



2006 PROJECT ABSTRACTS

MN Laws 2006, Chapter 243, Section 19 & Section 20 (beginning June 2006)

The following documents are short abstracts for projects funded during the 2006 Legislative Session. The final date of completion for these projects is listed at the end of the abstract. When available, we have provided links to a projects web site. The sites linked to this page are not created, maintained, or endorsed by the LCMR/LCCMR office or the Minnesota Legislature.

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Funding Sources: (**note: all projects are TF, unless otherwise noted)

Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund (TF)
Great Lakes Protection Account (GLP)

ADMINISTRATION

Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources
Section 19 \$550,000

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For administration as provided in Minnesota Statutes, section 116P.09, subdivision 5.

FISH AND WILDLIFE HABITAT

Land Exchange Revolving Fund for Aitkin, Cass, and Crow Wing Counties
Section 20, Subd. 8 \$290,000

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To establish a six-year revolving loan fund for Aitkin, Cass, and Crow Wing Counties to improve public and private land ownership patterns, increase management efficiency, and protect critical habitat.

Project due to be completed: 6/30/2011

Riparian Land Acquisition

Section 20, Subd. 9 \$640,000

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For fee title acquisition and easements on high-priority, sensitive riparian lands that provide high value for watershed protection.

Project due to be completed: 6/30/2008

Forest Legacy

Section 20, Subd. 11 \$500,000

Incorporated into M.L. 2005, First Special Session, Chp. 1, Art. 2, Sec. 11, Subd. 9c work program.

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To acquire easements as described under Minnesota Statutes, chapter 84C (Conservation Easements), on private lands. The conservation easements must guarantee public access, including hunting and fishing.

Project due to be completed: 6/30/2008

WATER RESOURCES

Lake Superior Research

Section 20, Subd. 6 \$295,000
(\$267,000 TF + \$28,000 GLP)

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RESEARCH

For research on Lake Superior waters.

Project due to be completed: 6/30/2009

Impacts on Minnesota's Aquatic Resources from Climate Change

Section 20, Subd. 7 \$250,000
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RESEARCH

To quantify climate, hydrologic, and ecological variability and trends and identify indicators of future climate.

Project due to be completed: 6/30/2009

LAND USE AND NATURAL RESOURCE INFORMATION

Land Cover Mapping for Natural Resource Protection

Section 20, Subd. 5 \$250,000
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To develop geographic information system tools for prioritizing natural areas for protection and restoration and to update and complete land cover classification mapping for Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Scott, and Washington Counties.

Project due to be completed: 6/30/2008

Statewide Conservation and Preservation Plan

Section 20, Subd. 10 \$300,000

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A Request for Proposal (RFP) was issued September 28, 2006 and due November 17, 2006. Three proposals were received in response. On December 20, 2006 - The LCCMR unanimously recommended the proposal from the team of the University of Minnesota Institute on the Environment/Bonestroo/DSU and CR Planning. A preliminary plan is due June 2007 and a final plan June 2008.

This project due to be completed: 6/30/2008

ENERGY

Phillips Biomass Community Energy System

Section 20, Subd. 3 \$500,000

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To assist in the distribution system equipment and construction costs for a biomass district energy system. This appropriation is contingent on all appropriate permits being obtained and a signed commitment of financing for the biomass electrical generating facility being in place.

Project due to be completed: 6/30/2008

Laurentian Energy Authority Biomass Project

Section 20, Subd. 4 \$400,000

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To lease land and plant approximately 1,000 acres of trees to support a proposed conversion to a biomass power plant.

Project due to be completed: 6/30/2008

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

Enhancing Civic Understanding of Groundwater

Section 20, Subd. 2 \$150,000
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To create groundwater exhibits and a statewide traveling groundwater classroom program.

Project due to be completed: 6/30/2009

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