

NATURAL RESOURCES AND
AGRICULTURE, TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

Omnibus Motion

[LFB Papers #156 thru #159, #435 thru #445, #460 thru #466, and #470 and #476]

Motion:

Move to adopt the following provisions:

Natural Resources -- Stewardship

1. *Stewardship Reauthorization (Paper #435)*. Reauthorize the stewardship program for a four-year period, beginning on July 1, 2022 and ending on June 30, 2026. Increase the bonding authorization for the program by \$85,000,000, and authorize DNR to use any bonding authority that is unobligated as of June 30, 2022 in 2022-23 to fund the program. Authorize DNR to obligate up to \$24,000,000 for the program each year as shown in the table.

Stewardship Program Allocations

	<u>Annual Bonding Allotment</u>	<u>Annual Conservation Fund Allotment</u>	<u>Total Allotment</u>
Land Acquisition			
DNR Acquisitions	\$1,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$6,000,000
NCO Acquisitions	7,000,000		7,000,000
County Forest Grants		<u>3,000,000</u>	<u>3,000,000</u>
Subtotal	<u>\$8,000,000</u>	<u>\$8,000,000</u>	<u>\$16,000,000</u>
Recreational Boating Aids	\$3,000,000		\$3,000,000
Property Development and Local Assistance			
DNR Property Development	\$4,000,000		\$4,000,000
Grants to Friends Groups	500,000		500,000
Motorized Stewardship	500,000		500,000
Local Assistance Grants	<u>8,000,000</u>		<u>8,000,000</u>
Subtotal	<u>\$13,000,000</u>		<u>\$13,000,000</u>
Total	\$24,000,000	\$8,000,000	\$32,000,000

Create an annual appropriation for Department land acquisition as provided in s. 23.0917(3) of the statutes. Provide \$5,000,000 annually from the forestry account of the SEG conservation fund for department acquisitions. Create an annual appropriation for county forest grants under s. 23.0953 of the statutes and provide \$3,000,000 annually for grants for counties to acquire land to be enrolled in

the county forest program.

Natural Resources -- Forestry and Parks

2. *County Forest Acreage Share Payments (Paper #441)*. Adopt Alternative 1 to increase county forest acreage share payments from 30¢ to 63¢. Reestimate aids by \$783,900 SEG to \$1,496,500 in each year of the biennium.

3. *Parks Account Funding (Paper #445)*. Adopt Alternative A2 to increase the parks operations base budget by \$60,900 conservation SEG annually for increased utility costs in state parks. Provide \$750,000 as one-time funding in each year of the biennium in the continuing appropriation for parks development.

4. *Forestry Information Technology (Page 426, #5)*. Provide \$235,100 forestry SEG in each year of the biennium as one-time funding for maintenance and updates for Division of Forestry web applications. Provide \$145,000 forestry SEG annually for replacing outdated mobile hardware and software.

Natural Resources -- Waste, Remediation, and Air

5. *PFAS-Containing Firefighting Foam (Paper #463)*. Create a continuing appropriation for collection and disposal of PFAS-containing firefighting foam and provide \$1,000,000 environmental management SEG in the Committee's supplemental appropriation in 2021-22.

6. *Bonding for Great Lakes Contaminated Sediment Removal and Milwaukee Dredged Material Management Facility (Paper #465)*. Adopt Alternative A3 and provide bonding authority of \$4,000,000 for removing contaminated sediments in Lake Michigan, Lake Superior, and their tributaries.

7. *Tipping Fee Exemption for Waste-To-Energy Facilities (Paper #466)*. Adopt Alternative 1 and create an exemption from solid waste disposal fees (tipping fees) for facilities that incinerate solid waste for the purpose of energy recovery. Specify that the exemption applies to facilities that: (a) are licensed as a municipal solid waste combustor for the purpose of energy recovery; (b) under their approved plan of operation, must report the weight of material entering facility, the weight of material rejected by facility and where it was sent, and the weight of residue and where it was sent; and (c) are in compliance with their approved plan of operation. Specify that qualified waste-to-energy facilities meeting the requirements would have an exemption from tipping fees for residual waste sent to landfills in the state, but not more than 30% of the total weight of material accepted by the facility. Specify that the exemption would not apply to ash generated by the facility. Reduce SEG-REV by -\$272,100 annually and PR-REV by -\$200 annually.

Natural Resources -- Water Quality

8. *Well Compensation Grant Program (Paper #470)*. Adopt Alternative F1b to provide one-time funding of \$1,000,000 environmental management SEG in each year of the biennium for

well compensation and well abandonment grants.

9. *Well Inspector Position (Paper #471)*. Adopt Alternative 1 to delete 1.0 PR position and \$74,700 annually in the DNR air management program. Delete \$20,400 in limited-term employee salaries and \$15,200 in supplies and services annually from the DNR groundwater management appropriation. Provide 1.0 SEG well inspector in the DNR drinking water and groundwater program with \$56,100 SEG and \$74,700 SEG in 2022-23 from the environmental management account.

10. *Urban Nonpoint and Municipal Flood Control Programs (Paper #474)*. Adopt Alternative A3, which provides \$4,000,000 in nonpoint SEG-supported bonding authority for urban nonpoint and municipal flood control grant programs.

11. *Nonpoint Contracts (Paper #475)*. Adopt Alternatives A2 and A3, which provide \$500,000 nonpoint SEG each year on a one-time basis for contracts with entities providing research, education, and outreach related to nonpoint source water pollution abatement programs, for a total of \$767,600 each year.

12. *Dam Safety Bonding (Page 445, #8)*. Provide \$10,000,000 in GPR-supported general obligation bonding authority for dam safety grants. Specify that beginning in 2021-22, the maximum dam safety grant be \$1,000,000, and require the state to offer a cost-share match of 50% of funding for the first \$1,000,000 in project costs, and 25% cost-share of funding for the next \$2,000,000 in costs, for a total of up to \$1,000,000 in state cost-share for a project cost of \$3,000,000.

13. *Rural Nonpoint Source Bonding (Page 446, #9)*. Provide \$6,500,000 in nonpoint SEG-supported general obligation bonding authority for rural nonpoint source water pollution abatement grants.

14. *Nonpoint Source Grants (Page 446, #10)*. Provide \$100,000 nonpoint SEG each year on an ongoing basis for nonpoint source grants.

15. *Waterway and Wetland Permitting Database (Page 447, #13)*. Provide \$220,000 environmental management SEG each year during the 2021-23 biennium on a one-time basis to support development of a new waterway and wetland permit database.

16. *Wetland Mitigation Program Staff (Page 447, #14)*. Provide \$62,800 PR in 2021-22 and \$81,000 PR in 2022-23 with 1.0 PR two-year project position to support administration of DNR's wetland mitigation program. Further, delete 0.5 vacant PR position from the Division of Environmental Management appropriation for solid and hazardous waste disposal administration, and delete 0.50 vacant PR position from the Division of Internal Services appropriation for geographic information systems general operations.

17. *Clean Water Fund Program Operations (Page 449, #20)*. Convert an appropriation for clean water fund program operations from a continuing appropriation to an all-moneys-received continuing appropriation.

18. *Wetlands and Waterways Subprogram (Page 450, #22)*. Create a wetlands and

waterways budgetary subprogram to reflect DNR's creation of the Bureau of Wetlands and Waterways in September, 2019, and transfer \$8,334,200 and 73.50 positions from the watershed management subprogram to the new subprogram. The new subprogram does not result in a net increase in appropriations or positions.

19. *Beaver Dam Lake Restoration.* Create a biennial appropriation and provide \$220,200 SEG from the environmental fund in 2021-22 for the purposes of environmental management to make a grant to the Beaver Dam Lake Improvement District for restoration of shoreline along Beaver Dam Lake at Puckagee Springs Creek. Repeal the appropriation on June 30, 2023.

20. *Clam Falls Dam Repair.* Create a biennial appropriation and provide \$2,000,000 SEG from the environmental fund in 2021-22 for the purposes of environmental management to make a grant to Polk County for repairs to the dam on Clam River near the Town of Clam Falls. Repeal the appropriation on June 30, 2023.

21. *Dead Pike Lake Restoration.* Create a biennial appropriation and provide \$125,000 SEG from the environmental fund in 2021-22 for the purposes of environmental management to make a grant to the Town of Manitowish Waters, Vilas County, for installation of a water control structure. Repeal the appropriation on June 30, 2023.

22. *Southeast Wisconsin Fox River Commission.* Create a biennial appropriation and provide \$200,000 SEG from the environmental fund in 2021-22 for the purposes of environmental management to make a grant to the Southeast Wisconsin Fox River Commission for strategic planning and to pursue grant funding opportunities. Repeal the appropriation on June 30, 2023.

23. *Nekoosa Storm Water Project.* Create a biennial appropriation and provide \$200,000 SEG from the environmental fund in 2021-22 for the purposes of environmental management to make a grant to the City of Nekoosa, Wood County, for a storm water management project. Repeal the appropriation on June 30, 2023.

24. *New Berlin Road Reconstruction.* Create a biennial appropriation and provide \$2,000,000 SEG from the environmental fund in 2021-22 for the purposes of environmental management to make a grant to the City of New Berlin, Waukesha County, for road reconstruction related to the City of Waukesha Lake Michigan diversion. Repeal the appropriation on June 30, 2023.

Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection -- Environment

25. *Producer-Led Watershed Protection Grants (Paper #156).* Adopt Alternatives 1 and 2. Alternative 1 increases the statutory cap on annual producer-led watershed protection grant awards from \$750,000 to \$1,000,000, and provides an additional \$250,000 nonpoint SEG each year for producer-led watershed protection grants. Alternative 2 provides increased nonpoint SEG funding on a one-time basis during the 2021-23 biennium.

26. *County Conservation Staff (Paper #157).* Adopt Alternatives 3b and 5. Alternative 3b provides an additional \$1,377,300 nonpoint SEG and \$688,600 GPR in 2021-22, and \$1,543,900

nonpoint SEG and \$772,000 GPR in 2022-23 for county conservation staffing grants. Alternative 5 specifies that increased funding be provided on a one-time basis during the 2021-23 biennium. Under the motion, county conservation staffing grants are budgeted a total of \$11,030,000 in 2021-22 and \$11,280,000 in 2022-23, consisting of \$7,314,200 nonpoint SEG and \$3,715,800 in 2021-22, and \$7,480,800 nonpoint SEG and \$3,799,200 GPR in 2022-23.

27. *Soil and Water Resource Management Bonding Authority (Page 65, #7)*. Provide an additional \$7,000,000 in nonpoint SEG-supported bonding authority for cost-sharing grants in the soil and water resource management program.

Vacant Positions

28. Delete 1.0 GPR, 2.0 PR, and 12.67 SEG positions that have been vacant two years or longer.

Note:

The table below shows the change to base level funding under the motion.

	<u>2021-22</u>	<u>2022-23</u>	<u>Biennium</u>	<u>Positions</u>
GPR	\$688,600	\$772,000	\$1,460,600	-1.00
SEG	12,223,500	4,663,500	16,887,000	1.00
PR	<u>-47,500</u>	<u>-29,300</u>	<u>-76,800</u>	<u>-3.00</u>
Total	\$12,864,600	\$5,406,200	\$18,270,800	-3.00
BR	\$116,500,000			
SEG-REV	-\$272,100.	-\$272,100	-\$544,200	
PR-REV	-\$200	-\$200	-\$400	