

Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council

MEMO: **Agenda Item #9**
DATE: November 16, 2023
SUBJECT: Accomplishment Plan Amendment
 ML 2020, Ch. 104, Art. 1, Sec. 2, Subd 5(c) - Resilient Habitat for Heritage Brook Trout
PRESENTER: Nick Banks, Trust for Public Land

Suggested Motion:

Motion by Member XX to approve/deny the following amendment.

Staff Comments:

This amendment is being brought before the Council because it is a substantial shift from what was originally proposed and approved.

- Shifts \$604,700 from Fee title budget into Contracts budget for restoration of Maple Creek and Girl Scout Creek.
- Maple Creek and Girl Scout Creek (Yucatan WMA) are currently also proposed for work in the ML 2024 draft accomplishment plan.
- Reduces Fee acres accomplished from 146 to 0.
- Increases Enhancement acres accomplished by 10.
- Average Cost per acre for restoration will nearly double with amendment.
- The design/engineering and RFP process for this work is already underway/completed by Trout Unlimited.
- August 2023 Status Update states difficulty in obtaining permitting, work for Maple Creek wasn't scheduled to start until winter 2024, but TPL staff state the restoration work will be completed by June 2025 deadline as this parcel was not acquired under this appropriation.

Background:

Please see the attached request, amendment description on the accomplishment plan, and maps provided by the project manager.

Attachments:

- Resilient Habitat for Heritage Brook Trout AP
- Most Recent Status Update
- Amendment Request with Maps