work, for projects with
79.24 the potential to need historic preservation
79.25 services.

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

79.27 (1) Statewide Historic and Cultural Grants
79.28 \$5,600,000 the first year and \$6,000,000 the
79.29 second year are for history programs and
79.30 projects operated or conducted by or through
79.31 local, county, regional, or other historical
79.32 or cultural organizations or for activities
79.33 to preserve significant historic and cultural
79.34 resources. Funds are to be distributed through
79.35 a competitive grant process. The Minnesota

80.1 Historical Society shall administer these
80.2 funds using established grant mechanisms,
80.3 with assistance from the advisory committee
80.4 created under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article
80.5 4, section 2, subdivision 4, paragraph (b),
80.6 item (ii). Notwithstanding these guidelines,
80.7 the historical society and the advisory
80.8 committee may consider a grant to the
80.9 Gunflint Trail Historical Society for the
80.10 Chik-Wauk Museum.

80.11 (2) Programs

80.12 \$5,660,000 the first year and \$6,000,000 the
80.13 second year are for programs and purposes
80.14 related to the historical and cultural heritage
80.15 of the state of Minnesota, conducted by
80.16 the Minnesota Historical Society. Of the
80.17 amount in this paragraph, \$60,000 in the
80.18 first year are for the Minnesota Historical
80.19 Society to develop a museum installation
80.20 celebrating the legacy of Minnesota disability
80.21 culture. The Minnesota Historical Society
80.22 shall collaborate with the Minnesota State
80.23 Council on Disabilities to create the museum
80.24 installation and may use the funding to
80.25 promote the exhibit and increase access to
80.26 the exhibit.

80.27 (3) History Partnerships

80.28 \$2,300,000 the first year and \$2,340,000 the
80.29 second year are for partnerships involving
80.30 multiple organizations, which may include
80.31 the Minnesota Historical Society, to preserve
80.32 and enhance access to Minnesota's history
80.33 and cultural heritage in all regions of the state.

80.34 (4) Statewide Survey of Historical and
80.35 Archaeological Sites

81.1 \$280,000 the first year and \$300,000 the
81.2 second year are for a contract or contracts
81.3 to be awarded on a competitive basis to
81.4 conduct statewide surveys of Minnesota's
81.5 sites of historical, archaeological, and
81.6 cultural significance. Results of the surveys
81.7 must be published in a searchable form
81.8 and available to the public on a cost-free
81.9 basis. The Minnesota Historical Society, the
81.10 Office of the State Archaeologist, and the
81.11 Indian Affairs Council shall each appoint a
81.12 representative to an oversight board to select
81.13 contractors and direct the conduct of the
81.14 surveys. The oversight board shall consult
81.15 with the Departments of Transportation and
81.16 Natural Resources.

81.17 (5) Digital Library

81.18 \$280,000 the first year and \$300,000 the
81.19 second year are for a digital library project
81.20 to preserve, digitize, and share Minnesota
81.21 images, documents, and historical materials.

81.22 The Minnesota Historical Society shall
81.23 cooperate with the Minitex interlibrary
81.24 loan system and shall jointly share this
81.25 appropriation for these purposes.

81.26 (6) Historic Recognition Grants Program

81.27 \$1,875,050 the first year and \$1,475,050
81.28 the second year are for a competitive grants
81.29 program to provide grants for projects
81.30 that preserve, recognize, and promote the
81.31 historic legacy of Minnesota. Grants may be
81.32 awarded to projects that honor the history
81.33 of Minnesota, including but not limited to:
81.34 projects to build or design exhibits; artistic
81.35 productions including film, television,

82.1 and music; education presentations; and
 82.2 commemorative events.

82.3 Subd. 5. **Department of Education** 1,500,000 2,500,000

82.4 These amounts are appropriated to the
 82.5 commissioner of education for grants to
 82.6 the 12 Minnesota regional library systems
 82.7 to provide educational opportunities in
 82.8 the arts, history, literary arts, and cultural
 82.9 heritage of Minnesota. These funds shall be
 82.10 allocated using the formula in Minnesota
 82.11 Statutes, section 134.355, subdivisions 3,
 82.12 4, and 5, with the remaining 25 percent to
 82.13 be distributed to all qualifying systems in
 82.14 an amount proportionate to the number of
 82.15 qualifying system entities in each system.
 82.16 For purposes of this subdivision, "qualifying
 82.17 system entity" means a public library, a
 82.18 regional library system, a regional library
 82.19 system headquarters, a county, or an outreach
 82.20 service program. These funds may be used
 82.21 to sponsor programs provided by regional
 82.22 libraries or to provide grants to local arts
 82.23 and cultural heritage programs for programs
 82.24 in partnership with regional libraries.
 82.25 These funds shall be distributed in ten
 82.26 equal payments per year. Notwithstanding
 82.27 Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, the
 82.28 appropriations encumbered on or before
 82.29 June 30, 2017 as grants or contracts in this
 82.30 subdivision are available until June 30, 2019.

82.31 Subd. 6. **Department of Administration** 9,172,000 8,643,000

82.32 (a) These amounts are appropriated to
 82.33 the commissioner of administration for
 82.34 grants to the named organizations for the
 82.35 purposes specified in this subdivision. Up

83.1 to one percent of funds may be used by the
83.2 commissioner for grants administration.

83.3 (b) Grant agreements entered into by
83.4 the commissioner and recipients of
83.5 appropriations in this subdivision must
83.6 ensure that money appropriated in this
83.7 subdivision is used to supplement and not
83.8 substitute for traditional sources of funding.

83.9 **(c) Veterans Rest Camp**

83.10 \$113,000 the first year for the Disabled
83.11 Veterans Rest Camp Association for the
83.12 veterans rest camp on Big Marine Lake for
83.13 parks, trails, and recreation areas.

83.14 **(d) Minnesota Public Radio**

83.15 \$1,417,000 each year are for Minnesota
83.16 Public Radio to create programming and
83.17 expand news service on Minnesota's cultural
83.18 heritage and history.

83.19 **(e) Association of Minnesota Public**
83.20 **Educational Radio Stations**

83.21 \$1,417,000 each year are appropriated for a
83.22 grant to the Association of Minnesota Public
83.23 Educational Radio Stations for production
83.24 and acquisition grants in accordance with
83.25 Minnesota Statutes, section 129D.19.

83.26 **(f) Public Television**

83.27 \$3,000,000 the first year and \$3,834,000
83.28 the second year are for grants to the
83.29 Minnesota Public Television Association for
83.30 production and acquisition grants according
83.31 to Minnesota Statutes, section 129D.18.

83.32 **(g) Wilderness Inquiry**

84.1 \$250,000 each year are for grants to
 84.2 Wilderness Inquiry to preserve Minnesota's
 84.3 outdoor history, culture and heritage by
 84.4 connecting Minnesota youth to natural
 84.5 resources.

84.6 **(h) Como Park Zoo**

84.7 \$1,125,000 each year are for the Como
 84.8 Park Zoo for program development that
 84.9 features education programs and habitat
 84.10 enhancement, special exhibits, music
 84.11 appreciation programs, and historical garden
 84.12 access and preservation.

84.13 **(i) Science Museum of Minnesota**

84.14 \$600,000 each year are for arts, arts
 84.15 education, and arts access and to preserve
 84.16 Minnesota's history and cultural heritage
 84.17 including student and teacher outreach and
 84.18 expansion of the museum's American Indian
 84.19 initiatives programs.

84.20 **(j) Lake Superior Center Authority**

84.21 \$250,000 in the first year is for development,
 84.22 preparation, and construction of an exhibit
 84.23 on the unsalted seas to preserve Minnesota's
 84.24 history and cultural heritage related to fresh
 84.25 water lakes.

84.26 **(k) Capitol Art Preservation**

84.27 \$1,000,000 the first year for restoration and
 84.28 preservation of the fine art located in the state
 84.29 capitol complex.

84.30 Subd. 7. **Minnesota Zoo** 1,125,000 1,125,000

84.31 These amounts are appropriated to the
 84.32 Minnesota Zoological Board for programs
 84.33 and development of the Minnesota

85.1 Zoological Garden and to provide access and
 85.2 education related to programs on the cultural
 85.3 heritage of Minnesota.

85.4 Subd. 8. **Minnesota Humanities Center** 2,750,000 2,750,000

85.5 (a) These amounts are appropriated to
 85.6 the Board of Directors of the Minnesota
 85.7 Humanities Center for the purposes
 85.8 specified in this subdivision. The Minnesota
 85.9 Humanities Center may use a portion of
 85.10 the following grants to cover the cost of
 85.11 administering, planning, evaluating, and
 85.12 reporting these grants.

85.13 **(b) Programs and Purposes**

85.14 \$825,000 each year are for programs and
 85.15 purposes of the Minnesota Humanities
 85.16 Center. Of this amount, \$100,000 each year
 85.17 may be used for the veterans' voices program.

85.18 The Minnesota Humanities Center may
 85.19 consider museums and organizations
 85.20 celebrating the identities of Minnesotans for
 85.21 grants from these funds. The Minnesota
 85.22 Humanities Center may develop a written
 85.23 plan for the competitive issuance of these
 85.24 grants and, if developed, shall submit
 85.25 that plan for review and approval by the
 85.26 Department of Administration.

85.27 **(c) Heritage Grants Program**

85.28 \$900,000 each year are for a competitive
 85.29 grants program to provide grants to preserve
 85.30 and promote the cultural heritage of
 85.31 Minnesota.

85.32 The Minnesota Humanities Center shall
 85.33 operate a competitive grants program to
 85.34 provide grants for programs, including but

86.1 not limited to: music, film, television, radio,
 86.2 recreation, or the design and use of public
 86.3 spaces that preserves and honors the cultural
 86.4 heritage of Minnesota. Grants made under
 86.5 this paragraph shall not be used for travel
 86.6 costs inside or outside of the state.

86.7 **(d) Children's Museum Grants**

86.8 \$875,000 each year are for arts and cultural
 86.9 heritage grants to children's museums.

86.10 Of this amount, \$500,000 each year are
 86.11 for the Minnesota Children's Museum
 86.12 including the Minnesota Children's Museum
 86.13 in Rochester, \$125,000 each year is for the
 86.14 Duluth Children's Museum, \$125,000 each
 86.15 year is for the Grand Rapids Children's
 86.16 Museum, and \$125,000 each year is for the
 86.17 Southern Minnesota Children's Museum.

86.18 **(e) Civics Programs**

86.19 \$150,000 each year are for grants to
 86.20 Kids Voting St. Paul, Learning Law
 86.21 and Democracy Foundation, and YMCA
 86.22 Youth in Government, to conduct civics
 86.23 education programs for the civic and cultural
 86.24 development of Minnesota youth. Civic
 86.25 education is the study of constitutional
 86.26 principles and the democratic foundation
 86.27 of our national, state, and local institutions
 86.28 and the study of political processes and
 86.29 structures of government, grounded in the
 86.30 understanding of constitutional government
 86.31 under the rule of law.

86.32 **Subd. 9. Perpich Center for Arts Education** 500,000 500,000

87.1 (a) These amounts are appropriated to the
 87.2 Board of Directors of the Perpich Center for
 87.3 Arts Education for the following programs.

87.4 (b) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes,
 87.5 section 16A.28, the appropriations
 87.6 encumbered on or before June 30, 2017, are
 87.7 available until June 30, 2019.

87.8 **(c) Arts Integration and Turnaround Programs**

87.9 \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the
 87.10 second year are for the arts integration
 87.11 program and turnaround arts programs to
 87.12 assist schools and programs throughout the
 87.13 state.

87.14	<u>Subd. 10. Indian Affairs Council</u>	<u>1,325,000</u>	<u>1,325,000</u>
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87.15 (a) \$1,250,000 each year are for the Indian
 87.16 Affairs Council to provide grants to preserve
 87.17 Dakota and Ojibwe Indian language and to
 87.18 foster education programs and immersion
 87.19 programs in Dakota and Ojibwe language.

87.20 (b) \$75,000 each year are for the Indian
 87.21 Affairs Council to carry out responsibilities
 87.22 under Minnesota Statute section 307.08,
 87.23 and to comply with Public Law 101-601,
 87.24 the Native American Graves Protection
 87.25 and Repatriation Act, and to develop an
 87.26 osteology laboratory and repository for
 87.27 American Indian human remains.

87.28	<u>Subd. 11. Board of Regents</u>	<u>125,000</u>	<u>125,000</u>
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87.29 This amount is appropriated to the Board of
 87.30 Regents of the University of Minnesota for a
 87.31 grant to the Bell Museum of Natural History
 87.32 for the planetarium network and portable
 87.33 planetarium program. This appropriation

88.1 shall not be used for the purchase of motor
 88.2 vehicles.

88.3 Subd. 12. Legislature 400,000 400,000

88.4 This amount is appropriated to the Legislative
 88.5 Coordinating Commission to operate the
 88.6 Web site for dedicated funds required
 88.7 under Minnesota Statutes, section 3.303,
 88.8 subdivision 10.

88.9 ARTICLE 5

88.10 GENERAL PROVISIONS; ALL LEGACY FUNDS

88.11 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 16B.24, is amended by adding a
 88.12 subdivision to read:

88.13 Subd. 12. State band. The commissioner must provide free rehearsal and storage
 88.14 space in the same building in the capitol area to an entity known as the Minnesota State
 88.15 Band, which is a tax-exempt organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue
 88.16 Code.

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

88.18 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 85.53, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

88.19 Subd. 2. **Expenditures; accountability.** (a) A project or program receiving funding
 88.20 from the parks and trails fund must meet or exceed the constitutional requirement to
 88.21 support parks and trails of regional or statewide significance. A project or program
 88.22 receiving funding from the parks and trails fund must include measurable outcomes, as
 88.23 defined in section 3.303, subdivision 10, and a plan for measuring and evaluating the
 88.24 results. A project or program must be consistent with current science and incorporate
 88.25 state-of-the-art technology, except when the project or program is a portrayal or restoration
 88.26 of historical significance.

88.27 (b) Money from the parks and trails fund shall be expended to balance the benefits
 88.28 across all regions and residents of the state.

88.29 (c) A state agency or other recipient of a direct appropriation from the parks and
 88.30 trails fund must compile and submit all information for funded projects or programs,
 88.31 including the proposed measurable outcomes and all other items required under section
 88.32 3.303, subdivision 10, to the Legislative Coordinating Commission as soon as practicable
 88.33 or by January 15 of the applicable fiscal year, whichever comes first. The Legislative

89.1 Coordinating Commission must post submitted information on the Web site required
89.2 under section 3.303, subdivision 10, as soon as it becomes available.

89.3 (d) Grants funded by the parks and trails fund must be implemented according to
89.4 section 16B.98 and must account for all expenditures. Proposals must specify a process
89.5 for any regranteeing envisioned. Priority for grant proposals must be given to proposals
89.6 involving grants that will be competitively awarded.

89.7 (e) Money from the parks and trails fund may only be spent on projects located
89.8 in Minnesota.

89.9 (f) When practicable, a direct recipient of an appropriation from the parks and
89.10 trails fund shall prominently display on the recipient's Web site home page the legacy
89.11 logo required under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article 5, section 10, as amended by Laws
89.12 2010, chapter 361, article 3, section 5, accompanied by the phrase "Click here for more
89.13 information." When a person clicks on the legacy logo image, the Web site must direct
89.14 the person to a Web page that includes both the contact information that a person may
89.15 use to obtain additional information, as well as a link to the Legislative Coordinating
89.16 Commission Web site required under section 3.303, subdivision 10.

89.17 (g) Future eligibility for money from the parks and trails fund is contingent upon a
89.18 state agency or other recipient satisfying all applicable requirements in this section, as
89.19 well as any additional requirements contained in applicable session law. If the Office of
89.20 the Legislative Auditor, in the course of an audit or investigation, publicly reports that a
89.21 recipient of the parks and trails fund has not complied with the laws, rules, or regulations
89.22 in this section or other laws applicable to the recipient, the recipient shall be listed in an
89.23 annual report to the committees with jurisdiction over the legacy funds for the senate and
89.24 house of representatives. The list shall be publicly available and the legislative auditor
89.25 shall remove recipients upon determination that the recipient is in compliance. The
89.26 recipients on the list shall not be eligible for future funding from the parks and trails fund
89.27 until the recipient demonstrates compliance to the legislative auditor.

89.28 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 97A.056, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

89.29 Subd. 11. **Recipient requirements.** (a) A state agency or other recipient of a direct
89.30 appropriation from the outdoor heritage fund must compile and submit all information
89.31 for funded projects or programs, including the proposed measurable outcomes and all
89.32 other items required under section 3.303, subdivision 10, to the Legislative Coordinating
89.33 Commission as soon as practicable or by January 15 of the applicable fiscal year, whichever
89.34 comes first. The Legislative Coordinating Commission must post submitted information on
89.35 the Web site required under section 3.303, subdivision 10, as soon as it becomes available.

90.1 (b) When practicable, a direct recipient of an appropriation from the outdoor
90.2 heritage fund shall prominently display on the recipient's Web site home page the legacy
90.3 logo required under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article 5, section 10, as amended by Laws
90.4 2010, chapter 361, article 3, section 5, accompanied by the phrase "Click here for more
90.5 information." When a person clicks on the legacy logo image, the Web site must direct
90.6 the person to a Web page that includes both the contact information that a person may
90.7 use to obtain additional information, as well as a link to the Legislative Coordinating
90.8 Commission Web site required under section 3.303, subdivision 10.

90.9 (c) Future eligibility for money from the outdoor heritage fund is contingent upon a
90.10 state agency or other recipient satisfying all applicable requirements in this section, as
90.11 well as any additional requirements contained in applicable session law. If the Office of
90.12 the Legislative Auditor, in the course of an audit or investigation, publicly reports that a
90.13 recipient of the outdoor heritage fund has not complied with the laws, rules, or regulations
90.14 in this section or other laws applicable to the recipient, the recipient shall be listed in an
90.15 annual report to the committees with jurisdiction over the legacy funds for the senate and
90.16 house of representatives. The list shall be publicly available and the legislative auditor
90.17 shall remove recipients upon determination that the recipient is in compliance. The
90.18 recipients on the list shall not be eligible for future funding from the outdoor heritage fund
90.19 until the recipient demonstrates compliance to the legislative auditor.

90.20 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 114D.50, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

90.21 Subd. 4. **Expenditures; accountability.** (a) A project receiving funding from the
90.22 clean water fund must meet or exceed the constitutional requirements to protect, enhance,
90.23 and restore water quality in lakes, rivers, and streams and to protect groundwater and
90.24 drinking water from degradation. Priority may be given to projects that meet more than
90.25 one of these requirements. A project receiving funding from the clean water fund shall
90.26 include measurable outcomes, as defined in section 3.303, subdivision 10, and a plan for
90.27 measuring and evaluating the results. A project must be consistent with current science
90.28 and incorporate state-of-the-art technology.

90.29 (b) Money from the clean water fund shall be expended to balance the benefits
90.30 across all regions and residents of the state.

90.31 (c) A state agency or other recipient of a direct appropriation from the clean
90.32 water fund must compile and submit all information for proposed and funded projects
90.33 or programs, including the proposed measurable outcomes and all other items required
90.34 under section 3.303, subdivision 10, to the Legislative Coordinating Commission as soon
90.35 as practicable or by January 15 of the applicable fiscal year, whichever comes first. The

91.1 Legislative Coordinating Commission must post submitted information on the Web site
91.2 required under section 3.303, subdivision 10, as soon as it becomes available. Information
91.3 classified as not public under section 13D.05, subdivision 3, paragraph (d), is not required
91.4 to be placed on the Web site.

91.5 (d) Grants funded by the clean water fund must be implemented according to section
91.6 16B.98 and must account for all expenditures. Proposals must specify a process for any
91.7 regranting envisioned. Priority for grant proposals must be given to proposals involving
91.8 grants that will be competitively awarded.

91.9 (e) Money from the clean water fund may only be spent on projects that benefit
91.10 Minnesota waters.

91.11 (f) When practicable, a direct recipient of an appropriation from the clean water fund
91.12 shall prominently display on the recipient's Web site home page the legacy logo required
91.13 under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article 5, section 10, as amended by Laws 2010, chapter
91.14 361, article 3, section 5, accompanied by the phrase "Click here for more information."
91.15 When a person clicks on the legacy logo image, the Web site must direct the person to
91.16 a Web page that includes both the contact information that a person may use to obtain
91.17 additional information, as well as a link to the Legislative Coordinating Commission Web
91.18 site required under section 3.303, subdivision 10.

91.19 (g) Future eligibility for money from the clean water fund is contingent upon a
91.20 state agency or other recipient satisfying all applicable requirements in this section, as
91.21 well as any additional requirements contained in applicable session law. If the Office of
91.22 the Legislative Auditor, in the course of an audit or investigation, publicly reports that
91.23 a recipient of the clean water fund has not complied with the laws, rules, or regulations
91.24 in this section or other laws applicable to the recipient, the recipient shall be listed in an
91.25 annual report to the committees with jurisdiction over the legacy funds for the senate and
91.26 house of representatives. The list shall be publicly available and the legislative auditor
91.27 shall remove recipients upon determination that the recipient is in compliance. The
91.28 recipients on the list shall not be eligible for future funding from the clean water fund until
91.29 the recipient demonstrates compliance to the legislative auditor.

91.30 (h) Money from the clean water fund may be used to leverage federal funds through
91.31 execution of formal project partnership agreements with federal agencies consistent with
91.32 respective federal agency partnership agreement requirements.

91.33 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 129D.17, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

91.34 Subd. 2. **Expenditures; accountability.** (a) Funding from the arts and cultural
91.35 heritage fund may be spent only for arts, arts education, and arts access, and to preserve

92.1 Minnesota's history and cultural heritage. A project or program receiving funding from
92.2 the arts and cultural heritage fund must include measurable outcomes, and a plan for
92.3 measuring and evaluating the results. A project or program must be consistent with current
92.4 scholarship, or best practices, when appropriate and must incorporate state-of-the-art
92.5 technology when appropriate.

92.6 (b) Funding from the arts and cultural heritage fund may be granted for an entire
92.7 project or for part of a project so long as the recipient provides a description and cost for
92.8 the entire project and can demonstrate that it has adequate resources to ensure that the
92.9 entire project will be completed.

92.10 (c) Money from the arts and cultural heritage fund shall be expended for benefits
92.11 across all regions and residents of the state.

92.12 (d) A state agency or other recipient of a direct appropriation from the arts and
92.13 cultural heritage fund must compile and submit all information for funded projects or
92.14 programs, including the proposed measurable outcomes and all other items required
92.15 under section 3.303, subdivision 10, to the Legislative Coordinating Commission as soon
92.16 as practicable or by January 15 of the applicable fiscal year, whichever comes first. The
92.17 Legislative Coordinating Commission must post submitted information on the Web site
92.18 required under section 3.303, subdivision 10, as soon as it becomes available.

92.19 (e) Grants funded by the arts and cultural heritage fund must be implemented
92.20 according to section 16B.98 and must account for all expenditures of funds. Priority for
92.21 grant proposals must be given to proposals involving grants that will be competitively
92.22 awarded.

92.23 (f) All money from the arts and cultural heritage fund must be for projects located
92.24 in Minnesota.

92.25 (g) When practicable, a direct recipient of an appropriation from the arts and cultural
92.26 heritage fund shall prominently display on the recipient's Web site home page the legacy
92.27 logo required under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article 5, section 10, as amended by Laws
92.28 2010, chapter 361, article 3, section 5, accompanied by the phrase "Click here for more
92.29 information." When a person clicks on the legacy logo image, the Web site must direct
92.30 the person to a Web page that includes both the contact information that a person may
92.31 use to obtain additional information, as well as a link to the Legislative Coordinating
92.32 Commission Web site required under section 3.303, subdivision 10.

92.33 (h) Future eligibility for money from the arts and cultural heritage fund is contingent
92.34 upon a state agency or other recipient satisfying all applicable requirements in this section,
92.35 as well as any additional requirements contained in applicable session law. If the Office of
92.36 the Legislative Auditor, in the course of an audit or investigation, publicly reports that a

- 93.1 recipient of the arts and cultural heritage fund has not complied with the laws, rules, or
93.2 regulations in this section or other laws applicable to the recipient, the recipient shall be
93.3 listed in an annual report to the committees with jurisdiction over the legacy funds for the
93.4 senate and house of representatives. The list shall be publicly available and the legislative
93.5 auditor shall remove recipients upon determination that the recipient is in compliance.
93.6 The recipients on the list shall not be eligible for future funding from the arts and cultural
93.7 heritage fund until the recipient demonstrates compliance to the legislative auditor."
93.8 Amend the title accordingly