

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 1999 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. APPROPRIATIONS.

1.6 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies
1.7 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the outdoor heritage
1.8 fund for the fiscal year indicated for each purpose. The "first year" is fiscal year 2024. The
1.9 "second year" is fiscal year 2025. The "biennium" is fiscal years 2024 and 2025. The
1.10 appropriations in this article are onetime appropriations.

1.11	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	
1.12	<u>Available for the Year</u>	
1.13	<u>Ending June 30</u>	
1.14	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>

1.15 Sec. 2. OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND

1.16	<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	\$	<u>171,135,000</u>	\$	<u>655,000</u>
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1.17 This appropriation is from the outdoor heritage
1.18 fund. The amounts that may be spent for each
1.19 purpose are specified in the following
1.20 subdivisions.

1.21	<u>Subd. 2. Prairies</u>		<u>31,917,000</u>		<u>-0-</u>
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1.22 (a) Minnesota Prairie Recovery Program, Phase
1.23 XIII

1.24 \$3,856,000 the first year is to the
1.25 commissioner of natural resources for an

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

2.21 **(b) Martin County DNR WMA Acquisition,**
2.22 **Phase VII**

2.23 \$2,137,000 the first year is to the
2.24 commissioner of natural resources for
2.25 agreements to acquire land in fee and restore
2.26 and enhance strategic prairie grassland,
2.27 wetland, and other wildlife habitat in Martin
2.28 and Watonwan Counties for wildlife
2.29 management area purposes under Minnesota
2.30 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8, as
2.31 follows: \$1,670,000 to Fox Lake Conservation
2.32 League Inc.; \$421,000 to Ducks Unlimited;
2.33 and \$46,000 to The Conservation Fund. A list
2.34 of proposed acquisitions must be provided as
2.35 part of the required accomplishment plan.

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

3.2 \$2,747,000 the first year is to the Board of
3.3 Water and Soil Resources to acquire
3.4 permanent conservation easements and to
3.5 restore and enhance grassland habitat under
3.6 Minnesota Statutes, sections 103F.501 to
3.7 103F.531. Of this amount, up to \$46,000 is
3.8 for establishing a monitoring and enforcement
3.9 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
3.10 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
3.11 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent
3.12 conservation easements must be provided as
3.13 part of the final report.

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

3.16 \$4,400,000 the first year is to the
3.17 commissioner of natural resources for an
3.18 agreement with Pheasants Forever, in
3.19 cooperation with the Minnesota Prairie
3.20 Chicken Society, to acquire land in fee and
3.21 restore and enhance lands in the southern Red
3.22 River Valley for wildlife management
3.23 purposes under Minnesota Statutes, section
3.24 86A.05, subdivision 8, or to be designated and
3.25 managed as waterfowl production areas in
3.26 Minnesota, in cooperation with the United
3.27 States Fish and Wildlife Service. Subject to
3.28 the evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules,
3.29 part 6136.0900, priority must be given to
3.30 acquiring lands that are eligible for the native
3.31 prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes, section
3.32 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected native
3.33 prairie. A list of proposed land acquisitions
3.34 must be provided as part of the required
3.35 accomplishment plan.

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

4.2 \$2,709,000 the first year is to the Board of
4.3 Water and Soil Resources to acquire
4.4 permanent conservation easements that allow
4.5 long-term grazing while also protecting
4.6 wildlife habitat and water quality under
4.7 Minnesota Statutes, sections 103F.501 to
4.8 103F.531. Grazing plans must be developed
4.9 before grazing is allowed. Of this amount, up
4.10 to \$46,000 is for establishing a monitoring and
4.11 enforcement fund as approved in the
4.12 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
4.13 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
4.14 list of permanent conservation easements must
4.15 be provided as part of the final report.

4.16 **(f) Accelerating the Wildlife Management Area**
4.17 **Program, Phase XV**

4.18 \$5,216,000 the first year is to the
4.19 commissioner of natural resources for an
4.20 agreement with Pheasants Forever to acquire
4.21 in fee and restore and enhance lands for
4.22 wildlife management area purposes under
4.23 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
4.24 subdivision 8. Subject to the evaluation criteria
4.25 in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
4.26 must be given to acquiring lands that are
4.27 eligible for the native prairie bank under
4.28 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
4.29 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of
4.30 proposed land acquisitions must be provided
4.31 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

4.32 **(g) Accelerating the USFWS Habitat**
4.33 **Conservation Easement Program, Phase IV**

4.34 \$5,077,000 the first year is to the
4.35 commissioner of natural resources for

5.1 agreements to restore and enhance wetland
 5.2 and prairie habitat on habitat easements of the
 5.3 United States Fish and Wildlife Service as
 5.4 follows: \$3,391,000 to Ducks Unlimited and
 5.5 \$1,686,000 to Pheasants Forever. A list of
 5.6 proposed land restorations and enhancements
 5.7 must be provided as part of the required
 5.8 accomplishment plan.

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

5.10 \$3,003,000 the first year is to the
 5.11 commissioner of natural resources to
 5.12 accelerate the restoration and enhancement of
 5.13 prairies, grasslands, and savannas in wildlife
 5.14 management areas, in scientific and natural
 5.15 areas, in aquatic management areas, on lands
 5.16 in the native prairie bank, in bluff prairies on
 5.17 state forest land in southeastern Minnesota,
 5.18 and in waterfowl production areas and refuge
 5.19 lands of the United States Fish and Wildlife
 5.20 Service. A list of proposed land restorations
 5.21 and enhancements must be provided as part
 5.22 of the required accomplishment plan.

5.23 **(i) Enhanced Public Land - Grasslands, Phase**
 5.24 **VI**

5.25 \$2,772,000 the first year is to the
 5.26 commissioner of natural resources for an
 5.27 agreement with Pheasants Forever to enhance
 5.28 and restore grassland and wetland habitat on
 5.29 public lands. A list of proposed land
 5.30 restorations and enhancements must be
 5.31 provided as part of the required
 5.32 accomplishment plan.

5.33 **Subd. 3. Forests**

6,569,000

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5.34 **(a) Hardwood Hills Habitat Conservation**
 5.35 **Program**

6.1 \$1,894,000 the first year is to the
6.2 commissioner of natural resources for
6.3 agreements to acquire permanent conservation
6.4 easements and restore and enhance forest
6.5 habitats in the hardwood hills ecological
6.6 section of west-central Minnesota as follows:
6.7 \$175,000 to St. John's University and
6.8 \$1,719,000 to Minnesota Land Trust.
6.9 \$168,000 of the amount to Minnesota Land
6.10 Trust is to establish a monitoring and
6.11 enforcement fund as approved in the
6.12 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
6.13 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
6.14 list of proposed permanent conservation
6.15 easements, restorations, and enhancements
6.16 must be provided as part of the required
6.17 accomplishment plan.

6.18 **(b) Camp Ripley Sentinel Landscape Protection**
6.19 **Program ACUB, Phase XI**

6.20 \$2,133,000 the first year is to the Board of
6.21 Water and Soil Resources, in cooperation with
6.22 the Morrison County Soil and Water
6.23 Conservation District, to acquire permanent
6.24 conservation easements and restore and
6.25 enhance forest wildlife habitat within the
6.26 boundaries of the Minnesota National Guard
6.27 Camp Ripley Sentinel Landscape and Army
6.28 Compatible Use Buffer. Up to \$111,000 to the
6.29 Board of Water and Soil Resources is to
6.30 establish a monitoring and enforcement fund
6.31 as approved in the accomplishment plan and
6.32 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
6.33 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent
6.34 conservation easements must be provided as
6.35 part of the final report.

7.1 **(c) Protecting and Enhancing Public Land**
 7.2 **Forest Habitats by Strategically Acquiring**
 7.3 **Private Land Inholdings**

7.4 \$1,046,000 the first year is to the
 7.5 commissioner of natural resources for an
 7.6 agreement with the Ruffed Grouse Society to
 7.7 protect and enhance forest habitats by
 7.8 strategically acquiring private forest land
 7.9 inholdings to provide better public forest
 7.10 management, reduce fragmentation, and
 7.11 provide public access. A list of proposed
 7.12 acquisitions and enhancements must be
 7.13 provided as part of the required
 7.14 accomplishment plan.

7.15 **(d) DNR Forest Habitat Enhancement, Phase**
 7.16 **III**

7.17 \$1,496,000 the first year is to the
 7.18 commissioner of natural resources to restore
 7.19 and enhance forest wildlife habitats on public
 7.20 lands throughout Minnesota. A list of
 7.21 proposed land restorations and enhancements
 7.22 must be provided as part of the required
 7.23 accomplishment plan.

7.24 **Subd. 4. Wetlands** 33,469,000 -0-

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

7.27 \$4,122,000 the first year is to the Board of
 7.28 Water and Soil Resources to acquire
 7.29 permanent conservation easements and to
 7.30 restore wetlands and native grassland habitat
 7.31 under Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.515.
 7.32 Of this amount, up to \$72,000 is for
 7.33 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
 7.34 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
 7.35 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
 7.36 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent

8.1 conservation easements must be provided as
8.2 part of the final report.

8.3 **(b) Shallow Lake and Wetland Protection and**
8.4 **Restoration Program, Phase XII**

8.5 \$7,061,000 the first year is to the
8.6 commissioner of natural resources for an
8.7 agreement with Ducks Unlimited to acquire
8.8 land in fee for wildlife management purposes
8.9 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
8.10 subdivision 8, and to restore and enhance
8.11 prairie lands, wetlands, and land that buffers
8.12 shallow lakes. A list of proposed acquisitions
8.13 must be provided as part of the required
8.14 accomplishment plan.

8.15 **(c) Wetland Habitat Protection and Restoration**
8.16 **Program, Phase VIII**

8.17 \$3,012,000 the first year is to the
8.18 commissioner of natural resources for an
8.19 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
8.20 acquire permanent conservation easements
8.21 and restore and enhance prairie, wetland, and
8.22 other habitat on permanently protected
8.23 conservation easements in high-priority
8.24 wetland habitat complexes in the prairie,
8.25 forest/prairie transition, and forest regions. Of
8.26 this amount, up to \$168,000 is to establish a
8.27 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
8.28 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
8.29 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
8.30 subdivision 17. A list of proposed
8.31 conservation easement acquisitions and
8.32 restorations and enhancements must be
8.33 provided as part of the required
8.34 accomplishment plan.

8.35 **(d) Accelerating the Waterfowl Production Area**
8.36 **Acquisition Program, Phase XIV**

9.1 \$5,231,000 the first year is to the
9.2 commissioner of natural resources for an
9.3 agreement with Pheasants Forever, in
9.4 cooperation with the United States Fish and
9.5 Wildlife Service, to acquire land in fee and
9.6 restore and enhance wetlands and grasslands
9.7 to be designated and managed as waterfowl
9.8 production areas in Minnesota. A list of
9.9 proposed land acquisitions must be provided
9.10 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

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

9.12 \$619,000 the first year is to the commissioner
9.13 of natural resources for an agreement with
9.14 Scott-Le Sueur Waterfowlers to restore and
9.15 enhance wetlands in Scott and Rice Counties.
9.16 A list of proposed restorations and
9.17 enhancements must be provided as part of the
9.18 required accomplishment plan.

9.19 **(f) Living Shallow Lakes and Wetlands**
9.20 **Enhancement and Restoration Initiative, Phase**
9.21 **IX**

9.22 \$6,634,000 the first year is to the
9.23 commissioner of natural resources for an
9.24 agreement with Ducks Unlimited to restore
9.25 and enhance shallow lakes, wetlands, and
9.26 grasslands on public lands and wetlands and
9.27 grasslands under permanent conservation
9.28 easement for wildlife management. A list of
9.29 proposed shallow-lake enhancements and
9.30 wetland restorations must be provided as part
9.31 of the required accomplishment plan.

9.32 **(g) Voyageurs National Park Wetland**
9.33 **Restoration Project, Phase III**

9.34 \$1,153,000 the first year is to the
9.35 commissioner of natural resources for an

10.1 agreement with the National Park Service to
 10.2 restore and enhance wetland and lacustrine
 10.3 habitat in Voyageurs National Park. A list of
 10.4 proposed restorations and enhancements must
 10.5 be provided as part of the required
 10.6 accomplishment plan.

10.7 **(h) Accelerated Shallow Lakes and Wetland**
 10.8 **Enhancement, Phase XV**

10.9 \$3,695,000 the first year is to the
 10.10 commissioner of natural resources to enhance
 10.11 and restore shallow lakes and wetland habitat
 10.12 statewide. A list of proposed shallow lake and
 10.13 wetland restorations and enhancements must
 10.14 be provided as part of the required
 10.15 accomplishment plan.

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

10.17 \$1,942,000 the first year is to the
 10.18 commissioner of natural resources for an
 10.19 agreement with the Comfort Lake-Forest Lake
 10.20 Watershed District to acquire in fee and restore
 10.21 and enhance lands for wildlife and water
 10.22 quality purposes in the Bone Lake watershed.
 10.23 A list of proposed acquisitions must be
 10.24 provided as part of the required
 10.25 accomplishment plan.

10.26 **Subd. 5. Habitats**

97,349,000

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10.27 **(a) Hennepin County Habitat Conservation**
 10.28 **Program, Phase III**

10.29 \$4,649,000 the first year is to the
 10.30 commissioner of natural resources for
 10.31 agreements to acquire permanent conservation
 10.32 easements and to restore and enhance wildlife
 10.33 habitat in Hennepin County as follows:
 10.34 \$1,687,000 to Hennepin County and
 10.35 \$2,962,000 to Minnesota Land Trust.

11.1 \$216,000 of the amount to Minnesota Land
11.2 Trust is to establish a monitoring and
11.3 enforcement fund as approved in the
11.4 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
11.5 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
11.6 list of proposed permanent conservation
11.7 easements, restorations, and enhancements
11.8 must be provided as part of the required
11.9 accomplishment plan.

11.10 **(b) Anoka Sand Plain Habitat Conservation,**
11.11 **Phase VIII**

11.12 \$3,269,000 the first year is to the
11.13 commissioner of natural resources for
11.14 agreements to acquire permanent conservation
11.15 easements and to restore and enhance wildlife
11.16 habitat on public lands and easements in the
11.17 Anoka Sand Plain ecoregion and intersecting
11.18 minor watersheds as follows: \$802,000 to the
11.19 Anoka Conservation District; \$839,000 to
11.20 Great River Greening; \$175,000 to the
11.21 National Wild Turkey Federation; \$280,000
11.22 to Sherburne County; and \$1,173,000 to
11.23 Minnesota Land Trust. \$144,000 of the
11.24 amount to Minnesota Land Trust is to establish
11.25 a monitoring and enforcement fund as
11.26 approved in the accomplishment plan and
11.27 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
11.28 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed
11.29 permanent conservation easements,
11.30 restorations, and enhancements must be
11.31 provided as part of the required
11.32 accomplishment plan.

11.33 **(c) Accelerating Habitat Conservation in**
11.34 **Southwest Minnesota, Phase II**

11.35 \$3,071,000 the first year is to the
11.36 commissioner of natural resources for an

12.1 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
12.2 acquire permanent conservation easements
12.3 and to restore and enhance high-quality
12.4 wildlife habitat in southwest Minnesota. Of
12.5 this amount, up to \$168,000 is to establish a
12.6 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
12.7 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
12.8 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
12.9 subdivision 17. A list of proposed
12.10 conservation easement acquisitions,
12.11 restorations, and enhancements must be
12.12 provided as part of the required
12.13 accomplishment plan.

12.14 **(d) Buffalo-Red River Watershed District**
12.15 **Stream Habitat Program, Phase III**

12.16 \$3,748,000 the first year is to acquire
12.17 permanent conservation easements and restore
12.18 and enhance aquatic and upland habitat
12.19 associated with the Red River and Buffalo
12.20 River watersheds. Of this amount, \$2,250,000
12.21 is to the commissioner of natural resources for
12.22 an agreement with the Buffalo-Red River
12.23 Watershed District and \$1,498,000 is to the
12.24 Board of Water and Soil Resources. \$102,000
12.25 of the amount to the Board of Water and Soil
12.26 Resources is for establishing a monitoring and
12.27 enforcement fund as approved in the
12.28 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
12.29 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
12.30 list of proposed acquisitions and restorations
12.31 must be included as part of the required
12.32 accomplishment plan.

12.33 **(e) Southeast Minnesota Protection and**
12.34 **Restoration, Phase XI**

12.35 \$3,675,000 the first year is to the
12.36 commissioner of natural resources for

13.1 agreements to acquire lands in fee and
13.2 permanent conservation easements and to
13.3 restore and enhance wildlife habitat on public
13.4 lands and permanent conservation easements
13.5 in southeast Minnesota as follows: \$1,311,000
13.6 to The Nature Conservancy; \$942,000 to Trust
13.7 for Public Land; and \$1,422,000 to Minnesota
13.8 Land Trust. \$168,000 of the amount to
13.9 Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a
13.10 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
13.11 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
13.12 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
13.13 subdivision 17. A list of proposed land
13.14 acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements
13.15 must be provided as part of the required
13.16 accomplishment plan.

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

13.19 \$3,648,000 the first year is to the
13.20 commissioner of natural resources for
13.21 agreements to acquire land in fee and
13.22 permanent conservation easements and to
13.23 restore and enhance lakes of outstanding
13.24 biological significance in northeast and
13.25 north-central Minnesota. Of this amount,
13.26 \$1,507,000 is to Northern Waters Land Trust
13.27 and \$2,141,000 is to Minnesota Land Trust.
13.28 \$192,000 of the amount to Minnesota Land
13.29 Trust is for establishing a monitoring and
13.30 enforcement fund as approved in the
13.31 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
13.32 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
13.33 list of proposed acquisitions must be included
13.34 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

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

- 14.1 \$3,719,000 the first year is to the
14.2 commissioner of natural resources for
14.3 agreements to acquire land in fee and in
14.4 permanent conservation easements and to
14.5 restore and enhance wildlife habitat to sustain
14.6 healthy fish habitat on coldwater lakes in
14.7 Aitkin, Cass, Crow Wing, and Hubbard
14.8 Counties as follows: \$1,777,000 to Northern
14.9 Waters Land Trust and \$1,942,000 to
14.10 Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$168,000 to
14.11 Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a
14.12 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
14.13 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
14.14 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
14.15 subdivision 17. A list of acquisitions must be
14.16 provided as part of the required
14.17 accomplishment plan.
- 14.18 **(h) DNR Wildlife Management Area and**
14.19 **Scientific and Natural Area Acquisition, Phase**
14.20 **XV**
- 14.21 \$2,340,000 the first year is to the
14.22 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
14.23 in fee and restore and enhance lands for
14.24 wildlife management purposes under
14.25 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
14.26 subdivision 8, and to acquire land in fee for
14.27 scientific and natural area purposes under
14.28 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
14.29 subdivision 5. Subject to the evaluation criteria
14.30 in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
14.31 must be given to acquiring lands that are
14.32 eligible for the native prairie bank under
14.33 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
14.34 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of
14.35 proposed land acquisitions must be provided
14.36 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

15.1 **(i) DNR Trout Stream Conservation Easements,**
15.2 **Phase III**

15.3 \$1,043,000 the first year is to the
15.4 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
15.5 land in permanent conservation easements to
15.6 protect trout-stream aquatic habitat. Of this
15.7 amount, up to \$120,000 is for establishing a
15.8 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
15.9 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
15.10 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
15.11 subdivision 17. A list of permanent
15.12 conservation easements must be provided as
15.13 part of the required accomplishment plan.

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

15.15 \$15,339,000 the first year is to the
15.16 commissioner of natural resources for
15.17 agreements to acquire land in fee and
15.18 permanent conservation easements and to
15.19 restore and enhance natural habitat systems
15.20 associated with the Mississippi, Minnesota,
15.21 and St. Croix Rivers and their tributaries in
15.22 the metropolitan area as follows: \$700,000 to
15.23 Minnesota Valley Trust; \$540,000 to Friends
15.24 of the Mississippi River; \$928,000 to Great
15.25 River Greening; \$11,171,000 to Trust for
15.26 Public Land; and \$2,000,000 to Minnesota
15.27 Land Trust. Up to \$192,000 to Minnesota
15.28 Land Trust is to establish a monitoring and
15.29 enforcement fund as approved in the
15.30 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
15.31 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
15.32 list of proposed land acquisitions and
15.33 permanent conservation easements must be
15.34 provided as part of the required
15.35 accomplishment plan.

16.1 **(k) St. Croix Watershed Habitat Protection and**
 16.2 **Restoration, Phase IV**

16.3 \$13,306,000 the first year is to the
 16.4 commissioner of natural resources for
 16.5 agreements to acquire land in fee and
 16.6 permanent conservation easements and to
 16.7 restore and enhance natural habitat systems in
 16.8 the St. Croix River watershed as follows:
 16.9 \$11,171,000 to Trust for Public Land;
 16.10 \$105,000 to Wild Rivers Conservancy; and
 16.11 \$2,030,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to
 16.12 \$168,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is to
 16.13 establish a monitoring and enforcement fund
 16.14 as approved in the accomplishment plan and
 16.15 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
 16.16 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed
 16.17 land acquisitions and permanent conservation
 16.18 easements must be provided as part of the
 16.19 required accomplishment plan.

16.20 **(l) Shell Rock River Watershed Habitat**
 16.21 **Restoration Program, Phase XII**

16.22 \$2,198,000 the first year is to the
 16.23 commissioner of natural resources for an
 16.24 agreement with the Shell Rock River
 16.25 Watershed District to acquire land in fee and
 16.26 to restore and enhance habitat in the Shell
 16.27 Rock River watershed. A list of proposed
 16.28 acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements
 16.29 must be provided as part of the required
 16.30 accomplishment plan.

16.31 **(m) Integrating Habitat and Clean Water, Phase**
 16.32 **II**

16.33 \$3,269,000 the first year is to the Board of
 16.34 Water and Soil Resources to acquire
 16.35 permanent conservation easements and restore
 16.36 and enhance wildlife habitat identified in One

17.1 Watershed, One Plan for stacked benefit to
17.2 wildlife and clean water. Up to \$85,000 of the
17.3 amount is for establishing a monitoring and
17.4 enforcement fund as approved in the
17.5 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
17.6 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
17.7 list of permanent conservation easements must
17.8 be provided as part of the final report.

17.9 **(n) Cannon River Watershed Habitat**
17.10 **Restoration and Protection Program, Phase XII**

17.11 \$2,981,000 the first year is to the
17.12 commissioner of natural resources for
17.13 agreements to acquire lands in fee and restore
17.14 and enhance wildlife habitat in the Cannon
17.15 River watershed as follows: \$119,000 to Clean
17.16 River Partners; \$994,000 to Great River
17.17 Greening; and \$1,868,000 to Trust for Public
17.18 Land. A list of proposed land acquisitions,
17.19 restorations, and enhancements must be
17.20 provided as part of the required
17.21 accomplishment plan.

17.22 **(o) Enhance Metro and Southeast Minnesota**
17.23 **Trout Stream Habitats, Phase II**

17.24 \$1,690,000 the first year is to the
17.25 commissioner of natural resources for an
17.26 agreement with Minnesota Trout Unlimited
17.27 to restore and enhance habitat for trout and
17.28 other species in and along coldwater rivers,
17.29 lakes, and streams in the metro and southeast
17.30 regions of Minnesota. A list of proposed
17.31 restorations and enhancements must be
17.32 provided as part of the required
17.33 accomplishment plan.

17.34 **(p) Lake Nokomis Shoreline Enhancements for**
17.35 **Turtles and Pollinators, Phase II**

18.1 \$755,000 the first year is to the commissioner
18.2 of natural resources for an agreement with the
18.3 Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board to
18.4 enhance shoreline and upland habitat on Lake
18.5 Nokomis. A list of proposed enhancements
18.6 must be provided as part of the required
18.7 accomplishment plan.

18.8 **(q) Upper Sioux Community Habitat**
18.9 **Restoration**

18.10 \$966,000 the first year is to the commissioner
18.11 of natural resources for an agreement with the
18.12 Upper Sioux Community to restore and
18.13 enhance oak savanna, forest, prairie, and other
18.14 wildlife habitats on Tribal lands. A list of
18.15 proposed restorations and enhancements must
18.16 be provided as part of the required
18.17 accomplishment plan.

18.18 **(r) Rum River Corridor Fish and Wildlife**
18.19 **Habitat Enhancement, Phase II**

18.20 \$1,699,000 the first year is to the
18.21 commissioner of natural resources for an
18.22 agreement with the Anoka County Soil and
18.23 Water Conservation District to restore and
18.24 enhance upland and riverine habitat in the
18.25 Rum River corridor. A list of proposed
18.26 enhancements and restorations must be
18.27 provided as part of the required
18.28 accomplishment plan.

18.29 **(s) Restoring and Enhancing Minnesota's**
18.30 **Important Bird Areas in the St. Croix River**
18.31 **Valley**

18.32 \$1,034,000 the first year is to the
18.33 commissioner of natural resources for an
18.34 agreement with Audubon Minnesota to restore
18.35 and enhance wildlife habitat in important bird
18.36 areas and other priority wildlife areas in the

19.1 St. Croix River Valley. A list of proposed
19.2 restorations and enhancements must be
19.3 provided as part of the required
19.4 accomplishment plan.

19.5 **(t) DNR St. Louis River Restoration Initiative,**
19.6 **Phase X**

19.7 \$2,596,000 the first year is to the
19.8 commissioner of natural resources to restore
19.9 and enhance priority aquatic, riparian, and
19.10 forest habitats in the St. Louis River estuary.
19.11 Of this amount, up to \$140,000 is for an
19.12 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust. A list
19.13 of proposed restorations and enhancements
19.14 must be provided as part of the required
19.15 accomplishment plan.

19.16 **(u) DNR Aquatic Habitat Restoration and**
19.17 **Enhancement, Phase XI**

19.18 \$4,122,000 the first year is to the
19.19 commissioner of natural resources to restore
19.20 and enhance aquatic habitat in degraded
19.21 streams and aquatic management areas and to
19.22 facilitate fish passage. A list of proposed land
19.23 restorations and enhancements must be
19.24 provided as part of the required
19.25 accomplishment plan.

19.26 **(v) DNR Roving Crew, Phase II**

19.27 \$8,732,000 the first year is to the
19.28 commissioner of natural resources to restore
19.29 and enhance fish and wildlife habitat on
19.30 permanently protected lands throughout
19.31 Minnesota using the roving crew program of
19.32 the Department of Natural Resources. A list
19.33 of restoration and enhancement projects must
19.34 be provided as part of the required
19.35 accomplishment plan.

20.1 **(w) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant**
20.2 **Program: Statewide and Metro Habitat, Phase**
20.3 **XV**

20.4 \$9,500,000 the first year is to the
20.5 commissioner of natural resources for a
20.6 program to provide competitive matching
20.7 grants of up to \$500,000 to local, regional,
20.8 state, and national organizations for enhancing,
20.9 restoring, or protecting forests, wetlands,
20.10 prairies, or habitat for fish, game, or wildlife
20.11 in Minnesota. Of this amount, at least
20.12 \$2,500,000 is for grants in the seven-county
20.13 metropolitan area and cities with a population
20.14 of 50,000 or greater and at least \$3,000,000
20.15 is for grants to applicants that have not
20.16 previously applied for money from the outdoor
20.17 heritage fund. Grants must not be made for
20.18 activities required to fulfill the duties of
20.19 owners of lands subject to conservation
20.20 easements. Grants must not be made from the
20.21 appropriation in this paragraph for projects
20.22 that have a total project cost exceeding
20.23 \$1,000,000. Of the total appropriation,
20.24 \$450,000 may be spent for personnel costs,
20.25 outreach and support to first time applicants,
20.26 and other direct and necessary administrative
20.27 costs. Grantees may acquire land or interests
20.28 in land. Easements must be permanent. Grants
20.29 may not be used to establish easement
20.30 stewardship accounts. The program must
20.31 require a match of at least ten percent from
20.32 nonstate sources for all grants. The match may
20.33 be cash or in-kind resources. For grant
20.34 applications of \$25,000 or less, the
20.35 commissioner must provide a separate,
20.36 simplified application process. Subject to

21.1 Minnesota Statutes, the commissioner of
 21.2 natural resources must, when evaluating
 21.3 projects of equal value, give priority to
 21.4 organizations that have a history of receiving,
 21.5 or a charter to receive, private contributions
 21.6 for local conservation or habitat projects. All
 21.7 restoration or enhancement projects must be
 21.8 on land permanently protected by a permanent
 21.9 covenant ensuring perpetual maintenance and
 21.10 protection of restored and enhanced habitat,
 21.11 by a conservation easement, or by public
 21.12 ownership or in public waters as defined in
 21.13 Minnesota Statutes, section 103G.005,
 21.14 subdivision 15. Priority must be given to
 21.15 restoration and enhancement projects on public
 21.16 lands. Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
 21.17 subdivision 13, applies to grants awarded
 21.18 under this paragraph. This appropriation is
 21.19 available until June 30, 2026. No less than five
 21.20 percent of the amount of each grant must be
 21.21 held back from reimbursement until the grant
 21.22 recipient has completed a grant
 21.23 accomplishment report by the deadline and in
 21.24 the form prescribed by and satisfactory to the
 21.25 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council. The
 21.26 commissioner must provide notice of the grant
 21.27 program in the summary of game and fish law
 21.28 prepared under Minnesota Statutes, section
 21.29 97A.051, subdivision 2.

21.30 Subd. 6. **Administration**

1,831,000

655,000

21.31 **(a) Contract Management**

21.32 \$336,000 the first year is to the commissioner
 21.33 of natural resources for contract management
 21.34 duties assigned in this section. The
 21.35 commissioner must provide an

22.1 accomplishment plan in the form specified by
22.2 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council
22.3 on expending this appropriation. The
22.4 accomplishment plan must include a copy of
22.5 the grant contract template and reimbursement
22.6 manual. No money may be expended before
22.7 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council
22.8 approves the accomplishment plan. Money
22.9 appropriated in this paragraph is available until
22.10 June 30, 2025.

22.11 **(b) Legislative Coordinating Commission**
22.12 \$634,000 the first year and \$651,000 the
22.13 second year are to the Legislative
22.14 Coordinating Commission for administrative
22.15 expenses of the Lessard-Sams Outdoor
22.16 Heritage Council and for compensating and
22.17 reimbursing expenses of council members.
22.18 This appropriation is available until June 30,
22.19 2025. Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.281,
22.20 applies to this appropriation.

22.21 **(c) Technical Evaluation Panel**
22.22 \$190,000 the first year is to the commissioner
22.23 of natural resources for a technical evaluation
22.24 panel to conduct up to 25 restoration and
22.25 enhancement evaluations under Minnesota
22.26 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 10. This
22.27 appropriation is available until June 30, 2025.

22.28 **(d) Core Functions in Partner-Led OHF Land**
22.29 **Acquisitions**
22.30 \$668,000 the first year is to the commissioner
22.31 of natural resources to administer the initial
22.32 development, restoration, and enhancement
22.33 of fee title acquisitions funded through the
22.34 outdoor heritage fund. Money may be used
22.35 for land acquisition costs incurred by the

23.1 department as part of conveying parcels to the
23.2 Department of Natural Resources and for
23.3 initial development activities on fee title
23.4 acquisitions. This appropriation is available
23.5 until June 30, 2026.

23.6 **(e) Legacy Website**

23.7 \$3,000 the first year and \$4,000 the second
23.8 year are to the Legislative Coordinating
23.9 Commission for the website required under
23.10 Minnesota Statutes, section 3.303, subdivision
23.11 10.

23.12 **Subd. 7. Availability of Appropriation**

23.13 (a) Money appropriated in this section may
23.14 not be spent on activities unless they are
23.15 directly related to and necessary for a specific
23.16 appropriation and are specified in the
23.17 accomplishment plan approved by the
23.18 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.
23.19 Money appropriated in this section must not
23.20 be spent on indirect costs or other institutional
23.21 overhead charges that are not directly related
23.22 to and necessary for a specific appropriation.
23.23 Money appropriated to acquire land in fee title
23.24 may be used to restore, enhance, and provide
23.25 for public use of the land acquired with the
23.26 appropriation. Public-use facilities must have
23.27 a minimal impact on habitat in acquired lands.

23.28 (b) Money appropriated in this section is
23.29 available as follows:

23.30 (1) money appropriated to acquire real
23.31 property is available until June 30, 2027;

23.32 (2) money appropriated to restore and enhance
23.33 land acquired with an appropriation in this
23.34 article is available for four years after the

24.1 acquisition date with a maximum end date of
24.2 June 30, 2031;

24.3 (3) money appropriated to restore and enhance
24.4 other land is available until June 30, 2028;

24.5 (4) notwithstanding clauses (1) to (3), money
24.6 appropriated for a project that receives at least
24.7 15 percent of its funding from federal funds
24.8 is available until a date sufficient to match the
24.9 availability of federal funding to a maximum
24.10 of six years if the federal funding was
24.11 confirmed and included in the original
24.12 approved draft accomplishment plan; and

24.13 (5) money appropriated for other projects is
24.14 available until the end of the fiscal year in
24.15 which it is appropriated.

24.16 **Subd. 8. Payment Conditions and Capital**
24.17 **Equipment Expenditures**

24.18 All agreements referred to in this section must
24.19 be administered on a reimbursement basis
24.20 unless otherwise provided in this section.

24.21 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
24.22 16A.41, expenditures directly related to each
24.23 appropriation's purpose made on or after July
24.24 1, 2023, or the date of accomplishment plan
24.25 approval, whichever is later, are eligible for
24.26 reimbursement unless otherwise provided in
24.27 this section. For purposes of administering
24.28 appropriations and legislatively authorized
24.29 agreements paid out of the outdoor heritage
24.30 fund, an expense must be considered
24.31 reimbursable by the administering agency
24.32 when the recipient presents the agency with
24.33 an invoice or binding agreement with the
24.34 landowner and the recipient attests that the
24.35 goods have been received or the landowner

25.1 agreement is binding. Periodic reimbursement
25.2 must be made upon receiving documentation
25.3 that the items articulated in the
25.4 accomplishment plan approved by the
25.5 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council have
25.6 been achieved, including partial achievements
25.7 as evidenced by progress reports approved by
25.8 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.
25.9 Reasonable amounts may be advanced to
25.10 projects to accommodate cash-flow needs,
25.11 support future management of acquired lands,
25.12 or match a federal share. The advances must
25.13 be approved as part of the accomplishment
25.14 plan. Capital equipment expenditures for
25.15 specific items over \$10,000 must be itemized
25.16 in and approved as part of the accomplishment
25.17 plan.

25.18 **Subd. 9. Mapping**

25.19 Each direct recipient of money appropriated
25.20 in this section, as well as each recipient of a
25.21 grant awarded under this section, must provide
25.22 geographic information to the Lessard-Sams
25.23 Outdoor Heritage Council to map any lands
25.24 that are acquired in fee with money
25.25 appropriated in this section and open to public
25.26 taking of fish and game. The commissioner
25.27 of natural resources must include the lands
25.28 acquired in fee with money appropriated in
25.29 this section on maps showing public recreation
25.30 opportunities. Maps must include information
25.31 on and acknowledgment of the outdoor
25.32 heritage fund, including a notation of any
25.33 restrictions.

26.1 **Subd. 10. Opportunities for Youth**

26.2 (a) Each direct recipient of money
26.3 appropriated in this section and each recipient
26.4 of a grant awarded pursuant to this section
26.5 must contact the commissioner of natural
26.6 resources in writing to determine whether
26.7 opportunities to coordinate with recipients of
26.8 grants under Minnesota Statutes, section
26.9 84.976, or other opportunities providing
26.10 training and education to racially, ethnically,
26.11 and economically diverse youth in the
26.12 practical implementation of conservation
26.13 practices that protect, restore, and enhance
26.14 wetlands, prairies, forests, and habitat for fish,
26.15 game, and wildlife are available when
26.16 implementing the projects funded in this
26.17 section.

26.18 (b) Each direct recipient of money
26.19 appropriated in this section and each recipient
26.20 of a grant awarded pursuant to this section
26.21 must contact Conservation Corps Minnesota
26.22 in writing and consider use of their restoration
26.23 and enhancement services.

26.24 (c) A copy of the written contacts required
26.25 under this subdivision must be filed with the
26.26 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council
26.27 within 15 days of execution.

26.28 **Subd. 11. Carryforward**

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

26.33 (b) The availability of the appropriation under
26.34 Laws 2017, chapter 91, article 1, section 2,

- 27.1 subdivision 2, paragraph (g), Reinvest in
27.2 Minnesota (RIM) Buffers for Wildlife and
27.3 Water - Phase VII, is extended to June 30,
27.4 2025.
- 27.5 (c) The availability of the appropriation under
27.6 Laws 2018, chapter 208, article 1, section 2,
27.7 subdivision 5, paragraph (i), Lower
27.8 Mississippi River Habitat Partnership - Phase
27.9 IV, is extended to June 30, 2027.
- 27.10 (d) The availability of the appropriation under
27.11 Laws 2018, chapter 208, section 2, subdivision
27.12 5, paragraph (n), Buffalo River Watershed
27.13 Stream Habitat Program, is extended to June
27.14 30, 2025.
- 27.15 (e) The availability of the appropriation under
27.16 Laws 2020, chapter 104, article 1, section 2,
27.17 subdivision 5, paragraph (a), for Protecting
27.18 Coldwater Fisheries on Minnesota's North
27.19 Shore, is extended to June 30, 2025.
- 27.20 (f) The availability of the appropriation under
27.21 Laws 2020, chapter 104, article 1, section 2,
27.22 subdivision 5, paragraph (h), for Hennepin
27.23 County Habitat Protection Program - Phase
27.24 II, is extended to June 30, 2025.
- 27.25 (g) The availability of the appropriation under
27.26 Laws 2022, chapter 77, section 2, subdivision
27.27 6, paragraph (a), Contract Management, is
27.28 extended to June 30, 2024.
- 27.29 (h) The availability of the appropriation under
27.30 Laws 2022, chapter 77, section 2, subdivision
27.31 6, paragraph (c), Technical Evaluation Panel,
27.32 is extended to June 30, 2024.
- 27.33 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** Subdivision 11 is effective the day following final enactment.

28.1 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 97A.056, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

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

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

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

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

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

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

28.11 (b) Members appointed under paragraph (a) must not be registered lobbyists. In making
28.12 appointments, the governor, senate Subcommittee on Committees of the Committee on
28.13 Rules and Administration, and the speaker of the house shall consider geographic balance,
28.14 gender, age, ethnicity, and varying interests including hunting and fishing. The governor's
28.15 appointments to the council are subject to the advice and consent of the senate.

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

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

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

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

28.29 (2) one public member appointed by the senate Subcommittee on Committees of the
28.30 Committee on Rules and Administration for a term ending the first Monday in January
28.31 2011;

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

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

29.5 (5) one public member appointed by the senate Subcommittee on Committees of the
29.6 Committee on Rules and Administration for a term ending the first Monday in January
29.7 2013; and

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

29.10 (f) Terms, compensation, and removal of public members are as provided in section
29.11 15.0575, except that a public member may be compensated at the rate of up to \$125 a day.
29.12 A vacancy on the council may be filled by the appointing authority for the remainder of the
29.13 unexpired term.

29.14 (g) Members shall elect a chair, vice-chair, secretary, and other officers as determined
29.15 by the council. The chair may convene meetings as necessary to conduct the duties prescribed
29.16 by this section.

29.17 (h) The Legislative Coordinating Commission may appoint nonpartisan staff and contract
29.18 with consultants as necessary to support the functions of the council. The council has final
29.19 approval authority for the hiring of a candidate for executive director. Up to one percent of
29.20 the money appropriated from the fund may be used to pay for administrative expenses of
29.21 the council and for compensation and expense reimbursement of council members.

29.22 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 97A.056, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

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

29.30 (b) When practicable, a direct recipient of an appropriation from the outdoor heritage
29.31 fund shall prominently display on the recipient's website home page the legacy logo required
29.32 under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article 5, section 10, as amended by Laws 2010, chapter
29.33 361, article 3, section 5, accompanied by the phrase "Click here for more information."

30.1 When a person clicks on the legacy logo image, the website must direct the person to a web
30.2 page that includes both the contact information that a person may use to obtain additional
30.3 information, as well as a link to the Legislative Coordinating Commission website required
30.4 under section 3.303, subdivision 10.

30.5 (c) Future eligibility for money from the outdoor heritage fund is contingent upon a state
30.6 agency or other recipient satisfying all applicable requirements in this section, as well as
30.7 any additional requirements contained in applicable session law. If the Office of the
30.8 Legislative Auditor, in the course of an audit or investigation, publicly reports that a recipient
30.9 of money from the outdoor heritage fund has not complied with the laws, rules, or regulations
30.10 in this section or other laws applicable to the recipient, the recipient must be listed in an
30.11 annual report to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over the legacy funds. The list
30.12 must be publicly available. The legislative auditor shall remove a recipient from the list
30.13 upon determination that the recipient is in compliance. A recipient on the list is not eligible
30.14 for future funding from the outdoor heritage fund until the recipient demonstrates compliance
30.15 to the legislative auditor.

30.16 (d) A project or program receiving funding from the outdoor heritage fund must include
30.17 an assessment of whether the funding celebrates cultural diversity or reaches diverse
30.18 communities in Minnesota.

30.19 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 97A.056, subdivision 22, is amended to read:

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

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

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

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

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

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

31.2 Sec. 6. Laws 2020, chapter 104, article 1, section 2, subdivision 5, as amended by Laws
31.3 2021, First Special Session chapter 1, article 1, section 4, is amended to read:

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

31.5 **(a) Protecting Coldwater Fisheries on**
31.6 **Minnesota's North Shore**

31.7 \$1,809,000 the second year is to the
31.8 commissioner of natural resources for an
31.9 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
31.10 acquire permanent conservation easements
31.11 and to restore and enhance wildlife habitat in
31.12 priority coldwater tributaries to Lake Superior.
31.13 Of this amount, up to ~~\$144,000~~ \$240,000 is
31.14 to establish a monitoring and enforcement
31.15 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
31.16 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
31.17 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed
31.18 conservation easement acquisitions,
31.19 restorations, and enhancements must be
31.20 provided as part of the required
31.21 accomplishment plan.

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

31.23 \$6,473,000 the second year is to the
31.24 commissioner of natural resources for
31.25 agreements to acquire lands in fee and
31.26 permanent conservation easements and to
31.27 restore and enhance natural habitat systems
31.28 associated with the Mississippi, Minnesota,
31.29 and St. Croix Rivers and their tributaries in
31.30 the metropolitan area. Of this amount,
31.31 \$801,000 is to Minnesota Valley National
31.32 Wildlife Refuge Trust Inc., \$300,000 is to
31.33 Friends of the Mississippi River, \$366,000 is
31.34 to Great River Greening, \$3,406,000 is to The

32.1 Trust for Public Land, and \$1,600,000 is to
32.2 Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$144,000 to
32.3 Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a
32.4 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
32.5 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
32.6 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
32.7 subdivision 17. A list of proposed land
32.8 acquisitions and permanent conservation
32.9 easements must be provided as part of the
32.10 required accomplishment plan.

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

32.12 \$2,266,000 the second year is to the
32.13 commissioner of natural resources for
32.14 agreements to acquire land in fee and
32.15 permanent conservation easements and to
32.16 restore and enhance habitat in targeted
32.17 watersheds of southeast Minnesota to improve
32.18 heritage brook trout and coldwater
32.19 communities. Of this amount, \$350,000 is to
32.20 The Nature Conservancy, \$258,000 is to Trout
32.21 Unlimited, \$857,000 is to The Trust for Public
32.22 Land, and \$801,000 is to Minnesota Land
32.23 Trust. Up to \$96,000 to Minnesota Land Trust
32.24 is to establish a monitoring and enforcement
32.25 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
32.26 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
32.27 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed
32.28 land acquisitions and permanent conservation
32.29 easements must be provided as part of the
32.30 required accomplishment plan.

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

32.33 \$2,814,000 the second year is to the
32.34 commissioner of natural resources for
32.35 agreements to acquire lands in fee and

33.1 permanent conservation easements and to
33.2 restore and enhance wildlife habitat to sustain
33.3 healthy fish habitat on coldwater lakes in
33.4 Aitkin, Cass, Crow Wing, and Hubbard
33.5 Counties. Of this amount, \$883,000 is to
33.6 Northern Waters Land Trust and \$1,931,000
33.7 is to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$192,000
33.8 to Minnesota Land Trust is to establish a
33.9 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
33.10 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
33.11 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
33.12 subdivision 17. A list of acquisitions must be
33.13 provided as part of the required
33.14 accomplishment plan.

33.15 **(e) Accelerating Habitat Conservation in**
33.16 **Southwest Minnesota**

33.17 \$3,044,000 the second year is to the
33.18 commissioner of natural resources for an
33.19 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
33.20 acquire permanent conservation easements
33.21 and to restore and enhance high-quality
33.22 wildlife habitat in southwest Minnesota. Of
33.23 this amount, up to \$144,000 is to establish a
33.24 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
33.25 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
33.26 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
33.27 subdivision 17. A list of proposed
33.28 conservation easement acquisitions,
33.29 restorations, and enhancements must be
33.30 provided as part of the required
33.31 accomplishment plan.

33.32 **(f) Targeted RIM Easement Program to**
33.33 **Individual Parcel: Pine and Leech Watersheds**
33.34 **- Phase I**

33.35 \$2,458,000 the second year is to the Board of
33.36 Water and Soil Resources to acquire and

34.1 restore permanent conservation easements of
34.2 high-quality forest, wetland, and shoreline
34.3 habitat. Of this amount, \$164,000 is for an
34.4 agreement with the Crow Wing County Soil
34.5 and Water Conservation District. Up to
34.6 \$97,000 of the total amount is for establishing
34.7 a monitoring and enforcement fund as
34.8 approved in the accomplishment plan and
34.9 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
34.10 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed
34.11 acquisitions must be included as part of the
34.12 required accomplishment plan.

34.13 **(g) Mississippi Headwaters Habitat Corridor**
34.14 **Project - Phase V**

34.15 \$3,695,000 the second year is to acquire lands
34.16 in fee and conservation easement and restore
34.17 wildlife habitat in the Mississippi headwaters
34.18 as follows:

34.19 (1) \$2,177,000 is to the commissioner of
34.20 natural resources for agreements as follows:
34.21 \$69,000 to the Mississippi Headwaters Board
34.22 and \$2,108,000 to The Trust for Public Land;
34.23 and

34.24 (2) \$1,518,000 is to the Board of Water and
34.25 Soil Resources, of which up to \$175,000 is
34.26 for establishing a monitoring and enforcement
34.27 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
34.28 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
34.29 97A.056, subdivision 17.

34.30 A list of proposed acquisitions must be
34.31 included as part of the required
34.32 accomplishment plan.

34.33 **(h) Hennepin County Habitat Conservation**
34.34 **Program - Phase II**

35.1 \$3,155,000 the second year is to the
35.2 commissioner of natural resources for
35.3 agreements with Hennepin County, in
35.4 cooperation with Minnesota Land Trust, to
35.5 acquire permanent conservation easements
35.6 and to restore and enhance habitats in
35.7 Hennepin County as follows: \$446,000 to
35.8 Hennepin County and \$2,709,000 to
35.9 Minnesota Land Trust. Up to \$264,000 to
35.10 Minnesota Land Trust is for establishing a
35.11 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
35.12 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
35.13 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
35.14 subdivision 17. A list of proposed permanent
35.15 conservation easements, restorations, and
35.16 enhancements must be provided as part of the
35.17 required accomplishment plan.

35.18 **(i) Trout Unlimited Coldwater Fish Habitat**
35.19 **Enhancement and Restoration - Phase XII**

35.20 \$1,474,000 the second year is to the
35.21 commissioner of natural resources for an
35.22 agreement with Trout Unlimited to restore and
35.23 enhance habitat for trout and other species in
35.24 and along coldwater rivers, lakes, and streams
35.25 in Minnesota. A list of proposed land
35.26 acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements
35.27 must be provided as part of the required
35.28 accomplishment plan.

35.29 **(j) DNR Aquatic Habitat Restoration and**
35.30 **Enhancement - Phase III**

35.31 \$3,790,000 the second year is to the
35.32 commissioner of natural resources to restore
35.33 and enhance aquatic habitat in degraded
35.34 streams and aquatic management areas and to
35.35 facilitate fish passage. A list of proposed land
35.36 restorations and enhancements must be

36.1 provided as part of the required
36.2 accomplishment plan.

36.3 **(k) St. Louis River Restoration Initiative - Phase**
36.4 **VII**

36.5 \$2,280,000 the second year is to the
36.6 commissioner of natural resources to restore
36.7 priority aquatic and riparian habitats in the St.
36.8 Louis River estuary. A list of proposed
36.9 restorations must be provided as part of the
36.10 required accomplishment plan.

36.11 **(l) Knife River Habitat Rehabilitation - Phase**
36.12 **V**

36.13 \$700,000 the second year is to the
36.14 commissioner of natural resources for an
36.15 agreement with Zeitgeist, a nonprofit
36.16 corporation, in cooperation with the Lake
36.17 Superior Steelhead Association, to restore and
36.18 enhance trout habitat in the Knife River
36.19 watershed. A list of proposed enhancements
36.20 must be provided as part of the required
36.21 accomplishment plan.

36.22 **(m) Shell Rock River Watershed Habitat**
36.23 **Restoration Program - Phase IX**

36.24 \$1,918,000 the second year is to the
36.25 commissioner of natural resources for an
36.26 agreement with the Shell Rock River
36.27 Watershed District to acquire lands in fee and
36.28 to restore and enhance aquatic habitat in the
36.29 Shell Rock River watershed. A list of proposed
36.30 acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements
36.31 must be provided as part of the required
36.32 accomplishment plan.

36.33 **(n) Rum River Wildlife and Fish Habitat**
36.34 **Enhancement Using Bioengineered Bank**
36.35 **Stabilization**

37.1 \$816,000 the second year is to the
37.2 commissioner of natural resources for an
37.3 agreement with the Anoka County Soil and
37.4 Water Conservation District to restore and
37.5 enhance riverine habitat in the Rum River
37.6 using eco-sensitive, habitat-building, and
37.7 bioengineering approaches. A list of proposed
37.8 enhancements must be provided as part of the
37.9 required accomplishment plan.

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

37.11 \$3,036,000 the second year is to the
37.12 commissioner of natural resources for an
37.13 agreement with the Roseau River Watershed
37.14 District to restore and enhance riverine habitat
37.15 in the Roseau River and the Roseau River
37.16 Wildlife Management Area.

37.17 **(p) Sauk River Watershed Habitat Protection**
37.18 **and Restoration - Phase II**

37.19 \$3,926,000 the second year is to the
37.20 commissioner of natural resources for
37.21 agreements to acquire lands in fee and
37.22 permanent conservation easements and to
37.23 restore and enhance wildlife habitat in the
37.24 Sauk River watershed as follows: \$430,000
37.25 to the Sauk River Watershed District,
37.26 \$2,073,000 to Pheasants Forever, and
37.27 \$1,423,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to
37.28 \$168,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is to
37.29 establish a monitoring and enforcement fund
37.30 as approved in the accomplishment plan and
37.31 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
37.32 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of acquisitions
37.33 must be provided as part of the required
37.34 accomplishment plan.

37.35 **(q) Southeast Wetland Restoration**

38.1 \$1,351,000 the second year is to the
38.2 commissioner of natural resources for an
38.3 agreement with the city of Mankato to acquire
38.4 land in fee in the city of Mankato for wetland
38.5 and grassland restoration. A list of acquisitions
38.6 must be provided as part of the required
38.7 accomplishment plan.

38.8 **(r) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant**
38.9 **Program: Statewide and Metro Habitat - Phase**
38.10 **XII**

38.11 \$10,424,000 the second year is to the
38.12 commissioner of natural resources for a
38.13 program to provide competitive matching
38.14 grants of up to \$400,000 to local, regional,
38.15 state, and national organizations for enhancing,
38.16 restoring, or protecting forests, wetlands,
38.17 prairies, or habitat for fish, game, or wildlife
38.18 in Minnesota. Of this amount, at least
38.19 \$3,250,000 is for grants in the seven-county
38.20 metropolitan area and cities with a population
38.21 of 50,000 or more. Grants must not be made
38.22 for activities required to fulfill the duties of
38.23 owners of lands subject to conservation
38.24 easements. Grants must not be made from the
38.25 appropriation in this paragraph for projects
38.26 that have a total project cost exceeding
38.27 \$575,000. Of the total appropriation, \$475,000
38.28 may be spent for personnel costs and other
38.29 direct and necessary administrative costs.
38.30 Grantees may acquire land or interests in land.
38.31 Easements must be permanent. Grants may
38.32 not be used to establish easement stewardship
38.33 accounts. Land acquired in fee must be open
38.34 to hunting and fishing during the open season
38.35 unless otherwise provided by law. The
38.36 program must require a match of at least ten

39.1 percent from nonstate sources for all grants.
39.2 The match may be cash or in-kind resources.
39.3 For grant applications of \$25,000 or less, the
39.4 commissioner must provide a separate,
39.5 simplified application process. Subject to
39.6 Minnesota Statutes, the commissioner of
39.7 natural resources must, when evaluating
39.8 projects of equal value, give priority to
39.9 organizations that have a history of receiving,
39.10 or a charter to receive, private contributions
39.11 for local conservation or habitat projects. For
39.12 grant requests to acquire land in fee or a
39.13 conservation easement, the commissioner must
39.14 give priority to projects associated with or
39.15 within one mile of existing wildlife
39.16 management areas under Minnesota Statutes,
39.17 section 86A.05, subdivision 8; scientific and
39.18 natural areas under Minnesota Statutes,
39.19 sections 84.033 and 86A.05, subdivision 5; or
39.20 aquatic management areas under Minnesota
39.21 Statutes, sections 86A.05, subdivision 14, and
39.22 97C.02. All restoration or enhancement
39.23 projects must be on land permanently
39.24 protected by a permanent covenant ensuring
39.25 perpetual maintenance and protection of
39.26 restored and enhanced habitat, by a
39.27 conservation easement or public ownership or
39.28 in public waters as defined in Minnesota
39.29 Statutes, section 103G.005, subdivision 15.
39.30 Priority must be given to restoration and
39.31 enhancement projects on public lands.
39.32 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
39.33 subdivision 13, applies to grants awarded
39.34 under this paragraph. This appropriation is
39.35 available until June 30, 2024. No less than five
39.36 percent of the amount of each grant must be

40.1 held back from reimbursement until the grant
 40.2 recipient has completed a grant
 40.3 accomplishment report by the deadline and in
 40.4 the form prescribed by and satisfactory to the
 40.5 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council. The
 40.6 commissioner must provide notice of the grant
 40.7 program in the summary of game and fish law
 40.8 prepared under Minnesota Statutes, section
 40.9 97A.051, subdivision 2.

40.10 **ARTICLE 2**

40.11 **CLEAN WATER FUND**

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

40.13 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies
 40.14 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the clean water
 40.15 fund and are available for the fiscal years indicated for allowable activities under the
 40.16 Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 15. The figures "2024" and "2025" used in this
 40.17 article mean that the appropriations listed under the figure are available for the fiscal year
 40.18 ending June 30, 2024, or June 30, 2025, respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year 2024.
 40.19 "The second year" is fiscal year 2025. "The biennium" is fiscal years 2024 and 2025. These
 40.20 are onetime appropriations.

40.21 **APPROPRIATIONS**

40.22 **Available for the Year**

40.23 **Ending June 30**

40.24 **2024**

2025

40.25 Sec. 2. **CLEAN WATER FUND**

40.26 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation** \$ **158,897,000** \$ **158,499,000**

40.27 This appropriation is from the clean water
 40.28 fund. The amounts that may be spent for each
 40.29 purpose are specified in the following sections.

40.30 **Subd. 2. Availability of Appropriation**

40.31 Money appropriated in this article may not be
 40.32 spent on activities unless they are directly
 40.33 related to and necessary for a specific

41.1 appropriation. Money appropriated in this
 41.2 article must be spent in accordance with
 41.3 Minnesota Management and Budget *MMB*
 41.4 *Guidance to Agencies on Legacy Fund*
 41.5 *Expenditure*. Notwithstanding Minnesota
 41.6 Statutes, section 16A.28, and unless otherwise
 41.7 specified in this article, fiscal year 2024
 41.8 appropriations are available until June 30,
 41.9 2025, and fiscal year 2025 appropriations are
 41.10 available until June 30, 2026. If a project
 41.11 receives federal funds, the period of the
 41.12 appropriation is extended to equal the
 41.13 availability of federal funding.

41.14 **Subd. 3. Disability Access**

41.15 Where appropriate, grant recipients of clean
 41.16 water funds, in consultation with the Council
 41.17 on Disability and other appropriate
 41.18 governor-appointed disability councils, boards,
 41.19 committees, and commissions, should make
 41.20 progress toward providing people with
 41.21 disabilities greater access to programs, print
 41.22 publications, and digital media related to the
 41.23 programs the recipient funds using
 41.24 appropriations made in this article.

41.25 **Subd. 4. Increasing Diversity in Environmental**
 41.26 **Careers**

41.27 Agencies should work to provide opportunities
 41.28 that encourage a diversity of students to pursue
 41.29 careers in environment and natural resources
 41.30 when implementing appropriations in this
 41.31 article.

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

41.33 (a) \$350,000 the first year and \$350,000 the
 41.34 second year are to increase monitoring for
 41.35 pesticides and pesticide degradates in surface

42.1 water and groundwater and to use data
42.2 collected to assess pesticide use practices. This
42.3 appropriation is available until June 30, 2028.

42.4 (b) \$3,000,000 the first year and \$3,000,000
42.5 the second year are for monitoring and
42.6 evaluating trends in the concentration of
42.7 nitrate in groundwater; promoting, developing,
42.8 and evaluating regional and crop-specific
42.9 nutrient best management practices, cover
42.10 crops, and other vegetative cover; assessing
42.11 adoption of best management practices and
42.12 other recommended practices; education and
42.13 technical support from University of
42.14 Minnesota Extension; grants to support
42.15 agricultural demonstration and implementation
42.16 activities, including research activities at the
42.17 Rosholt Research Farm; and other actions to
42.18 protect groundwater from degradation from
42.19 nitrate. This appropriation is available until
42.20 June 30, 2028.

42.21 (c) \$4,799,000 the first year and \$4,799,000
42.22 the second year are for the agriculture best
42.23 management practices loan program. Any
42.24 unencumbered balance at the end of the second
42.25 year must be added to the corpus of the loan
42.26 fund.

42.27 (d) \$1,500,000 the first year and \$1,500,000
42.28 the second year are for technical assistance;
42.29 research, demonstration, and promotion
42.30 projects on properly implementing best
42.31 management practices and vegetative cover;
42.32 and more-precise information on nonpoint
42.33 contributions to impaired waters and for grants
42.34 to support on-farm demonstration of

- 43.1 agricultural practices. This appropriation is
43.2 available until June 30, 2028.
- 43.3 (e) \$40,000 the first year and \$40,000 the
43.4 second year are for maintenance of the
43.5 Minnesota Water Research Digital Library.
43.6 Costs for information technology development
43.7 or support for the digital library may be paid
43.8 to the Office of MN.IT Services. This
43.9 appropriation is available until June 30, 2028.
- 43.10 (f) \$3,500,000 the first year and \$3,500,000
43.11 the second year are to implement the
43.12 Minnesota agricultural water quality
43.13 certification program statewide. This
43.14 appropriation is available until June 30, 2028.
- 43.15 (g) \$150,000 the first year and \$150,000 the
43.16 second year are for a regional irrigation water
43.17 quality specialist through University of
43.18 Minnesota Extension. This appropriation is
43.19 available until June 30, 2028.
- 43.20 (h) \$3,000,000 the first year and \$3,000,000
43.21 the second year are for grants to the Board of
43.22 Regents of the University of Minnesota to
43.23 fund the Forever Green agriculture initiative
43.24 and to protect the state's natural resources
43.25 while increasing the efficiency, profitability,
43.26 and productivity of Minnesota farmers by
43.27 incorporating perennial and winter-annual
43.28 crops into existing agricultural practices. This
43.29 appropriation is available until June 30, 2028.
- 43.30 (i) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the
43.31 second year are for testing drinking-water
43.32 wells for pesticides and establishing a
43.33 mitigation program for water treatment of

44.1 contaminated wells. This appropriation is
 44.2 available until June 30, 2028.

44.3 (j) \$1,750,000 the first year and \$1,750,000
 44.4 the second year are for conservation
 44.5 equipment assistance grants to purchase
 44.6 equipment or items to retrofit existing
 44.7 equipment that has climate and water quality
 44.8 benefits. This appropriation is available until
 44.9 June 30, 2028.

44.10 (k) \$1,500,000 the first year and \$1,500,000
 44.11 the second year are for expanding the existing
 44.12 state weather station and soil temperature
 44.13 network to provide accurate and timely
 44.14 weather data to optimize the timing of
 44.15 irrigation, fertilizer, pesticide, and manure
 44.16 applications and support land management
 44.17 decisions. This appropriation is available until
 44.18 June 30, 2028.

44.19 (l) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the
 44.20 second year are for grants for research and
 44.21 demonstration sites and projects to evaluate,
 44.22 develop, demonstrate, and promote regional
 44.23 and animal-specific recommendations for
 44.24 manure crediting and to develop or revise
 44.25 manure best management practices through
 44.26 University of Minnesota Extension. This
 44.27 appropriation is available until June 30, 2028.

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

44.29 (a) \$9,050,000 the first year and \$9,050,000
 44.30 the second year are for completing needed
 44.31 statewide assessments of surface water quality
 44.32 and trends according to Minnesota Statutes,
 44.33 chapter 114D.

45.1 (b) \$6,350,000 the first year and \$6,350,000
45.2 the second year are to update watershed
45.3 restoration and protection strategies, which
45.4 include total maximum daily load (TMDL)
45.5 studies and TMDL implementation plans
45.6 according to Minnesota Statutes, chapter
45.7 114D, for waters on the impaired waters list
45.8 approved by the United States Environmental
45.9 Protection Agency.

45.10 (c) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000
45.11 the second year are for groundwater
45.12 assessment, including enhancing the ambient
45.13 monitoring network, modeling, evaluating
45.14 trends.

45.15 (d) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the
45.16 second year are for implementing the St. Louis
45.17 River System Area of Concern remedial action
45.18 plan.

45.19 (e) \$1,500,000 the first year and \$1,500,000
45.20 the second year are for national pollutant
45.21 discharge elimination system wastewater and
45.22 stormwater TMDL implementation efforts.

45.23 (f) \$3,550,000 the first year and \$3,550,000
45.24 the second year are for enhancing the
45.25 county-level delivery systems for subsurface
45.26 sewage treatment system (SSTS) activities
45.27 necessary to implement Minnesota Statutes,
45.28 sections 115.55 and 115.56, for protecting
45.29 groundwater. This appropriation includes base
45.30 grants for all counties with SSTS programs.
45.31 Counties that receive base grants must report
45.32 the number of properties with noncompliant
45.33 systems upgraded through an SSTS
45.34 replacement, connection to a centralized sewer
45.35 system, or other means, including property

46.1 abandonment or buyout. Counties also must
46.2 report the number of existing SSTS
46.3 compliance inspections conducted in areas
46.4 under county jurisdiction. The required reports
46.5 must be part of the established annual
46.6 reporting for SSTS programs. Of this amount,
46.7 at least \$900,000 each year is available to
46.8 counties for grants to low-income landowners
46.9 to address systems that pose an imminent
46.10 threat to public health or safety or fail to
46.11 protect groundwater. A county receiving a
46.12 grant under this paragraph must submit a
46.13 report to the agency listing the projects funded,
46.14 including an account of the expenditures.
46.15 (g) \$650,000 the first year and \$650,000 the
46.16 second year are for activities and grants that
46.17 reduce chloride pollution.
46.18 (h) \$337,000 the first year and \$338,000 the
46.19 second year are to support activities of the
46.20 Clean Water Council according to Minnesota
46.21 Statutes, section 114D.30, subdivision 1.
46.22 (i) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000
46.23 the second year are for a grant program for
46.24 sanitary sewer projects that are included in the
46.25 draft or any updated *Voyageurs National Park*
46.26 *Clean Water Project Comprehensive Plan* to
46.27 restore the water quality of waters in
46.28 *Voyageurs National Park*. Grants must be
46.29 awarded to local government units for projects
46.30 approved by the *Voyageurs National Park*
46.31 *Clean Water Joint Powers Board* and must be
46.32 matched by at least 25 percent from sources
46.33 other than the clean water fund.
46.34 (j) Any unencumbered grant balances in the
46.35 first year do not cancel but are available for

47.1 grants in the second year. Notwithstanding
 47.2 Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, the
 47.3 appropriations in this section are available
 47.4 until June 30, 2028.

47.5 **Sec. 5. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL**
 47.6 **RESOURCES**

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

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

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

47.12 (c) \$455,000 the first year and \$455,000 the
 47.13 second year are for assessing mercury and
 47.14 other fish contaminants, including PFAS
 47.15 compounds, and monitoring to track the status
 47.16 of impaired waters over time.

47.17 (d) \$2,150,000 the first year and \$2,150,000
 47.18 the second year are for developing targeted,
 47.19 science-based watershed restoration and
 47.20 protection strategies and for technical
 47.21 assistance for local governments.

47.22 (e) \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000
 47.23 the second year are for water-supply planning,
 47.24 aquifer protection, and monitoring activities
 47.25 and analysis.

47.26 (f) \$1,600,000 the first year and \$1,600,000
 47.27 the second year are for technical assistance to
 47.28 support local implementation of nonpoint
 47.29 source restoration and protection activities and
 47.30 targeted forest stewardship for water quality.

47.31 (g) \$650,000 the first year and \$650,000 the
 47.32 second year are for applied research and tools,
 47.33 including maintaining and updating spatial
 47.34 data for watershed boundaries, streams, and

48.1 water bodies and integrating high-resolution
48.2 digital elevation data and for assessing the
48.3 effectiveness of forestry best management
48.4 practices for water quality.

48.5 (h) \$25,000 the first year and \$25,000 the
48.6 second year are for maintaining and updating
48.7 buffer maps and for technical guidance on
48.8 interpreting buffer maps for local units of
48.9 government implementing buffer
48.10 requirements. Maps must be provided to local
48.11 units of government and made available to
48.12 landowners on the Department of Natural
48.13 Resources website.

48.14 (i) \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the
48.15 second year are for accelerating completion
48.16 of or updates to county geologic atlases and
48.17 supplementing water chemistry or chemical
48.18 movement studies.

48.19 (j) \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the
48.20 second year are for increasing native
48.21 freshwater mussel production capacity and
48.22 restoring and monitoring freshwater mussel
48.23 restoration efforts.

48.24 (k) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the
48.25 second year are for implementing water
48.26 storage projects on state-administered land to
48.27 enhance water quality and ecological benefits.

48.28 (l) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000
48.29 the second year are for providing technical
48.30 and financial assistance for county and local
48.31 governments to replace failing or ineffective
48.32 culverts using modern designs that restore
48.33 floodplain connectivity, biological
48.34 connectivity, and channel stability. This

49.1 appropriation is available for up to two
49.2 additional years.

49.3 **Sec. 6. BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL**
49.4 **RESOURCES**

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

49.5 (a) \$39,500,000 the first year and \$39,500,000
49.6 the second year are for grants to implement
49.7 state-approved watershed-based plans. The
49.8 grants may be used to implement projects or
49.9 programs that protect, enhance, and restore
49.10 surface water quality in lakes, rivers, and
49.11 streams; protect groundwater from
49.12 degradation; and protect drinking water
49.13 sources. Projects must be identified in a
49.14 comprehensive watershed plan developed
49.15 under the One Watershed, One Plan program
49.16 and seven-county metropolitan groundwater
49.17 or surface water management frameworks as
49.18 provided for in Minnesota Statutes, chapters
49.19 103B, 103C, 103D, and 114D. Grant recipients
49.20 must identify a nonstate match and may use
49.21 other legacy funds to supplement projects
49.22 funded under this paragraph. This
49.23 appropriation may be used for:

- 49.24 (1) implementing state-approved plans,
- 49.25 including within the following watershed
- 49.26 planning areas: Bois de Sioux - Mustinka,
- 49.27 Buffalo-Red River, Cannon River, Cedar -
- 49.28 Wapsipinicon, Chippewa River, Clearwater
- 49.29 River, Cottonwood-Middle Minnesota, Crow
- 49.30 Wing River, Des Moines River, Greater
- 49.31 Zumbro River, Hawk Creek - Middle
- 49.32 Minnesota, Kettle and Upper St. Croix, Lac
- 49.33 qui Parle-Yellow Bank, Lake of the Woods,
- 49.34 Lake Superior North, Le Sueur River, Leech
- 49.35 Lake River, Long Prairie River, Lower

50.1 Minnesota River East, Lower Minnesota River
50.2 West, Lower St. Croix River,
50.3 Middle-Snake-Tamarac Rivers, Mississippi
50.4 River Brainerd, Mississippi River Headwaters,
50.5 Mississippi River St. Cloud, Mississippi River
50.6 Winona/La Crescent, Missouri River Basin,
50.7 Nemadji River, North Fork Crow River, Otter
50.8 Tail, Pine River, Pomme de Terre River,
50.9 Rainy-Rapid River, Rainy River Headwaters
50.10 - Vermilion River, Rainy River-Rainy
50.11 Lake/Lower Rainy River, Red Lake River,
50.12 Redeye River, Root River, Roseau River, Rum
50.13 River, Sand Hill River, Sauk River, Shell Rock
50.14 and Winnebago River, Snake River, South
50.15 Fork of the Crow River, St. Louis River, Thief
50.16 River, Two Rivers Plus, Upper and Lower Red
50.17 Lake, Upper Minnesota River, Upper
50.18 Mississippi - Grand Rapids, Watonwan River,
50.19 Wild Rice - Marsh, and Yellow Medicine
50.20 River;
50.21 (2) seven-county metropolitan groundwater
50.22 or surface water management frameworks;
50.23 and
50.24 (3) other comprehensive watershed
50.25 management plan planning areas that have a
50.26 board-approved and local-government-adopted
50.27 plan as authorized in Minnesota Statutes,
50.28 section 103B.801.
50.29 The board must establish eligibility criteria
50.30 and determine whether a planning area is ready
50.31 to proceed and has the nonstate match
50.32 committed.
50.33 (b) \$8,500,000 the first year and \$8,500,000
50.34 the second year are for grants to local
50.35 government units to protect and restore surface

51.1 water and drinking water; to keep water on
51.2 the land; to protect, enhance, and restore water
51.3 quality in lakes, rivers, and streams; and to
51.4 protect groundwater and drinking water,
51.5 including feedlot water quality and subsurface
51.6 sewage treatment system projects and stream
51.7 bank, stream channel, shoreline restoration,
51.8 and ravine stabilization projects. The projects
51.9 must use practices demonstrated to be
51.10 effective, be of long-lasting public benefit,
51.11 include a match, and be consistent with total
51.12 maximum daily load (TMDL) implementation
51.13 plans, watershed restoration and protection
51.14 strategies (WRAPS), or local water
51.15 management plans or their equivalents. Up to
51.16 20 percent of this appropriation is available
51.17 for land-treatment projects and practices that
51.18 benefit drinking water.

51.19 (c) \$5,500,000 the first year and \$5,500,000
51.20 the second year are for accelerated
51.21 implementation, local resource protection,
51.22 enhancement grants, statewide analytical
51.23 targeting or technology tools that fill an
51.24 identified gap, program enhancements for
51.25 technical assistance, citizen and community
51.26 outreach, compliance, and training and
51.27 certification.

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

51.30 (1) to provide state oversight and
51.31 accountability, evaluate and communicate
51.32 results, provide implementation tools, and
51.33 measure the value of conservation program
51.34 implementation by local governments; and

52.1 (2) to prepare, in consultation with the
52.2 commissioners of natural resources, health,
52.3 agriculture, and the Pollution Control Agency,
52.4 and submit to the legislature by March 1 each
52.5 even-numbered year a biennial report detailing
52.6 the recipients and projects funded and the
52.7 results accomplished under this section.

52.8 (e) \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000
52.9 the second year are to provide assistance,
52.10 oversight, and grants for supporting local
52.11 governments in implementing and complying
52.12 with riparian protection and excessive soil loss
52.13 requirements.

52.14 (f) \$2,500,000 the first year and \$2,500,000
52.15 the second year are for a working lands
52.16 floodplain program and to purchase, restore,
52.17 or preserve riparian land and floodplains
52.18 adjacent to lakes, rivers, streams, and
52.19 tributaries, by conservation easements or
52.20 contracts to keep water on the land, to decrease
52.21 sediment, pollutant, and nutrient transport;
52.22 reduce hydrologic impacts to surface waters;
52.23 and increase protection and recharge for
52.24 groundwater. Up to \$200,000 is for deposit in
52.25 a conservation easement stewardship account
52.26 established according to Minnesota Statutes,
52.27 section 103B.103.

52.28 (g) \$2,500,000 the first year and \$2,500,000
52.29 the second year are for permanent
52.30 conservation easements on wellhead protection
52.31 areas under Minnesota Statutes, section
52.32 103F.515, subdivision 2, paragraph (d), or for
52.33 grants to local units of government for fee title
52.34 acquisition to permanently protect
52.35 groundwater supply sources on wellhead

53.1 protection areas or for otherwise ensuring
53.2 long-term protection of groundwater supply
53.3 sources as described under alternative
53.4 management tools in the Department of
53.5 Agriculture *Minnesota Nitrogen Fertilizer*
53.6 *Management Plan*, including using
53.7 low-nitrogen cropping systems or
53.8 implementing nitrogen fertilizer best
53.9 management practices. Priority must be placed
53.10 on land that is located where the vulnerability
53.11 of the drinking water supply is designated as
53.12 high or very high by the commissioner of
53.13 health, where drinking water protection plans
53.14 have identified specific activities that will
53.15 achieve long-term protection, and on lands
53.16 with expiring conservation reserve program
53.17 contracts. Up to \$200,000 is for deposit in a
53.18 conservation easement stewardship account
53.19 established according to Minnesota Statutes,
53.20 section 103B.103.

53.21 (h) \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the
53.22 second year are for a technical evaluation
53.23 panel to conduct restoration evaluations under
53.24 Minnesota Statutes, section 114D.50,
53.25 subdivision 6.

53.26 (i) \$1,750,000 the first year and \$1,750,000
53.27 the second year are for assistance, oversight,
53.28 and grants to local governments to transition
53.29 local water management plans to a watershed
53.30 approach as provided for in Minnesota
53.31 Statutes, section 103B.801.

53.32 (j) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000
53.33 the second year are for technical assistance
53.34 and grants for the conservation drainage
53.35 program, in consultation with the Drainage

54.1 Work Group, coordinated under Minnesota
54.2 Statutes, section 103B.101, subdivision 13,
54.3 and including projects to improve
54.4 multipurpose water management under
54.5 Minnesota Statutes, section 103E.015.

54.6 (k) \$1,500,000 the first year and \$1,500,000
54.7 the second year are to purchase permanent
54.8 conservation easements to protect lands
54.9 adjacent to public waters that have good water
54.10 quality but that are threatened with
54.11 degradation. Up to \$150,000 is for deposit in
54.12 a conservation easement stewardship account
54.13 established according to Minnesota Statutes,
54.14 section 103B.103.

54.15 (l) \$425,000 the first year and \$425,000 the
54.16 second year are for grants or contracts for a
54.17 program to systematically collect data and
54.18 produce county, watershed, and statewide
54.19 estimates of soil erosion caused by water and
54.20 wind, along with tracking adoption of
54.21 conservation measures, including cover crops,
54.22 to address erosion. This appropriation may be
54.23 used for grants to or contracts with the
54.24 University of Minnesota to complete this
54.25 work.

54.26 (m) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the
54.27 second year are for developing and
54.28 implementing a water legacy grant program
54.29 to expand partnerships for clean water.

54.30 (n) \$5,000,000 the first year and \$5,000,000
54.31 the second year are for permanent
54.32 conservation easements to protect and restore
54.33 wetlands and associated uplands. Up to
54.34 \$300,000 is for deposit in a conservation
54.35 easement stewardship account established

55.1 according to Minnesota Statutes, section
55.2 103B.103.

55.3 (o) \$6,039,000 the first year and \$6,038,000
55.4 the second year are for financial and technical
55.5 assistance to enhance adoption of cover crops
55.6 and other soil health practices to achieve water
55.7 quality or drinking water benefits. The board
55.8 may use grants to local governments and
55.9 agreements with the United States Department
55.10 of Agriculture, AgCentric at Minnesota State
55.11 Center for Excellence, and other practitioners
55.12 and partners to accomplish this work. Up to
55.13 \$450,000 is for an agreement with the
55.14 University of Minnesota Office for Soil Health
55.15 for applied research and education on
55.16 Minnesota's agroecosystems and soil health
55.17 management systems. This appropriation may
55.18 be extended to leverage available federal
55.19 funds.

55.20 (p) The board must contract for delivery of
55.21 services with Conservation Corps Minnesota
55.22 for restoration, maintenance, training, and
55.23 other activities under this section for up to
55.24 \$850,000 the first year and up to \$850,000 the
55.25 second year.

55.26 (q) The board may shift grant, implementation,
55.27 or easement funds in this section and may
55.28 adjust the technical and administrative
55.29 assistance portion of the funds to leverage
55.30 federal or other nonstate funds or to address
55.31 oversight responsibilities or high-priority
55.32 activities identified by the board consistent
55.33 with local water management plans.

56.1 (r) The board must require grantees to specify
 56.2 the outcomes that will be achieved by the
 56.3 grants.

56.4 (s) The appropriations in this section are
 56.5 available until June 30, 2028, except grant or
 56.6 easement funds are available for five years
 56.7 after the date a grant or other agreement is
 56.8 executed. Returned grant funds must be
 56.9 regranted consistent with the purposes of this
 56.10 section.

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

56.12 (a) \$4,746,000 the first year and \$5,354,000
 56.13 the second year are for developing health risk
 56.14 limits for contaminants found or anticipated
 56.15 to be found in Minnesota drinking water, to
 56.16 certify private laboratories to conduct analyses
 56.17 for these contaminants, and to increase the
 56.18 capacity of the department's laboratory to
 56.19 analyze for these contaminants.

56.20 (b) \$1,500,000 the first year and \$1,500,000
 56.21 the second year are for ensuring safe drinking
 56.22 water for private well users, including studying
 56.23 the occurrence and magnitude of contaminants
 56.24 in private wells; developing guidance and
 56.25 conducting outreach and education about well
 56.26 testing and mitigation; awarding grants to local
 56.27 governments; and designing voluntary
 56.28 interventions to reduce health risks to private
 56.29 well owners.

56.30 (c) \$3,750,000 the first year and \$3,750,000
 56.31 the second year are for protecting sources of
 56.32 drinking water, including planning,
 56.33 implementation, and surveillance activities

57.1 and grants to local governments and public
57.2 water systems.

57.3 (d) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the
57.4 second year are to develop and deliver
57.5 groundwater restoration and protection
57.6 strategies on a watershed scale for use in local
57.7 comprehensive water planning efforts, to
57.8 provide resources to local governments for
57.9 activities that protect sources of drinking
57.10 water, and to enhance approaches that improve
57.11 the capacity of local governmental units to
57.12 protect and restore groundwater resources.

57.13 (e) \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the
57.14 second year are to develop public health
57.15 policies and an action plan to address threats
57.16 to safe drinking water, including development
57.17 of a statewide plan for protecting drinking
57.18 water that incorporates select
57.19 recommendations from the University of
57.20 Minnesota's *Future of Drinking Water* report.

57.21 (f) \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the
57.22 second year are for developing a statewide
57.23 recreational water portal that includes an
57.24 inventory of public beaches and information
57.25 about local monitoring results and closures
57.26 and that provides information about preventing
57.27 illness and recreational water stewardship.

57.28 (g) Unless otherwise specified, the
57.29 appropriations in this section are available
57.30 until June 30, 2027.

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

57.32 (a) \$1,125,000 the first year and \$1,125,000
57.33 the second year are to implement projects that
57.34 address emerging threats to the drinking water

58.1 supply; provide cost-effective regional
58.2 solutions; leverage interjurisdictional
58.3 coordination; support local implementation of
58.4 water supply reliability projects; support the
58.5 growing needs of community water suppliers
58.6 facing challenges, including PFAS, radium,
58.7 manganese, and selenium contamination,
58.8 groundwater appropriation limitations, system
58.9 reliability and resilience, and increased
58.10 regional growth; and prevent degradation of
58.11 groundwater resources in the metropolitan
58.12 area. These projects provide communities
58.13 with:

58.14 (1) potential solutions to leverage regional
58.15 water use by using surface water, stormwater,
58.16 wastewater, and groundwater;

58.17 (2) an analysis of infrastructure requirements
58.18 for different alternatives;

58.19 (3) development of planning-level cost
58.20 estimates, including capital costs and operating
58.21 costs;

58.22 (4) identification of funding mechanisms and
58.23 an equitable cost-sharing structure for
58.24 regionally beneficial water supply
58.25 development projects; and

58.26 (5) development of subregional groundwater
58.27 models and strategies.

58.28 (b) \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the
58.29 second year are for the water demand
58.30 reduction grants to assist municipalities in the
58.31 metropolitan area with implementing water
58.32 demand reduction measures to ensure the
58.33 reliability and protection of drinking water
58.34 supplies.

59.1	Sec. 9. <u>UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA</u>	\$	<u>1,500,000</u>	\$	<u>1,500,000</u>
59.2	<u>(a) \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the</u>				
59.3	<u>second year are for developing Part A of</u>				
59.4	<u>county geologic atlases. This appropriation is</u>				
59.5	<u>available until June 30, 2030.</u>				
59.6	<u>(b) \$1,000,000 the first year and \$1,000,000</u>				
59.7	<u>the second year are for a program to evaluate</u>				
59.8	<u>performance and technology transfer for</u>				
59.9	<u>stormwater best management practices, to</u>				
59.10	<u>evaluate best management performance and</u>				
59.11	<u>effectiveness to support meeting total</u>				
59.12	<u>maximum daily loads, to develop standards</u>				
59.13	<u>and incorporate state-of-the-art guidance using</u>				
59.14	<u>minimal impact design standards as the model,</u>				
59.15	<u>and to implement a system to transfer</u>				
59.16	<u>knowledge and technology across local</u>				
59.17	<u>government, industry, and regulatory sectors.</u>				
59.18	<u>This appropriation is available until June 30,</u>				
59.19	<u>2030.</u>				
59.20	Sec. 10. <u>LEGISLATURE</u>	\$	<u>6,000</u>	\$	<u>-0-</u>
59.21	<u>\$6,000 the first year is for the Legislative</u>				
59.22	<u>Coordinating Commission for the website</u>				
59.23	<u>required under Minnesota Statutes, section</u>				
59.24	<u>3.303, subdivision 10.</u>				
59.25	Sec. 11. <u>PUBLIC FACILITIES AUTHORITY</u>	\$	<u>8,350,000</u>	\$	<u>8,350,000</u>
59.26	<u>(a) \$8,250,000 the first year and \$8,250,000</u>				
59.27	<u>the second year are for the point source</u>				
59.28	<u>implementation grants program under</u>				
59.29	<u>Minnesota Statutes, section 446A.073. This</u>				
59.30	<u>appropriation is available until June 30, 2030.</u>				
59.31	<u>(b) \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the</u>				
59.32	<u>second year are for small community</u>				
59.33	<u>wastewater treatment grants and loans under</u>				

60.1 Minnesota Statutes, section 446A.075. This
60.2 appropriation is available until June 30, 2030.

60.3 (c) If there is any uncommitted money at the
60.4 end of each fiscal year under paragraph (a) or
60.5 (b), the Public Facilities Authority may
60.6 transfer the remaining funds to eligible
60.7 projects under any of the programs listed in
60.8 this section according to a project's priority
60.9 rank on the Pollution Control Agency's project
60.10 priority list.

60.11 Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 114D.20, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

60.12 Subd. 2. **Goals for implementation.** The following goals must guide the implementation
60.13 of this chapter:

60.14 (1) to identify impaired waters in accordance with federal TMDL requirements and to
60.15 ensure continuing evaluation of surface waters for impairments;

60.16 (2) to submit TMDLs to the United States Environmental Protection Agency in a timely
60.17 manner in accordance with federal TMDL requirements;

60.18 (3) to inform and support strategies for implementing restoration and protection activities
60.19 ~~in a reasonable time period~~ with the goal that all waters will have achieved the designated
60.20 uses applicable to those waters by 2040;

60.21 (4) to systematically evaluate waters, to provide assistance and incentives to prevent
60.22 waters from becoming impaired, and to improve the quality of waters that are listed as
60.23 impaired;

60.24 (5) to promptly seek the delisting of waters from the impaired waters list when those
60.25 waters are shown to achieve the designated uses applicable to the waters;

60.26 (6) to achieve compliance with federal Clean Water Act requirements in Minnesota;

60.27 (7) to support effective measures to prevent the degradation of groundwater according
60.28 to the groundwater degradation prevention goal under section 103H.001; and

60.29 (8) to support effective measures to restore degraded groundwater.

61.1 Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 114D.30, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

61.2 Subd. 4. **Terms; compensation; removal.** The terms of members representing the state
61.3 agencies and the Metropolitan Council are four years and are coterminous with the governor.
61.4 The terms of other nonlegislative members of the council shall be as provided in section
61.5 15.059, subdivision 2. Members may serve until their successors are appointed and qualify.
61.6 Compensation and removal of nonlegislative council members is as provided in section
61.7 15.059, subdivisions 3 and 4, except that a nonlegislative member may be compensated at
61.8 the rate of up to \$125 a day. Compensation of legislative members is as determined by the
61.9 appointing authority. The Pollution Control Agency may reimburse legislative members
61.10 for expenses. A vacancy on the council may be filled by the appointing authority provided
61.11 in subdivision 1 for the remainder of the unexpired term.

61.12 Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 114D.30, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

61.13 Subd. 6. **Recommended appropriations.** (a) The Clean Water Council ~~shall recommend~~
61.14 must submit recommendations to the ~~governor and the legislature~~ the manner in which on
61.15 how money from the clean water fund should be appropriated for the purposes stated in
61.16 article XI, section 15, of the Minnesota Constitution and section 114D.50.

61.17 (b) The council's recommendations must:

61.18 (1) be to protect, enhance, and restore water quality in lakes, rivers, and streams and to
61.19 protect groundwater from degradation and ensure that at least five percent of the clean water
61.20 fund is spent only to protect drinking water sources;

61.21 (2) be consistent with the purposes, policies, goals, and priorities in this chapter; and

61.22 (3) allocate adequate support and resources to identify degraded groundwater and
61.23 impaired waters, develop TMDLs, implement restoration of groundwater and impaired
61.24 waters, and provide assistance and incentives to prevent groundwater and surface waters
61.25 from becoming degraded or impaired and improve the quality of surface waters which are
61.26 listed as impaired but have no approved TMDL.

61.27 (c) The council must recommend methods of ensuring that awards of grants, loans, or
61.28 other funds from the clean water fund specify the outcomes to be achieved as a result of the
61.29 funding and specify standards to hold the recipient accountable for achieving the desired
61.30 outcomes. Expenditures from the fund must be appropriated by law.

62.1 Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 114D.30, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

62.2 Subd. 7. **Reports to legislature.** ~~(a) By January 15 each odd-numbered year, the council~~
62.3 ~~must submit a report to the legislature on that includes:~~

62.4 (1) a summary of the activities for which money has been or will be spent for in the
62.5 current biennium, previous fiscal year;

62.6 (2) the activities for which money is recommended to recommendations required under
62.7 subdivision 6, for how money in the clean water fund should be spent in the next biennium,
62.8 fiscal year, including recommended legislative bill language; and

62.9 (3) the impact on economic development of the implementation of efforts to protect and
62.10 restore groundwater and the impaired waters program.

62.11 ~~(b) By January 15 each even-numbered year, the council may submit to the legislature~~
62.12 ~~supplemental recommendations on the manner in which money from the clean water fund~~
62.13 ~~should be appropriated in the next fiscal year.~~

62.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective January 1, 2025, and applies to
62.15 recommendations for fiscal year 2026 and beyond.

62.16 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 114D.50, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

62.17 Subd. 4. **Expenditures; accountability.** (a) A project receiving funding from the clean
62.18 water fund must meet or exceed the constitutional requirements to protect, enhance, and
62.19 restore water quality in lakes, rivers, and streams and to protect groundwater and drinking
62.20 water from degradation. Priority may be given to projects that meet more than one of these
62.21 requirements. A project receiving funding from the clean water fund shall include measurable
62.22 outcomes, as defined in section 3.303, subdivision 10, ~~and~~; a plan for measuring and
62.23 evaluating the results; and an assessment of whether the funding celebrates cultural diversity
62.24 or reaches diverse communities in Minnesota. A project must be consistent with current
62.25 science and incorporate state-of-the-art technology.

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

62.28 (c) A state agency or other recipient of a direct appropriation from the clean water fund
62.29 must compile and submit all information for proposed and funded projects or programs,
62.30 including the proposed measurable outcomes and all other items required under section
62.31 3.303, subdivision 10, to the Legislative Coordinating Commission as soon as practicable
62.32 or by January 15 of the applicable fiscal year, whichever comes first. The Legislative

63.1 Coordinating Commission must post submitted information on the website required under
63.2 section 3.303, subdivision 10, as soon as it becomes available. Information classified as not
63.3 public under section 13D.05, subdivision 3, paragraph (d), is not required to be placed on
63.4 the website.

63.5 (d) Grants funded by the clean water fund must be implemented according to section
63.6 16B.98 and must account for all expenditures. Proposals must specify a process for any
63.7 regranting envisioned. Priority for grant proposals must be given to proposals involving
63.8 grants that will be competitively awarded.

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

63.11 (f) When practicable, a direct recipient of an appropriation from the clean water fund
63.12 shall prominently display on the recipient's website home page the legacy logo required
63.13 under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article 5, section 10, as amended by Laws 2010, chapter
63.14 361, article 3, section 5, accompanied by the phrase "Click here for more information."
63.15 When a person clicks on the legacy logo image, the website must direct the person to a web
63.16 page that includes both the contact information that a person may use to obtain additional
63.17 information, as well as a link to the Legislative Coordinating Commission website required
63.18 under section 3.303, subdivision 10.

63.19 (g) Future eligibility for money from the clean water fund is contingent upon a state
63.20 agency or other recipient satisfying all applicable requirements in this section, as well as
63.21 any additional requirements contained in applicable session law. If the Office of the
63.22 Legislative Auditor, in the course of an audit or investigation, publicly reports that a recipient
63.23 of money from the clean water fund has not complied with the laws, rules, or regulations
63.24 in this section or other laws applicable to the recipient, the recipient must be listed in an
63.25 annual report to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over the legacy funds. The list
63.26 must be publicly available. The legislative auditor shall remove a recipient from the list
63.27 upon determination that the recipient is in compliance. A recipient on the list is not eligible
63.28 for future funding from the clean water fund until the recipient demonstrates compliance
63.29 to the legislative auditor.

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

63.33 (i) Any state agency or organization requesting a direct appropriation from the clean
63.34 water fund must inform the Clean Water Council and the house of representatives and senate

64.1 committees having jurisdiction over the clean water fund, at the time the request for funding
 64.2 is made, whether the request is supplanting or is a substitution for any previous funding that
 64.3 was not from a legacy fund and was used for the same purpose.

64.4 **Sec. 17. CLEAN WATER FUND APPROPRIATION EXTENSIONS.**

64.5 **Subdivision 1. Department of Health; contamination in private wells.** The availability
 64.6 of the appropriation from the clean water fund to the commissioner of health under Laws
 64.7 2019, First Special Session chapter 2, article 2, section 8, paragraph (d), is extended to June
 64.8 30, 2024.

64.9 **Subd. 2. Department of Health; water reuse implementation.** The availability of the
 64.10 appropriation from the clean water fund to the commissioner of health under Laws 2019,
 64.11 First Special Session chapter 2, article 2, section 8, paragraph (g), is extended to June 30,
 64.12 2024.

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

64.14 **ARTICLE 3**

64.15 **PARKS AND TRAILS FUND**

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

64.17 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies
 64.18 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the parks and
 64.19 trails fund and are available for the fiscal years indicated for each purpose. The figures
 64.20 "2024" and "2025" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed under the figure
 64.21 are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, or June 30, 2025, respectively. "The
 64.22 first year" is fiscal year 2024. "The second year" is fiscal year 2025. "The biennium" is
 64.23 fiscal years 2024 and 2025. These are onetime appropriations.

64.24 **APPROPRIATIONS**

64.25 **Available for the Year**

64.26 **Ending June 30**

64.27 **2024**

2025

64.28 **Sec. 2. PARKS AND TRAILS**

64.29 **Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation** **\$ 72,155,000 \$ 64,455,000**

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

64.32 **Subd. 2. Availability of Appropriation**

65.1 Money appropriated in this article may not be
65.2 spent on activities unless they are directly
65.3 related to and necessary for a specific
65.4 appropriation. Money appropriated in this
65.5 article must be spent in accordance with
65.6 Minnesota Management and Budget *MMB*
65.7 *Guidance to Agencies on Legacy Fund*
65.8 *Expenditure*. Notwithstanding Minnesota
65.9 Statutes, section 16A.28, and unless otherwise
65.10 specified in this article, fiscal year 2024
65.11 appropriations are available until June 30,
65.12 2026, and fiscal year 2025 appropriations are
65.13 available until June 30, 2027. If a project
65.14 receives federal funds, the period of the
65.15 appropriation is extended to equal the
65.16 availability of federal funding.

65.17 **Subd. 3. Disability Access**

65.18 Where appropriate, grant recipients of parks
65.19 and trails funds, in consultation with the
65.20 Council on Disability and other appropriate
65.21 governor-appointed disability councils, boards,
65.22 committees, and commissions, should make
65.23 progress toward providing people with
65.24 disabilities greater access to programs, print
65.25 publications, and digital media related to the
65.26 programs the recipient funds using
65.27 appropriations made in this article.

65.28 **Subd. 4. Energy and Water Conservation**

65.29 Grant recipients of parks and trails funds
65.30 should prioritize water and energy
65.31 conservation technology and the use of
65.32 renewable energy for construction and
65.33 building projects funded with an appropriation
65.34 made in this article.

66.1 **Sec. 3. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL**

66.2 **RESOURCES** **\$ 43,580,000 \$ 38,931,000**

66.3 (a) \$28,572,000 the first year and \$25,524,000

66.4 the second year are for state parks, recreation

66.5 areas, and trails to:

66.6 (1) connect people to the outdoors;

66.7 (2) acquire land and create opportunities;

66.8 (3) maintain existing holdings; and

66.9 (4) improve cooperation by coordinating with

66.10 partners to implement the 25-year long-range

66.11 parks and trails legacy plan.

66.12 (b) The commissioner may spend money

66.13 appropriated under paragraph (a) on I Can!

66.14 programs, including but not limited to,

66.15 programs designed to provide underserved

66.16 youth and youth who identify as lesbian, gay,

66.17 bisexual, transgender, and queer the

66.18 opportunity to experience the outdoors with

66.19 similar peers.

66.20 (c) \$14,286,000 the first year and \$12,762,000

66.21 the second year are for grants for parks and

66.22 trails of regional significance outside the

66.23 seven-county metropolitan area under

66.24 Minnesota Statutes, section 85.535. The grants

66.25 awarded under this paragraph must be based

66.26 on the lists of recommended projects

66.27 submitted to the legislative committees under

66.28 Minnesota Statutes, section 85.536,

66.29 subdivision 10, from the Greater Minnesota

66.30 Regional Parks and Trails Commission

66.31 established under Minnesota Statutes, section

66.32 85.536. Grants funded under this paragraph

66.33 must support parks and trails of regional or

66.34 statewide significance that meet the applicable

67.1 definitions and criteria for regional parks and
67.2 trails contained in the *Greater Minnesota*
67.3 *Regional Parks and Trails Strategic Plan*
67.4 adopted by the Greater Minnesota Regional
67.5 Parks and Trails Commission on April 22,
67.6 2015. Grant recipients identified under this
67.7 paragraph must submit a grant application to
67.8 the commissioner of natural resources. Up to
67.9 2.5 percent of the appropriation may be used
67.10 by the commissioner for the actual cost of
67.11 issuing and monitoring the grants for the
67.12 commission. Of the amount appropriated,
67.13 \$475,000 the first year and \$475,000 the
67.14 second year are for the Greater Minnesota
67.15 Regional Parks and Trails Commission to
67.16 carry out its duties under Minnesota Statutes,
67.17 section 85.536, including the continued
67.18 development of a statewide system plan for
67.19 regional parks and trails outside the
67.20 seven-county metropolitan area.

67.21 (d) By January 15, 2024, the Greater
67.22 Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails
67.23 Commission must submit a list of projects that
67.24 contains the commission's recommendations
67.25 for funding from the parks and trails fund for
67.26 fiscal year 2025 to the chairs and ranking
67.27 minority members of the legislative
67.28 committees and divisions with jurisdiction
67.29 over environment and natural resources and
67.30 the parks and trails fund.

67.31 (e) By January 15, 2024, the Greater
67.32 Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails
67.33 Commission must submit a report that contains
67.34 the commission's criteria for funding from the
67.35 parks and trails fund, including the criteria

68.1 used to determine if a park or trail is of
 68.2 regional significance, to the chairs and ranking
 68.3 minority members of the legislative
 68.4 committees and divisions with jurisdiction
 68.5 over environment and natural resources and
 68.6 the parks and trails fund.

68.7 (f) \$722,000 the first year and \$645,000 the
 68.8 second year are for coordination and projects
 68.9 between the department, the Metropolitan
 68.10 Council, and the Greater Minnesota Regional
 68.11 Parks and Trails Commission; enhanced
 68.12 web-based information for park and trail users;
 68.13 and support of activities of the Parks and
 68.14 Trails Legacy Advisory Committee.

68.15 (g) The commissioner must contract for
 68.16 services with Conservation Corps Minnesota
 68.17 for restoration, maintenance, and other
 68.18 activities under this section for at least
 68.19 \$850,000 the first year and \$850,000 the
 68.20 second year.

68.21 (h) Grant recipients of an appropriation under
 68.22 this section must give consideration to
 68.23 contracting with Conservation Corps
 68.24 Minnesota for restoration, maintenance, and
 68.25 other activities.

68.26 (i) In addition to the requirements under
 68.27 paragraph (g), the commissioner should work
 68.28 to provide other opportunities that encourage
 68.29 a diversity of students to pursue careers in
 68.30 environment and natural resources when
 68.31 implementing appropriations in this section.

68.32 **Sec. 4. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL \$ 28,572,000 \$ 25,524,000**

68.33 (a) \$28,572,000 the first year and \$25,524,000
 68.34 the second year are for distribution according

69.1 to Minnesota Statutes, section 85.53,
 69.2 subdivision 3.

69.3 (b) Money appropriated under this section and
 69.4 distributed to implementing agencies must be
 69.5 used only to fund the list of projects approved
 69.6 by the elected representatives of each of the
 69.7 metropolitan parks implementing agencies.
 69.8 Projects funded by the money appropriated
 69.9 under this section must be substantially
 69.10 consistent with the project descriptions and
 69.11 dollar amounts approved by each elected body.
 69.12 Any money remaining after completing the
 69.13 listed projects may be spent by the
 69.14 implementing agencies on projects to support
 69.15 parks and trails.

69.16 (c) Grant agreements entered into by the
 69.17 Metropolitan Council and recipients of money
 69.18 appropriated under this section must ensure
 69.19 that the money is used to supplement and not
 69.20 substitute for traditional sources of funding.

69.21 (d) The implementing agencies receiving
 69.22 appropriations under this section must give
 69.23 consideration to contracting with Conservation
 69.24 Corps Minnesota for restoration, maintenance,
 69.25 and other activities.

69.26	Sec. 5. <u>LEGISLATURE</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>-0-</u>
69.27	<u>\$3,000 the first year is for the Legislative</u>				
69.28	<u>Coordinating Commission for the website</u>				
69.29	<u>required under Minnesota Statutes, section</u>				
69.30	<u>3.303, subdivision 10.</u>				

69.31 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 85.53, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

69.32 Subd. 2. **Expenditures; accountability.** (a) A project or program receiving funding
 69.33 from the parks and trails fund must meet or exceed the constitutional requirement to support

70.1 parks and trails of regional or statewide significance. A project or program receiving funding
70.2 from the parks and trails fund must include measurable outcomes, as defined in section
70.3 3.303, subdivision 10, ~~and~~; a plan for measuring and evaluating the results; and an assessment
70.4 of whether the funding celebrates cultural diversity or reaches diverse communities in
70.5 Minnesota. A project or program must be consistent with current science and incorporate
70.6 state-of-the-art technology, except when the project or program is a portrayal or restoration
70.7 of historical significance.

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

70.10 (c) A state agency or other recipient of a direct appropriation from the parks and trails
70.11 fund must compile and submit all information for funded projects or programs, including
70.12 the proposed measurable outcomes and all other items required under section 3.303,
70.13 subdivision 10, to the Legislative Coordinating Commission as soon as practicable or by
70.14 January 15 of the applicable fiscal year, whichever comes first. The Legislative Coordinating
70.15 Commission must post submitted information on the website required under section 3.303,
70.16 subdivision 10, as soon as it becomes available.

70.17 (d) Grants funded by the parks and trails fund must be implemented according to section
70.18 16B.98 and must account for all expenditures. Proposals must specify a process for any
70.19 regranting envisioned. Priority for grant proposals must be given to proposals involving
70.20 grants that will be competitively awarded.

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

70.23 (f) When practicable, a direct recipient of an appropriation from the parks and trails fund
70.24 shall prominently display on the recipient's website home page the legacy logo required
70.25 under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article 5, section 10, as amended by Laws 2010, chapter
70.26 361, article 3, section 5, accompanied by the phrase "Click here for more information."
70.27 When a person clicks on the legacy logo image, the website must direct the person to a web
70.28 page that includes both the contact information that a person may use to obtain additional
70.29 information, as well as a link to the Legislative Coordinating Commission website required
70.30 under section 3.303, subdivision 10.

70.31 (g) Future eligibility for money from the parks and trails fund is contingent upon a state
70.32 agency or other recipient satisfying all applicable requirements in this section, as well as
70.33 any additional requirements contained in applicable session law. If the Office of the
70.34 Legislative Auditor, in the course of an audit or investigation, publicly reports that a recipient

71.1 of money from the parks and trails fund has not complied with the laws, rules, or regulations
71.2 in this section or other laws applicable to the recipient, the recipient must be listed in an
71.3 annual report to the legislative committees with jurisdiction over the legacy funds. The list
71.4 must be publicly available. The legislative auditor shall remove a recipient from the list
71.5 upon determination that the recipient is in compliance. A recipient on the list is not eligible
71.6 for future funding from the parks and trails fund until the recipient demonstrates compliance
71.7 to the legislative auditor.

71.8 (h) Any state agency or organization requesting a direct appropriation from the parks
71.9 and trails fund must inform the house of representatives and senate committees having
71.10 jurisdiction over the parks and trails fund, at the time the request for funding is made,
71.11 whether the request is supplanting or is a substitution for any previous funding that was not
71.12 from a legacy fund and was used for the same purpose.

71.13 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 85.53, is amended by adding a subdivision to
71.14 read:

71.15 Subd. 7. **Free park days.** An implementing agency, county, or city that charges an
71.16 entrance fee or requires a vehicle permit must provide free access to all its parks at least
71.17 four days each calendar year in order to be eligible for money appropriated from the parks
71.18 and trails fund. The implementing agency, county, or city must publicly announce the date
71.19 when entrance will be free at least 30 days in advance of the date it occurs.

71.20 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 85.536, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

71.21 Subdivision 1. **Establishment; purpose.** The Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and
71.22 Trails Commission is created to undertake system planning and provide recommendations
71.23 to the legislature for grants funded by the parks and trails fund to counties ~~and~~, cities, and
71.24 Tribal governments outside of the seven-county metropolitan area for parks and trails of
71.25 regional significance.

71.26 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 85.536, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

71.27 Subd. 2. **Commission.** The commission shall include 13 members appointed by the
71.28 governor with two members from each of the regional parks and trails districts determined
71.29 under subdivision 5 and one member at large. Membership terms, compensation, and removal
71.30 of members and filling of vacancies are as provided in section 15.0575, except that a
71.31 commission member may be compensated at the rate of up to \$125 a day.

72.1 **Sec. 10. PARKS AND TRAILS FUND APPROPRIATION EXTENSIONS.**

72.2 **Subdivision 1. Beaver Island Regional Trail; city of St. Cloud.** The availability of the
 72.3 grant to the city of St. Cloud for the Beaver Island Regional Trail construction and restoration
 72.4 project from the parks and trails fund appropriation under Laws 2019, First Special Session
 72.5 chapter 2, article 3, section 3, paragraph (b), is extended to June 30, 2024.

72.6 **Subd. 2. Robinson Park; city of Sandstone.** The portions of the appropriations from
 72.7 the parks and trails fund in Laws 2019, First Special Session chapter 2, article 3, section 3,
 72.8 paragraph (b), and Laws 2021, First Special Session chapter 1, article 3, section 3, paragraph
 72.9 (b), that were granted to the city of Sandstone for the Robinson Park project are available
 72.10 until June 30, 2025.

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

72.12 **Sec. 11. EXPANDING ACCESS TO PARKS AND TRAILS FUND GRANTS IN**
 72.13 **GREATER MINNESOTA; REPORT.**

72.14 By January 15, 2024, the commissioner of natural resources, in cooperation with the
 72.15 Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails Commission, must submit a report to the
 72.16 chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees and divisions with
 72.17 jurisdiction over the parks and trails fund with recommendations for expanding eligibility
 72.18 of parks and trails fund grants under Minnesota Statutes, section 85.536 to Tribal
 72.19 governments and for expanding cooperation with nonprofit organizations, including any
 72.20 necessary statute changes.

72.21 **ARTICLE 4**

72.22 **ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE FUND**

72.23 **Section 1. ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE FUND APPROPRIATIONS.**

72.24 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the entities
 72.25 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the arts and cultural
 72.26 heritage fund and are available for the fiscal years indicated for allowable activities under
 72.27 the Minnesota Constitution, article XI, section 15, except that any unencumbered balance
 72.28 remaining under this article from the first year does not cancel but is available in the second
 72.29 year. The figures "2024" and "2025" used in this article mean that the appropriations listed
 72.30 under the figure are available for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, and June 30, 2025,
 72.31 respectively. "The first year" is fiscal year 2024. "The second year" is fiscal year 2025. "The
 72.32 biennium" is fiscal years 2024 and 2025. All appropriations in this article are onetime.

73.1	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>	
73.2	<u>Available for the Year</u>	
73.3	<u>Ending June 30</u>	
73.4	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
73.5	Sec. 2. <u>ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE</u>	
73.6	<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$ 106,118,000</u>
73.7	<u>The amounts that may be spent for each</u>	
73.8	<u>purpose are specified in the following</u>	
73.9	<u>subdivisions.</u>	
73.10	<u>Subd. 2. Availability of Appropriation</u>	
73.11	<u>Money appropriated in this article must not</u>	
73.12	<u>be spent on activities unless they are directly</u>	
73.13	<u>related to and necessary for a specific</u>	
73.14	<u>appropriation. Money appropriated in this</u>	
73.15	<u>article must not be spent on institutional</u>	
73.16	<u>overhead charges that are not directly related</u>	
73.17	<u>to and necessary for a specific appropriation.</u>	
73.18	<u>Money appropriated in this article must be</u>	
73.19	<u>spent in accordance with Minnesota</u>	
73.20	<u>Management and Budget <i>MMB Guidance to</i></u>	
73.21	<u><i>Agencies on Legacy Fund Expenditure.</i></u>	
73.22	<u>Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section</u>	
73.23	<u>16A.28, and unless otherwise specified in this</u>	
73.24	<u>article, fiscal year 2024 appropriations are</u>	
73.25	<u>available until June 30, 2025, and fiscal year</u>	
73.26	<u>2025 appropriations are available until June</u>	
73.27	<u>30, 2026. Water and energy conservation</u>	
73.28	<u>technology and the use of renewable energy</u>	
73.29	<u>should be priorities for construction and</u>	
73.30	<u>building projects funded through this</u>	
73.31	<u>appropriation. If a project receives federal</u>	
73.32	<u>funds, the period of the appropriation is</u>	
73.33	<u>extended to equal the availability of federal</u>	
73.34	<u>funding.</u>	

74.1	<u>Subd. 3. Minnesota State Arts Board</u>	<u>50,835,000</u>	<u>45,836,000</u>
74.2	<u>(a) The amounts in this subdivision are</u>		
74.3	<u>appropriated to the Minnesota State Arts</u>		
74.4	<u>Board for arts, arts education, arts</u>		
74.5	<u>preservation, and arts access. Grant</u>		
74.6	<u>agreements entered into by the Minnesota</u>		
74.7	<u>State Arts Board and other recipients of</u>		
74.8	<u>appropriations in this subdivision must ensure</u>		
74.9	<u>that these funds are used to supplement and</u>		
74.10	<u>not substitute for traditional sources of</u>		
74.11	<u>funding. Each grant program established in</u>		
74.12	<u>this appropriation must be separately</u>		
74.13	<u>administered from other state appropriations</u>		
74.14	<u>for program planning and outcome</u>		
74.15	<u>measurements, but may take into consideration</u>		
74.16	<u>other state resources awarded in the selection</u>		
74.17	<u>of applicants and grant award size.</u>		
74.18	<u>(b) Arts and Arts Access Initiatives</u>		
74.19	<u>\$18,500,000 the first year and \$18,561,000</u>		
74.20	<u>the second year are to support Minnesota</u>		
74.21	<u>artists and arts organizations in creating,</u>		
74.22	<u>producing, and presenting high-quality arts</u>		
74.23	<u>activities; to preserve, maintain, and interpret</u>		
74.24	<u>art forms and works of art so that they are</u>		
74.25	<u>accessible to Minnesota audiences; to</u>		
74.26	<u>overcome barriers to accessing high-quality</u>		
74.27	<u>arts activities; and to instill the arts into the</u>		
74.28	<u>community and public life in this state. Grants</u>		
74.29	<u>provided under this paragraph must prioritize</u>		
74.30	<u>artists and arts organizations that plan to</u>		
74.31	<u>present art from communities that have been</u>		
74.32	<u>historically underrepresented in the arts or that</u>		
74.33	<u>improves access to the programs and projects</u>		
74.34	<u>for groups, including youth and historically</u>		

75.1 underserved communities, that have struggled
75.2 to access arts programming in the past.

75.3 Of this amount, \$50,000 in each year must be
75.4 used to fund:

75.5 (1) free-access days for Minnesota citizens to
75.6 access art institutions and to provide grants to
75.7 organizations and individual arts who will
75.8 provide completely free public art events
75.9 throughout the state including grants for
75.10 transportation and accessibility grants to
75.11 broaden the audience of arts programming;
75.12 and

75.13 (2) free admission for children to art, music,
75.14 cultural, and dance programs, including
75.15 transportation and accessibility grants to
75.16 broaden the audience for arts programming.

75.17 **(c) Arts Education**

75.18 \$5,978,000 the first year and \$5,978,000 the
75.19 second year are for high-quality,
75.20 age-appropriate arts education for Minnesotans
75.21 of all ages to develop knowledge, skills, and
75.22 understanding of the arts. Priority in the award
75.23 of grants under this paragraph must be given
75.24 to providing educational opportunities to
75.25 underserved communities with grants for
75.26 organizations or entities providing
75.27 opportunities to K-12 students throughout the
75.28 state for arts education, including access to:
75.29 arts instruction; arts programming; museums,
75.30 and arts presentations.

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

75.32 \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000 the
75.33 second year are for events and activities that
75.34 represent, preserve, and maintain the diverse

76.1 cultural arts traditions, including folk and
76.2 traditional artists and art organizations,
76.3 represented in this state.

76.4 **(e) Significant Public Arts Installations**

76.5 \$5,000,000 the first year is for grants for up
76.6 to three organizations or local governments
76.7 for the design, land development, land transfer
76.8 fees, and production costs of a significant and
76.9 publicly accessible art project celebrating
76.10 Minnesota arts and cultural heritage and
76.11 providing a unique public art experience
76.12 through art installation, including sculpture
76.13 and design. The projects funded by this section
76.14 must have a matching grant and must include
76.15 in the grant agreement terms for the future
76.16 ownership, maintenance, taxes, and associated
76.17 costs for the art project and project site. The
76.18 projects funded by this section must have a
76.19 permanent sign indicating the project was
76.20 funded through the arts and cultural heritage
76.21 fund.

76.22 **(f) Administrative Costs**

76.23 \$936,000 each year is for administering grant
76.24 programs, delivering technical services,
76.25 providing fiscal oversight for the statewide
76.26 system, and ensuring accountability in fiscal
76.27 years 2024 and 2025.

76.28 **(g) Regional Arts Councils**

76.29 \$18,334,000 the first year and \$18,334,000
76.30 the second year are for grants to the regional
76.31 arts councils. One quarter of this amount shall
76.32 be to establish, continue, improve, and expand
76.33 grants for organizations and educational
76.34 institutions to improve and expand access for

77.1 youth to artistic instruction, arts programming,
 77.2 and the participation of youth in the arts.

77.3 (h) Any unencumbered balance remaining
 77.4 under this subdivision the first year does not
 77.5 cancel but is available the second year.

77.6	<u>Subd. 4. Minnesota Historical Society</u>	<u>17,808,000</u>	<u>19,692,000</u>
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77.7 (a) The amounts in this subdivision are
 77.8 appropriated to the governing board of the
 77.9 Minnesota Historical Society to preserve and
 77.10 enhance access to Minnesota's history and its
 77.11 cultural and historical resources. Grant
 77.12 agreements entered into by the Minnesota
 77.13 Historical Society and other recipients of
 77.14 appropriations in this subdivision must ensure
 77.15 that these funds are used to supplement and
 77.16 not substitute for traditional sources of
 77.17 funding. Funds directly appropriated to the
 77.18 Minnesota Historical Society must be used to
 77.19 supplement and not substitute for traditional
 77.20 sources of funding. The appropriations in this
 77.21 subdivision are onetime, and any
 77.22 unencumbered balance remaining under this
 77.23 section in the first year does not cancel, but is
 77.24 available for the second year of the biennium.
 77.25 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
 77.26 16A.28, for historic preservation projects that
 77.27 improve historic structures, the amounts are
 77.28 available until June 30, 2027. The Minnesota
 77.29 Historical Society or grant recipients of the
 77.30 Minnesota Historical Society using arts and
 77.31 cultural heritage funds under this subdivision
 77.32 must give consideration to Conservation Corps
 77.33 Minnesota and Northern Bedrock Historic
 77.34 Preservation Corps, or an organization
 77.35 carrying out similar work, for projects with

78.1 the potential to need historic preservation

78.2 services.

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

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

78.5 \$7,150,000 the first year and \$7,850,000 the

78.6 second year are for statewide historic and

78.7 cultural grants to local, county, regional, or

78.8 other historical or cultural organizations or for

78.9 activities to preserve significant historic and

78.10 cultural resources. Money must be distributed

78.11 through a competitive grant process. The

78.12 Minnesota Historical Society must administer

78.13 the money using established grant mechanisms

78.14 with assistance from the advisory committee

78.15 created under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article

78.16 4, section 2, subdivision 4, paragraph (b), item

78.17 (ii).

78.18 **(2) Statewide History Programs**

78.19 \$7,600,000 the first year and \$7,900,000 the

78.20 second year are for historic and cultural

78.21 programs and purposes related to the heritage

78.22 of the state.

78.23 Of this amount, \$400,000 the first year is for

78.24 grants to organizations or local governments

78.25 that own buildings or structures that are

78.26 considered historically significant to their local

78.27 communities to improve access to the

78.28 buildings or structures, to preserve the building

78.29 or structure, or to enhance the use of the

78.30 building or structure, including improving

78.31 access to museums, music halls, opera houses,

78.32 libraries, and sites celebrating diverse cultures

78.33 and heritages throughout the state. Grant

78.34 funding not encumbered in the first year is

79.1 available for statewide history programs in the
79.2 second year.

79.3 Of this amount, \$50,000 the first year and
79.4 \$50,000 the second year are for the production
79.5 and distribution of "Making Minnesota" on
79.6 Minnesota's natural resources, legacy, culture,
79.7 and history made available free of cost.

79.8 (3) History Partnerships

79.9 \$2,183,000 the first year and \$3,067,000 the
79.10 second year are for history partnerships
79.11 involving multiple organizations, which may
79.12 include the Minnesota Historical Society, to
79.13 preserve and enhance access to Minnesota's
79.14 history and cultural heritage in all regions of
79.15 the state.

79.16 (4) Statewide Survey of Historical and
79.17 Archaeological Sites

79.18 \$500,000 the first year and \$500,000 the
79.19 second year are for one or more contracts to
79.20 be competitively awarded to conduct statewide
79.21 surveys or investigations of Minnesota's sites
79.22 of historical, archeological, and cultural
79.23 significance. Results of the surveys or
79.24 investigations must be published in a
79.25 searchable form and available to the public
79.26 cost-free. The Minnesota Historical Society,
79.27 the Office of the State Archeologist, the Indian
79.28 Affairs Council, and the State Historic
79.29 Preservation Office must each appoint a
79.30 representative to an oversight board to select
79.31 contractors and direct the conduct of the
79.32 surveys or investigations. The oversight board
79.33 must consult with the Departments of
79.34 Transportation and Natural Resources.

79.35 (5) Digital Library

80.1 \$375,000 the first year and \$375,000 the
 80.2 second year are for a digital library project to
 80.3 preserve, digitize, and share Minnesota
 80.4 images, documents, and historical materials.
 80.5 The Minnesota Historical Society must
 80.6 cooperate with the Minitex interlibrary loan
 80.7 system and must jointly share this
 80.8 appropriation for these purposes.

80.9 **Subd. 5. Department of Education** 3,000,000 2,750,000

80.10 (a) \$2,750,000 each year is appropriated to
 80.11 the commissioner of education for grants to
 80.12 the 12 Minnesota regional library systems to
 80.13 provide educational opportunities in the arts,
 80.14 history, literary arts, and cultural heritage of
 80.15 Minnesota. When possible, funding under this
 80.16 subdivision should be used to promote and
 80.17 share the work of Minnesota authors,
 80.18 including authors from diverse backgrounds.
 80.19 This money must be allocated using the
 80.20 formulas in Minnesota Statutes, section
 80.21 134.355, subdivisions 3, 4, and 5, with the
 80.22 remaining 25 percent to be distributed to all
 80.23 qualifying systems in an amount proportionate
 80.24 to the number of qualifying system entities in
 80.25 each system. For purposes of this subdivision,
 80.26 "qualifying system entity" means a public
 80.27 library, a regional library system, a regional
 80.28 library system headquarters, a county, or an
 80.29 outreach service program. This money may
 80.30 be used to sponsor programs provided by
 80.31 regional libraries or to provide grants to local
 80.32 arts and cultural heritage programs for
 80.33 programs in partnership with regional libraries.
 80.34 This money must be distributed in ten equal
 80.35 payments per year. Notwithstanding

81.1 Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, the
 81.2 appropriations encumbered on or before June
 81.3 30, 2025, as grants or contracts in this
 81.4 subdivision are available until June 30, 2026.

81.5 (b) \$250,000 the first year is appropriated to
 81.6 the commissioner of education for a water
 81.7 safety grant program. The commissioner of
 81.8 education must allocate grants to eligible
 81.9 applicants. Eligible applicants include
 81.10 nonprofit organizations and city and county
 81.11 parks and recreation programs providing
 81.12 swimming lessons to youth. Eligible applicants
 81.13 are not required to partner with other entities.
 81.14 Grant funds must primarily be used to provide
 81.15 scholarships to low-income and at-risk
 81.16 children for swimming lessons. Up to 15
 81.17 percent of the grant funds may also be used
 81.18 to hire water safety instructors or lifeguards
 81.19 or train water safety instructors or lifeguards
 81.20 in nationally recognized water safety practices
 81.21 and instruction.

81.22 **Subd. 6. Department of Administration** 12,450,000 12,300,000

81.23 (a) The amounts in this subdivision are
 81.24 appropriated to the commissioner of
 81.25 administration for grants to the named
 81.26 organizations for the purposes specified in this
 81.27 subdivision. The commissioner of
 81.28 administration may use a portion of this
 81.29 appropriation for costs that are directly related
 81.30 to and necessary for the administration of
 81.31 grants in this subdivision.

81.32 (b) Grant agreements entered into by the
 81.33 commissioner and recipients of appropriations
 81.34 under this subdivision must ensure that money
 81.35 appropriated in this subdivision is used to

82.1 supplement and not substitute for traditional
82.2 sources of funding.

82.3 **(c) Minnesota Public Radio**

82.4 \$2,100,000 each year is for Minnesota Public
82.5 Radio to create programming and expand news
82.6 service on Minnesota's cultural heritage and
82.7 history.

82.8 **(d) Association of Minnesota Public Educational**
82.9 **Radio Stations**

82.10 \$2,100,000 the first year and \$2,100,000 the
82.11 second year are to the Association of
82.12 Minnesota Public Educational Radio Stations
82.13 for production and acquisition grants in
82.14 accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section
82.15 129D.19.

82.16 **(e) Public Television**

82.17 \$4,500,000 each year is to the Minnesota
82.18 Public Television Association for production
82.19 and acquisition grants according to Minnesota
82.20 Statutes, section 129D.18. A portion of this
82.21 funding may be used for producing television
82.22 related to Minnesota military and veterans'
82.23 history and unique immigration stories from
82.24 around the state.

82.25 **(f) Wilderness Inquiry**

82.26 \$500,000 the first year and \$600,000 the
82.27 second year are to Wilderness Inquiry to
82.28 preserve Minnesota's outdoor history, culture,
82.29 and heritage by connecting Minnesota youth
82.30 to natural resources.

82.31 **(g) Como Park Zoo**

82.32 \$1,750,000 each year is to the Como Park Zoo
82.33 and Conservatory for program development

83.1 that features education programs and habitat
83.2 enhancement, special exhibits, music
83.3 appreciation programs, and historical garden
83.4 access and preservation.

83.5 **(h) Science Museum of Minnesota**

83.6 \$850,000 each year is to the Science Museum
83.7 of Minnesota for arts, arts education, and arts
83.8 access and to preserve Minnesota's history and
83.9 cultural heritage, including student and teacher
83.10 outreach, statewide educational initiatives, and
83.11 community-based exhibits that preserve
83.12 Minnesota's history and cultural heritage.

83.13 **(i) Appetite for Change**

83.14 \$200,000 the first year is to the nonprofit
83.15 Appetite for Change for the Community Cooks
83.16 programming, which will preserve the cultural
83.17 heritage of growing and cooking food in
83.18 Minnesota.

83.19 **(j) Lake Superior Zoo**

83.20 \$150,000 each year is to the Lake Superior
83.21 Zoo to develop educational exhibits and
83.22 programs.

83.23 **(k) Great Lakes Aquarium**

83.24 \$250,000 each year is to the Lake Superior
83.25 Center Authority to prepare, fabricate, and
83.26 install a hands-on exhibit with interactive
83.27 learning components to educate Minnesotans
83.28 on the history of the natural landscape of the
83.29 state.

83.30 **(l) State Band**

83.31 \$50,000 the first year is to the Minnesota state
83.32 band to provide free concerts throughout the
83.33 state of Minnesota.

84.1	<u>Subd. 7. Minnesota Zoo</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>
84.2	<u>The amounts in this subdivision are</u>		
84.3	<u>appropriated to the Minnesota Zoological</u>		
84.4	<u>Board for programs at and development of the</u>		
84.5	<u>Minnesota Zoological Garden and to provide</u>		
84.6	<u>access and education related to programs on</u>		
84.7	<u>the cultural heritage of Minnesota.</u>		
84.8	<u>Subd. 8. Minnesota Humanities Center</u>	<u>17,321,000</u>	<u>3,650,000</u>
84.9	<u>(a) The amounts in this subdivision are</u>		
84.10	<u>appropriated to the Board of Directors of the</u>		
84.11	<u>Minnesota Humanities Center for the purposes</u>		
84.12	<u>specified in this subdivision. The Minnesota</u>		
84.13	<u>Humanities Center may use up to 5.5 percent</u>		
84.14	<u>of the appropriations for the administration of</u>		
84.15	<u>these funds and to cover the cost of</u>		
84.16	<u>administering, planning, evaluating, and</u>		
84.17	<u>reporting these grants. The Minnesota</u>		
84.18	<u>Humanities Center must develop a written</u>		
84.19	<u>plan to issue the grants under this subdivision</u>		
84.20	<u>and must submit the plan for review and</u>		
84.21	<u>approval by the commissioner of</u>		
84.22	<u>administration. The written plan must require</u>		
84.23	<u>the Minnesota Humanities Center to create</u>		
84.24	<u>and adhere to grant policies that are similar to</u>		
84.25	<u>those established according to Minnesota</u>		
84.26	<u>Statutes, section 16B.97, subdivision 4,</u>		
84.27	<u>paragraph (a), clause (1).</u>		
84.28	<u>The grant agreement must specify the</u>		
84.29	<u>repercussions for failing to comply with the</u>		
84.30	<u>grant agreement.</u>		
84.31	<u>(b) Programs and Purposes</u>		
84.32	<u>\$2,000,000 each year is for statewide</u>		
84.33	<u>humanities programs and to support and</u>		
84.34	<u>expand outreach, partnerships, and humanities</u>		

85.1 programming with organizations and
85.2 individuals throughout the state, including but
85.3 not limited to programming related to veterans
85.4 and the military experience, professional
85.5 development opportunities for educators, and
85.6 programming celebrating, representing, and
85.7 reflecting upon the heritage of diverse
85.8 Minnesota communities that have been
85.9 historically underserved.

85.10 **(c) Children's Museum Grants**

85.11 \$1,695,000 the first year and \$1,650,000 the
85.12 second year are for grants to children's
85.13 museums for arts and cultural exhibits and
85.14 related educational outreach programs. Grants
85.15 under this paragraph can include hands-on
85.16 exhibits related to the history and cultural
85.17 impact of science, medicine, and STEMS
85.18 developments for youth in Minnesota.

85.19 Of this amount:

85.20 (1) \$695,000 the first year and \$650,000 the
85.21 second year are for grants to children's
85.22 museums to be distributed through a
85.23 competitive grant process for children's
85.24 museums that have an operating budget greater
85.25 than \$2,000,000. Priority must be given to
85.26 youth education, new exhibits development,
85.27 and outreach to underserved and diverse
85.28 communities and programming that celebrates
85.29 cultural diversity. The Minnesota Humanities
85.30 Center must administer these funds using
85.31 established grant mechanisms; and

85.32 (2) \$1,000,000 each year is for grants to
85.33 children's museums to be distributed through
85.34 a competitive grant process for children's

86.1 museums that have an operating budget of
86.2 \$2,000,000 or less. Priority must be given to
86.3 youth education, new exhibits development,
86.4 and outreach to underserved and diverse
86.5 communities and programming that celebrates
86.6 cultural diversity. The Minnesota Humanities
86.7 Center must administer these funds using
86.8 established grant mechanisms.

86.9 **(d) Community Identity and Heritage Grant**
86.10 **Program; Administration and Capacity Building**
86.11 **Grants**

86.12 (1) \$75,000 the first year is for outreach and
86.13 education on this humanities center grant
86.14 program with a focus on reaching diverse
86.15 community organizations and providing
86.16 assistance on grant opportunities,
86.17 qualifications, reporting requirements, and
86.18 specifically providing technical assistance and
86.19 nontraditional application process to improve
86.20 access to grant funding for diverse
86.21 communities.

86.22 (2) \$1,500,000 the first year is for capacity
86.23 building grants to organizations working with
86.24 and promoting the culture of underserved
86.25 communities to assist with:

86.26 (i) training and assisting staff on grant writing
86.27 and grant reporting;

86.28 (ii) the costs of consultation and training from
86.29 experts in nonprofit management; and

86.30 (iii) to assist smaller organizations with
86.31 capacity building and fundraising capabilities.

86.32 (3) \$11,621,000 the first year is for a
86.33 competitive grants program to provide grants
86.34 to organizations or individuals working to
86.35 create, celebrate, and teach the art, culture,

87.1 and heritage of diverse Minnesota
87.2 communities, including but not limited to
87.3 Asian and Pacific Island communities, the
87.4 Somali diaspora and other African immigrant
87.5 communities, Indigenous communities with
87.6 a focus on the 11 Tribes in Minnesota, the
87.7 African American community, the Latinx
87.8 community, the LGBTQIA+ community and
87.9 other underrepresented cultural groups,
87.10 including communities of Black, Indigenous,
87.11 and people of color, to celebrate the cultural
87.12 diversity of Minnesota. At least \$2,000,000
87.13 of the grant funding in this paragraph shall be
87.14 for grants greater than \$150,000. An individual
87.15 or organization that receives a grant under this
87.16 paragraph must do at least one of the
87.17 following:

87.18 (i) preserve and honor the cultural heritage of
87.19 Minnesota;

87.20 (ii) provide education and student outreach on
87.21 cultural diversity;

87.22 (iii) support the development of culturally
87.23 diverse humanities programming, including
87.24 arts programming, by individuals and
87.25 organizations; or

87.26 (iv) empower communities in building identity
87.27 and culture including preserving and honoring
87.28 communities whose Indigenous cultures are
87.29 endangered or disappearing.

87.30 (4) Of this amount, \$25,000 the first year is
87.31 available for emergency grants to respond to
87.32 urgent community needs to organizations
87.33 otherwise qualified to receive grants under
87.34 paragraph (4). Grants under this section should

88.1 be designed to be awarded on a rolling basis
 88.2 based on emerging needs to assist
 88.3 communities responding to major events and
 88.4 to facilitate the process of grieving, to
 88.5 encourage healing, create memorials, or assist
 88.6 in recovery of the community. This amount is
 88.7 available through the second year and any
 88.8 amount not expended by October 15 of the
 88.9 second year may be used for general
 88.10 programming costs or grants under this
 88.11 section.

88.12 **(e) Civics Grants Program**

88.13 \$400,000 the first year is for grants to the
 88.14 support programs and organizations providing
 88.15 civics education for youth on law, democracy,
 88.16 government, debate, and to conduct civics
 88.17 education programs.

88.18 **(f) Fiscal Accountability Study**

88.19 \$30,000 the first year is for a study on fiscal
 88.20 sponsorship and fiscal oversight to study and
 88.21 report on best practices in grant making to
 88.22 nonprofit organizations. This funding is
 88.23 available in the second year and the study may
 88.24 be conducted by an entity hired by the Board
 88.25 of Directors of the Minnesota Humanities
 88.26 Center.

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

88.28 \$850,000 each year is to provide grants to
 88.29 Minnesota Tribal Nations to preserve Dakota
 88.30 and Ojibwe Indian language and to foster
 88.31 education programs and services for Dakota
 88.32 and Ojibwe language.

89.1 \$650,000 each year is for grants to Dakota and
 89.2 Ojibwe language immersion educational
 89.3 institutions.

89.4 \$600,000 each year is to provide grants to
 89.5 preserve the Dakota and Ojibwe Indian
 89.6 language through support of projects and
 89.7 services and to support education programs
 89.8 and immersion efforts in Dakota and Ojibwe
 89.9 language.

89.10 \$50,000 each year is for a Dakota and Ojibwe
 89.11 Indian language working group coordinated
 89.12 by the Indian Affairs Council.

89.13 \$150,000 each year is for the Indian Affairs
 89.14 Council to carry out responsibilities under
 89.15 Minnesota Statutes, section 307.08, to comply
 89.16 with Public Law 101-601, the Native
 89.17 American Graves Protection and Repatriation
 89.18 Act.

89.19 **Subd. 10. Department of Agriculture** 400,000 400,000

89.20 The amounts in this subdivision are
 89.21 appropriated to the commissioner of
 89.22 agriculture for grants to county agricultural
 89.23 societies to enhance arts access and education
 89.24 and to preserve and promote Minnesota's
 89.25 history and cultural heritage as embodied in
 89.26 its county fairs. The grants may be distributed
 89.27 in equal amounts to each of the county fairs
 89.28 who submitted an application. The grants are
 89.29 in addition to the aid distribution to county
 89.30 agricultural societies under Minnesota
 89.31 Statutes, section 38.02. The commissioner of
 89.32 agriculture must develop grant-making criteria
 89.33 and guidance for expending money under this
 89.34 subdivision to provide funding for projects

90.1 and events that provide access to the arts or
 90.2 the state's agricultural, historical, and cultural
 90.3 heritage. The commissioner must seek input
 90.4 from all interested parties. Money not used in
 90.5 the first year may be used in the second year.

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

90.7 The amount in this subdivision is appropriated
 90.8 to the Legislative Coordinating Commission
 90.9 to maintain the website required under
 90.10 Minnesota Statutes, section 3.303, subdivision
 90.11 10.

90.12 **Subd. 12. Legacy Arts and Cultural Heritage**
 90.13 **Access Days**

90.14 A portion of all funding from the arts and
 90.15 cultural heritage fund appropriations in this
 90.16 section shall be used by grantees to improve
 90.17 access to programs, exhibits, and events that
 90.18 traditionally have a fee for entry. Grantees are
 90.19 encouraged to provide access to all community
 90.20 members using free programming days, and
 90.21 to distribute free or reduced cost tickets to
 90.22 improve access to all households throughout
 90.23 the state in order to increase participation in
 90.24 arts, history, and cultural programs that may
 90.25 be inaccessible due to cost. Grantees may
 90.26 partner with nonprofits that provide low or no
 90.27 cost access to arts and cultural heritage events,
 90.28 as well as provide open access to free or
 90.29 reduced cost programming to all economically
 90.30 disadvantaged households. All grantees should
 90.31 work to promote and advertise the ability to
 90.32 attend programs, exhibits, and events through
 90.33 free access days for all Minnesotans, and free
 90.34 or reduce cost ticketing programs, and provide
 90.35 instructions on how these programs work.

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

91.3 Subd. 6. Report. Each fiscal agent who receives funding from the arts and cultural
91.4 heritage fund in a biennial budget must submit a report by February 15 the next
91.5 odd-numbered year to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees
91.6 with jurisdiction over the legacy arts and cultural heritage fund. Each report must cover the
91.7 two years prior to the report and include:

91.8 (1) an accounting of funding that has been distributed;

91.9 (2) an accounting of funding not yet expended;

91.10 (3) summary information on programs supported by the funding;

91.11 (4) summary information on competitive grant programs when offered; and

91.12 (5) grant information for grants provided to individuals, entities, or organizations,
91.13 including whether or not the programs or projects awarded funding have been completed."

91.14 Amend the title accordingly