

HF1415 - 0 - "Roadway Use Access Mods"

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State Fiscal Impact	Yes	No
Expenditures	X	
Fee/Departmental Earnings		X
Tax Revenue		X
Information Technology		X
Local Fiscal Impact		X

This table shows direct impact to state government only. Local government impact, if any, is discussed in the narrative. Reductions shown in the parentheses.

State Cost (Savings)	Biennium			Biennium		
	Dollars in Thousands	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
Trunk Highway	-	2	2	2	2	2
<b>Total</b>	-	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Biennial Total</b>			<b>4</b>			<b>4</b>

Full Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)	Biennium			Biennium	
	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
Trunk Highway	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-

**Executive Budget Officer's Comment**

I have reviewed this fiscal note for reasonableness of content and consistency with MMB's Fiscal Note policies.

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### State Cost (Savings) Calculation Details

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\*Transfers In/Out and Absorbed Costs are only displayed when reported.

<b>State Cost (Savings) = 1-2</b>		Biennium			Biennium	
Dollars in Thousands		FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
Trunk Highway		-	2	2	2	2
	<b>Total</b>	-	2	2	2	2
	<b>Biennial Total</b>			4		4
<b>1 - Expenditures, Absorbed Costs*, Transfers Out*</b>						
Trunk Highway		-	2	2	2	2
	<b>Total</b>	-	2	2	2	2
	<b>Biennial Total</b>			4		4
<b>2 - Revenues, Transfers In*</b>						
Trunk Highway		-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Biennial Total</b>			-		-

### Bill Description

House File 1415 would modify work permits for property owners requesting to install pressurized flexible force mains that transport manure for field application on property that abuts a public highway. As long as the required information is included, a single application would allow the installation from the owners property to the property where the field application would occur, regardless of whether the applicant owned all the property affected.

### Assumptions

MnDOT has an established process which includes permit issuance for property owners installing pipes that transport manure across highways through existing culverts. This bill would expand the situations in which these permits could be used. Over the past two years, approximately 20 permits have been issued each year. While we have no way of knowing how many additional permits could be issued, we will assume these permits would double were this bill to pass.

Each additional permit would require approximately 3 hours of MnDOT staff time to review the permit application and oversee the process. This work would be performed by Transportation Specialists, at an hourly wage rate of \$25/hour. An additional 50% would be added to account for overhead costs including fringe benefits. These costs would occur annually from the Trunk Highway Fund, beginning in fiscal year 2016.

There are some potential environmental risks from having such pipes running along highways; for instance, a pipe could burst. It is assumed any costs involved in cleanup would be paid for by the landowner, so no fiscal impact is shown.

### Expenditure and/or Revenue Formula

Transportation Specialist:  $\$25/\text{hr} \times 3 \text{ hours/permit} \times 20 \text{ permits/year} = \$1,500 + 50\% \text{ overhead} = \$2,250/\text{year}$

### Long-Term Fiscal Considerations

These costs would continue in future years

**Local Fiscal Impact**

None

**References/Sources**

MnDOT Office of Maintenance

MnDOT Office of Land Management

MnDOT Office of Environmental Stewardship

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