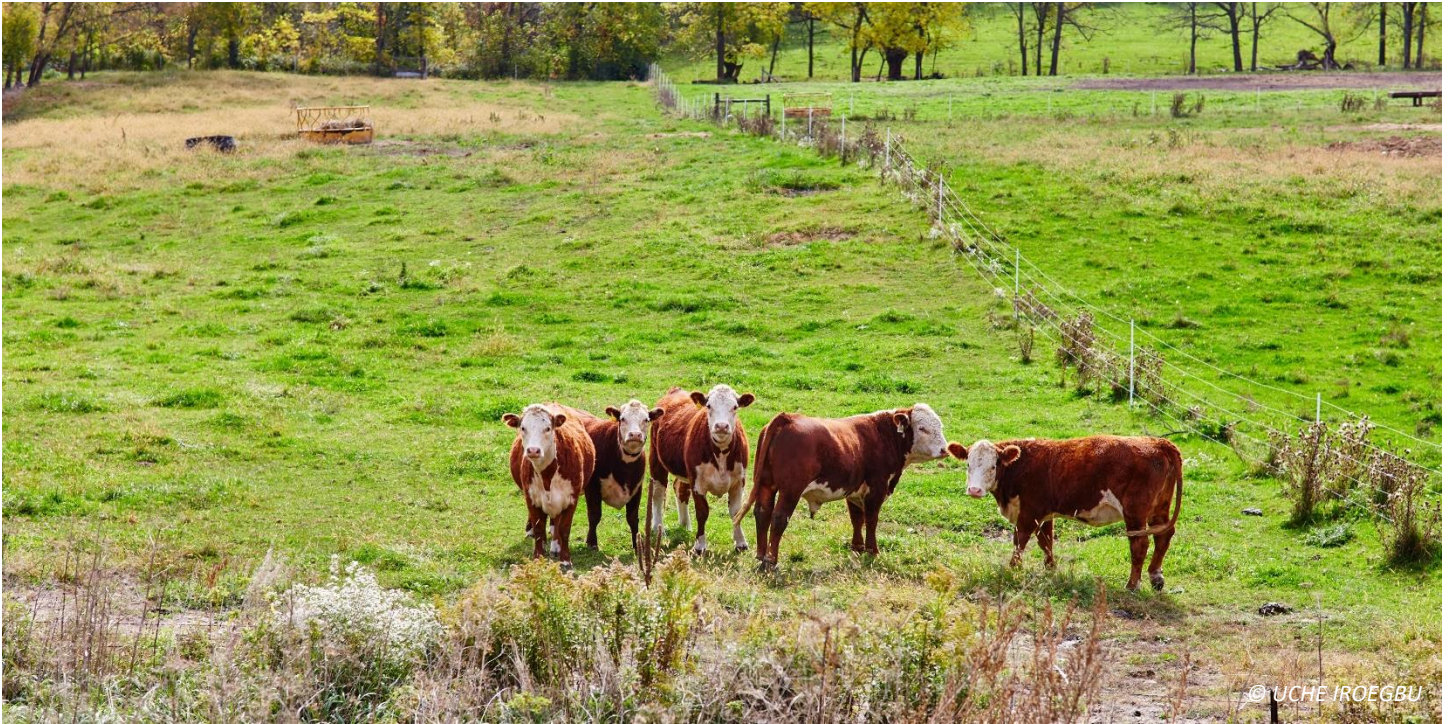


Resilient Lands for Minnesota: HF3813 (Huot)



This bill includes three voluntary programs under the Board of Water & Soil Resources (BWSR) that support Minnesota’s working lands and provide benefits for water quality and climate.

Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM) Working Grasslands

This program provides a one-time payment to private grassland owners to enroll their land in a perpetual easement that ensures the sustainability of working ranchlands. Landowners may continue to graze animals or hay on the property. A \$1 million pilot investment made by the legislature in 2018 is in demand with landowners and need is expected to continue.

Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM) Reserve Working Lands Floodplain Program

This program provides an opportunity to willing landowners who want to maintain working lands on floodplains despite threats to their operations by increased flooding and weather events. For landowners who continue to see flood-related crop losses year after year, this program provides them an alternative way to keep those lands working and generating revenue through forestry, haying or grazing.

Water Storage in Minnesota River & Lower Mississippi River Basin

This program funds water storage and management projects that support infrastructure, water quality, and flood mitigation. These projects control water volume, rates, and reduce downstream flows that carry sediment, nitrogen, and phosphorus to lakes and rivers that would otherwise result in algal blooms, water quality impairments, and reduced recreation opportunities.

Agency	Program	Preliminary Agency Request	TNC Recommendation
BWSR	Water storage & Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM) floodplains & working grasslands	\$10 million	\$10 million for water storage \$5 million for floodplains \$3 million for working grasslands