

ML 2019 / FY 2020 Draft Accomplishment Plan Notes

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Project ID	Project Title	Organization	LSOHC Recommended Funding Amount	Notes
P A 01	DNR WMA and SNA Acquisition - Phase XI	MN DNR	\$ 2,519,000	
P A 02	Accelerating the Wildlife Management Area Program - Phase XI	Pheasants Forever	\$ 6,060,000	Leverage not proportionately reduced. DNR Land Acquisition Costs (memo)
P A 03	MN Prairie Recovery Project - Phase IX	The Nature Conservancy	\$ 3,058,000	Removed fee acquisition w/PILT / lands being held by TNC
P A 04	Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife Refuge - Phase X	The Nature Conservancy	\$ 2,383,000	
P A 05	Lower Wild Rice Corridor Habitat Restoration - Phase II	Wild Rice Watershed District	\$ 2,975,000	
P A 06	Martin County DNR WMA Acquisition - Phase III	Fox Lake Conservation League	\$ 3,650,000	Capital Equipment removed per request of the Council - leverage for that removed. DNR Land Acquisition Costs (memo)
P A 07	RIM Grasslands Reserve	BWSR	\$ 2,276,000	
P A 08	Prairie Chicken Habitat Partnership of the Southern Red River Valley - Phase V	MN Prairie Chicken Society / Pheasants Forever	\$ 2,558,000	DNR Land Acquisition Costs (memo)
P RE 01	DNR Grassland Enhancement - Phase XI	MN DNR	\$ 8,861,000	Roving Crews reduced from 5 years to 3.
P RE 02	Anoka Sand Plain Habitat Conservation - Phase VI	Great River Greening	\$ 2,573,000	
P RE 03	Fairmont Chain of Lakes Habitat Restoration - Phase I	City of Fairmont	\$ 1,390,000	Leverage dropped from \$107,000 to \$30,300 for land previously purchased, same amount of acres, just shifted from R to E
F A 01	Protecting Strategic Forestlands Near Camp Ripley	The Conservation Fund	\$ 3,348,000	Leverage stayed the same with 56% of funding recommended. DNR Land Acquisition Costs (memo). The acres were not reduced due to the federal leverage amount staying consistent at \$3 million from the Department of Defense.
F A 02	Southeast Minnesota Protection and Restoration - Phase VII	The Nature Conservancy	\$ 3,741,000	DNR Land Acquisition Costs (memo)
F A 03	Minnesota Forests for the Future - Phase VII	MN DNR	\$ 4,573,000	The DSS increased because it was originally anticipated the enhancement funds being exempt from DSS. It was determined by MMB that the \$400,000 of enhancements do require DSS which accounts for the additional \$4000.
F RE 01	Floodplain Forest Enhancement - Mississippi River - Phase III	Audubon MN	\$ 1,357,000	Capital Equipment removed. Leverage stayed at 80% with 30% of funds recommended
F RE 02	Enhanced Public Land - Open Landscapes	MN Sharp-Tailed Grouse Society / Pheasants Forever	\$ 955,000	
W A 01	Accelerating the Waterfowl Production Area Program - Phase XI	Pheasants Forever	\$ 5,631,000	
W A 02	Shallow Lake & Wetland Protection Program - Phase VIII	Ducks Unlimited	\$ 6,150,000	With the reduced appropriation amount being focused on 4 priority tracts of land in southwest Minnesota that have higher than average land acq cost/acre and all four of which DNR will purchase seed materials and restore the uplands directly via IDP Use of Funds letters with DNR field staff and equipment at Talcot Lake WMA in SW MN (land purchased in other regions do not have this potential). 1) The DNR IDP budget line stayed the same because it was originally based on the cost to restore vegetation on 4 high priority tracts that remain our top 4 land tracts to purchase via this reduced recommended appropriation amount. The work on these 4 parcels will be performed by DNR via staff and equipment at Talcot WMA in SW MN, and both seed and seasonal labor will be paid thru DNR IDP Use of Funds letter from DU, 2) Not all land is appraised the same, and the top 4 priority parcels (due to wetland restoration and other ecological benefits) for DU to purchase are located in SW Minnesota where land values are higher and more expensive to purchase than others removed from our list due reduced funding. DNR Land Acquisition Costs (memo)

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W A 03	Wetland Habitat Protection and Restoration Program - Phase IV	Minnesota Land Trust	\$ 2,129,000	
W A 04	Wild Rice Shoreland Protection - Phase VI	BWSR	\$ 1,187,000	DNR partner budget unchanged
W RE 01	Shallow Lakes and Wetland Enhancement - Phase XI	MN DNR	\$ 3,541,000	
W RE 03	Restoration of Non-Native Cattail Dominated Wetlands in Border Waters	Voyageurs National Park	\$ 1,270,000	Letter confirming federal match was requested and not received as of yet.
W RE 04	Big Rice Lake Wild Rice Enhancement	MN DNR	\$ 845,000	Capital equipment reduced from \$240,000 to \$90,000 below the 70% reduction
H A 01	St. Croix Watershed Habitat Protection and Restoration - Phase I	St. Croix River Association	\$ 3,751,000	DNR Land Acquisition Costs (memo)
H A 02	Metro Big Rivers - Phase IX	MN Valley Trust	\$ 3,163,000	
H A 03	Dakota County Habitat Protection/Restoration - Phase VII	Dakota County	\$ 2,516,000	
H A 04	Fisheries Habitat Protection on Strategic North Central Minnesota Lakes - Phase V	Minnesota Land Trust	\$ 3,365,000	DNR Land Acquisition Costs (memo)
H A 05	Sauk River Watershed Habitat Protection and Restoration	Sauk River Watershed District	\$ 2,946,000	DNR Land Acquisition Costs (memo)
H RE 01	Minnesota Trout Unlimited Colwater Fish Habitat Enhancement - Phase XI	MN Trout Unlimited	\$ 2,359,000	Leverage stayed the same with 62% of funding recommended. Easement funding remained unchanged, cuts taken from restoration / enhancement
H RE 02	DNR Aquatic Habitat Restoration and Enhancement	MN DNR	\$ 3,208,000	
H RE 03	St. Louis River Restoration Initiative - Phase VI	MN DNR	\$ 3,777,000	Leverage increased from \$138,000 to \$1,137,500. Personnel and Professional Services increased from original ask. Fiscal staff recalculated the three-year salary projections based on updated MMB criteria, resulting in the increase in Personnel. Projects were prioritized based on where funds and plans are currently in place to advance design or construction. Perch Lake and Kingsbury Creek were prioritized for complete funding because they are currently in the design phase, and substantial construction leverage has been secured. Both Interstate Island and Lower Knowlton Creek have design funds secured, with design planned for the near future. Design of the Mud Lake (which had the majority of acres reduced from 110 to 10) and Keene Creek projects has not started, therefore budgeting towards their construction was not prioritized and will be included in a future request.
H RE 04	Knife River Habitat Rehabilitation - Phase IV	Zeitgeist & Lake Superior Steelhead Association	\$ 891,000	Acres anticipated remained higher than the percentage of reduction
H RE 05	Shell Rock River Watershed Restoration Program - Phase VIII	Shell Rock River Watershed District	\$ 2,046,000	Reduced acquisition acres, kept acres R/E the same
H RE 06	Pine River Fish Passage Project 2020	Crow Wing SWCD	\$ 1,246,000	
H RE 07	Sauk River Dam Fish Passage	Stearns SWCD	\$ 737,000	
H RE 08	Restoration of Norway Brook connectivity to the Pine River by removal of Norway Lake Dam and replacement with rock-arch rapids	City of Pine River	\$ 1,005,000	
H RE 10	Pig's Eye Lake Island Habitat Restoration and Enhancement	Ramsey County Parks and Recreation	\$ 4,337,000	Increased leverage
CPL	Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program: Statewide and Metro Habitat - Phase XI	MN DNR	\$ 9,981,000	
O1	Contract Management 2019	MN DNR	\$ 210,000	
O2	Restoration Evaluations	MN DNR	\$ 150,000	