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To: Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council Members

From: Bill Becker, Executive Director
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Subject: Appropriation of \$15,000 from the Outdoor Heritage Fund for the LCC Managed Legacy Web Site

Periodically the House and Senate committees have provided funds for the Legacy Web Site under the management of the Legislative Coordinating Committee (LCC). The purpose of these appropriations is to track the use of all the funds created in the Legacy Amendment and the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund. The site includes a mapping capability and is a cornerstone of transparency of the use of the Legacy Funds and Trust Fund. Legacy Fund liabilities are shared proportionately by the funds, based on their participation in the 3/8ths of one percent sales tax. Historically the OHF has contributed the same amount as the Clean Water Fund. Periodic costs to the OHF have been in the range of \$10,000 to \$15,000 per fiscal year when funds are needed.

The Legacy fund appropriations in Laws of Minnesota 2013, Chapter 136, are shown in Table 1

FUND NAME	FY 14	FY 15	BIENNIAL TOTAL
Outdoor Heritage	\$15,000	\$0	\$15,000
Clean Water	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$30,000
Parks and Trails	\$7,000	\$6,000	\$13,000
Arts and Cultural Heritage	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$18,000
TOTAL	\$46,000	\$30,000	\$76,000

Table 1 indicates that, in 2013, all funds except the OHF contributed two years of Web site funding. The OHF's single fiscal year outlay occurred because the bill signed into law provided no second year appropriations from the OHF.

To bring the OHF into alignment with other Legacy Fund's support of the LCC Web site our recommendations bill voted on passage at our December meeting will carry an FY 15 appropriation of \$15,000 to LCC for Legacy Web Site operation and improvement.