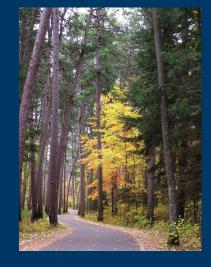
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2020 Capital Budget Request Presentation to the House Capital Investment Committee: February 13, 2020

**Commissioner Sarah Strommen** 

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# Preview



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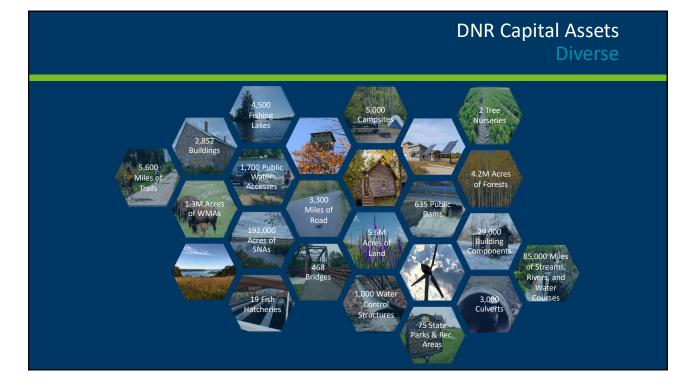
# Priorities

## Public Safety and Asset Preservation

- Taking care of what we have
- Infrastructure that serves the public and community prosperity
- Ensuring efficient DNR operations

## **Quality of Life**

- Equitable access
- Community prosperity
- Preserving Minnesota's natural and cultural heritage



### DNR Capital Assets Extensive and Geographically Dispersed

- DNR is in all 87 counties
- DNR manages 5.6 million acres of land, which is 11% of Minnesota's total land area
- DNR manages 2,852 buildings
  - 225 work sites (map to right)
  - About 30,000 building components
- DNR Capital Assets are worth about \$3 billion (based on Current Replacement Value)

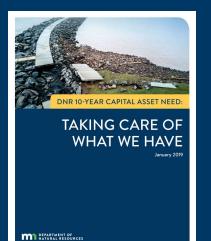


# **Determining Our Need**

- · Continuously assessing our assets to identify need
- Use the Department of Administration's Archibus system for buildings
- Need summarized in 10-Year Capital Asset Need report
  - As of December, 2018:



\*Calculated as a percentage of the current replacement value (CRV) based on the type and life cycle of the asset.



Find the report at mndnr.gov/reports

# Programmatic Approach

#### **DNR Programs**

#### • Natural Resources Asset Preservation (NRAP)

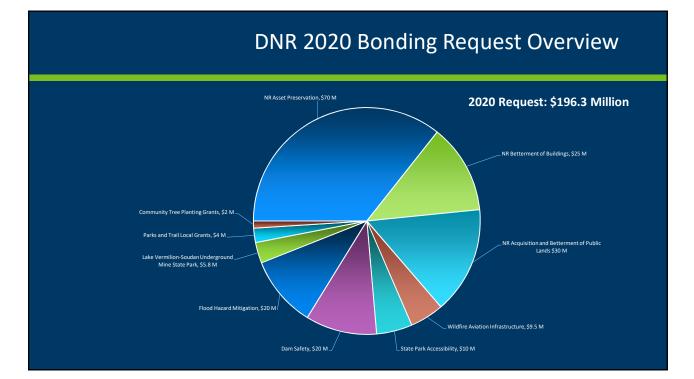
- Betterment of Buildings
- Acquisition and Betterment of Public Lands
- Dam Safety

#### **DNR Projects**

- Wildfire Aviation Infrastructure
- Improving Accessibility to State Parks
- Lake Vermilion-Soudan Underground Mine State Park

#### **DNR Grants**

- Flood Hazard Mitigation Grants
- Parks & Trails Local and Regional Grants
- Community Tree Planting Grants



# Public Safety and Asset Preservation: Natural Resources Asset Preservation (NRAP)

#### \$70 Million NRAP Request Includes:

Buildings

Water and Wastewater Systems

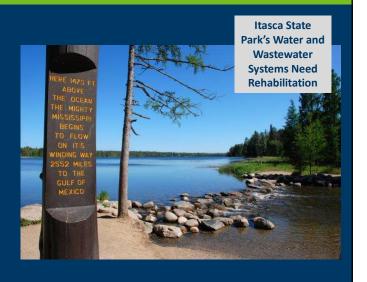
Roads, Trails, and Bridges

Water Control Structures

Campsites, Group Camps, and Day Use Areas

Monitoring Wells

Hatcheries



# Public Safety and Asset Preservation: Buildings

- DNR operates over 2,800 buildings
  - About 30,000 building components
  - 1 in 4 buildings are in unacceptable or poor condition
  - Nearly 1 in 3 buildings are over 80 years old
  - Only 1 in 4 buildings meet today's design and building standards
- Buildings support all parts of DNR's mission



### Public Safety and Asset Preservation: Need a Mix of Funding

#### \$70 Million in Natural Resources Asset Preservation (M.S. 84.946)

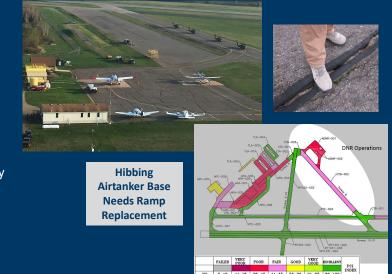
- Taking care of what we have and addressing deferred maintenance – preserve existing infrastructure
  - Crisis and poor building components
  - Soudan mine hoist shaft repair

#### \$25 Million for Betterment of Buildings (M.S. 86A.12)

- New construction
  - Drill Core Library
  - Consolidated offices
  - Equipment storage

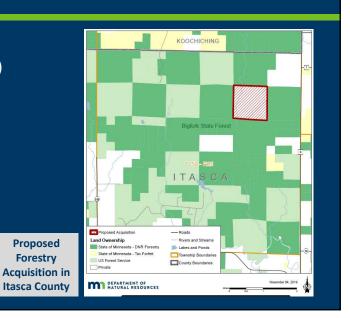
# Public Safety and Asset Preservation: Safety

- \$9.5 million for wildfire aviation infrastructure
  - Hibbing ramp is top priority
  - Additional projects at Grand Rapids, Brainerd, and Hibbing
- \$20 million for dam safety
  - Lake Bronson Dam is top priority
- \$20 million for flood hazard mitigation grants



# Quality of Life: Public Lands

- \$30 million for acquisition and betterment of public lands (M.S. 86A.12)
  - \$17 million for acquisition of strategic inholdings and parcels
  - \$13 million for betterment
- \$2 million for community tree planting grants



# Quality of Life: Accessibility

- \$10 million to improve accessibility at state parks
  - William O'Brien and Fort Snelling State Parks
  - State parks are not fully accessible due to piecemeal improvements
  - Goal is to provide comprehensive accessibility to enhance outdoor experience for everyone



# Quality of Life: Outdoor Recreation

- \$5.8 million to provide a new campground and related amenities at Lake Vermilion-Soudan Underground Mine State Park
- \$4 million for parks and trails local and regional grant programs



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# Thank you!

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