Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council

MEMO:	Agenda Item #8
DATE:	March 12, 2021
SUBJECT:	Correction of Error / Technical Edit Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program
PRESENTER:	Mark Johnson

This is a technical correction due to a previously unnoticed error within the ML2020 appropriation.

Suggested Motion:

Motion by Councilmember X to approve/deny recommendation of a technical edit (outlined below) to the ML 21 recommendations bill for ML 2020, Ch. 104, Art. 1, Sec. 2, subd 5(r), to correct the error an the availability of appropriation to be consistent with past length of time for Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Programs.

(r) Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program: Statewide and Metro Habitat - Phase XII

\$10,424,000 the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for a program to provide competitive matching grants of up to \$400,000 to local, regional, state, and national organizations for enhancing, restoring, or protecting forests, wetlands, prairies, or habitat for fish, game, or wildlife in Minnesota. Of this amount, at least \$3,250,000 is for grants in the seven-county metropolitan area and cities with a population of 50,000 or more. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2023 2024. No less than five percent of the amount of each grant must be held back from reimbursement until the grant recipient has completed a grant accomplishment report by the deadline and in the form prescribed by and satisfactory to the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council. The commissioner must provide notice of the grant program in the summary of game and fish law prepared under Minnesota Statutes, section 97A.051, subdivision 2.

Past Appropriation Availability

ML 2010	6/30/2014	ML 2014	6/30/2018	ML 2018	6/30/2022
MI 2011	6/30/2015	ML 2015	6/30/2018 **	ML 2019	6/30/2023
ML 2012	6/30/2016	ML 2016	6/30/2020	-	-
ML 2013	6/30/2017	ML 2017	6/30/2021	-	-

** this was corrected in ML 2016 to go until 2019