

**DRAFTER'S NOTE
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As you requested, this draft, among other things creates a wetlands protection grant program. I have, also as requested, modeled the program after the river protection grant program under s. 281.70, stats. The river protection grant program specifies activities that are eligible for those grants and also specifies certain rules that DNR must promulgate under that program. Because many of those activities and rules relate specifically to rivers, I did not incorporate them into the wetlands grant program. Instead, the draft requires DNR to generally promulgate rules that specify activities that are eligible for a grant. Also, the draft authorizes grants for up to 75% of the cost of a project and specifies that a grant may not exceed \$50,000. Are these provisions consistent with your intent?

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