



# Investing In Outdoor Heritage, Clean Water, Arts, and Culture

## HF1999



*In 2008, Minnesota’s voters passed the Clean Water, Land, and Legacy Amendment because all of us want our state to be a great place to live, work, and play. House Democrats are investing over \$820 million to continue the important work of restoring, enhancing, and protecting Minnesota’s most treasured spaces and places and increasing access for all.*

### Top Impacts:

#### Outdoor Heritage Fund

• Minnesotans are proud of our great outdoors. With investments of \$172 million into our outdoor heritage fund, this bill will help restore, protect, and enhance prairies, forests, wetlands, and wildlife habitats throughout the state.



#### Clean Water Fund

• From lakes, rivers, and streams to wells, watersheds, and aquifers, this bill invests \$318 million to protect our water for future generations by cleaning up toxic chemicals that threaten our health and environment and ensuring that we use our land in ways that protect our water.



#### Parks and Trails

• Minnesota is known for its world-class parks and trails system, which gets hundreds of thousands of visitors ever year. This bill includes \$136 million to preserve and protect state and regional parks and trails across the state.



#### Arts and Cultural Heritage

• Minnesota has a rich cultural heritage, and we are dedicated to supporting the arts, arts education, and arts access in our state through over \$195 million in investments in Community Identity and Heritage grants, Regional Libraries, Minnesota Public Radio, The Science Museum, Children’s Museums, Zoos, and more.



### Other Key Provisions:

- Everyone’s history deserves to be told and culture celebrated. This budget expands opportunities for BIPOC and LGBTQIA+ communities to access Legacy funding, including Minnesota’s Tribal nations as they seek to preserve their native languages.
- Ensuring our water will be swimmable, fishable, and drinkable by establishing a Minnesota Clean Water Goal to have all waters clean and safe by 2040.
- DFLers are increasing the availability of our outdoor spaces by implementing free access to state parks and trails for at least four days per year.