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### Overview

This bonding proposal calls for (1) \$74,300,000 to predesign, design, construct, furnish, and equip the Phase 1 expansion at the Department of Corrections' Faribault Prison, and (2) \$500,000 for the predesign of a prison industries building at the Faribault prison to be used to manufacture low cost modular homes by inmates.

According to the Department of Corrections' web site: "The Minnesota Correctional Facility-Faribault ... is a medium-security, level-three facility housing adult males. A level 1 and 2 minimum-security unit is also located outside the secure perimeter. The 1989 Minnesota Legislature initially approved opening of the facility by authorizing funds to convert portions of the Faribault Regional Center for correctional use. Population is 1,233 (3/1/04). The facility includes ten remodeled buildings used for living quarters. One of the buildings has been adapted to meet the needs of the department's geriatric and special needs populations."