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# Increasing the Capacity of Minnesota Communities to Manage & Prepare for Weather Extremes



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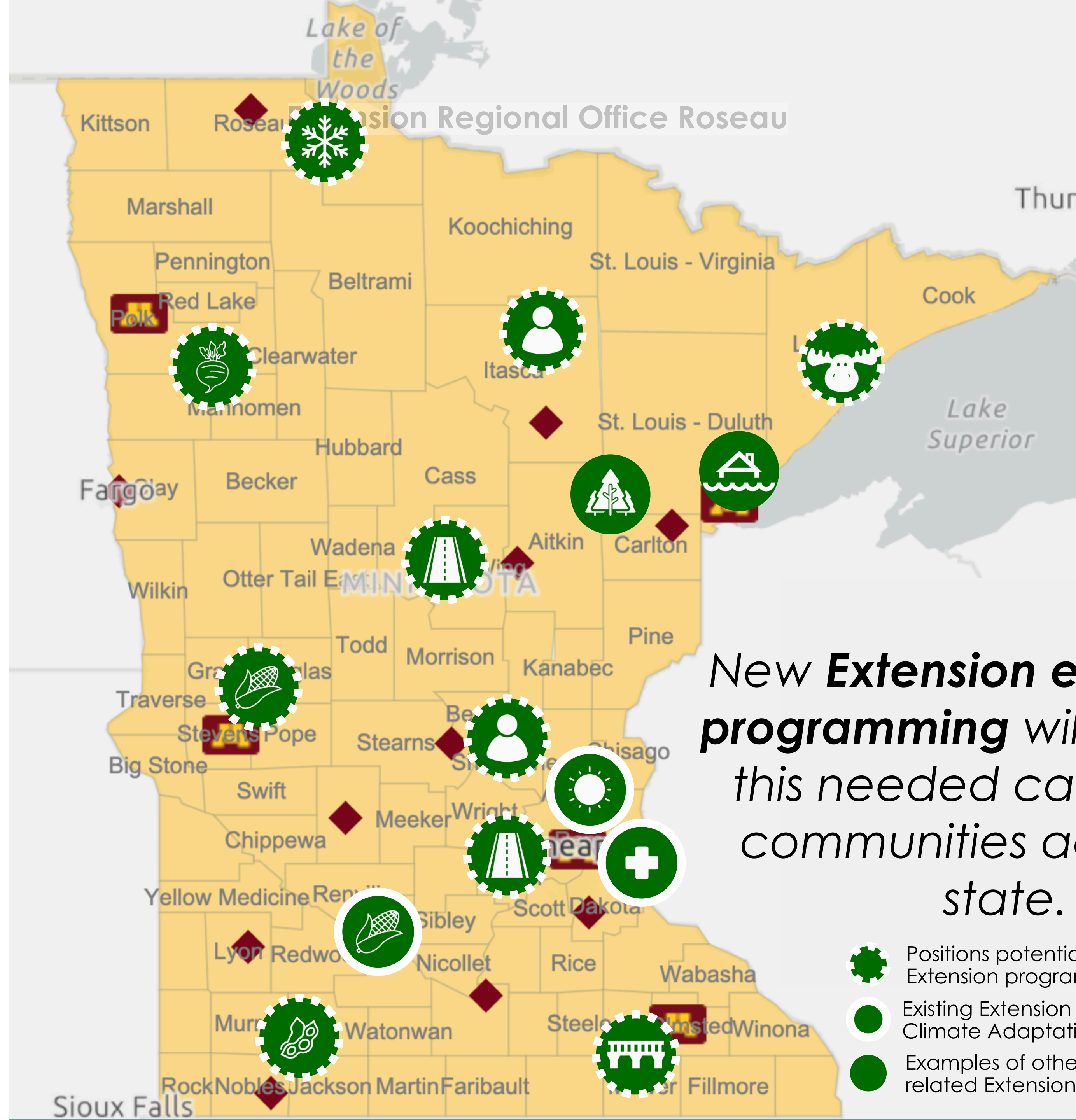
MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN MINNESOTA: ENVIRONMENT + FOOD & AGRICULTURE + COMMUNITIES + FAMILIES + YOUTH

**Effective management of weather-related impacts is essential to the health and well-being of Minnesota residents, industries, landscapes, cultures, and economy.**



# Expanding Extension's Current Expertise & Impact

We need to enhance the capacity of the State's agricultural sector, land and resource managers, and communities to manage their unique weather- and climate-related risks & vulnerabilities.



*New Extension expertise & programming will help add this needed capacity to communities across the state.*

- Positions potentially added through new Extension program
- Existing Extension positions within MN Climate Adaptation Partnership
- Examples of other dedicated resilience-related Extension positions

Map modified from: [extension.umn.edu](http://extension.umn.edu)

# This Extension Program will:

- Bring UMN Extension to more Minnesotans, with a focus on **helping Minnesota communities** better prepare for, and respond to, the impacts of events like **droughts and floods**;
- Add needed positions to Extension to **provide tailored technical services, training, and educational resources** to support **proactive management** of these hazards;
- **Leverage** existing, state-wide Extension infrastructure, funding, & relationships;
- **Expand access** to existing state investments and resources;
- **Provide timely support & data** to make Minnesota more competitive for federal funding;
- **Demonstrate national leadership** & develop a competitive edge by creating a model that can be scaled across Minnesota, and nationally.

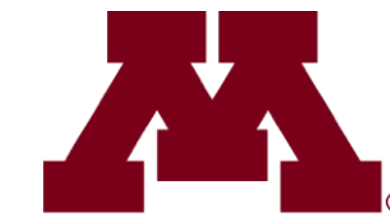


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