SECTION 2020k. 66.0407 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

66.0407 (5) This section does not apply to Canada thistle or annual noxious weeds that are located on land that the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry owns, occupies or controls and that is maintained in whole or in part as habitat for wild birds by the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry.".

175. Page 682, line 22: after that line insert:

"Section 2029p. 66.1105 (2) (k) of the statutes is amended to read:

66.1105 (2) (k) "Tax incremental district" means a contiguous geographic area within a city defined and created by resolution of the local legislative body, consisting solely of whole units of property as are assessed for general property tax purposes, other than railroad rights—of—way, rivers or highways. Railroad rights—of—way, rivers or highways may be included in a tax incremental district only if they are continuously bounded on either side, or on both sides, by whole units of property as are assessed for general property tax purposes which are in the tax incremental district. "Tax incremental district" does not include any area identified as a wetland on a map under s. 23.32 278.32.

SECTION 2029w. 66.1106 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

66.1106 (1) (c) "Eligible costs" means capital costs, financing costs and administrative and professional service costs, incurred or estimated to be incurred by a political subdivision, for the investigation, removal, containment or monitoring of, or the restoration of soil, air, surface water, sediments or groundwater affected by, environmental pollution, including monitoring costs incurred within 2 years after the date on which the department of natural resources environmental management

certifies that environmental pollution on the property has been remediated, property acquisition costs, demolition costs including asbestos removal, and removing and disposing of underground storage tanks or abandoned containers, as defined in s. 292.41 (1), except that for any parcel of land "eligible costs" shall be reduced by any amounts received from persons responsible for the discharge, as defined in s. 292.01 (3), of a hazardous substance on the property to pay for the costs of remediating environmental pollution on the property, by any amounts received, or reasonably expected by the political subdivision to be received, from a local, state or federal program for the remediation of contamination in the district that do not require reimbursement or repayment and by the amount of net gain from the sale of the property by the political subdivision. "Eligible costs" associated with groundwater affected by environmental pollution include investigation and remediation costs for groundwater that is located in, and extends beyond, the property that is being remediated.

SECTION 2030e. 66.1106 (1) (f) of the statutes is amended to read:

66.1106 (1) (f) "Environmental remediation tax incremental base" means the aggregate value, as equalized by the department, of a parcel of real property that is certified under this section as of the January 1 preceding the date on which the department of natural resources environmental management issues a certificate certifying that environmental pollution on the property has been remediated in accordance with rules promulgated by the department of natural resources environmental management.

SECTION 2039b. 66.1106 (4) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

66.1106 (4) CERTIFICATION. (intro.) Upon written application to the department of revenue by the clerk of a political subdivision on or before April 1 of the year

following the year in which the certification described in par. (a) is received from the department of natural resources environmental management, the department of revenue shall certify to the clerk of the political subdivision the environmental remediation tax incremental base of a parcel of real property if all of the following apply:

SECTION 2039d. 66.1106 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

66.1106 (4) (a) The political subdivision submits a statement that it has incurred some eligible costs, and includes with the statement a detailed proposed remedial action plan approved by the department of natural resources environmental management that contains cost estimates for anticipated eligible costs and a schedule for the design, implementation and construction that is needed to complete the remediation, with respect to the parcel or contiguous parcels of property and the statement details the purpose and amount of the expenditures already made and includes a dated certificate issued by the department of natural resources environmental management that certifies that the department of natural resources environmental management in accordance with rules promulgated by the department of natural resources environmental management.

SECTION 2041z. 66.1106 (7) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

66.1106 (7) (d) 1. The department may not authorize a positive environmental remediation tax increment under par. (a) to pay otherwise eligible costs that are incurred by the political subdivision after the department of natural resources environmental management certifies to the department of revenue that environmental pollution on the parcel of property has been remediated unless the costs are associated with activities, as determined by the department of natural

resources environmental management, that are necessary to close the site described in the site investigation report.

2. The department of natural resources environmental management shall certify to the department of revenue the completion of the remediation of environmental pollution at the site described in the site investigation report.".

176. Page 702, line 2: after that line insert:

"Section 2104b. 70.11 (21) (a) of the statutes, as affected by 2001 Wisconsin Act (this act), is amended to read:

70.11 (21) (a) All property purchased or constructed as a waste treatment facility used for the treatment of industrial wastes, as defined in s. 281.01 (5), or air contaminants, as defined in s. 285.01 (1), but not for other wastes, as defined in s 281.01 (7) for the purpose of abating or eliminating pollution of surface waters, the air, or waters of the state if that property is not used to grow agricultural products for sale and, if the property's owner is taxed under ch. 76, if the property is approved by the department of revenue. For the purposes of this subsection, "industrial waste" also includes wood chips, sawdust, and other wood residue from the paper and wood products manufacturing process that can be used as fuel and would otherwise be considered superfluous, discarded, or fugitive material. The department of natural resources environmental management and department of health and family services shall make recommendations upon request to the department of revenue regarding such property. All property purchased or upon which construction began prior to July 31, 1975, shall be subject to s. 70.11 (21), 1973 stats.

SECTION 2104n. 70.11 (21) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

70.11 (21) (b) The books and records of owners of property covered by this subsection shall be open to examination by representatives of the department of natural resources environmental management, department of health and family services and department of revenue.".

177. Page 705, line 24: after that line insert:

"Section 2114c. 70.113 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

70.113 (1) (intro.) As soon after April 20 of each year as is feasible the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry shall pay to the city, village, or town treasurer all of the following amounts from the following appropriations for each acre situated in the municipality of state forest lands, as defined in s. 28.02 (1), state parks under s. 27.01 and state public shooting, trapping or fishing grounds and reserves or refuges operated thereon, acquired at any time under s. 29.10, 1943 stats., s. 23.09 (2) (d) or 29.749 (1) or from the appropriations made by s. 20.866 (2) (tp) by the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry or leased from the federal government by the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry:

SECTION 2114e. 70.113 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

70.113 (2) (a) Towns, cities or villages shall be paid for forest lands as defined in s. 28.02 (1), state parks under s. 27.01 and other lands acquired under s. 23.09 (2) (d), 23.27, 23.29, 23.293, 23.31 or 29.749 (1) located within such municipality and acquired after June 30, 1969. Such payments shall be made from the appropriation under s. 20.370 (5) (da) or (dq) and remitted by the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry in the amounts certified by the department of revenue according to par. (b).

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1 **Section 2114g.** 70.114 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read: 2 70.114 (1) (a) "Department" means the department of natural resources fish. wildlife, parks, and forestry.". 3 **178.** Page 706, line 6: after that line insert: 4 5 "Section 2114mb. 70.32 (2) (c) 4. of the statutes is amended to read: 70.32 (2) (c) 4. "Swampland or wasteland" means bog; marsh; lowland brush; 6 7 uncultivated land zoned as shoreland under s. 59.692 and shown as a wetland on a final map under s. 23.32 278.32; undeveloped land that is not classified under this 8 9 subsection as agricultural or as productive forest land and that is part of a parcel that 10 is designated as managed forest land under subch. VI of ch. 77; or other 11 nonproductive lands not otherwise classified under this subsection. 12 **Section 2114mg.** 70.375 (4) (o) of the statutes is amended to read: 13 70.375 (4) (o) Actual and necessary reclamation and restoration costs 14 associated with a mine in this state, including payments for future reclamation and 15 postmining costs which are required by law or by department of natural resources 16 environmental management order and fees and charges under chs. 281, 285 or 289 to 299, except s. 281.48, not otherwise deductible under this section. Any refunds of 17 18 escrowed or reserve fund payments allowed as a deduction under this paragraph 19 shall be taxed as net proceeds at the average effective tax rate for the years the

SECTION 2114mj. 70.395 (2) (dc) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

70.395 (2) (dc) 1. Each person intending to submit an application for a mining permit shall pay \$50,000 to the department of revenue for deposit in the investment

and local impact fund at the time that the person notifies the department of natural resources environmental management under s. 293.31 (1) of that intent.

SECTION 2114mn. 70.395 (2) (j) of the statutes is amended to read:

70.395 (2) (j) Prior to the beginning of a fiscal year, the board shall certify to the department of administration for payment from the investment and local impact fund any sum necessary for the department of natural resources environmental management to make payments under s. 289.68 (3) for the long—term care of mining waste sites, if moneys in the waste management fund are insufficient to make complete payments during that fiscal year, but this sum may not exceed the balance in the waste management fund at the beginning of that fiscal year or 50% of the balance in the investment and local impact fund at the beginning of that fiscal year, whichever amount is greater.

SECTION 2114mq. 70.395 (2) (k) of the statutes is amended to read:

70.395 (2) (k) Prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, the board shall certify to the department of administration for payment from the investment and local impact fund any sum necessary for the department of natural resources environmental management to make payments under s. 292.31 for the environmental repair of mining waste sites, if moneys in the environmental fund that are available for environmental repair are insufficient to make complete payments during that fiscal year. This sum may not exceed the balance in the environmental fund at the beginning of that fiscal year or 50% of the balance in the investment and local impact fund at the beginning of that fiscal year, whichever amount is greater."

179. Page 728, line 23: after that line insert:

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"Section 2143v. 71.05 (11) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

71.05 (11) (a) The federal adjusted basis at the end of the calendar year 1968 or corresponding fiscal year of waste treatment plant or pollution abatement equipment acquired pursuant to order or recommendation of the committee on water pollution, state board of health, city council, village board or county board pursuant to s. 59.07 (53) or (85), 1971 stats., may be treated as a subtraction modification on the return of the calendar year 1969 or corresponding fiscal year but not in later years. In case of such subtraction an add modification shall be made in 1969 and later taxable years to reverse federal depreciation or amortization of such basis or to correct gain or loss on disposition. The cost of such plant or equipment acquired in 1969 or thereafter pursuant to order, recommendation or approval of the committee on water pollution, department of resource development, department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry, department of environmental management, state board of health, city council, village board, or county board pursuant to s. 59.07 (53) or (85), 1971 stats., (less any federal depreciation or amortization taken) may be deducted as a subtraction modification or as subtraction modifications in the year or years in which paid or accrued, dependent on the method of accounting employed. In case of such election, appropriate add modifications shall be made in subsequent years to reverse federal depreciation or amortization or to correct gain or loss on disposition. This paragraph is intended to apply only to depreciable property except that where wastes are disposed of through a lagoon process, lagooning costs and the cost of land containing such lagoons may be treated as depreciable property for purposes of this paragraph. In no event may any amount in excess of cost be deducted. The taxpayer shall file with the department copies of

1	all recommendations, orders or approvals relating to installation of such property
2	and such other documents or data relating thereto as the department requests.".
3	180. Page 738, line 6: after that line insert:
4	"Section 2153d. 71.10(5)(h)(intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
5	71.10 (5) (h) Certification of amounts. (intro.) Annually, on or before
6	September 15, the secretary of revenue shall certify to the department of natural
7	resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry, the department of administration and
8	the state treasurer:".
9	181. Page 799, line 2: after that line insert:
10	"Section 2181f. 71.30 (10) (h) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
11	71.30 (10) (h) Certification of amounts. (intro.) Annually, on or before
12	September 15, the secretary of revenue shall certify to the department of natural
13	resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry, the department of administration and
14	the state treasurer:".
15	182. Page 831, line 23: after that line insert:
16	"Section 2195t. 71.59 (1m) of the statutes is amended to read:
17	71.59 (1m) PERMITTED USES. The designation by the department of natural
18	resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry of any farmland in this state, for which
19	a claim under this section may be filed, as part of the ice age trail, under s. 23.17, is
20	a permitted use under a farmland preservation agreement, or a certificate of a zoning
21	authority, under sub. (1) (b).".
22	183. Page 833, line 16: after that line insert:

"Section 2200w. 73.01 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

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73.01 (3) (a) The time and place of meetings and hearings of the commission
shall be designated by the chairperson. Rooms for hearings outside the city of
Madison shall be provided under s. 73.07. All hearings held in Milwaukee shall be
held in the southeast district office of the department of natural resources fish,
wildlife, parks, and forestry. The commission shall maintain permanent hearing
rooms in Madison.".
184. Page 836, line 24: after that line insert:
"Section 2206d. 73.0301 (1) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:
73.0301 (1) (e) "Licensing department" means the department of
administration; the board of commissioners of public lands; the department of
commerce, the ethics board, the department of financial institutions; the department
of health and family services; the department of natural resources fish, wildlife,
parks, and forestry; the department of environmental management; the department
of public instruction, the department of regulation and licensing; the department of
workforce development; the office of the commissioner of insurance; or the
department of transportation.".
185. Page 838, line 18: after that line insert:
"Section 2227p. 75.105 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:
75.105 (1) (a) "Department" means the department of natural resources
environmental management.
SECTION 2227t. 75.106 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:
75.106 (1) (b) "Department" means the department of natural resources
environmental management.".

186. Page 843, line 5: after that line insert:

"Section 2243c. 77.02 of the statutes is amended to read:

77.02 Forest croplands. (1) Petition. The owner of an entire quarter quarter section, fractional lot or government lot as determined by U.S. government survey plat, excluding public roads and railroad rights—of—way that may have been sold, may file with the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry a petition stating that the owner believes the lands therein described are more useful for growing timber and other forest crops than for any other purpose, that the owner intends to practice forestry thereon, that all persons holding encumbrances thereon have joined in the petition and requesting that such lands be approved as "Forest Croplands" under this subchapter. Whenever any such land is encumbered by a mortgage or other indenture securing any issue of bonds or notes, the trustee named in such mortgage or indenture or any amendment thereto may join in such petition, and such action shall for the purpose of this section be deemed the action of all holders of such bonds or notes.

department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry shall investigate the same and shall file a listing of descriptions with the town chairperson. For petitions received prior to May 1, the department shall within the same calendar year cause a notice that such petition has been filed to be published as a class 3 notice, under ch. 985, in the newspaper having the largest general circulation in the county in which the lands are located, and notice by registered mail shall be given to the town clerk of any town in which the lands are located. Such notice shall contain the name of the petitioner, a description of the lands and a statement that any resident of or taxpayer in the town may within 15 days from the date of publication of the notice file a request with the department that it conduct a public hearing on the

petition. Upon receipt of such a request the department shall conduct a public hearing on the petition. The department may conduct a public hearing on any petition without a request, if it deems it advisable to do so. Notice of the time and place of such hearing and a description, in specific or general terms, as the department deems advisable, of the property requested to be approved as "Forest Croplands" shall be given to persons making the request, the owner of such land and to the assessor of towns in which it is situated, by mail, at least one week before the day of hearing. The notice also shall be published as a class 1 notice, under ch. 985, in a newspaper having general circulation in the county in which such land is located, at least one week before the day of the hearing. Such hearing may be adjourned and no notice of the time and place of such adjourned hearing need be given, excepting the announcement thereof by the presiding officer at the hearing at which the adjournment is had.

(3) Decision, copies. After receiving all the evidence offered at any hearing held on the petition and after making such independent investigation as it sees fit the department shall make its findings of fact and make and enter an order accordingly. If it finds that the facts give reasonable assurance that a stand of merchantable timber will be developed on such descriptions within a reasonable time, and that such descriptions are then held permanently for the growing of timber under sound forestry practices, rather than for agricultural, mineral, shoreland development of navigable waters, recreational, residential or other purposes, and that all persons holding encumbrances against such descriptions have in writing agreed to the petition, the order entered shall grant the request of the petitioner on condition that all unpaid taxes against said descriptions be paid within 30 days thereafter; otherwise the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and

forestry shall deny the request of the petitioner. If the request of the petitioner is granted, a copy of such order shall be filed with the department of revenue, the supervisor of equalization and the clerk of each town, and the order shall be recorded with the register of deeds of each county, in which any of the lands affected by the order are located. The register of deeds shall record the entry, transfer or withdrawal of all forest croplands in a suitable manner on the county records. The register of deeds may collect recording fees under s. 59.43 (2) from the owner. Any order of the department relating to the entry of forest croplands issued on or before November 20 of any year shall take effect on January 1 of the following calendar year, but all orders issued after November 20 shall take effect on January 1 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which orders issued on or before November 20 would have been effective.

Section 2243d. 77.03 of the statutes is amended to read:

77.03 Taxation of forest croplands. After the filing and recording of the order with the officers under s. 77.02 (3) the lands described therein shall be "Forest Croplands", on which taxes shall thereafter be payable only as provided under this subchapter. The enactment of ss. 77.01 to 77.14, petition by the owner and the making of the order under s. 77.02 (3) shall constitute a contract between the state and the owner, running with the lands, for a period of 25 or 50 years at the election of the applicant at the time the petition is filed, unless withdrawn under s. 77.10, with privilege of renewal by mutual agreement between the owner and the state, whereby the state as an inducement to owners and prospective purchasers of forest croplands to come under ss. 77.01 to 77.14 agrees that, unless withdrawn under s. 77.10, no change in or repeal of ss. 77.01 to 77.14 shall apply to any land then accepted as forest croplands, except as the department of natural resources fish.

wildlife, parks, and forestry, and the owner may expressly agree in writing and except as provided in s. 77.17. If at the end of the contract period the land is not designated as managed forest land under subch. VI, the merchantable timber on the land shall be estimated by an estimator jointly agreed upon by the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry and the owner, and if the department and the owner fail to agree on an estimator, the judge of the circuit court of the district in which the lands lie shall appoint a qualified forester, whose estimate shall be final, and the cost thereof shall be borne jointly by the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry and the owner; and the 10% severance tax paid on the stumpage thereon in the same manner as if the stumpage had been cut. The owners by such contract consent that the public may hunt and fish on the lands, subject to such rules as the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry prescribes regulating hunting and fishing.

SECTION 2243e. 77.04 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.04 (2) Tax per acre; payment, penalty. The "acreage share" shall be computed at the rate of 10 cents per acre on all lands entered prior to 1972. On all lands entered after December 31, 1971, the "acreage share" shall be computed every 10 years to the nearest cent by the department of revenue at the rate of 20 cents per acre multiplied by a ratio using the equalized value of the combined residential, commercial, manufacturing, agricultural, swamp, or waste and productive forest land classes under s. 70.32 (2) within the state in 1972 as the denominator, and using equalized value for these combined land classes in 1982 and every 10th year thereafter as the numerator. All owners shall pay to the taxation district treasurer the acreage share on each description on or before January 31. If the acreage share is not paid when due to the taxation district treasurer it shall be subject to interest

and penalty as provided under ss. 74.11 (11), 74.12 (10) and 74.47. These lands shall be returned as delinquent and a tax certificate under subch. VII of ch. 74 shall be issued on them. After 2 years from the date of the issuance of a tax certificate, the county clerk shall promptly take a tax deed under ch. 75. On taking such deed the county clerk shall certify that fact and specify the descriptions to the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry.

Section 2243f. 77.05 of the statutes is amended to read:

77.05 State contribution. The department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry shall pay before June 30 annually to the town treasurer, from the appropriation under s. 20.370 (5) (bv), 20 cents for each acre of land in the town that is described as forest croplands under this subchapter.

SECTION 2243g. 77.06 of the statutes is amended to read:

merchantable wood products on any forest croplands where the forest crop taxes are delinquent nor until 30 days after the owner has filed with the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry a notice of intention to cut, specifying by descriptions and the estimated amount of wood products to be removed and the proportion of present volume to be left as growing stock in the area to be cut. The department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry may require a bond executed by some surety company licensed in this state or other surety for such amount as may reasonably be required for the payment to the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry of the severance tax hereinafter provided. The department, after examination of the lands specified, may prescribe the amount of forest products to be removed. Cutting in excess of the amount prescribed shall render the owner liable to double the severance tax prescribed in s. 77.06 (5) and

subject to cancellation under s. 77.10. Merchantable wood products include all wood products except wood used for fuel by the owner.

- (2) APPRAISAL OF TIMBER, ZONES. Each year the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry, at the time and place it shall fix and after such public notice as it deems reasonable, shall hold a public hearing. After the hearing the department shall make and file, open to public inspection, a determination of the reasonable stumpage values of the wood products usually grown in the several towns in which any forest croplands lie. A public hearing under this section shall be held prior to August 1 of each year and the determination of stumpage values made by the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry shall take effect on November 1 of that year. If the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry finds there is a material variance in the stumpage values in the different localities, it may fix separate zones and determine the values for each zone.
- (3) REVALUATION. As to any locality or zone in which the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry deems there has been no material variance from the preceding year in stumpage values, it may omit to make any new valuation in any year, in which event the last preceding valuation shall continue in force until changed in a succeeding year.
- (4) Cutting reported. Within 30 days after completion of cutting on any land description, but not more than one year after filing of the notice of intention to cut, the owner shall transmit to the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry on forms provided by the department a written statement of the products so cut, specifying the variety of wood, kind of product, and quantity of each variety and kind as shown by the scale or measurement thereof made on the ground as cut, skidded, loaded, delivered, or by tree scale certified by a qualified forester

when stumpage is sold by tree measurement. The department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry may accept such reports as sufficient evidence of the facts, or may either with or without hearing and notice of time and place thereof to such owner, investigate and determine the fact of the quantity of each variety and kind of product so cut during said periods preceding such reports.

(5) Tax Levy on Right to cut timber. The department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry shall assess and levy against the owner a severance tax on the right to cut and remove wood products covered by reports under this section, at the rate of 10% of the value of the wood products based upon the stumpage value then in force. Upon making the assessment, the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry shall mail a duplicate of the certificate by registered mail to the owner who made the report of cutting at the owner's last–known post–office address. The tax assessed is due and payable to the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry on the last day of the next calendar month after mailing the certificate. The proceeds of the tax shall be paid into the forestry account of the conservation fund for distribution under s. 77.07 (3).

SECTION 2243h. 77.07 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.07 (2) Penalty, collections. If any severance tax remain remains unpaid for 30 days after it becomes due, there shall then be added a penalty of 10%, and such tax and penalty shall thereafter draw interest at the rate of one per cent per month until paid. At the expiration of said 30 days the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry shall report to the attorney general any unpaid severance tax, adding said penalty, and the attorney general shall thereupon proceed to collect the same with penalty and interest by suit against the owner and

by attachment or other legal means to enforce the lien and by action on the bond mentioned in s. 77.06 (1), or by any or all such means.

SECTION 2243i. 77.08 of the statutes is amended to read:

77.08 Supplemental severance tax. At any time within one year after any cutting should have been reported, the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry after due notice to the owner and opportunity to be heard, and on evidence duly made a matter of record, may determine whether the quantity of wood products cut from any such land, did in fact substantially exceed the amount on which the severance tax theretofore levied was based, and if so shall assess a supplemental severance tax which, in all respects, shall have the same force and effect as the former severance tax, except only it shall not be a lien on any property the title of which has passed to a purchaser for value without notice.

SECTION 2243j. 77.09 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.09 (1) Any person who fails to report or shall intentionally make any false statement or report to the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry required by s. 77.06 shall forfeit not more than \$1,000. An action under this section shall not be a bar to a cancellation of entry and order of withdrawal under s. 77.10.

Section 2243k. 77.10 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.10 (1) Investigations, cancellations, conveyances. (a) The department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry shall on the application of the department of revenue or the owner of any forest croplands or the town board of the town in which said lands lie and may on its own motion at any time cause an investigation to be made and hearing to be had as to whether any forest croplands shall continue under this subchapter. If on such hearing after due notice to and

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opportunity to be heard by the department of revenue, the town and the owner, the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry finds that any such lands are not meeting the requirements set forth in s. 77.02 or that the owner has made use of the land for anything other than forestry or has failed to practice sound forestry on the land, the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry shall cancel the entry of such description and issue an order of withdrawal, and the owner shall be liable for the tax and penalty under sub. (2). Copies of the order of withdrawal specifying the description shall be filed by the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry with all officers designated to receive copies of the order of entry and withdrawal and this subchapter shall not thereafter apply to the lands withdrawn, except s. 77.07 so far as it may be needed to collect any previously levied severance or supplemental severance tax. If the owner shall not repay the amounts on or before the last day of February next succeeding the return of such lands to the general property tax roll as provided in sub. (4), the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry shall certify to the county treasurer the descriptions and the amounts due, and the county treasurer shall sell such lands as delinquent as described in s. 77.04 (2). Whenever any county clerk has certified to the taking of a tax deed under s. 77.04 (2) the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry shall issue an order of withdrawal as to the lands covered in such tax deed. Such order may also be issued when examination of tax records reveals prolonged delinquency and noncompliance with the requirements of s. 77.04 (2).

(b) Whenever any owner of forest croplands conveys such land the owner shall, within 10 days of the date of the deed, file with the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry on forms prepared by the department a transfer of

ownership signed by the owner and an acceptance of transfer signed by the grantee certifying that the grantee intends to continue the practice of forestry on such land. The department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry shall immediately issue a notice of transfer to all officers designated to receive copies of orders of entry and withdrawal. Whenever a purchaser of forest croplands declines to certify his or her intention to continue the practice of forestry thereon, such action shall constitute cause for cancellation of entry under par. (a) without hearing.

SECTION 2243n. 77.10 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.10 (2) (a) 1. Any owner of forest croplands may elect to withdraw all or any of such lands from under this subchapter, by filing with the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry a declaration withdrawing from this subchapter any description owned by such person which he or she specified, and by payment by such owner to the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry within 60 days the amount of tax due from the date of entry or the most recent date of renewal, whichever is later, as determined by the department of revenue under s. 77.04 (1) with simple interest thereon at 12% per year, less any severance tax and supplemental severance tax or acreage share paid thereon, with interest computed according to the rule of partial payments at the rate of 12% per year.

2. The amount of the tax shall be determined by the department of revenue and furnished to the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry, which shall determine the exact amount of payment. When the tax rate or assessed value ratio of the current year has not been determined the rate of the preceding tax year may be used. On receiving such payment the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry shall issue an order of withdrawal and file copies

thereof with the department of revenue, the supervisor of equalization and the clerk of the town, and shall record the order with the register of deeds of the county, in which the land lies. The land shall then cease to be forest croplands.

SECTION 2243p. 77.10 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.10 (2) (b) Upon receipt of any taxes under this section by the state, the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry shall first deduct all moneys paid by the state on account of the lands under s. 77.05 with interest on the moneys computed according to the rule of partial payments at the rate of interest paid under par. (a) by the person withdrawing such lands. The department shall within 20 days remit the balance to the town treasurer who shall pay 20% to the county treasurer and retain the remainder.

SECTION 2243q. 77.10 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.10 (4) TAXATION AFTER WITHDRAWAL. When any description ceases to be a part of the forest croplands, by virtue of any order of withdrawal issued by the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry, taxes thereafter levied thereon shall be payable and collectible as if such description had never been under this subchapter.

SECTION 2243r. 77.11 of the statutes is amended to read:

77.11 Accounts of department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry. The department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry shall keep a set of forest croplands books in which shall always appear as to each description in each town containing any forest croplands, the amount of taxes paid by the state to the town and received by the state from the owner. All tax payments shall be paid out of and receipts credited to the forestry account of the conservation fund.

SECTION	2243s.	77 13	of the	statutes is	amended t	o read:
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- 77.13 Termination of forest croplands program. (1) On and after July 20, 1985, no person may petition the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry requesting it to approve any land as forest croplands under this subchapter.
- (2) On and after January 1, 1986, the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry may not act on any petition requesting the designation of land as forest croplands, issue any order entering land as forest croplands or enter into a renewal of any forest croplands contract under this subchapter.

Section 2243t. 77.14 of the statutes is amended to read:

77.14 Forest croplands information, protection, appropriation. The department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry shall publish and distribute information regarding the method of taxation of forest croplands under this subchapter, and may employ a fire warden in charge of fire prevention in forest croplands. All actual and necessary expenses incurred by the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry or by the department of revenue in the performance of their duties under this subchapter shall be paid from the appropriation made in s. 20.370 (1) (mu) (3) (uu) upon certification by the department incurring such expenses.

SECTION 2243u. 77.16 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.16 (1) In this section "department" means the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry.

SECTION 2243v. 77.54 (38) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.54 (38) The gross receipts from the sale of and the storage, use or other consumption of snowmobile trail groomers and attachments for them that are

1 .	purchased, stored, used or consumed by a snowmobile club that meets at least 3
2	times a year, that has at least 10 members, that promotes snowmobiling and that
3	participates in the department of natural resources' snowmobile program under s.
4	350.12 (4) (b).".
5	187. Page 847, line 15: after that line insert:
6	"Section 2247at. 77.76 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
7	77.76 (1) The department of revenue shall have full power to levy, enforce and
8	collect county and special district sales and use taxes and may take any action,
9	conduct any proceeding, impose interest and penalties and in all respects proceed as
10	it is authorized to proceed for the taxes imposed by subch. III. The department of
11	transportation and the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and
12	forestry may administer the county and special district sales and use taxes in regard
13	to items under s. 77.61 (1).".
14	to items under s. 77.61 (1).". 188. Page 848, line 9: after that line insert: $ \lambda^{\mu} $
15	"SECTION 2247c. 77.81 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
16	be beld \\ 77.81 (1) "Department" means the department of natural resources fish.
17	wildlife, parks, and forestry.".
18	189. Page 848, line 25: after that line insert:
19	"Section 2247re. 77.82 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
20	77.82 (2) Petition. (intro.) Any owner of land may petition the department to
21	designate any eligible parcel of land as managed forest land. A petition may include
22	any number of eligible parcels under the same ownership in a single municipality.
23	Each petition shall be submitted on a form provided by the department and shall be
24	accompanied by a nonrefundable \$10 application fee unless a different amount of the

fee is established by the department by rule at an amount equal to the average expense to the department of recording an order issued under this subchapter. The fee shall be deposited in into the conservation fund and credited to the appropriation under s. 20.370 (1) (3) (cr). Each petition shall include all of the following:

Section 2247rm. 77.82 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.82 (4) Additions to managed forest land an additional parcel of land in the department to designate as managed forest land an additional parcel of land in the same municipality if the additional parcel is at least 3 acres in size and is contiguous to any of the owner's designated land. The petition shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable \$10 application fee unless a different amount of the fee is established in the same manner as the fee under sub. (2). The fee shall be deposited in into the conservation fund and credited to the appropriation under s. 20.370 (1) (3) (cr). The petition shall be submitted on a department form and shall contain any additional information required by the department.

SECTION 2247rs. 77.82 (4m) (bn) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.82 (4m) (bn) A petition under this subsection shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable \$100 application fee which shall be deposited in into the conservation fund and credited to the appropriation under s. 20.370 (1) (3) (cr).".

190. Page 849, line 3: after that line insert:

"Section 2247v. 77.88 (2) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.88 (2) (d) Within 10 days after a transfer of ownership, the former owner shall, on a form provided by the department, file with the department a report of the transfer signed by the former owner and the transferee. The report shall be accompanied by a \$20 fee which shall be deposited in into the conservation fund and

1	credited to the appropriation under s. 20.370 (1) (3) (cr). The department shall
2	immediately notify each person entitled to notice under s. 77.82 (8).
3	SECTION 2247w. 77.91 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:
4	77.91 (4) Expenses. Except as provided in sub. (5), the department's expenses
5	for the administration of this subchapter shall be paid from the appropriation under
6	s. 20.370 (1) (mu) <u>(3) (uu)</u> .
7	Section 2247x. 77.91 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:
8	77.91 (5) RECORDING. Each register of deeds who receives notice of an order
9	under this subchapter shall record the action as provided under s. 59.43 (1). The
.0	department shall pay the register of deeds the fee specified under s. 59.43 (2) (ag) 1.
L 1	from the appropriation under s. $20.370 \frac{(1)}{(3)}$ (cr). If the amount in the appropriation
2	under s. $20.370 \frac{(1)}{(3)}$ (cr) in any fiscal year is insufficient to pay the full amount
13	required under this subsection in that fiscal year, the department shall pay the
L4	balance from the appropriation under s. 20.370 (1) (mu) (3) (uu).".
15	191. Page 856, line 3: after that line insert:
16	"Section 2294c. 80.05 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:
L 7	80.05 (2) (b) Give notice by registered mail to the department of natural
18	resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry, the department of environmental
19	management, and to the county land conservation committee in each county through
20	which the highway may pass.
21	SECTION 2294g. 80.39 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:
22	80.39 (2) Notice. Upon such petition the county board or the commissioners
23	appointed by the board shall give notice of the time and place they will meet to decide

on the petition. The notice shall be published as a class 2 notice, under ch. 985. The

notice shall also be given to the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry by serving a copy upon the secretary of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry either by registered mail or personally and to the department of environmental management by serving a copy upon the secretary of environmental management. If the board appoints a committee to act, the notice shall state the fact and the notice shall be signed by the commissioners, otherwise by the chairperson of the board.

SECTION 2294n. 80.41 of the statutes is amended to read:

80.41 Discontinuing ways to waters. No resolution, ordinance, order or similar action of any town board or county board or committee thereof discontinuing any highway, street, alley or right—of—way that provides public access to any navigable lake or stream shall be effective until such resolution, ordinance, order or similar action is approved by the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry and the department of environmental management.

Section 2294r. 84.01 (17) of the statutes is amended to read:

84.01 (17) IMPROVEMENTS FOR NEXT 6 YEARS. In each odd-numbered year, the department shall determine, as far as possible, what improvements will be made during the following 6-year period, and shall notify the county clerks prior to February 1 of each even-numbered year, as to the improvements in their respective counties. Such notice shall also be given to the department of natural resources, fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry, to the department of environmental management, and to the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection.

Section 2294w. 84.01 (23) of the statutes is amended to read:

84.01 (23) Bridge standards. The department shall adopt standards and specifications for the design and construction of county, town, village and city

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bridges, arches or culverts. The standards shall be developed after consultation with the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry and the department of environmental management, and shall be directed at preventing undue impairment of public rights in navigable waters.".

192. Page 861, line 17: after that line insert:

"Section 2304t. 84.02 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

84.02 (3) (a) Changes may be made in the state trunk system by the department, if it deems that the public good is best served by making the changes. The department, in making the changes, may lay out new highways by the procedure under this subsection. Due notice shall be given to the localities concerned of the intention to make changes or discontinuances, and if the change proposes to lay a highway via a new location and the distance along such deviation from the existing location exceeds 2 1/2 miles, then a hearing in or near the region affected by the proposed change shall be held prior to making the change effective. The notice shall also be given to the secretary of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry and to the secretary of environmental management either by registered mail or personally. Whenever the department decides to thus change more than 2 1/2 miles of the system the change shall not be effective until the decision of the department has been referred to and approved by the county board of each county in which any part of the proposed change is situated. A copy of the decision shall be filed in the office of the clerk of each county in which a change is made or proposed. Where the distance along the deviation from the existing location exceeds 5 miles the change shall constitute an addition to the state trunk highway system. The preexisting route shall continue to be a state trunk highway unless the county board of each

county in which any part of the relocation lies and the department mutually agree to its discontinuance as a state trunk highway. Whenever such county board or boards and the department cannot so agree the department shall report the problem to the next ensuing session of the legislature for determination.".

193. Page 865, line 20: after that line insert:

"Section 2307g. 84.078 (1) (am) of the statutes is amended to read:

84.078 (1) (am) "High-volume industrial waste" means fly ash, bottom ash, paper mill sludge or foundry process waste, or any other waste with similar characteristics specified by the department of natural resources environmental management by rule.

Section 2307h. 84.078 (3) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

84.078 (3) (a) 2. The department of natural resources environmental management certifies to the department of transportation, before the time that the department of transportation advertises for bids for the improvement, that the high-volume industrial waste intended to be used and the design for the use of the high-volume industrial waste comply with all applicable state requirements or standards administered by the department of natural resources environmental management.

SECTION 2307i. 84.078 (3) (b) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

84.078 (3) (b) (intro.) The exemption under par. (a) extends to the transportation of high-volume industrial waste to or from the site of a highway improvement and to the storage of high-volume industrial waste at the site of a highway improvement. The exemption provided under par. (a) continues to apply after the date of certification by the department of natural resources environmental

management under par. (a) 2., notwithstanding the occurrence of any of the following:

SECTION 2307j. 84.078 (3) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

84.078 (3) (c) The department of transportation and the department of natural resources environmental management may enter into agreements establishing standard lists of high-volume industrial waste that may be used in highway improvements and designs for the use of high-volume industrial waste in highway improvements that comply with rules of the department of natural resources environmental management applicable at the time of the design of the highway improvement in order to simplify certification under par. (a) 2. to the greatest extent possible."

194. Page 866, line 7: after that line insert:

"Section 2307u. 84.11 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

84.11 (3) Hearing. Within 60 days of the receipt of a petition under sub. (2), the department shall fix a time and place for a hearing and give notice of the hearing by publication of a class 2 notice, under ch. 985, in the vicinity of the proposed bridge project. Notice shall also be given by registered letter addressed to the clerks of the counties, cities, villages and towns in which any part of the bridge project will be located. The notice shall also be given to the secretary of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry and the secretary of environmental management either by registered mail or personally. The hearing may be held in any county, city, village or town in which any part of the bridge project will be located.

SECTION 2307w. 84.11 (7m) of the statutes is amended to read:

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84.11 (7m) EXECUTION AND CONTROL OF WORK. Subject to the control and supervision over the navigable waters of the state conferred by law upon the department of natural resources environmental management, and the control exercised by the United States, the construction under this section of any bridge project shall be wholly under the supervision and control of the department. The secretary shall make and execute all contracts and have complete supervision over all matters pertaining to such construction and shall have the power to suspend or discontinue proceedings or construction relative to any bridge project at any time in the event any county, city, village or town fails to pay the amount required of it as to any project under sub. (1m), or in the event the secretary determines that sufficient funds to pay the state's part of the cost of the bridge project are not available. All moneys provided by counties, cities, villages and towns shall be deposited in the state treasury, when required by the secretary, and paid out on order of the secretary. Any of such moneys deposited for a project eligible for construction under sub. (1m) which remain in the state treasury after the completion of the project shall be repaid to the respective counties, cities, villages and towns in such amounts as to result in the distribution provided in sub. (5m).

Section 2307y. 84.12 (7) of the statutes is amended to read:

84.12 (7) Execution and control of work. Subject to the control and supervision over the navigable waters of the state conferred upon the department of natural resources environmental management, and the control exercised by the United States, the construction under this section of any bridge project shall be under the joint supervision and control of the department and of the transportation department of the other state concerned. If the transportation department of the other state is not authorized to act jointly with this state in such bridge project

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arrangements may be made with such subdivisions of the other state as may have proper authority, represented by their proper officers. Control shall be exercised in the manner deemed most expedient by the secretary and such department or by the secretary and the officers of the subdivisions of the other state concerned in the construction. Contracts for the construction of said bridge projects may be made and executed by the secretary and the transportation department of the other state jointly, or jointly by the secretary and such subdivisions of the other state as may participate in the construction, or by appropriate agreement between the parties with respect to financing and control of the work, the authority of either state may contract for all or part of the construction. The secretary may suspend or discontinue proceedings or construction relative to any bridge project at any time in the event any county, city, village or town fails to pay the amount required of it as to any project eligible to construction under sub. (1) (a) or offered by it as to any project eligible to construction under sub. (1) (b), or in the event the secretary determines that sufficient funds to pay the state's part of the cost of the bridge project are not available. All moneys available from this state, or its subdivisions, shall be deposited in the state treasury when required by the secretary and shall be paid out only upon the order of the secretary. Moneys deposited by such subdivisions which remain in the state treasury after the completion of such project shall be repaid to the respective subdivisions in the proportion paid in.".

195. Page 868, line 2: after that line insert:

"Section 2308t. 84.28 of the statutes is amended to read:

84.28 State park, forest and riverway roads. (1) Moneys from the appropriation under s. 20.370 (7) (mc) may be expended for the renovation, marking

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and maintenance of a town or county highway located within the boundaries of any state park, state forest or other property under the jurisdiction of the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry. Moneys from the appropriation under s. 20.370 (7) (mc) may be expended for the renovation, marking and maintenance of a town or county highway located in the lower Wisconsin state riverway as defined in s. 30.40 (15). Outside the lower Wisconsin state riverway as defined in s. 30.40 (15), or outside the boundaries of these parks, forests or property, moneys from the appropriation under s. 20.370 (7) (mc) may be expended for the renovation, marking and maintenance of roads which the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry certifies are utilized by a substantial number of visitors to state parks, state forests or other property under the jurisdiction of the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry. The department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry shall authorize expenditures under this subsection. The department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry shall rank projects eligible for assistance under a priority system and funding may be restricted to those projects with highest priority.

(2) The department may administer a program for the construction, maintenance and marking of roads, including fire roads, service areas, trailer or vehicle parking stalls or parking areas and other facilities consistent with highway construction and for the marking of scenic routes in the state parks, state forests, the lower Lower Wisconsin state riverway State Riverway as defined under s. 30.40 (15), state fish hatcheries, other public used areas under the jurisdiction of the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry and other public lands as defined in ch. 24, for highways or fire roads leading from the most convenient state trunk highways to such lands, and for the relocation and

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construction of state trunk highways in or near state parks when required in the interests of public safety. Within the limitations and for the purposes of this section, work may be performed by or under the supervision or authority or with the approval of the department, upon the request for such work filed by the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry as to the lower Lower Wisconsin state riverway State Riverway, as defined in s. 30.40 (15), or as to state park or forest lands, or by the board of commissioners of the public lands as to other classes of public lands. Outside the lower Lower Wisconsin state riverway State Riverway, as defined in s. 30.40 (15), and outside the limits of the park, state forest and public land areas, direct connections to the most convenient state trunk highway may be built or maintained under this section. Roads in unincorporated areas within 5 miles of the boundaries of the Horicon national wildlife refuge or the Horicon marsh Marsh wildlife area may be built or maintained under this section upon request of the town board, if the department of transportation certifies that such roads are or will be used by a substantial number of visitors to such area. Costs incurred under this section shall be the responsibility of the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry, commissioners of public lands or town board, as appropriate.".

196. Page 870, line 22: after that line insert:

"Section 2321mb. 85.12 (4) of the statutes, as created by 2001 Wisconsin Act (this act), is amended to read:

85.12 (4) Beginning with fiscal year 2001–02, if the department of transportation provides radio services under this section to the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry in any fiscal year, the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry shall make quarterly

1	payments from the appropriation under s. $20.370 (8) (mu) (1) (su)$ of \$111,450 to the
2	department of transportation.
3	SECTION 2321p. 85.19 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
4	85.19 (1) STANDARDS. The department, in consultation with the department of
5	natural resources environmental management, shall, by rule, establish standards
6	for the control of soil erosion related to highway and bridge construction that is
7	funded in whole or in part with state or federal funds. At a minimum, the standards
8	shall require the use of best management practices.
9	SECTION 2321q. 85.19 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:
10	85.19 (2) (c) The department shall establish the training program in
11	consultation with the department of natural resources environmental
12	management.".
13	197. Page 875, line 21: after that line insert:
14	SECTION 2337c. 85.245 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 85.245.
15	SECTION 2337d. 85.245 (2) of the statutes is repealed.
16	SECTION 2337f. 86.255 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:
17	86.255 (2) (a) The purchase of any land that is acquired as compensatory
18	mitigation for another wetland, as defined in s. $23.32 278.32 (1)$, that will suffer an
19	adverse impact by degradation or destruction as part of a highway project.".
20	198. Page 881, line 4: after that line insert:
21	"Section 2349c. 86.315 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
22	86.315 (1) From the appropriation under s. 20.395 (1) (fu), the department
23	shall annually, on March 10, pay to counties having county forests established under
94	ch 28 for the improvement of nublic reads within the county forests which are open

and used for travel and which are not state or county trunk highways or town roads and for which no aids are paid under s. 86.30, the amount of \$336 per mile of road designated in the comprehensive county forest land use plan as approved by the county board and the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry. If the amount appropriated under s. 20.395 (1) (fu) is insufficient to make the payments required under this subsection, the department shall prorate the amount appropriated in the manner it considers desirable.

SECTION 2349g. 87.01 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

87.01 (1) "Department" means the department of natural resources environmental management.

SECTION 2349n. 87.02 (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

87.02 Powers of department. (intro.) To accomplish the purposes of ss. 87.01 to 87.17, the department of natural resources is hereby authorized and empowered:

SECTION 2349r. 87.14 of the statutes is amended to read:

87.14 Operation and maintenance. The flood control board is authorized to sell, lease, or lease with power to purchase, any reservoir proposed to be constructed, in the process of construction or completed, to a duly organized river improvement company as defined by s. 182.016, on such terms and conditions as are approved by the department of natural resources as hereinafter provided. Unless so leased or sold it shall be the duty of the flood control board to maintain and operate said improvement. The cost of operation and maintenance during the period intervening between the completion of said improvement and the date when funds provided under this section become available shall be paid from the funds provided for maintenance pursuant to the estimate made by the department as provided in s. 87.07 (3). Prior to the first day of November in each year the flood control board shall

certify to the clerk of each town, village and city in which lands to be benefited by the improvement are located an estimated budget, detailed as far as practicable, of the cost of operation and maintenance of said improvement for the succeeding calendar year, together with the amount due upon any judgments outstanding against the board, except those judgments from which the board has appealed or intends to appeal, and shall certify at the same time the portion of such cost to be borne by each such town, village and city. This shall be determined in the same manner and according to the same proportions as provided in s. 87.10 (1) (c). It shall thereupon become the duty of each such town, village and city to include in its next succeeding tax levy the amount so certified and to forward such amount, on or before March 15 following, to the flood control board.

SECTION 2349w. 87.18 of the statutes is amended to read:

Whenever the flood control project consists of a storage reservoir and authority to create, operate and maintain a reservoir on the river affected by such storage reservoir is vested in a duly organized river improvement company as defined by s. 182.016, and the petitioners file with the department of natural resources a petition and a proposed contract with such improvement company for a lease, sale, or lease with option to purchase said reservoir, and the department finds the terms and conditions of such contract are sufficient to assure the payment of the amount the board will be obligated to pay for the cost of the reservoir and the maintenance and operation of the same, and the project will secure effective flood control and promotion of the public welfare, then notices, proceedings and assessments provided by ss. 87.04 to 87.12 are not required. The department, however, shall make findings as required by s. 87.05 and shall order that the flood control board be appointed and

shall so certify to the governor as provided by s. 87.12. The governor shall thereupon appoint the board as provided in said s. 87.12. The proposed contract filed with the department by petitioners for the sale, lease, or lease with option to purchase said reservoir property shall not be binding upon the board so appointed unless the board approves such contract. Upon approval the board shall so report to the department and file with it a final contract executed by the board and lessee or purchaser. The department has authority to approve or disapprove such contract. If the department approves such contract, then it shall be final and the department shall thereupon order the board to proceed with the work. When such reservoir property is sold and the purchase price has been fully paid and any indebtedness assumed by the purchaser has been paid and discharged, including the fees and expenses of the board, and the department so finds, the said board shall thereupon be dissolved by order of the department.

SECTION 2350e. 88.05 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

88.05 (4) (a) The chairperson of the county highway committee except in a county with a highway commissioner appointed under s. 83.01 (1) (c), the highway commissioner; the chairperson of the county land conservation committee in the county involved; the secretary of natural resources environmental management; the state drainage engineer; and, where a railroad company is involved, the person specified in sub. (6).

SECTION 2350v. 88.11 (1) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

88.11 (1) (e) Coordinate district activities with the department of natural resources environmental management.

SECTION 2351c. 88.11 (1) (i) of the statutes is amended to read:

88.11 (1) (i) Establish, by rule, performance standards for drainage district structures, ditches, maintenance and operations, in order to minimize adverse effects on water quality. The performance standards shall be consistent with any requirements imposed by the department of natural resources environmental management under s. 88.31.

Section 2351e. 88.11 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

88.11 (2) The state drainage engineer shall provide technical assistance to improve district operations on the request of the department of natural resources environmental management, drainage board, landowners in the district or the judge.".

199. Page 881, line 10: after that line insert:

"Section 2353b. 88.31 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

88.31 (1) If it is necessary to enter upon any waters that may be navigable, or to acquire and remove any dam or obstruction from the waters, or to clean out, widen, deepen or straighten any stream that may be navigable, the board shall file with the department of natural resources environmental management an application for a permit to do the work. The board shall file with the application any information that the board or the department of natural resources environmental management considers necessary. The department shall specify by rule the information to be included in an application. The application shall state that the public health or welfare will be promoted by the removal of the dam or other obstruction or by the straightening, cleaning out, deepening or widening of the waters and that other public rights in and public uses of the waters will not be materially impaired. The application shall be duly verified.

SECTION 2353d. 88.31 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

88.31 (2) Upon receipt of the application the department of natural resources environmental management shall fix a time and place for a hearing on the application, not less than 3 nor more than 8 weeks from the date of filing, at a place convenient to the interested parties. If the application is for a permit to remove a dam, notice of the hearing shall be given to all interested persons as provided by s. 31.06. In all other cases, the department shall direct the applicant to give notice under s. 88.05 (2) (b) to the persons specified in s. 88.05 (4) (b).

SECTION 2353f. 88.31 (4) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

88.31 (4) (intro.) Upon the conclusion of the hearing and investigation, the department of natural resources environmental management shall grant the permit if it finds:

SECTION 2353h. 88.31 (4m) of the statutes is amended to read:

88.31 (4m) The department of natural resources environmental management shall grant or deny the permit within 6 weeks after the conclusion of the hearing on the application.

SECTION 2353j. 88.31 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

88.31 (5) When granting a permit under this section the department of natural resources environmental management also shall establish the minimum level at which the affected waters may be maintained.

SECTION 2353L. 88.31 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

88.31 (6) The department of natural resources environmental management may require the applicant for the permit to submit a plan for the work to be done in the waters in question and may amend or modify such plan before approving it. The department may at any time, on the application of any interested person, further

amend such plan when the same can be done without materially impairing the navigability of any such waters and without materially impairing any other public right.

Section 2357b. 88.62 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

88.62 (3) (a) If drainage work is undertaken in navigable waters, the drainage board shall obtain a permit under s. 30.20 or 88.31 or ch. 31, as directed by the department of natural resources environmental management, except as provided in par. (b).

(b) If drainage work is undertaken in navigable waters located in the Duck Creek Drainage District, the board for that district shall obtain a permit under s. 30.20 or ch. 31, as directed by the department of natural resources environmental management.

SECTION 2360b. 88.72 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

88.72 (4) Within 30 days after the department of natural resources environmental management has issued all of the permits as required under this chapter and chs. 30 and 31, the board shall proceed to estimate the cost of the work, including the expenses of the proceeding together with the damages that will result from the work, and shall, within a reasonable time, award damages to all lands damaged by the work and assess the cost of the work against the lands in the district in proportion to the assessment of benefits then in force.

Section 2360f. 91.01 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

91.01 (6) "Eligible farmland" means a parcel of 35 or more acres of contiguous land which is devoted primarily to agricultural use, including land designated by the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry as part of the ice age trail under s. 23.17, which during the year preceding application for a farmland

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preservation agreement produced gross farm profits, as defined in s. 71.58 (4), of not less than \$6,000 or which, during the 3 years preceding application produced gross farm profits, as defined in s. 71.58 (4), of not less than \$18,000, or a parcel of 35 or more acres of which at least 35 acres, during part or all of the year preceding application, were enrolled in the conservation reserve program under 16 USC 3831 to 3836.

SECTION 2378e. 92.04 (2) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

92.04 (2) (e) Review joint evaluation plan. The board shall review the evaluation plan prepared under s. 92.14 (13). After its review, the board shall make recommendations on the plan to the department and to the department of natural resources environmental management.

SECTION 2378h. 92.05 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

92.05 (1) CENTRAL AGENCY. The department is the central agency of this state responsible for setting and implementing statewide soil and water conservation policies and administering the state's soil and water conservation programs. The department shall coordinate its soil and water conservation program with the nonpoint source water pollution abatement program established under s. 281.65, the inland lake protection and rehabilitation program established under ch. 33 and other programs with objectives related to soil and water conservation administered by the department of natural resources environmental management or by other state or federal agencies.

Section 2379k. 92.10 (6) (a) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

92.10 (6) (a) 1. Includes an assessment of water quality and soil erosion conditions throughout the county, including any assessment available from the department of natural resources environmental management.

SECTION 2379n. 92.10 (8) of the statutes is amended to read:

92.10 (8) Duties of the department of natural resources environmental management shall provide counties with assistance in land and water resource management planning, including providing available water quality data and information, providing training and support for water resource assessments and appraisals and providing related program information.

Section 2379t. 92.14 (2) (j) of the statutes is amended to read:

92.14 (2) (j) Enhancing the administration and coordination of state nonpoint source water pollution abatement activities by the department and the department of natural resources environmental management, including providing a single process for grant application, funding allocation, reporting and evaluation.".

200. Page 882, line 11: after that line insert:

"Section 2380c. 92.14 (6) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

92.14 (6) (b) The department and the department of natural resources environmental management shall prepare an annual grant allocation plan identifying the amounts to be provided to counties under this section and ss. 281.65 and 281.66. In the allocation plan, the departments shall attempt to provide funding under this section for an average of 3 staff persons per county with full funding for the first staff person, 70% funding for the 2nd staff person and 50% funding for any additional staff persons and to provide an average of \$100,000 per county for cost—sharing grants. The department shall submit that plan to the board.

SECTION 2380d. 92.14 (6) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

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	92.14 (6) (d) The board shall review the annual allocation plan submitted to
	it under par. (b) and make recommendations to the department of agriculture, trade
	and consumer protection and the department of natural resources environmental
	management on approval, modification or disapproval of the plan.
	SECTION 2380e. 92.14 (6) (h) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:
÷	92.14 (6) (h) 3. Nothing in this paragraph affects the authority of the
	department of natural resources environmental management to act under ch. 283.
	SECTION 2380f. 92.14 (6) (m) of the statutes is amended to read:
	92.14 (6) (m) The department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection
	and the department of natural resources environmental management shall assist
	counties in conducting the activities for which grants under sub. (3) may be used.
	SECTION 2380g. 92.14 (8) of the statutes is amended to read:
	92.14 (8) Rules. In consultation with the department of natural resources
	environmental management, the department shall promulgate rules to administer
	this section and the department's duties under s. 281.65.
	SECTION 2380h. 92.14 (12) of the statutes is amended to read:
	92.14 (12) Annual REPORT. Annually, the department, in cooperation with the
	department of natural resources environmental management, shall submit a report
	on the progress of the program under this section and s. 281.65 to the board.
	SECTION 2380j. 92.14 (13) of the statutes is amended to read:
	92.14 (13) EVALUATION PLAN. The department, jointly with the department of
	natural resources environmental management, shall prepare a plan, which includes
	water quality monitoring and analysis, for evaluating the program administered
	under this section and s. 281.65 and submit the plan to the board. The board shall

make recommendations to the department and the department of natural resources

environmental management on the plan. The department shall review and approve or disapprove the plan and shall notify the board of its final action on the plan. The department shall implement any part of the plan for which the plan gives it responsibility.

SECTION 2380k. 92.14 (14) of the statutes is amended to read:

92.14 (14) APPLICATION, ALLOCATION, REPORTING AND EVALUATION. The department, jointly with the department of natural resources environmental management, shall develop a single set of grant application, reporting and evaluation forms for use by counties receiving grants under this section and ss. 281.65 and 281.66. The department, jointly with the department of natural resources environmental management, shall implement a single process for grant application, funding allocation, reporting and evaluation for counties receiving grants under this section and ss. 281.65 and 281.66.

SECTION 2380L. 92.14 (14m) of the statutes is amended to read:

92.14 (14m) COORDINATION. The department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection and the department of natural resources environmental management, jointly, shall review applications from counties for grants under sub. (5r) and, for projects and activities selected to receive funding shall determine whether to provide funding under this section or under s. 281.65 or 281.66.

SECTION 2380n. 92.14 (15) of the statutes is amended to read:

92.14 (15) Financial information. The department shall consult with the department of natural resources environmental management when it prepares the information which it submits to the department of administration under s. 16.42.

SECTION 2380p. 92.15 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

92.15 (3) (a) Notwithstanding ss. 92.11 and 92.17, a local governmental unit		
may enact regulations of livestock operations that exceed the performance		
standards, prohibitions, conservation practices and technical standards under s.		
281.16 (3) only if the local governmental unit demonstrates to the satisfaction of the		
department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection or the department of		
$\underline{\text{natural resources}}\underline{\text{environmental management}}\text{that the regulations are necessary to}$		
achieve water quality standards under s. 281.15.		

- (b) The department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection and the department of natural resources environmental management shall, by rule, specify procedures for review and approval of proposed local governmental unit regulations under par. (a).
 - **SECTION 2380r.** 92.18 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:
- 92.18 (4) The department shall promulgate rules under this section in consultation with the department of natural resources environmental management.
 - **Section 2380s.** 92.18 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:
- 92.18 (5) Any training required under this section may be conducted by the department or the department of natural resources environmental management or by another person with the approval of the department.".
 - **201.** Page 882, line 16: after that line insert:
- "Section 2384g. 93.12 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:
 - 93.12 (5) The department shall establish uniform minimum standards to be used in the evaluation and certification of laboratory examinations. The department shall submit any rules proposed under this subsection which affect the laboratory certification program under s. 299.11 to the department of natural resources

environmental management and to the state laboratory of hygiene for review and comment. These rules may not take effect unless they are approved by the department of natural resources environmental management within 6 months after submission.

SECTION 2384j. 93.12 (8) of the statutes is amended to read:

93.12 (8) The department shall enter into a memorandum of understanding with the department of natural resources environmental management setting forth the responsibilities of each department in administering the laboratory certification programs under sub. (5) and s. 299.11. The memorandum of understanding shall include measures to be taken by each department to avoid duplication of application and compliance procedures for laboratory certification.

SECTION 2384L. 93.12 (9) of the statutes is amended to read:

93.12 (9) The department shall recognize the certification or registration of a laboratory by the department of natural resources environmental management under s. 299.11 and shall accept the results of any test conducted by a laboratory certified or registered to conduct that category of test under that section.".

202. Page 882, line 17: after that line insert:

"Section 2390p. 93.46 (1m) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

93.46 (1m) (a) 2. Coordinating the aquaculture activities of the department with the aquaculture activities of the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry and the University of Wisconsin System.

SECTION 2390q. 93.46 (1m) (a) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

93.46 (1m) (a) 3. Conducting meetings on a quarterly basis between representatives of the department, the department of natural resources fish.

1	wildlife, parks, and forestry and the University of Wisconsin System to exchange
2	information regarding the progress of their efforts to promote commercial
3	aquaculture in this state.
4	SECTION 2390t. 93.46 (1m) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:
5	93.46 (1m) (b) The department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and
6	forestry and the department of environmental management shall assist persons in
7	obtaining any license or approval required by any state or federal agency to conduct
8	a commercial aquaculture operation.".
9	203. Page 882, line 24: after that line insert:
10	"Section 2395b. 94.02 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:
11	94.02 (4) This section pertains to the abatement of pests on agricultural lands
12	and on agricultural business premises. This section does not affect the authority of
13	the department of natural resources fish, wildlife, parks, and forestry under ch. 26.
14	SECTION 2395t. 94.65 (3) (a) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:
15	94.65 (3) (a) 3. No permit is required for the landspreading of sewage sludge
16	under a pollutant discharge elimination system permit issued by the department of
17	natural resources environmental management under s. 283.31 or 283.35.".
18	204. Page 888, line 10: after that line insert:
19	"Section 2397c. 94.73 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:
20	94.73 (1) (b) "Corrective action" means action that is taken in response to a
21	discharge and that is necessary to restore the environment to the extent practicable
22	and to minimize the harmful effects of the discharge to the air, lands or waters of this
23	state. "Corrective action" includes action taken or ordered by the department of
24	natural resources convironmental management under s. 292.11 (7) in response to a

discharge, but does not include action ordered by the department of natural resources environmental management under s. 291.37 (2) or 291.95. "Corrective action" does not include action taken, or ordered to be completed, before January 1, 1989.

Section 2397e. 94.73 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

94.73 (2) (a) The department may issue an order requiring a responsible person to take corrective action. Except as provided in a memorandum of understanding under sub. (12), if a discharge involves a hazardous substance that may also become a hazardous waste, the department and the department of natural resources environmental management shall consult to determine whether corrective action should be taken under this section or s. 291.37 (2), 291.95 (1) or 292.31 (3).

SECTION 2397f. 94.73 (2m) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

94.73 (2m) CORRECTIVE ACTION ORDERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT. (intro.) The department of natural resources environmental management may take action under s. 292.11 (7) (a) or may issue an order under s. 292.11 (7) (c) in response to a discharge only if one or more of the following apply:

SECTION 2397g. 94.73 (2m) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

94.73 (2m) (b) The department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection requests the department of natural resources environmental management to take the action or issue the order.

Section 2397h. 94.73 (2m) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

94.73 (2m) (c) The secretary of natural resources environmental management approves the action or order in advance after notice to the secretary of agriculture, trade and consumer protection.