

1.15 **ARTICLE 1**
1.16 **OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND**

1.17 Section 1. **APPROPRIATIONS.**

1.18 The sums shown in the columns marked "Appropriations" are appropriated to the agencies
1.19 and for the purposes specified in this article. The appropriations are from the outdoor heritage
1.20 fund for the fiscal year indicated for each purpose. The figures "2018" and "2019" used in
1.21 this article mean that the appropriations listed under the figure are available for the fiscal
1.22 year ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, respectively. The "first year" is fiscal year
1.23 2018. The "second year" is fiscal year 2019. The "biennium" is fiscal years 2018 and 2019,
1.24 respectively. The appropriations in this article are onetime appropriations.

	<u>APPROPRIATIONS</u>		
	<u>Available for the Year</u>		
	<u>Ending June 30</u>		
	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	
2.1	Sec. 2. <u>OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND</u>		
2.2	<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$ 103,105,000</u>	<u>\$ 585,000</u>
2.3	<u>Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section</u>		
2.4	<u>97A.056, subdivision 24, this appropriation is</u>		
2.5	<u>from the outdoor heritage fund. The amounts</u>		
2.6	<u>that may be spent for each purpose are</u>		
2.7	<u>specified in the following subdivisions.</u>		
2.8	<u>Subd. 2. Prairies</u>	<u>26,614,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
2.9	<u>(a) DNR Wildlife Management Area and</u>		
2.10	<u>Scientific and Natural Area Acquisition - Phase</u>		
2.11	<u>IX</u>		

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	<u>Available for the Year</u>		
	<u>Ending June 30</u>		
	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	
1.24	Sec. 2. <u>OUTDOOR HERITAGE FUND</u>		
1.25	<u>Subdivision 1. Total Appropriation</u>	<u>\$ 104,478,000</u>	<u>\$ 585,000</u>
2.1	<u>Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section</u>		
2.2	<u>97A.056, subdivision 23, this appropriation is</u>		
2.3	<u>from the outdoor heritage fund. The amounts</u>		
2.4	<u>that may be spent for each purpose are</u>		
2.5	<u>specified in the following subdivisions.</u>		
2.6	<u>Subd. 2. Prairies</u>	<u>30,862,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
2.7	<u>(a) DNR Wildlife Management Area and</u>		
2.8	<u>Scientific and Natural Area Acquisition - Phase</u>		
2.9	<u>IX</u>		

2.12 \$2,313,000 the first year is to the
 2.13 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
 2.14 in fee and restore lands for wildlife
 2.15 management purposes under Minnesota
 2.16 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8, and
 2.17 to acquire land in fee for scientific and natural
 2.18 area purposes under Minnesota Statutes,
 2.19 section 86A.05, subdivision 5. Subject to
 2.20 evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules, part
 2.21 6136.0900, priority must be given to acquiring
 2.22 lands that are eligible for the native prairie
 2.23 bank under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96,
 2.24 or lands adjacent to protected native prairie.
 2.25 A list of proposed land acquisitions must be
 2.26 provided as part of the required
 2.27 accomplishment plan.

2.28 **(b) Accelerating the Wildlife Management Area**
 2.29 **Acquisition - Phase IX**

2.30 \$3,479,000 the first year is to the
 2.31 commissioner of natural resources for an
 2.32 agreement with Pheasants Forever to acquire
 2.33 in fee and restore lands for wildlife
 2.34 management area purposes under Minnesota
 2.35 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8.
 2.36 Subject to evaluation criteria in Minnesota
 3.1 Rules, part 6136.0900, priority must be given
 3.2 to acquiring lands that are eligible for the
 3.3 native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes,
 3.4 section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected
 3.5 native prairie. A list of proposed land
 3.6 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
 3.7 required accomplishment plan.

3.8 **(c) Minnesota Prairie Recovery Project - Phase**
 3.9 **VII**

3.10 \$1,901,000 the first year is to the
 3.11 commissioner of natural resources for an
 3.12 agreement with The Nature Conservancy to

2.10 \$4,437,000 the first year is to the
 2.11 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
 2.12 in fee and restore lands for wildlife
 2.13 management purposes under Minnesota
 2.14 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8, and
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 2.24 provided as part of the required
 2.25 accomplishment plan.

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2.28 \$5,603,000 the first year is to the
 2.29 commissioner of natural resources for an
 2.30 agreement with Pheasants Forever to acquire
 2.31 in fee and restore lands for wildlife
 2.32 management area purposes under Minnesota
 2.33 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8.
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 2.37 native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes,
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3.7 \$1,901,000 the first year is to the
 3.8 commissioner of natural resources for an
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3.13 acquire land in fee for native prairie, wetland,
 3.14 and savanna and to restore and enhance
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 3.20 or lands adjacent to protected native prairie.
 3.21 No later than 180 days after The Nature
 3.22 Conservancy's fiscal year ends, The Nature
 3.23 Conservancy must submit to the Lessard-Sams
 3.24 Outdoor Heritage Council annual income
 3.25 statements and balance sheets for income and
 3.26 expenses from land acquired with this
 3.27 appropriation. A list of proposed land
 3.28 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
 3.29 required accomplishment plan and must be
 3.30 consistent with the priorities identified in
 3.31 Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan.

3.32 **(d) Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife**
 3.33 **Refuge Land Acquisition - Phase VIII**

3.34 \$2,683,000 the first year is to the
 3.35 commissioner of natural resources for an
 3.36 agreement with The Nature Conservancy in
 4.1 cooperation with the United States Fish and
 4.2 Wildlife Service to acquire land in fee or
 4.3 permanent conservation easements and restore
 4.4 lands in the Northern Tallgrass Prairie Habitat
 4.5 Preservation Area in western Minnesota for
 4.6 addition to the Northern Tallgrass Prairie
 4.7 National Wildlife Refuge. Subject to
 4.8 evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules, part
 4.9 6136.0900, priority must be given to acquiring
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 4.9 or lands adjacent to protected native prairie.
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 4.11 provided as part of the required
 4.12 accomplishment plan, and the acquisitions

4.16 must be consistent with the priorities in
4.17 Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan.

4.18 **(e) Cannon River Headwaters Habitat Complex**
4.19 **- Phase VII**

4.20 \$1,436,000 the first year is to the
4.21 commissioner of natural resources for an
4.22 agreement with The Trust for Public Land to
4.23 acquire in fee and restore lands in the Cannon
4.24 River watershed for wildlife management
4.25 purposes under Minnesota Statutes, section
4.26 86A.05, subdivision 8. Subject to evaluation
4.27 criteria in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900,
4.28 priority must be given to acquiring lands that
4.29 are eligible for the native prairie bank under
4.30 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
4.31 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of
4.32 proposed land acquisitions must be provided
4.33 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

4.34 **(f) Accelerated Native Prairie Bank Protection**
4.35 **- Phase VI**

5.1 \$2,481,000 the first year is to the
5.2 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
5.3 permanent conservation easements to
5.4 implement the strategies in Minnesota Prairie
5.5 Conservation Plan to protect and restore native
5.6 prairie. Of this amount, up to \$140,000 is for
5.7 establishing monitoring and enforcement funds
5.8 as approved in the accomplishment plan and
5.9 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
5.10 97A.056, subdivision 17. Subject to evaluation
5.11 criteria in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900,
5.12 priority must be given to acquiring lands that
5.13 are eligible for the native prairie bank under
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5.9 are eligible for the native prairie bank under
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5.11 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of

5.16 permanent conservation easements must be
5.17 provided as part of the final report.

5.18 **(g) Reinvest In Minnesota (RIM) Buffers for**
5.19 **Wildlife and Water - Phase VII**

5.20 \$5,333,000 the first year is to the Board of
5.21 Water and Soil Resources to restore habitat
5.22 and acquire permanent conservation easements
5.23 under Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.515,
5.24 to protect, restore, and enhance habitat by
5.25 expanding the riparian-buffer program of the
5.26 clean water fund for at least equal wildlife
5.27 benefits from buffers on private land. Of this
5.28 amount, up to \$858,000 is for establishing a
5.29 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
5.30 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
5.31 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
5.32 subdivision 17. A list of permanent
5.33 conservation easements must be provided as
5.34 part of the final report.

5.35 **(h) Prairie Chicken Habitat Partnership of the**
5.36 **Southern Red River Valley - Phase III**

6.1 \$1,908,000 the first year is to the
6.2 commissioner of natural resources for an
6.3 agreement with Pheasants Forever in
6.4 cooperation with the Minnesota Prairie
6.5 Chicken Society to acquire land in fee and
6.6 restore and enhance lands in the southern Red
6.7 River valley for wildlife management purposes
6.8 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
6.9 subdivision 8, or to be designated and
6.10 managed as waterfowl-production areas in
6.11 Minnesota in cooperation with the United
6.12 States Fish and Wildlife Service. Subject to
6.13 evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules, part
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5.34 commissioner of natural resources for an
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5.36 cooperation with the Minnesota Prairie
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6.2 restore and enhance lands in the southern Red
6.3 River valley for wildlife management purposes
6.4 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
6.5 subdivision 8, or to be designated and
6.6 managed as waterfowl-production areas in
6.7 Minnesota in cooperation with the United
6.8 States Fish and Wildlife Service. Subject to
6.9 evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules, part
6.10 6136.0900, priority must be given to acquiring
6.11 lands that are eligible for the native prairie
6.12 bank under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96,

6.17 or lands adjacent to protected native prairie.
6.18 A list of proposed land acquisitions must be
6.19 provided as part of the required
6.20 accomplishment plan.

6.21 **(i) Accelerated Prairie Restoration and**
6.22 **Enhancement on DNR Lands - Phase IX**

6.23 \$3,950,000 the first year is to the
6.24 commissioner of natural resources to
6.25 accelerate restoration and enhancement of
6.26 prairies, grasslands, and savannas on wildlife
6.27 management areas, scientific and natural areas,
6.28 native prairie bank land, bluff prairies on state
6.29 forest land in southeastern Minnesota, and
6.30 United States Fish and Wildlife Service
6.31 waterfowl-production area and refuge lands.
6.32 A list of proposed land restorations and
6.33 enhancements must be provided as part of the
6.34 required accomplishment plan.

6.35 **(j) Anoka Sandplain Habitat Restoration and**
6.36 **Enhancement - Phase V**

7.1 \$1,130,000 the first year is to the
7.2 commissioner of natural resources for
7.3 agreements to acquire permanent conservation
7.4 easements and to restore and enhance wildlife
7.5 habitat on public lands in Anoka, Benton,
7.6 Isanti, Morrison, and Stearns Counties as
7.7 follows: \$41,000 is to the Anoka Conservation
7.8 District, \$231,000 is to the Isanti County Soil
7.9 and Water Conservation District, \$345,000 is
7.10 to Great River Greening, \$163,000 is to the
7.11 Stearns County Soil and Water Conservation
7.12 District, and \$350,000 is to Minnesota Land
7.13 Trust. Up to \$40,000 to Minnesota Land Trust
7.14 is for establishing monitoring and enforcement
7.15 funds as approved in the accomplishment plan
7.16 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
7.17 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed

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6.14 A list of proposed land acquisitions must be
6.15 provided as part of the required
6.16 accomplishment plan.

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6.24 native prairie bank land, bluff prairies on state
6.25 forest land in southeastern Minnesota, and
6.26 United States Fish and Wildlife Service
6.27 waterfowl-production area and refuge lands.
6.28 A list of proposed land restorations and
6.29 enhancements must be provided as part of the
6.30 required accomplishment plan.

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7.11 funds as approved in the accomplishment plan
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7.13 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed

7.18 permanent conservation easements,
7.19 restorations, and enhancements must be
7.20 provided as part of the required
7.21 accomplishment plan.

7.22 Subd. 3. Forests 17,324,000 -0-

7.23 **(a) Carnelian Creek Conservation Corridor**

7.24 \$2,458,000 the first year is to the
7.25 commissioner of natural resources for an
7.26 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
7.27 acquire permanent conservation easements in
7.28 Washington County. Of this amount, up to
7.29 \$30,000 is for establishing a monitoring and
7.30 enforcement fund as approved in the
7.31 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
7.32 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
7.33 list of proposed permanent conservation
7.34 easements must be provided as part of the
7.35 required accomplishment plan.

8.1 **(b) Laurentian Forest - St. Louis County Habitat**
8.2 **Project**

8.3 \$2,400,000 the first year is to the
8.4 commissioner of natural resources for
8.5 agreements with the Minnesota Deer Hunters
8.6 Association in cooperation with The
8.7 Conservation Fund and St. Louis County to
8.8 acquire land in fee to be transferred to St.
8.9 Louis County for wildlife habitat purposes.
8.10 The amount is for agreements as follows:
8.11 \$2,292,000 to the Minnesota Deer Hunter
8.12 Association and \$108,000 to The Conservation
8.13 Fund. A list of proposed land acquisitions
8.14 must be provided as part of the required
8.15 accomplishment plan.

7.14 permanent conservation easements,
7.15 restorations, and enhancements must be
7.16 provided as part of the required
7.17 accomplishment plan.

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7.20 \$2,458,000 the first year is to the
7.21 commissioner of natural resources for an
7.22 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
7.23 acquire permanent conservation easements in
7.24 Washington County. Of this amount, up to
7.25 \$30,000 is for establishing a monitoring and
7.26 enforcement fund as approved in the
7.27 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
7.28 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
7.29 list of proposed permanent conservation
7.30 easements and an annual public hunting and
7.31 fishing plan must be provided as part of the
7.32 required accomplishment plan.

7.33 **(b) Laurentian Forest - St. Louis County Habitat**
7.34 **Project**

7.35 \$2,400,000 the first year is to the
7.36 commissioner of natural resources for
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8.9 Fund. A list of proposed land acquisitions
8.10 must be provided as part of the required
8.11 accomplishment plan.

8.16 **(c) Southeast Minnesota Protection and**
8.17 **Restoration - Phase V**

8.18 \$2,375,000 the first year is to the
8.19 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
8.20 land in fee for wildlife management purposes
8.21 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
8.22 subdivision 8; to acquire land in fee for
8.23 scientific and natural areas under Minnesota
8.24 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 5; to
8.25 acquire land in fee for state forest purposes
8.26 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
8.27 subdivision 7; to acquire permanent
8.28 conservation easements; and to restore and
8.29 enhance prairie, grassland, forest, and savanna.
8.30 The amount is for agreements as follows:
8.31 \$1,000,000 to The Nature Conservancy,
8.32 \$675,000 to The Trust for Public Land, and
8.33 \$700,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Up to
8.34 \$80,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is for
8.35 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
8.36 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
9.1 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
9.2 97A.056, subdivision 17. No later than 180
9.3 days after the The Nature Conservancy's fiscal
9.4 year ends, The Nature Conservancy must
9.5 submit to the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage
9.6 Council annual income statements and balance
9.7 sheets for income and expenses from land
9.8 acquired in fee with this appropriation and not
9.9 transferred to the state or a local governmental
9.10 unit. A list of proposed land acquisitions must
9.11 be provided as part of the required
9.12 accomplishment plan.

9.13 **(d) Minnesota Forests for the Future - Phase V**

9.14 \$2,291,000 the first year is to the
9.15 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
9.16 easements for forest, wetland, and shoreline
9.17 habitat through working forest permanent

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8.19 scientific and natural areas under Minnesota
8.20 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 5; to
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9.18 conservation easements under the Minnesota
 9.19 forests for the future program pursuant to
 9.20 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.66. A
 9.21 conservation easement acquired with money
 9.22 appropriated under this paragraph must
 9.23 comply with Minnesota Statutes, section
 9.24 97A.056, subdivision 13. The accomplishment
 9.25 plan must include an easement monitoring and
 9.26 enforcement plan. Of this amount, up to
 9.27 \$72,000 is for establishing a monitoring and
 9.28 enforcement fund as approved in the
 9.29 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
 9.30 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
 9.31 list of permanent conservation easements must
 9.32 be provided as part of the final report.

9.33 **(e) State Forest Acquisitions - Phase IV**

9.34 \$1,000,000 the first year is to the
 9.35 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
 10.1 lands in fee for wildlife habitat purposes in
 10.2 the Richard J. Dorer Memorial Hardwood
 10.3 State Forest under Minnesota Statutes, section
 10.4 86A.05, subdivision 7. A list of proposed land
 10.5 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
 10.6 required accomplishment plan.

10.7 **(f) Critical Shoreland Protection Program -**
 10.8 **Phase IV**

10.9 \$1,700,000 the first year is to the
 10.10 commissioner of natural resources for an
 10.11 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
 10.12 acquire permanent conservation easements
 10.13 along rivers and lakes in the northern forest
 10.14 region. Of this amount, up to \$120,000 is for
 10.15 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
 10.16 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
 10.17 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
 10.18 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed
 10.19 permanent conservation easements must be

9.14 conservation easements under the Minnesota
 9.15 forests for the future program pursuant to
 9.16 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.66. A
 9.17 conservation easement acquired with money
 9.18 appropriated under this paragraph must
 9.19 comply with Minnesota Statutes, section
 9.20 97A.056, subdivision 13. The accomplishment
 9.21 plan must include an easement monitoring and
 9.22 enforcement plan. Of this amount, up to
 9.23 \$72,000 is for establishing a monitoring and
 9.24 enforcement fund as approved in the
 9.25 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
 9.26 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
 9.27 list of permanent conservation easements must
 9.28 be provided as part of the final report.

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 9.31 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
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 9.33 the Richard J. Dorer Memorial Hardwood
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 9.35 86A.05, subdivision 7. A list of proposed land
 10.1 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
 10.2 required accomplishment plan.

10.3 **(f) Critical Shoreland Protection Program -**
 10.4 **Phase IV**

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 10.6 commissioner of natural resources for an
 10.7 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
 10.8 acquire permanent conservation easements
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 10.10 region. Of this amount, up to \$120,000 is for
 10.11 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
 10.12 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
 10.13 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
 10.14 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of proposed
 10.15 permanent conservation easements must be

10.20 provided as part of the required
 10.21 accomplishment plan.

10.22 **(g) Bushmen Lake**

10.23 \$4,600,000 the first year is to the
 10.24 commissioner of natural resources for an
 10.25 agreement with The Conservation Fund in
 10.26 cooperation with the United States Forest
 10.27 Service to acquire lands in fee adjacent to
 10.28 Bushmen Lake in St. Louis County to be
 10.29 managed for wildlife habitat purposes. A list
 10.30 of proposed land acquisitions must be
 10.31 provided as part of the required
 10.32 accomplishment plan.

10.33 **(h) Forest Pest Response**

10.34 \$500,000 the first year is to the commissioner
 10.35 of agriculture to identify, prevent, and, in
 10.36 consultation with the Forest Resources
 11.1 Council, protect Minnesota forests by rapidly
 11.2 and effectively responding to the threat or
 11.3 presence of plant pests, including emerald ash
 11.4 borer. The commissioner of agriculture may
 11.5 transfer all or part of this appropriation to the
 11.6 commissioner of natural resources and shall
 11.7 award grants to local units of government or
 11.8 other entities.

11.9 **Subd. 4. Wetlands** 31,744,000 -0-

11.10 **(a) Accelerating Waterfowl-Production Area**
 11.11 **Acquisition - Phase IX**

11.12 \$5,500,000 the first year is to the
 11.13 commissioner of natural resources for an
 11.14 agreement with Pheasants Forever to acquire

10.16 provided as part of the required
 10.17 accomplishment plan.

10.18 **(g) Bushmen Lake**

10.19 \$4,600,000 the first year is to the
 10.20 commissioner of natural resources for an
 10.21 agreement with The Conservation Fund in
 10.22 cooperation with the United States Forest
 10.23 Service to acquire lands in fee adjacent to
 10.24 Bushmen Lake in St. Louis County to be
 10.25 managed for wildlife habitat purposes. A list
 10.26 of proposed land acquisitions must be
 10.27 provided as part of the required
 10.28 accomplishment plan.

10.29 **(h) Forest Pest Response**

10.30 \$500,000 the first year is to the commissioner
 10.31 of agriculture to identify, prevent, and, in
 10.32 consultation with the Forest Resources
 10.33 Council, protect Minnesota forests by rapidly
 10.34 and effectively responding to the threat or
 10.35 presence of plant pests, including emerald ash
 11.1 borer. The commissioner of agriculture may
 11.2 transfer all or part of this appropriation to the
 11.3 commissioner of natural resources and shall
 11.4 award grants to local units of government or
 11.5 other entities.

11.6 **Subd. 4. Wetlands** 28,869,000 -0-

11.7 **(a) Accelerating Waterfowl-Production Area**
 11.8 **Acquisition - Phase IX**

11.9 \$5,500,000 the first year is to the
 11.10 commissioner of natural resources for an
 11.11 agreement with Pheasants Forever to acquire

11.15 land in fee and restore and enhance wetlands
11.16 and grasslands to be designated and managed
11.17 as waterfowl-production areas in Minnesota
11.18 in cooperation with the United States Fish and
11.19 Wildlife Service. A list of proposed land
11.20 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
11.21 required accomplishment plan.

11.22 **(b) Shallow Lakes and Wetland Protection**
11.23 **Program - Phase VI**

11.24 \$3,625,000 the first year is to the
11.25 commissioner of natural resources for an
11.26 agreement with Ducks Unlimited to acquire
11.27 land in fee and restore prairie lands, wetlands,
11.28 and land-buffering shallow lakes for wildlife
11.29 management purposes under Minnesota
11.30 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8. A list
11.31 of proposed acquisitions must be provided as
11.32 part of the required accomplishment plan.

11.33 **(c) RIM Wetlands Partnership - Phase VIII**

11.34 \$15,398,000 the first year is to the Board of
11.35 Water and Soil Resources to acquire
11.36 permanent conservation easements and to
12.1 restore wetlands and native grassland habitat
12.2 under Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.515.
12.3 Of this amount, up to \$306,000 is for
12.4 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
12.5 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
12.6 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
12.7 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent
12.8 conservation easements must be provided as
12.9 part of the final report.

12.10 **(d) Wild-Rice Shoreland Protection Program -**
12.11 **Phase V**

11.12 land in fee and restore and enhance wetlands
11.13 and grasslands to be designated and managed
11.14 as waterfowl-production areas in Minnesota
11.15 in cooperation with the United States Fish and
11.16 Wildlife Service. A list of proposed land
11.17 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
11.18 required accomplishment plan.

11.19 **(b) Shallow Lakes and Wetland Protection**
11.20 **Program - Phase VI**

11.21 \$5,750,000 the first year is to the
11.22 commissioner of natural resources for an
11.23 agreement with Ducks Unlimited to acquire
11.24 land in fee and restore prairie lands, wetlands,
11.25 and land-buffering shallow lakes for wildlife
11.26 management purposes under Minnesota
11.27 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8. A list
11.28 of proposed acquisitions must be provided as
11.29 part of the required accomplishment plan.

11.30 **(c) RIM Wetlands Partnership - Phase VIII**

11.31 \$10,398,000 the first year is to the Board of
11.32 Water and Soil Resources to acquire
11.33 permanent conservation easements and to
11.34 restore wetlands and native grassland habitat
11.35 under Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.515.
11.36 Of this amount, up to \$306,000 is for
12.1 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
12.2 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
12.3 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
12.4 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent
12.5 conservation easements must be provided as
12.6 part of the final report.

12.7 **(d) Wild-Rice Shoreland Protection Program -**
12.8 **Phase V**

12.12 \$750,000 the first year is to the Board of
 12.13 Water and Soil Resources to acquire
 12.14 permanent conservation easements on
 12.15 wild-rice lake shoreland habitat for native
 12.16 wild-rice bed protection. Of this amount, up
 12.17 to \$59,000 is for establishing a monitoring and
 12.18 enforcement fund as approved in the
 12.19 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
 12.20 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
 12.21 list of permanent conservation easements must
 12.22 be provided as part of the final report by the
 12.23 Board of Water and Soil Resources.

12.24 **(e) Accelerated Shallow Lakes and Wetlands**
 12.25 **Enhancement - Phase IX**

12.26 \$1,755,000 the first year is to the
 12.27 commissioner of natural resources to enhance
 12.28 and restore shallow lakes and wetland habitat
 12.29 statewide. A list of proposed land restorations
 12.30 and enhancements must be provided as part
 12.31 of the required accomplishment plan.

12.32 **(f) Living Shallow Lakes and Wetland Initiative**
 12.33 **- Phase VI**

12.34 \$4,716,000 the first year is to the
 12.35 commissioner of natural resources for an
 12.36 agreement with Ducks Unlimited to restore
 13.1 and enhance shallow lakes and wetlands on
 13.2 public lands and wetlands under permanent
 13.3 conservation easement for wildlife
 13.4 management purposes. A list of proposed
 13.5 shallow-lake enhancements and wetland
 13.6 restorations must be provided as part of the
 13.7 required accomplishment plan.

12.9 \$750,000 the first year is to the Board of
 12.10 Water and Soil Resources to acquire
 12.11 permanent conservation easements on
 12.12 wild-rice lake shoreland habitat for native
 12.13 wild-rice bed protection. Of this amount, up
 12.14 to \$59,000 is for establishing a monitoring and
 12.15 enforcement fund as approved in the
 12.16 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
 12.17 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
 12.18 list of permanent conservation easements must
 12.19 be provided as part of the final report by the
 12.20 Board of Water and Soil Resources.

12.21 **(e) Accelerated Shallow Lakes and Wetlands**
 12.22 **Enhancement - Phase IX**

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 12.25 and restore shallow lakes and wetland habitat
 12.26 statewide. A list of proposed land restorations
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 12.28 of the required accomplishment plan.

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 12.30 **- Phase VI**

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 12.34 and enhance shallow lakes and wetlands on
 12.35 public lands and wetlands under permanent
 12.36 conservation easement for wildlife
 13.1 management purposes. A list of proposed
 13.2 shallow-lake enhancements and wetland
 13.3 restorations must be provided as part of the
 13.4 required accomplishment plan.

13.8 Subd. 5. Habitats 26,544,000 -0-

13.9 **(a) Mississippi Headwaters Habitat Corridor**
13.10 **Partnership - Phase III**

13.11 \$1,617,000 the first year is to the
13.12 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
13.13 lands in fee and restore wildlife habitat in the
13.14 Mississippi headwaters and for agreements as
13.15 follows: \$60,000 to the Mississippi
13.16 Headwaters Board and \$1,557,000 to The
13.17 Trust for Public Land. \$779,000 the first year
13.18 is to the Board of Water and Soil Resources
13.19 to acquire lands in permanent conservation
13.20 easements and to restore wildlife habitat. Up
13.21 to \$59,000 to the Board of Water and Soil
13.22 Resources is for establishing a monitoring and
13.23 enforcement fund as approved in the
13.24 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
13.25 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
13.26 list of proposed acquisitions must be included
13.27 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

13.28 **(b) Fisheries Habitat Protection on Strategic**
13.29 **North-Central Minnesota Lakes - Phase III**

13.30 \$1,716,000 the first year is to the
13.31 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
13.32 land in permanent conservation easements to
13.33 sustain healthy fish habitat on coldwater lakes
13.34 in Aitkin, Cass, Crow Wing, and Hubbard
13.35 Counties for agreements as follows: \$113,000
13.36 to the Leech Lake Area Watershed Foundation
14.1 and \$1,603,000 to Minnesota Land Trust. Up
14.2 to \$120,000 to Minnesota Land Trust is for
14.3 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
14.4 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
14.5 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
14.6 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent

13.5 Subd. 5. Habitats 26,554,000 -0-

13.6 **(a) Mississippi Headwaters Habitat Corridor**
13.7 **Partnership - Phase III**

13.8 \$1,617,000 the first year is to the
13.9 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
13.10 lands in fee and restore wildlife habitat in the
13.11 Mississippi headwaters and for agreements as
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13.17 easements and to restore wildlife habitat. Up
13.18 to \$59,000 to the Board of Water and Soil
13.19 Resources is for establishing a monitoring and
13.20 enforcement fund as approved in the
13.21 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
13.22 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17. A
13.23 list of proposed acquisitions must be included
13.24 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

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13.36 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
14.1 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
14.2 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
14.3 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent

14.7 conservation easements must be provided as
14.8 part of the required accomplishment plan.

14.9 **(c) Goose Prairie**

14.10 \$600,000 the first year is to the commissioner
14.11 of natural resources for an agreement with the
14.12 Wild Rice Watershed District, in cooperation
14.13 with the Department of Natural Resources, to
14.14 enhance aquatic and upland habitat in and
14.15 adjacent to the Goose Prairie Marsh Wildlife
14.16 Management Area in Clay County. A list of
14.17 proposed land enhancements must be provided
14.18 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

14.19 **(d) Minnesota Trout Unlimited Coldwater Fish**
14.20 **Habitat Enhancement and Restoration - Phase**
14.21 **IX**

14.22 \$2,403,000 the first year is to the
14.23 commissioner of natural resources for an
14.24 agreement with Minnesota Trout Unlimited
14.25 to restore or enhance habitat for trout and other
14.26 species in and along coldwater rivers, lakes,
14.27 and streams in Minnesota. A list of proposed
14.28 restorations and enhancements must be
14.29 provided as part of the required
14.30 accomplishment plan.

14.31 **(e) DNR Stream Habitat - Phase II**

14.32 \$2,166,000 the first year is to the
14.33 commissioner of natural resources to restore
14.34 and enhance habitat in degraded streams and
14.35 critical aquatic-species habitat and to facilitate
14.36 fish passage. A list of proposed land
15.1 restorations and enhancements must be
15.2 provided as part of the required
15.3 accomplishment plan.

14.4 conservation easements must be provided as
14.5 part of the required accomplishment plan.

14.6 **(c) Goose Prairie**

14.7 \$600,000 the first year is to the commissioner
14.8 of natural resources for an agreement with the
14.9 Wild Rice Watershed District, in cooperation
14.10 with the Department of Natural Resources, to
14.11 enhance aquatic and upland habitat in and
14.12 adjacent to the Goose Prairie Marsh Wildlife
14.13 Management Area in Clay County. A list of
14.14 proposed land enhancements must be provided
14.15 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

14.16 **(d) Minnesota Trout Unlimited Coldwater Fish**
14.17 **Habitat Enhancement and Restoration - Phase**
14.18 **IX**

14.19 \$2,403,000 the first year is to the
14.20 commissioner of natural resources for an
14.21 agreement with Minnesota Trout Unlimited
14.22 to restore or enhance habitat for trout and other
14.23 species in and along coldwater rivers, lakes,
14.24 and streams in Minnesota. A list of proposed
14.25 restorations and enhancements must be
14.26 provided as part of the required
14.27 accomplishment plan.

14.28 **(e) DNR Stream Habitat - Phase II**

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14.30 commissioner of natural resources to restore
14.31 and enhance habitat in degraded streams and
14.32 critical aquatic-species habitat and to facilitate
14.33 fish passage. A list of proposed land
14.34 restorations and enhancements must be
14.35 provided as part of the required
14.36 accomplishment plan.

15.4 **(f) St. Louis River Restoration Initiative - Phase**
15.5 **IV**

15.6 \$3,392,000 the first year is to the
15.7 commissioner of natural resources to restore
15.8 aquatic habitats in the St. Louis River estuary.
15.9 Of this appropriation, up to \$226,000 is for an
15.10 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust. A list
15.11 of proposed restorations must be provided as
15.12 part of the required accomplishment plan.

15.13 **(g) Shell Rock River Watershed Habitat**
15.14 **Restoration Program - Phase VI**

15.15 \$1,779,000 the first year is to the
15.16 commissioner of natural resources for an
15.17 agreement with the Shell Rock River
15.18 Watershed District to acquire land in fee and
15.19 restore and enhance aquatic habitat in the Shell
15.20 Rock River watershed. A list of proposed
15.21 acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements
15.22 must be provided as part of the required
15.23 accomplishment plan.

15.24 **(h) Lake Wakanda Enhancement Project**

15.25 \$921,000 the first year is to the commissioner
15.26 of natural resources for an agreement with
15.27 Kandiyohi County to enhance aquatic habitat
15.28 in and adjacent to Lake Wakanda in Kandiyohi
15.29 County. A list of proposed land enhancements
15.30 must be provided as part of the required
15.31 accomplishment plan.

15.32 **(i) Wolverton Creek Habitat Restoration**

15.33 \$1,877,000 the first year is to the
15.34 commissioner of natural resources for an

15.1 **(f) St. Louis River Restoration Initiative - Phase**
15.2 **IV**

15.3 \$3,392,000 the first year is to the
15.4 commissioner of natural resources to restore
15.5 aquatic habitats in the St. Louis River estuary.
15.6 Of this appropriation, up to \$226,000 is for an
15.7 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust. A list
15.8 of proposed restorations must be provided as
15.9 part of the required accomplishment plan.

15.10 **(g) Shell Rock River Watershed Habitat**
15.11 **Restoration Program - Phase VI**

15.12 \$1,779,000 the first year is to the
15.13 commissioner of natural resources for an
15.14 agreement with the Shell Rock River
15.15 Watershed District to acquire land in fee and
15.16 restore and enhance aquatic habitat in the Shell
15.17 Rock River watershed. A list of proposed
15.18 acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements
15.19 must be provided as part of the required
15.20 accomplishment plan.

15.21 **(h) Lake Wakanda Enhancement Project**

15.22 \$921,000 the first year is to the commissioner
15.23 of natural resources for an agreement with
15.24 Kandiyohi County to enhance aquatic habitat
15.25 in and adjacent to Lake Wakanda in Kandiyohi
15.26 County. A list of proposed land enhancements
15.27 must be provided as part of the required
15.28 accomplishment plan.

15.29 **(i) Wolverton Creek Habitat Restoration**

15.30 \$1,877,000 the first year is to the
15.31 commissioner of natural resources for an

15.35 agreement with the Buffalo-Red River
 15.36 Watershed District to acquire permanent
 16.1 conservation easements and restore and
 16.2 enhance aquatic and upland habitat associated
 16.3 with Wolverton Creek in the Buffalo-Red
 16.4 River watershed. A list of proposed
 16.5 acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements
 16.6 must be provided as part of the required
 16.7 accomplishment plan.

16.8 **(j) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant**
 16.9 **Program: Statewide and Metro Habitat - Phase**
 16.10 **IX**

16.11 \$9,294,000 the first year is to the
 16.12 commissioner of natural resources for a
 16.13 program to provide competitive matching
 16.14 grants of up to \$400,000 to local, regional,
 16.15 state, and national organizations for enhancing,
 16.16 restoring, or protecting forests, wetlands,
 16.17 prairies, or habitat for fish, game, or wildlife
 16.18 in Minnesota. Of this amount, up to
 16.19 \$2,660,000 is for grants in the seven-county
 16.20 metropolitan area and cities with a population
 16.21 of 50,000 or greater. Grants must not be made
 16.22 for activities required to fulfill the duties of
 16.23 owners of lands subject to conservation
 16.24 easements. Grants must not be for projects
 16.25 that have a total project cost exceeding
 16.26 \$575,000. Of the total appropriation, \$634,000
 16.27 may be spent for personnel costs and other
 16.28 direct and necessary administrative costs.
 16.29 Grantees may acquire land or interests in land.
 16.30 Easements must be permanent. Grants may
 16.31 not be used to establish easement stewardship
 16.32 accounts. The program must require a match
 16.33 of at least ten percent from nonstate sources
 16.34 for all grants. The match may be cash or
 16.35 in-kind resources. For grant applications of
 16.36 \$25,000 or less, the commissioner must
 17.1 provide a separate, simplified application
 17.2 process. Subject to Minnesota Statutes, the

15.32 agreement with the Buffalo-Red River
 15.33 Watershed District to acquire permanent
 15.34 conservation easements and restore and
 15.35 enhance aquatic and upland habitat associated
 15.36 with Wolverton Creek in the Buffalo-Red
 16.1 River watershed. A list of proposed
 16.2 acquisitions, restorations, and enhancements
 16.3 must be provided as part of the required
 16.4 accomplishment plan.

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 16.13 restoring, or protecting forests, wetlands,
 16.14 prairies, or habitat for fish, game, or wildlife
 16.15 in Minnesota. Of this amount, up to
 16.16 \$2,660,000 is for grants in the seven-county
 16.17 metropolitan area and cities with a population
 16.18 of 50,000 or greater. Grants must not be made
 16.19 for activities required to fulfill the duties of
 16.20 owners of lands subject to conservation
 16.21 easements. Grants must not be for projects
 16.22 that have a total project cost exceeding
 16.23 \$575,000. Of the total appropriation, \$634,000
 16.24 may be spent for personnel costs and other
 16.25 direct and necessary administrative costs.
 16.26 Grantees may acquire land or interests in land.
 16.27 Easements must be permanent. Grants may
 16.28 not be used to establish easement stewardship
 16.29 accounts. Land acquired in fee must be open
 16.30 to hunting and fishing during the open season
 16.31 unless otherwise provided by law. The
 16.32 program must require a match of at least ten
 16.33 percent from nonstate sources for all grants.
 16.34 The match may be cash or in-kind resources.
 16.35 For grant applications of \$25,000 or less, the

17.3 commissioner must, when evaluating projects
 17.4 of equal value, give priority to organizations
 17.5 that have a history of receiving or a charter to
 17.6 receive private contributions for local
 17.7 conservation or habitat projects. If acquiring
 17.8 land in fee or a conservation easement, priority
 17.9 must be given to projects associated with or
 17.10 within one mile of existing wildlife
 17.11 management areas under Minnesota Statutes,
 17.12 section 86A.05, subdivision 8; scientific and
 17.13 natural areas under Minnesota Statutes,
 17.14 sections 84.033 and 86A.05, subdivision 5; or
 17.15 aquatic management areas under Minnesota
 17.16 Statutes, sections 86A.05, subdivision 14, and
 17.17 97C.02. All restoration or enhancement
 17.18 projects must be on land permanently
 17.19 protected by a permanent covenant ensuring
 17.20 perpetual maintenance and protection of
 17.21 restored and enhanced habitat, by a
 17.22 conservation easement, or by public
 17.23 ownership, or must be in public waters as
 17.24 defined in Minnesota Statutes, section
 17.25 103G.005, subdivision 15. Priority must be
 17.26 given to restoration and enhancement projects
 17.27 on public lands. Minnesota Statutes, section
 17.28 97A.056, subdivision 13, applies to grants
 17.29 awarded under this paragraph. This
 17.30 appropriation is available until June 30, 2021.
 17.31 No less than five percent of the amount of each
 17.32 grant must be held back from reimbursement
 17.33 until the grant recipient has completed a grant
 17.34 accomplishment report by the deadline and in
 17.35 the form prescribed by and satisfactory to the
 17.36 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council. The
 18.1 commissioner must provide notice of the grant
 18.2 program in the game and fish law summary
 18.3 prepared under Minnesota Statutes, section
 18.4 97A.051, subdivision 2.

16.36 commissioner must provide a separate,
 17.1 simplified application process. Subject to
 17.2 Minnesota Statutes, the commissioner must,
 17.3 when evaluating projects of equal value, give
 17.4 priority to organizations that have a history of
 17.5 receiving or a charter to receive private
 17.6 contributions for local conservation or habitat
 17.7 projects. If acquiring land in fee or a
 17.8 conservation easement, priority must be given
 17.9 to projects associated with or within one mile
 17.10 of existing wildlife management areas under
 17.11 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
 17.12 subdivision 8; scientific and natural areas
 17.13 under Minnesota Statutes, sections 84.033 and
 17.14 86A.05, subdivision 5; or aquatic management
 17.15 areas under Minnesota Statutes, sections
 17.16 86A.05, subdivision 14, and 97C.02. All
 17.17 restoration or enhancement projects must be
 17.18 on land permanently protected by a permanent
 17.19 covenant ensuring perpetual maintenance and
 17.20 protection of restored and enhanced habitat,
 17.21 by a conservation easement, or by public
 17.22 ownership, or must be in public waters as
 17.23 defined in Minnesota Statutes, section
 17.24 103G.005, subdivision 15. Priority must be
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 18.3 97A.051, subdivision 2.

18.5 Subd. 6. Administration 879,000 585,000

18.6 **(a) Contract Management**

18.7 \$150,000 the first year is to the commissioner
18.8 of natural resources for contract management
18.9 duties assigned in this section. The
18.10 commissioner must provide an
18.11 accomplishment plan in the form specified by
18.12 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council
18.13 for expending this appropriation. The
18.14 accomplishment plan must include a copy of
18.15 the grant contract template and reimbursement
18.16 manual. No money may be expended before
18.17 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council
18.18 approves the accomplishment plan.

18.19 **(b) Legislative Coordinating Commission**

18.20 \$571,000 the first year and \$578,000 the
18.21 second year is to the Legislative Coordinating
18.22 Commission for Lessard-Sams Outdoor
18.23 Heritage Council administrative expenses and
18.24 for compensating and reimbursing expenses
18.25 of council members. This appropriation is
18.26 available until June 30, 2019. Minnesota
18.27 Statutes, section 16A.281, applies to this
18.28 appropriation.

18.29 **(c) Technical Evaluation Panel**

18.30 \$150,000 the first year is to the commissioner
18.31 of natural resources for a technical evaluation
18.32 panel to conduct up to 20 restoration and
18.33 enhancement evaluations under Minnesota
18.34 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 10.

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18.32 enhancement evaluations under Minnesota
18.33 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 10.

18.35 **(d) Legacy Web site**

19.1 \$8,000 the first year and \$7,000 the second
19.2 year **is** to the Legislative Coordinating
19.3 Commission for the **Web site** required in
19.4 Minnesota Statutes, section 3.303, subdivision
19.5 10.

19.6 **Subd. 7. Appropriation Availability**

19.7 Money appropriated in this section may not
19.8 be spent on activities unless they are directly
19.9 related to and necessary for a specific
19.10 appropriation and are specified in the
19.11 accomplishment plan approved by the
19.12 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.
19.13 Money appropriated in this section must not
19.14 be spent on institutional overhead charges that
19.15 are not directly related to and necessary for a
19.16 specific appropriation. Unless otherwise
19.17 provided, the amounts in this section are
19.18 available until June 30, 2020. For acquiring
19.19 real property, the amounts in this section are
19.20 available until June 30, 2021, if a binding
19.21 agreement with a landowner or purchase
19.22 agreement is entered into by June 30, 2020,
19.23 and closed no later than June 30, 2021.
19.24 Appropriations for restoration or enhancement
19.25 are available until June 30, 2022, or five years
19.26 after acquisition, whichever is later, so that
19.27 initial restoration or enhancement work can
19.28 be completed. If a project receives at least 15
19.29 percent of its funding from federal funds, the
19.30 appropriation period may be extended to equal
19.31 the availability of federal funding to a
19.32 maximum of six years, provided the federal
19.33 funding was confirmed and included in the
19.34 first draft accomplishment plan. Money
19.35 appropriated for fee title acquisition of land
19.36 may be used to restore, enhance, and provide
20.1 for public use of the land acquired with the

18.34 **(d) Legacy Website**

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19.2 year **are** to the Legislative Coordinating
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19.4 Minnesota Statutes, section 3.303, subdivision
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19.10 appropriation and are specified in the
19.11 accomplishment plan approved by the
19.12 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.
19.13 Money appropriated in this section must not
19.14 be spent on **indirect costs or other** institutional
19.15 overhead charges that are not directly related
19.16 to and necessary for a specific appropriation.
19.17 Unless otherwise provided, the amounts in
19.18 this section are available until June 30, 2020.
19.19 For acquiring real property, the amounts in
19.20 this section are available until June 30, 2021,
19.21 if a binding agreement with a landowner or
19.22 purchase agreement is entered into by June
19.23 30, 2020, and closed no later than June 30,
19.24 2021. Appropriations for restoration or
19.25 enhancement are available until June 30, 2022,
19.26 or five years after acquisition, whichever is
19.27 later, so that initial restoration or enhancement
19.28 work can be completed. If a project receives
19.29 at least 15 percent of its funding from federal
19.30 funds, the appropriation period may be
19.31 extended to equal the availability of federal
19.32 funding to a maximum of six years, provided
19.33 the federal funding was confirmed and
19.34 included in the first draft accomplishment
19.35 plan. Money appropriated for fee title
19.36 acquisition of land may be used to restore,
20.1 enhance, and provide for public use of the land

20.2 appropriation. Public use facilities must have
20.3 no more than a minimal impact on habitat in
20.4 acquired lands.

20.5 **Subd. 8. Payment Conditions and Capital**
20.6 **Equipment Expenditures**

20.7 All agreements referred to in this section must
20.8 be administered on a reimbursement basis
20.9 unless otherwise provided in this section.
20.10 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
20.11 16A.41, expenditures directly related to each
20.12 appropriation's purpose made on or after July
20.13 1, 2017, or the date of accomplishment plan
20.14 approval, whichever is later, are eligible for
20.15 reimbursement unless otherwise provided in
20.16 this section. For the purposes of administering
20.17 appropriations and legislatively authorized
20.18 agreements paid out of the outdoor heritage
20.19 fund, an expense must be considered
20.20 reimbursable by the administering agency
20.21 when the recipient presents the agency with
20.22 an invoice or binding agreement with the
20.23 landowner and the recipient attests that the
20.24 goods have been received or the landowner
20.25 agreement is binding. Periodic reimbursement
20.26 must be made upon receiving documentation
20.27 that the items articulated in the
20.28 accomplishment plan approved by the
20.29 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council have
20.30 been achieved, including partial achievements
20.31 as evidenced by progress reports approved by
20.32 the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council.
20.33 Reasonable amounts may be advanced to
20.34 projects to accommodate cash-flow needs,
20.35 support future management of acquired lands,
20.36 or match a federal share. The advances must
21.1 be approved as part of the accomplishment
21.2 plan. Capital equipment expenditures for
21.3 specific items over \$10,000 must be itemized

20.2 acquired with the appropriation. Public use
20.3 facilities must have no more than a minimal
20.4 impact on habitat in acquired lands.

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21.2 plan. Capital equipment expenditures for
21.3 specific items over \$10,000 must be itemized

21.4 in and approved as part of the accomplishment
21.5 plan.

21.6 **Subd. 9. Mapping**

21.7 Each direct recipient of money appropriated
21.8 in this section, as well as each recipient of a
21.9 grant awarded pursuant to this section, must
21.10 provide geographic information to the
21.11 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council for
21.12 mapping any lands acquired in fee with money
21.13 appropriated in this section and open to public
21.14 taking of fish and game. The commissioner
21.15 of natural resources must include the lands
21.16 acquired in fee with money appropriated in
21.17 this section on maps showing public recreation
21.18 opportunities. Maps must include information
21.19 on and acknowledgment of the outdoor
21.20 heritage fund, including a notation of any
21.21 restrictions.

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21.17 this section on maps showing public recreation
21.18 opportunities. Maps must include information
21.19 on and acknowledgment of the outdoor
21.20 heritage fund, including a notation of any
21.21 restrictions.

21.22 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.056, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

21.23 Subdivision 1. **Outdoor heritage fund.** (a) An outdoor heritage fund, under article XI,
21.24 section 15, of the Minnesota Constitution, is established as an account in the state treasury.
21.25 All money earned by the outdoor heritage fund must be credited to the fund. At least 99
21.26 percent of the money appropriated from the fund must be expended to restore, protect, and
21.27 enhance wetlands, prairies, forests, and habitat for fish, game, and wildlife. Money
21.28 appropriated from the outdoor heritage fund shall not be spent to acquire property by eminent
21.29 domain unless the owner requests that the owner's property be acquired by eminent domain.

21.30 (b) Land and interests in land acquired with money from the outdoor heritage fund must
21.31 comply in all respects with the Minnesota Constitution. All determinations for fee title land
21.32 acquisition must be based on benefiting all Minnesotans as the outdoor heritage fund is
21.33 dedicated for all Minnesotans. Lands acquired in fee with appropriations from the outdoor
21.34 heritage fund must be open to the public taking of fish and game, unless otherwise provided
22.1 by law, which is a valued part of our heritage that shall be forever preserved for the people
22.2 and shall be managed by law and regulation for the public good in the same manner as lands
22.3 owned by the state. On lands acquired in fee by appropriation from the outdoor heritage
22.4 fund, the right of the people to take fish and game shall not be infringed or impaired by lack

21.22 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.056, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

21.23 Subd. 3. **Council recommendations.** (a) The council shall make recommendations to
21.24 the legislature on appropriations of money from the outdoor heritage fund that are consistent
21.25 with the Constitution and state law and that will achieve the outcomes of existing natural
21.26 resource plans, including, but not limited to, the Minnesota Statewide Conservation and
21.27 Preservation Plan, that directly relate to the restoration, protection, and enhancement of
21.28 wetlands, prairies, forests, and habitat for fish, game, and wildlife, and that prevent forest
21.29 fragmentation, encourage forest consolidation, and expand restored native prairie. In making
21.30 recommendations, the council shall consider a range of options that would best restore,
21.31 protect, and enhance wetlands, prairies, forests, and habitat for fish, game, and wildlife.
21.32 The council's recommendations shall be submitted no later than January 15 each year. The
21.33 council shall present its recommendations to the senate and house of representatives
21.34 committees with jurisdiction over the environment and natural resources budget by February
21.35 15 in odd-numbered years, and within the first four weeks of the legislative session in
22.1 even-numbered years. The council's budget recommendations to the legislature shall be
22.2 separate from the Department of Natural Resource's budget recommendations.

22.3 (b) To encourage and support local conservation efforts, the council shall establish a
22.4 conservation partners program. Local, regional, state, or national organizations may apply
22.5 for matching grants for restoration, protection, and enhancement of wetlands, prairies,
22.6 forests, and habitat for fish, game, and wildlife, prevention of forest fragmentation,
22.7 encouragement of forest consolidation, and expansion of restored native prairie.

22.8 (c) The council may work with the Clean Water Council to identify projects that are
22.9 consistent with both the purpose of the outdoor heritage fund and the purpose of the clean
22.10 water fund.

22.11 (d) The council may make recommendations to the Legislative-Citizen Commission on
22.12 Minnesota Resources on scientific research that will assist in restoring, protecting, and
22.13 enhancing wetlands, prairies, forests, and habitat for fish, game, and wildlife, preventing
22.14 forest fragmentation, encouraging forest consolidation, and expanding restored native prairie.

22.15 (e) Recommendations of the council, including approval of recommendations for the
22.16 outdoor heritage fund, require an affirmative vote of at least nine members of the council.

22.17 (f) The council may work with the Clean Water Council, the Legislative-Citizen
22.18 Commission on Minnesota Resources, the Board of Water and Soil Resources, soil and
22.19 water conservation districts, and experts from Minnesota State Colleges and Universities
22.20 and the University of Minnesota in developing the council's recommendations.

22.5 of access, lack of opportunity, diminished quality, or as a result of special or exclusive
22.6 privilege that does not benefit all Minnesotans.

22.21 (g) The council shall develop and implement a process that ensures that citizens and
22.22 potential recipients of funds are included throughout the process, including the development
22.23 and finalization of the council's recommendations. The process must include a fair, equitable,
22.24 and thorough process for reviewing requests for funding and a clear and easily understood
22.25 process for ranking projects.

22.26 (h) The council shall use the regions of the state based upon the ecological sections and
22.27 subsections developed by the Department of Natural Resources and establish objectives for
22.28 each region and subregion to achieve the purposes of the fund outlined in the state
22.29 constitution.

22.30 (i) The council shall develop and submit to the Legislative Coordinating Commission
22.31 plans for the first ten years of funding, and a framework for 25 years of funding, consistent
22.32 with statutory and constitutional requirements. The council may use existing plans from
22.33 other legislative, state, and federal sources, as applicable.

23.1 (j) When making recommendations, the council must prioritize projects that restore and
23.2 enhance wetlands, prairies, forests, and habitat for fish, game, and wildlife over projects
23.3 that acquire land.

22.7 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.056, subdivision 15, is amended to read:

22.8 Subd. 15. **Land acquisition restrictions.** (a) An interest in real property, including, but
22.9 not limited to, an easement or fee title, that is acquired with money appropriated from the
22.10 outdoor heritage fund must be used in perpetuity or for the specific term of an easement
22.11 interest for the purpose for which the appropriation was made, including the provisions of
22.12 article XI, section 15; and article XIII, section 12, of the Minnesota Constitution to restore,
22.13 protect, and enhance wetlands, prairies, forests, and habitat for fish, game, and wildlife for
22.14 the benefit of all Minnesotans, and with regard to fee title acquisition to be open to the
22.15 public taking of fish and game during the open season, unless otherwise provided by law,
22.16 for the public good and the right of the public to take game and fish on these lands shall not
22.17 be impaired or diminished in quality or experience directly or indirectly. The ownership of
22.18 the interest in real property transfers to the state if: (1) the holder of the interest in real
22.19 property fails to comply with the terms and conditions of the grant agreement or
22.20 accomplishment plan; ~~or~~ (2) restrictions are placed on the land that preclude its use for the
22.21 intended purpose as specified in the appropriation; or (3) the right of the people for the
22.22 benefit of all Minnesotans on land acquired in fee to take fish and game during the open
22.23 season as provided by law is impaired, restricted, or quality diminished by lack of access,
22.24 or grant of special or exclusive privilege or franchise or otherwise.

22.25 (b) A recipient of funding that acquires an interest in real property subject to this
22.26 subdivision may not alter the intended use of the interest in real property or convey any
22.27 interest in the real property acquired with the appropriation without the prior review and
22.28 approval of the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council or its successor. The council shall
22.29 notify the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees and divisions
22.30 with jurisdiction over the outdoor heritage fund at least 15 business days before approval
22.31 under this paragraph. The council shall establish procedures to review requests from
22.32 recipients to alter the use of or convey an interest in real property. These procedures shall
22.33 allow for the replacement of the interest in real property with another interest in real property
22.34 meeting the following criteria:

23.1 (1) the interest must be at least equal in fair market value, as certified by the commissioner
23.2 of natural resources, to the interest being replaced; and

23.3 (2) the interest must be in a reasonably equivalent location and have a reasonably
23.4 equivalent useful conservation purpose compared to the interest being replaced, taking into
23.5 consideration all effects from fragmentation of the whole habitat.

23.6 (c) A recipient of funding who acquires an interest in real property under paragraph (a)
23.7 must separately record a notice of funding restrictions in the appropriate local government
23.8 office where the conveyance of the interest in real property is filed. The notice of funding
23.9 agreement must contain:

23.10 (1) a legal description of the interest in real property covered by the funding agreement;

23.11 (2) a reference to the underlying funding agreement;

23.12 (3) a reference to this section; and

23.13 (4) the following statement: "This interest in real property shall be administered in
23.14 accordance with the terms, conditions, and purposes of the grant agreement controlling the
23.15 acquisition of the property. The interest in real property, or any portion of the interest in
23.16 real property, shall not be sold, transferred, pledged, or otherwise disposed of or further
23.17 encumbered without obtaining the prior written approval of the Lessard-Sams Outdoor
23.18 Heritage Council or its successor. The ownership of the interest in real property transfers
23.19 to the state if: (1) the holder of the interest in real property fails to comply with the terms
23.20 and conditions of the grant agreement or accomplishment plan; ~~or~~ (2) restrictions are placed
23.21 on the land that preclude its use for the intended purpose as specified in the appropriation;
23.22 or (3) the right to take fish and game during the open season as provided by law is impaired.
23.23 restricted, or quality diminished by lack of access or grant of special or exclusive privilege
23.24 or franchise or otherwise."

23.4 Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.056, is amended by adding a subdivision to
23.5 read:

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

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

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

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

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

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

23.21 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.056, is amended by adding a subdivision to
23.22 read:

23.23 Subd. 23. **Trails.** Forest lands acquired with money from the outdoor heritage fund must
23.24 be open to all recreational trail uses unless the land does not support the recreational trail
23.25 use or the constitutional requirements as determined by the commissioner of natural
23.26 resources. A recipient of an appropriation from the outdoor heritage fund establishing or
23.27 maintaining trails on forest lands acquired with that appropriation must provide equal
23.28 opportunities for motorized and nonmotorized users on lands acquired in accordance with
23.29 the Department of Natural Resources and county forest best management practices.

23.30 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2017, and applies to forest lands
23.31 acquired with an appropriation enacted on or after that date.

24.1 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.056, is amended by adding a subdivision to
24.2 read:

23.25 Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.056, is amended by adding a subdivision to
23.26 read:

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

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

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

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

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

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

24.9 Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.056, is amended by adding a subdivision to
24.10 read:

24.3 Subd. 24. **Reserve requirement.** In any fiscal year, at least five percent of that year's
24.4 projected tax receipts determined by the most recent forecast for the outdoor heritage fund
24.5 must not be appropriated.

24.6 Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.056, is amended by adding a subdivision to
24.7 read:

24.8 Subd. 25. **Previous funding notification requirement.** Any state agency or organization
24.9 requesting a direct appropriation from the outdoor heritage fund must inform the
24.10 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council and the house of representatives and senate
24.11 committees having jurisdiction over the outdoor heritage fund, at the time the request for
24.12 funding is made, whether the request is supplanting or is a substitution for any previous
24.13 funding that was not from a legacy fund and was used for the same purpose.

24.14 Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.056, is amended by adding a subdivision to
24.15 read:

24.16 Subd. 26. **Overhead costs.** Notwithstanding any law, policy, or guidance to the contrary,
24.17 a recipient of money from the outdoor heritage fund must not use the money to pay for rent,
24.18 lease payments, insurance, utilities, custodial services, building maintenance, or another
24.19 overhead cost unless the recipient has documented the amount that specific overhead costs
24.20 increased as a direct and necessary result of the recipient's responsibility to administer a
24.21 program, project, or activity paid for with money from the outdoor heritage fund. The amount
24.22 of money from the fund the recipient may use to pay for that specific overhead cost must
24.23 not exceed the amount the recipient documented as the increase in the cost.

24.24 Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.056, is amended by adding a subdivision to
24.25 read:

24.26 Subd. 27. **No net gain; counties.** (a) A county may file a no net gain of state lands
24.27 policy, adopted by the county board, with the commissioner of natural resources. The policy
24.28 must express the county's policy against the acquisition of additional land by the state within
24.29 the county.

24.30 (b) When the commissioner of natural resources acquires private land within a county
24.31 that has filed a no net gain of state lands policy under this subdivision, and the land was
24.32 acquired in fee with money appropriated from the outdoor heritage fund, the commissioner
25.1 of natural resources must sell to a private individual or entity an equal number of acres of
25.2 land within the county. The value of the land sold must be of at least substantially equal
25.3 value of the lands acquired. Notwithstanding section 94.10, subdivision 2, if lands being
25.4 offered for sale to comply with this subdivision remain unsold after a public sale offering,

24.11 Subd. 23. **Maximum appropriation.** No more than 95 percent of the projected balance
24.12 in the outdoor heritage fund may be appropriated in a fiscal year.

25.5 the lands may be sold for less than the appraised value. Land sold under this paragraph must
25.6 not be sold for less than 75 percent of the appraised value.

25.7 (c) For the purposes of this subdivision, "substantially equal value" has the meaning
25.8 given under section 94.343, subdivision 3, paragraph (b).

25.9 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** Paragraph (a) is effective the day following final enactment.

25.10 Sec. 10. Laws 2012, chapter 264, article 1, section 2, subdivision 5, as amended by Laws
25.11 2015, First Special Session chapter 2, article 1, section 7, is amended to read:

25.12 Subd. 5. **Habitats** ~~-0-~~ 28,620,000

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

25.14 \$3,480,000 in the second year is to the
25.15 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
25.16 interests in land in fee or permanent
25.17 conservation easements for aquatic
25.18 management areas under Minnesota Statutes,
25.19 sections 86A.05, subdivision 14, and 97C.02,
25.20 and to restore and enhance aquatic habitat. A
25.21 list of proposed land acquisitions must be
25.22 provided as part of the required
25.23 accomplishment plan. The accomplishment
25.24 plan must include an easement stewardship
25.25 plan. Up to \$25,000 is for establishing a
25.26 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
25.27 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
25.28 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
25.29 subdivision 17. An annual financial report is
25.30 required for any monitoring and enforcement
25.31 fund established, including expenditures from
25.32 the fund and a description of annual
25.33 monitoring and enforcement activities.

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

26.1 \$3,680,000 in the second year is to the
26.2 commissioner of natural resources for
26.3 agreements to acquire interests in land in fee
26.4 or permanent conservation easements and to
26.5 restore and enhance natural systems associated
26.6 with the Mississippi, Minnesota, and St. Croix
26.7 Rivers as follows: \$1,000,000 to the
26.8 Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge
26.9 Trust, Inc.; \$375,000 to the Friends of the
26.10 Mississippi; \$375,000 to Great River
26.11 Greening; \$930,000 to The Minnesota Land
26.12 Trust; and \$1,000,000 to The Trust for Public
26.13 Land. A list of proposed acquisitions,
26.14 restorations, and enhancements must be
26.15 provided as part of the required
26.16 accomplishment plan. The accomplishment
26.17 plan must include an easement stewardship
26.18 plan. Up to \$51,000 is for establishing a
26.19 monitoring and enforcement fund as approved
26.20 in the accomplishment plan and subject to
26.21 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
26.22 subdivision 17. An annual financial report is
26.23 required for any monitoring and enforcement
26.24 fund established, including expenditures from
26.25 the fund and a description of annual
26.26 monitoring and enforcement activities.

26.27 **(c) Dakota County Riparian and Lakeshore**
26.28 **Protection and Management - Phase III**

26.29 \$480,000 in the second year is to the
26.30 commissioner of natural resources for an
26.31 agreement with Dakota County to acquire
26.32 permanent conservation easements and restore
26.33 and enhance habitats along the Mississippi,
26.34 Cannon, and Vermillion Rivers. A list of
26.35 proposed acquisitions, restorations, and
26.36 enhancements must be provided as part of the
26.37 required accomplishment plan. The
26.38 accomplishment plan must include an
26.39 easement stewardship plan. Up to \$20,000 is
26.40 for establishing a monitoring and enforcement

27.5 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
27.6 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
27.7 97A.056, subdivision 17. An annual financial
27.8 report is required for any monitoring and
27.9 enforcement fund established, including
27.10 expenditures from the fund and a description
27.11 of annual monitoring and enforcement
27.12 activities.

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

27.14 \$3,670,000 in the second year is to the
27.15 commissioner of natural resources to restore
27.16 habitat in the lower St. Louis River estuary.
27.17 A list of proposed projects must be provided
27.18 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

27.19 **(e) Coldwater Fish Habitat Enhancement - Phase**
27.20 **IV**

27.21 \$2,120,000 in the second year is to the
27.22 commissioner of natural resources for an
27.23 agreement with Minnesota Trout Unlimited
27.24 to restore and enhance coldwater fish lake,
27.25 river, and stream habitats in Minnesota. A list
27.26 of proposed restorations and enhancements
27.27 must be provided as part of the required
27.28 accomplishment plan.

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

27.30 \$2,320,000 in the second year is to the
27.31 commissioner of natural resources for an
27.32 agreement with the Red Lake Watershed
27.33 District to restore and enhance stream and
27.34 related habitat in Grand Marais Creek. A list
27.35 of proposed restorations and enhancements

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

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

28.4 \$380,000 in the second year is to the
28.5 commissioner of natural resources for an
28.6 agreement with the Lake Superior Steelhead
28.7 Association to restore trout habitat in the
28.8 Upper Knife River Watershed. A list of
28.9 proposed restorations must be provided as part
28.10 of the required accomplishment plan.
28.11 Notwithstanding rules of the commissioner of
28.12 natural resources, restorations conducted
28.13 pursuant to this paragraph may be
28.14 accomplished by excavation.

28.15 **(h) Protect Aquatic Habitat from Invasive Carp**

28.16 \$7,500,000 in the second year is to the
28.17 commissioner of natural resources for design
28.18 construction, including acquisition, operation,
28.19 and evaluation of structural deterrents for
28.20 invasive carp to protect Minnesota's aquatic
28.21 habitat. Use of this money requires a
28.22 one-to-one match for projects on state
28.23 boundary waters. A match is not required for
28.24 design or feasibility studies. This appropriation
28.25 is available until June 30, 2019.

28.26 **(i) Outdoor Heritage Conservation Partners**
28.27 **Grant Program - Phase IV**

28.28 \$4,990,000 in the second year is to the
28.29 commissioner of natural resources for a
28.30 program to provide competitive, matching
28.31 grants of up to \$400,000 to local, regional,
28.32 state, and national organizations for enhancing,

28.33 restoring, or protecting forests, wetlands,
28.34 prairies, and habitat for fish, game, or wildlife
28.35 in Minnesota. Grants shall not be made for
29.1 activities required to fulfill the duties of
29.2 owners of lands subject to conservation
29.3 easements. Grants shall not be made from
29.4 appropriations in this paragraph for projects
29.5 that have a total project cost exceeding
29.6 \$575,000. \$366,000 of this appropriation may
29.7 be spent for personnel costs and other direct
29.8 and necessary administrative costs. Grantees
29.9 may acquire land or interests in land.
29.10 Easements must be permanent. Land acquired
29.11 in fee must be open to hunting and fishing
29.12 during the open season unless otherwise
29.13 provided by state law. The program shall
29.14 require a match of at least ten percent from
29.15 nonstate sources for all grants. The match may
29.16 be cash or in-kind resources. For grant
29.17 applications of \$25,000 or less, the
29.18 commissioner shall provide a separate,
29.19 simplified application process. Subject to
29.20 Minnesota Statutes, the commissioner of
29.21 natural resources shall, when evaluating
29.22 projects of equal value, give priority to
29.23 organizations that have a history of receiving
29.24 or charter to receive private contributions for
29.25 local conservation or habitat projects. If
29.26 acquiring land or a conservation easement,
29.27 priority shall be given to projects associated
29.28 with existing wildlife management areas under
29.29 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
29.30 subdivision 8; scientific and natural areas
29.31 under Minnesota Statutes, sections 84.033 and
29.32 86A.05, subdivision 5; and aquatic
29.33 management areas under Minnesota Statutes,
29.34 sections 86A.05, subdivision 14, and 97C.02.
29.35 All restoration or enhancement projects must
29.36 be on land permanently protected by a
30.1 conservation easement or public ownership or
30.2 in public waters as defined in Minnesota
30.3 Statutes, section 103G.005, subdivision 15.
30.4 Priority shall be given to restoration and

30.5 enhancement projects on public lands.
 30.6 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
 30.7 subdivision 13, applies to grants awarded
 30.8 under this paragraph. This appropriation is
 30.9 available until June 30, 2016. No less than five
 30.10 percent of the amount of each grant must be
 30.11 held back from reimbursement until the grant
 30.12 recipient has completed a grant
 30.13 accomplishment report by the deadline and in
 30.14 the form prescribed by and satisfactory to the
 30.15 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council. The
 30.16 commissioner shall provide notice of the grant
 30.17 program in the game and fish law summaries
 30.18 that are prepared under Minnesota Statutes,
 30.19 section 97A.051, subdivision 2.

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

30.21 Sec. 11. Laws 2015, First Special Session chapter 2, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2, as
 30.22 amended by Laws 2016, chapter 172, article 1, section 5, is amended to read:

30.23 Subd. 2. **Prairies** 40,948,000 -0-

30.24 **(a) DNR Wildlife Management Area and**
 30.25 **Scientific and Natural Area Acquisition - Phase**
 30.26 **VII**

30.27 \$4,570,000 in the first year is to the
 30.28 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
 30.29 land in fee for wildlife management purposes
 30.30 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
 30.31 subdivision 8, and to acquire land in fee for
 30.32 scientific and natural area purposes under
 30.33 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
 30.34 subdivision 5. Subject to evaluation criteria
 30.35 in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
 31.1 must be given to acquisition of lands that are
 31.2 eligible for the native prairie bank under
 31.3 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
 31.4 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of
 31.5 proposed land and permanent conservation

24.13 Sec. 7. Laws 2015, First Special Session chapter 2, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2, as
 24.14 amended by Laws 2016, chapter 172, article 1, section 5, is amended to read:

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 24.25 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
 24.26 subdivision 5. Subject to evaluation criteria
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 24.29 eligible for the native prairie bank under
 24.30 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
 24.31 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of
 24.32 proposed land and permanent conservation

31.6 easement acquisitions must be provided as
31.7 part of the required accomplishment plan.

31.8 **(b) Accelerating Wildlife Management Area**
31.9 **Acquisition - Phase VII**

31.10 \$7,452,000 in the first year is to the
31.11 commissioner of natural resources for an
31.12 agreement with Pheasants Forever to acquire
31.13 land in fee for wildlife management area
31.14 purposes under Minnesota Statutes, section
31.15 86A.05, subdivision 8. Subject to evaluation
31.16 criteria in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900,
31.17 priority must be given to acquisition of lands
31.18 that are eligible for the native prairie bank
31.19 under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or
31.20 lands adjacent to protected native prairie. A
31.21 list of proposed land acquisitions must be
31.22 provided as part of the required
31.23 accomplishment plan.

31.24 **(c) Minnesota Prairie Recovery Project - Phase**
31.25 **VI**

31.26 \$4,032,000 in the first year is to the
31.27 commissioner of natural resources for an
31.28 agreement with The Nature Conservancy to
31.29 acquire native prairie, wetlands, and savanna
31.30 and restore and enhance grasslands, wetlands,
31.31 and savanna. Subject to evaluation criteria in
31.32 Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
31.33 must be given to acquisition of lands that are
31.34 eligible for the native prairie bank under
31.35 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
31.36 adjacent to protected native prairie. Annual
32.1 income statements and balance sheets for
32.2 income and expenses from land acquired with
32.3 this appropriation must be submitted to the
32.4 Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council no
32.5 later than 180 days following the close of The
32.6 Nature Conservancy's fiscal year. A list of

25.1 easement acquisitions must be provided as
25.2 part of the required accomplishment plan.

25.3 **(b) Accelerating Wildlife Management Area**
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32.7 proposed land acquisitions must be provided
32.8 as part of the required accomplishment plan
32.9 and must be consistent with the priorities
32.10 identified in the Minnesota Prairie
32.11 Conservation Plan.

32.12 **(d) Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife**
32.13 **Refuge Land Acquisition - Phase VI**

32.14 \$3,430,000 in the first year is to the
32.15 commissioner of natural resources for an
32.16 agreement with The Nature Conservancy in
32.17 cooperation with the United States Fish and
32.18 Wildlife Service to acquire land in fee or
32.19 permanent conservation easements within the
32.20 Northern Tallgrass Prairie Habitat Preservation
32.21 Area in western Minnesota for addition to the
32.22 Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife
32.23 Refuge. Subject to evaluation criteria in
32.24 Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
32.25 must be given to acquisition of lands that are
32.26 eligible for the native prairie bank under
32.27 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
32.28 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of
32.29 proposed land acquisitions must be provided
32.30 as part of the required accomplishment plan
32.31 and must be consistent with the priorities in
32.32 the Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan.

32.33 **(e) Accelerated Native Prairie Bank Protection**
32.34 **- Phase IV**

32.35 \$3,740,000 in the first year is to the
32.36 commissioner of natural resources to
33.1 implement the Minnesota Prairie Conservation
33.2 Plan through the acquisition of permanent
33.3 conservation easements to protect native
33.4 prairie and grasslands. Up to \$165,000 is for
33.5 establishing monitoring and enforcement funds
33.6 as approved in the accomplishment plan and
33.7 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section

26.2 proposed land acquisitions must be provided
26.3 as part of the required accomplishment plan
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 33.13 lands adjacent to protected native prairie. A
 33.14 list of permanent conservation easements must
 33.15 be provided as part of the final report.

33.16 **(f) Minnesota Buffers for Wildlife and Water -**
 33.17 **Phase V**

33.18 \$4,544,000 in the first year is to the Board of
 33.19 Water and Soil Resources to acquire
 33.20 permanent conservation easements to protect
 33.21 and enhance habitat by expanding the clean
 33.22 water fund riparian buffer program for at least
 33.23 equal wildlife benefits from buffers on private
 33.24 land. Up to ~~\$72,500~~ \$728,000 is for
 33.25 establishing a monitoring and enforcement
 33.26 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
 33.27 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
 33.28 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent
 33.29 conservation easements must be provided as
 33.30 part of the final report.

33.31 **(g) Cannon River Headwaters Habitat Complex**
 33.32 **- Phase V**

33.33 \$1,380,000 in the first year is to the
 33.34 commissioner of natural resources for an
 33.35 agreement with The Trust for Public Land to
 33.36 acquire and restore lands in the Cannon River
 34.1 watershed for wildlife management purposes
 34.2 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
 34.3 subdivision 8. Subject to evaluation criteria
 34.4 in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
 34.5 must be given to acquisition of lands that are
 34.6 eligible for the native prairie bank under
 34.7 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
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 27.4 criteria in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900,
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 27.36 must be given to acquisition of lands that are
 28.1 eligible for the native prairie bank under
 28.2 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
 28.3 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of

34.9 proposed land acquisitions must be provided
34.10 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

34.11 **(h) Prairie Chicken Habitat Partnership of the**
34.12 **Southern Red River Valley**

34.13 \$1,800,000 in the first year is to the
34.14 commissioner of natural resources for an
34.15 agreement with Pheasants Forever in
34.16 cooperation with the Minnesota Prairie
34.17 Chicken Society to acquire and restore lands
34.18 in the southern Red River Valley for wildlife
34.19 management purposes under Minnesota
34.20 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8, or for
34.21 designation and management as waterfowl
34.22 production areas in Minnesota, in cooperation
34.23 with the United States Fish and Wildlife
34.24 Service. A list of proposed land acquisitions
34.25 must be provided as part of the required
34.26 accomplishment plan.

34.27 **(i) Protecting and Restoring Minnesota's**
34.28 **Important Bird Areas**

34.29 \$1,730,000 in the first year is to the
34.30 commissioner of natural resources for
34.31 agreements to acquire conservation easements
34.32 within important bird areas identified in the
34.33 Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan, to be
34.34 used as follows: \$408,000 is to Audubon
34.35 Minnesota and \$1,322,000 is to Minnesota
34.36 Land Trust, of which up to \$100,000 is for
35.1 establishing monitoring and enforcement funds
35.2 as approved in the accomplishment plan and
35.3 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
35.4 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent
35.5 conservation easements must be provided as
35.6 part of the final report.

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28.5 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

28.6 **(h) Prairie Chicken Habitat Partnership of the**
28.7 **Southern Red River Valley**

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28.13 in the southern Red River Valley for wildlife
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28.16 designation and management as waterfowl
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28.18 with the United States Fish and Wildlife
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28.20 must be provided as part of the required
28.21 accomplishment plan.

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28.32 establishing monitoring and enforcement funds
28.33 as approved in the accomplishment plan and
28.34 subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
28.35 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent
29.1 conservation easements must be provided as
29.2 part of the final report.

35.7 **(j) Wild Rice River Corridor Habitat**
35.8 **Restoration**

35.9 \$2,270,000 in the first year is to the
35.10 commissioner of natural resources for an
35.11 agreement with the Wild Rice Watershed
35.12 District to acquire land in fee and permanent
35.13 conservation easement and to restore river
35.14 and related habitat in the Wild Rice River
35.15 corridor. A list of proposed acquisitions and
35.16 restorations must be provided as part of the
35.17 required accomplishment plan.

35.18 **(k) Accelerated Prairie Restoration and**
35.19 **Enhancement on DNR Lands - Phase VII**

35.20 \$4,880,000 in the first year is to the
35.21 commissioner of natural resources to
35.22 accelerate the restoration and enhancement of
35.23 prairie communities on wildlife management
35.24 areas, scientific and natural areas, state forest
35.25 land, and land under native prairie bank
35.26 easements. A list of proposed land restorations
35.27 and enhancements must be provided as part
35.28 of the required accomplishment plan.

35.29 **(l) Enhanced Public Land Grasslands - Phase**
35.30 **II**

35.31 \$1,120,000 in the first year is to the
35.32 commissioner of natural resources for an
35.33 agreement with Pheasants Forever to enhance
35.34 and restore habitat on public lands. A list of
35.35 proposed land restorations and enhancements
35.36 must be provided as part of the final report.

36.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively from July 1, 2015.

29.3 **(j) Wild Rice River Corridor Habitat**
29.4 **Restoration**

29.5 \$2,270,000 in the first year is to the
29.6 commissioner of natural resources for an
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29.11 corridor. A list of proposed acquisitions and
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29.24 of the required accomplishment plan.

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29.28 commissioner of natural resources for an
29.29 agreement with Pheasants Forever to enhance
29.30 and restore habitat on public lands. A list of
29.31 proposed land restorations and enhancements
29.32 must be provided as part of the final report.

29.33 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively from July 1, 2015.

36.2 Sec. 12. Laws 2016, chapter 172, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

36.3 Subd. 2. **Prairies** -0- 31,000,000

36.4 **(a) DNR Wildlife Management Area and**
36.5 **Scientific and Natural Area Acquisition - Phase**
36.6 **VIII**

36.7 \$3,250,000 the second year is to the
36.8 commissioner of natural resources to acquire
36.9 land in fee for wildlife management purposes
36.10 under Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
36.11 subdivision 8, and to acquire land in fee for
36.12 scientific and natural area purposes under
36.13 Minnesota Statutes, section 86A.05,
36.14 subdivision 5. Subject to evaluation criteria
36.15 in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900, priority
36.16 must be given to acquisition of lands that are
36.17 eligible for the native prairie bank under
36.18 Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or lands
36.19 adjacent to protected native prairie. A list of
36.20 proposed land acquisitions must be provided
36.21 as part of the required accomplishment plan.

36.22 **(b) Accelerating Wildlife Management Area**
36.23 **Acquisition - Phase VIII**

36.24 \$5,229,000 the second year is to the
36.25 commissioner of natural resources for an
36.26 agreement with Pheasants Forever to acquire
36.27 in fee and restore lands for wildlife
36.28 management area purposes under Minnesota
36.29 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8.
36.30 Subject to evaluation criteria in Minnesota
36.31 Rules, part 6136.0900, priority must be given
36.32 to acquisition of lands that are eligible for the
36.33 native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes,
36.34 section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected
36.35 native prairie. A list of proposed land

29.34 Sec. 8. Laws 2016, chapter 172, article 1, section 2, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

29.35 Subd. 2. **Prairies** -0- 31,000,000

30.1 **(a) DNR Wildlife Management Area and**
30.2 **Scientific and Natural Area Acquisition - Phase**
30.3 **VIII**

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30.30 native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes,
30.31 section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected
30.32 native prairie. A list of proposed land

37.1 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
37.2 required accomplishment plan.

37.3 **(c) Martin County/Fox Lake Wildlife**
37.4 **Management Area Acquisition**

37.5 \$1,000,000 the second year is to the
37.6 commissioner of natural resources for an
37.7 agreement with Fox Lake Conservation
37.8 League, Inc. to acquire land in fee and restore
37.9 strategic prairie grassland, wetland, and other
37.10 wildlife habitat for wildlife management area
37.11 purposes under Minnesota Statutes, section
37.12 86A.05, subdivision 8. A list of proposed
37.13 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
37.14 required accomplishment plan.

37.15 **(d) Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife**
37.16 **Refuge Land Acquisition - Phase VII**

37.17 \$2,754,000 the second year is to the
37.18 commissioner of natural resources for an
37.19 agreement with The Nature Conservancy in
37.20 cooperation with the United States Fish and
37.21 Wildlife Service to acquire land in fee or
37.22 permanent conservation easements and restore
37.23 lands within the Northern Tallgrass Prairie
37.24 Habitat Preservation Area in western
37.25 Minnesota for addition to the Northern
37.26 Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife Refuge.
37.27 Subject to evaluation criteria in Minnesota
37.28 Rules, part 6136.0900, priority must be given
37.29 to acquisition of lands that are eligible for the
37.30 native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes,
37.31 section 84.96, or lands adjacent to protected
37.32 native prairie. A list of proposed land
37.33 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
37.34 required accomplishment plan and must be
37.35 consistent with the priorities in the Minnesota
37.36 Prairie Conservation Plan.

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31.26 native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes,
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31.29 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
31.30 required accomplishment plan and must be
31.31 consistent with the priorities in the Minnesota
31.32 Prairie Conservation Plan.

38.1 **(e) Cannon River Headwaters Habitat Complex**
38.2 **- Phase VI**

38.3 \$583,000 the second year is to the
38.4 commissioner of natural resources for an
38.5 agreement with The Trust for Public Land to
38.6 acquire land in fee and restore lands in the
38.7 Cannon River watershed for wildlife
38.8 management purposes under Minnesota
38.9 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8.
38.10 Subject to evaluation criteria in Minnesota
38.11 Rules, part 6136.0900, priority must be given
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38.13 native prairie bank under Minnesota Statutes,
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38.16 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
38.17 required accomplishment plan.

38.18 **(f) Accelerated Native Prairie Bank Protection**
38.19 **- Phase V**

38.20 \$2,541,000 the second year is to the
38.21 commissioner of natural resources to
38.22 implement the Minnesota Prairie Conservation
38.23 Plan through the acquisition of permanent
38.24 conservation easements to protect and restore
38.25 native prairie. Of this amount, up to \$120,000
38.26 is for establishing monitoring and enforcement
38.27 funds as approved in the accomplishment plan
38.28 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
38.29 97A.056, subdivision 17. Subject to evaluation
38.30 criteria in Minnesota Rules, part 6136.0900,
38.31 priority must be given to acquisition of lands
38.32 that are eligible for the native prairie bank
38.33 under Minnesota Statutes, section 84.96, or
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32.31 list of permanent conservation easements must
32.32 be provided as part of the final report.

39.1 **(g) Reinvest In Minnesota (RIM) Buffers for**
 39.2 **Wildlife and Water - Phase VI**

39.3 \$6,708,000 the second year is to the Board of
 39.4 Water and Soil Resources to acquire
 39.5 permanent conservation easements and restore
 39.6 habitat under Minnesota Statutes, section
 39.7 103F.515, to protect, restore, and enhance
 39.8 habitat by expanding the clean water fund
 39.9 riparian buffer program for at least equal
 39.10 wildlife benefits from buffers on private land.
 39.11 Of this amount, up to ~~\$130,000~~ \$1,079,000 is
 39.12 to establish a monitoring and enforcement
 39.13 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
 39.14 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
 39.15 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent
 39.16 conservation easements must be provided as
 39.17 part of the final report.

39.18 **(h) Prairie Chicken Habitat Partnership of the**
 39.19 **Southern Red River Valley - Phase II**

39.20 \$2,269,000 the second year is to the
 39.21 commissioner of natural resources for an
 39.22 agreement with Pheasants Forever, in
 39.23 cooperation with the Minnesota Prairie
 39.24 Chicken Society, to acquire land in fee and
 39.25 restore and enhance lands in the southern Red
 39.26 River Valley for wildlife management
 39.27 purposes under Minnesota Statutes, section
 39.28 86A.05, subdivision 8, or for designation and
 39.29 management as waterfowl production areas
 39.30 in Minnesota, in cooperation with the United
 39.31 States Fish and Wildlife Service. Subject to
 39.32 evaluation criteria in Minnesota Rules, part
 39.33 6136.0900, priority must be given to
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40.3 required accomplishment plan.

40.4 **(i) Grassland Conservation Partnership - Phase**
40.5 **II**

40.6 \$1,475,000 the second year is to the
40.7 commissioner of natural resources for an
40.8 agreement with The Conservation Fund, in
40.9 cooperation with Minnesota Land Trust, to
40.10 acquire permanent conservation easements
40.11 and restore high priority grassland, prairie,
40.12 and wetland habitats as follows: \$64,000 to
40.13 The Conservation Fund; and \$1,411,000 to
40.14 Minnesota Land Trust, of which up to
40.15 \$100,000 is for establishing a monitoring and
40.16 enforcement fund, as approved in the
40.17 accomplishment plan and subject to Minnesota
40.18 Statutes, section 97A.056, subdivision 17.
40.19 Subject to evaluation criteria in Minnesota
40.20 Rules, part 6136.0900, priority must be given
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40.26 accomplishment plan and must be consistent
40.27 with the priorities in the Minnesota Prairie
40.28 Conservation Plan.

40.29 **(j) Accelerated Prairie Restoration and**
40.30 **Enhancement on DNR Lands - Phase VIII**

40.31 \$3,983,000 the second year is to the
40.32 commissioner of natural resources to
40.33 accelerate restoration and enhancement of
40.34 prairies, grasslands, and savannas on wildlife
40.35 management areas, scientific and natural areas,
40.36 native prairie bank land, and bluff prairies on
41.1 state forest land in southeastern Minnesota. A
41.2 list of proposed land restorations and

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41.3 enhancements must be provided as part of the
41.4 required accomplishment plan.

41.5 **(k) Anoka Sandplain Habitat Restoration and**
41.6 **Enhancement - Phase IV**

41.7 \$1,208,000 the second year is to the
41.8 commissioner of natural resources for
41.9 agreements to restore and enhance wildlife
41.10 habitat on public lands in Anoka, Isanti,
41.11 Morrison, Sherburne, and Todd Counties as
41.12 follows: \$93,000 to Anoka Conservation
41.13 District; \$25,000 to Isanti County Parks and
41.14 Recreation Department; \$813,000 to Great
41.15 River Greening; and \$277,000 to the National
41.16 Wild Turkey Federation. A list of proposed
41.17 land restorations and enhancements must be
41.18 provided as part of the required
41.19 accomplishment plan.

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

41.21 Sec. 13. Laws 2016, chapter 172, article 1, section 2, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

41.22 Subd. 4. **Wetlands** -0- 31,055,000

41.23 **(a) Accelerating the Waterfowl Production Area**
41.24 **Acquisition - Phase VIII**

41.25 \$5,650,000 the second year is to the
41.26 commissioner of natural resources for an
41.27 agreement with Pheasants Forever to acquire
41.28 in fee and restore and enhance wetlands and
41.29 grasslands to be designated and managed as
41.30 waterfowl production areas in Minnesota, in
41.31 cooperation with the United States Fish and
41.32 Wildlife Service. A list of proposed land
41.33 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
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35.25 cooperation with the United States Fish and
35.26 Wildlife Service. A list of proposed land
35.27 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
35.28 required accomplishment plan.

42.1 **(b) Shallow Lake and Wetland Protection**
42.2 **Program - Phase V**

42.3 \$5,801,000 the second year is to the
42.4 commissioner of natural resources for an
42.5 agreement with Ducks Unlimited to acquire
42.6 in fee and restore prairie lands, wetlands, and
42.7 land buffering shallow lakes for wildlife
42.8 management purposes under Minnesota
42.9 Statutes, section 86A.05, subdivision 8. A list
42.10 of proposed acquisitions must be provided as
42.11 part of the required accomplishment plan.

42.12 **(c) RIM Wetlands Partnership - Phase VII**

42.13 \$13,808,000 the second year is to the Board
42.14 of Water and Soil Resources to acquire lands
42.15 in permanent conservation easements and to
42.16 restore wetlands and native grassland habitat
42.17 under Minnesota Statutes, section 103F.515.
42.18 Of this amount, up to ~~\$195,000~~ \$410,000 is
42.19 to establish a monitoring and enforcement
42.20 fund as approved in the accomplishment plan
42.21 and subject to Minnesota Statutes, section
42.22 97A.056, subdivision 17. A list of permanent
42.23 conservation easements must be provided as
42.24 part of the final report.

42.25 **(d) Wetland Habitat Protection Program - Phase**
42.26 **II**

42.27 \$1,629,000 the second year is to the
42.28 commissioner of natural resources for an
42.29 agreement with Minnesota Land Trust to
42.30 acquire permanent conservation easements in
42.31 high-priority wetland habitat complexes in the
42.32 prairie and forest/prairie transition regions. Of
42.33 this amount, up to \$180,000 is to establish a
42.34 monitoring and enforcement fund, as approved
42.35 in the accomplishment plan and subject to

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42.36 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
43.1 subdivision 17. A list of proposed easement
43.2 acquisitions must be provided as part of the
43.3 final report.

43.4 **(e) Accelerated Shallow Lakes and Wetlands**
43.5 **Enhancement - Phase VIII**

43.6 \$2,167,000 the second year is to the
43.7 commissioner of natural resources to enhance
43.8 and restore shallow lakes and wetland habitat
43.9 statewide. A list of proposed land restorations
43.10 and enhancements must be provided as part
43.11 of the required accomplishment plan.

43.12 **(f) Marsh Lake - Phase II**

43.13 \$2,000,000 the second year is to the
43.14 commissioner of natural resources to modify
43.15 the dam at Marsh Lake for improved habitat
43.16 management and to return the historic outlet
43.17 of the Pomme de Terre River to Lac Qui Parle.

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

43.19 Sec. 14. **REPEALER.**

43.20 Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.056, subdivision 8, is repealed.

36.29 Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.056,
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37.12 Sec. 10. **REPEALER.**

37.13 Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 97A.056, subdivision 8, is repealed.