

NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

Omnibus Motion

Motion:

Move to adopt the following provisions:

Departmentwide

1. *Limited-Term Employee Compensation [Paper #570]*. Provide \$1,008,700, including \$1,400 GPR and \$1,007,300 SEG annually for LTE salaries and fringe benefits.
2. *Recreational Vehicle Reestimates [Paper #573]*. Approve the following recreational vehicle appropriation reestimates: (a) -\$25,100 in 2023-24 and -\$12,400 in 2024-25 for snowmobile trail and project aids; (b) \$116,600 in 2023-24 and \$255,300 in 2024-25 for ATV and UTV trail and project aids; and (c) \$249,300 in 2023-24 and \$135,200 in 2024-25 for supplemental snowmobile trail aids.
3. *Snowmobile Automated Reporting System [LFB Summary Page 436, #7]*. Provide \$10,000 conservation SEG annually to fund updates to the snowmobile automated reporting system.
4. *Off-Highway Motorcycle Reestimate [LFB Summary Page 436, #8]*. Reestimate OHM revenues by \$19,900 annually
5. *Transfers within Appropriations [LFB Summary Page 438, #15]*. Transfer positions and funding between budgetary subprograms or budgetary purposes within the same appropriation as described in the follows: move 0.46 petroleum inspection fund SEG position from drinking and groundwater to remediation and redevelopment; move 1.0 GPR section leader position from waterways to external services leaders to align the position within division leadership.
6. *Snowmobile Enforcement*. Increase the amount available for snowmobile county enforcement aids by \$200,000 each year.
7. *ATV/UTV Enforcement*. Direct DNR to reallocate 3.0 positions and funding from existing vacancies within DNR to the ATV law enforcement appropriation under s. 20.370(3)(as) of the statutes, and to report the reallocation to the Committee for incorporation in to the final appropriation schedule for the 2023-25 fiscal biennium. Increase funding available for ATV and UTV enforcement aids to counties by \$550,000 annually, from \$750,000 to \$1,300,000.

8. *ATV and UTV Project Aids*. Increase the per mile reimbursement rate for local UTV trail aids from \$200 to \$400.

9. *Vacant Position Reductions*. Delete 36.71 FTE positions vacant for greater than 18 months, including 2.75 GPR, 2.0 PR, 16.56 FED and 15.40 SEG.

10. *Appropriations Reductions*. Delete funding from the supplies and services line of general program operations appropriations as follows: \$675,200 SEG from forestry, \$780,500 SEG from internal services, and \$348,700 SEG from external services.

Parks

11. *Park and Forest Development and Maintenance [Paper #575]*. Provide \$11,271,600 SEG as one-time continuing funding, including \$3,950,400 from the forestry account, \$4,960,400 from the parks account, and \$2,360,800 from split-funded appropriations within the SEG conservation fund in 2023-24. Provide \$5,689,000 as one-time funding for state forests, parks, and riverway roads maintenance and development in DNR's forestry property development appropriation.

12. *Campsite Electrification [Paper #576]*. Eliminate the 35% cap on the number of state parks campsites that may be electrified. Provide \$1,500,000 SEG as one-time funding to a continuing appropriation in the parks account in 2024-25 to electrify campsites.

13. *Parks and Recreation Operations [Paper #577]*. Provide \$152,200 annually for utilities costs in state parks and recreational areas. Provide \$415,000 annually for parks and recreation LTE salaries and fringe benefits. Provide \$700,000 as one-time funding to replace parks maintenance equipment. Provide \$93,400 annually to the following properties: Lizard Mound State Park, the Ice Age Trail, Mazomanie Bottoms and Brule River State Natural Areas. Additionally, provide \$3,800 in one-time funding for an entrance sign at Lizard Mound State Park.

14. *Online Vehicle Admission Fees [Paper #578]*. Authorize DNR to collect a transaction fee on online sales of state parks and trails admission stickers. Deposit fees in DNR's campsite reservation fee appropriation and modify the appropriation to allow DNR to pay contractual transaction costs for online state parks and trails admission sales. Reestimate the campsite reservation fee appropriation by \$245,000 annually.

15. *Parks Technology Upgrades [LFB Summary Page 440, #6]*. Provide \$152,500 as one-time funding in each year, including \$36,600 from the forestry account and \$115,900 from the parks account, to acquire new credit card readers. Provide \$29,400 annually, including \$7,100 from the forestry account and \$22,300 from the parks account, to fund security software licenses for the new credit card readers.

16. *Nonresident Camping Fee*. Increase the statutory cap on nonresident overnight camping fees from \$35 to \$45. Provide \$690,000 annually, beginning in 2024-25, to DNR's continuing parks property development appropriation.

17. *Mirror Lake Dredging*. Provide \$449,200 as one-time funding from the parks account

for a project to dredge Mirror Lake and rehabilitate the gully in Mirror Lake State Park.

18. *Amnicon Falls and Pattison State Parks*. Provide \$2,161,300 as one-time funding in the appropriation for state parks development for development and maintenance projects in Amnicon Falls and Pattison State Parks.

19. *Lapham Peak Lodge*. Provide \$250,000 as one-time funding from the forestry account of the SEG conservation fund to the forestry property development appropriation for a grant to the Friends of Lapham Peak to build a ski lodge in the Lapham Peak Unit of the Kettle Moraine State Forest. After construction is complete, authorize the nonprofit group to use any unexpended funds to purchase furnishings and snowmaking equipment.

Forestry and Stewardship

20. *Urban Forestry Grants [Paper #581]*. Increase funding for urban forestry grants by \$175,000 each year.

21. *County Forest Administrator and County Sustainable Forestry Grants [Paper #583]*. Provide \$200,000 each year for county forest administrator grants. Provide \$50,000 each year for county sustainable forestry grants.

22. *Forestry Public Safety [LFB Summary Page 444, #9]*. Provide \$807,600 forestry SEG in 2023-24 and \$150,000 in 2024-25 to acquire and upgrade fire suppression equipment.

Fish, Wildlife, and Natural Heritage Conservation

23. *Nonresident Deer Hunting License [Paper #590]*. Increase the nonresident deer hunting license fee by \$40, from \$160 to \$200, beginning on the effective date of the bill. Increase the tribal gaming transfer by \$1,000,000 annually, from \$3,000,000 to \$4,000,000. Raise the following nonresident license fees by \$5: annual small game, five-day small game, archery, turkey, fur-bearing animal, individual one-day fishing, individual four-day fishing, individual 15-day fishing, individual annual fishing, family four-day fishing, family 15-day fishing, and family annual fishing. Raise the nonresident conservation patron and nonresident sports license fees by \$20 annually. Provide a one-time transfer of \$25,000,000 from the forestry account to the fish and wildlife account of the SEG conservation fund.

24. *Great Lakes Research Vessel Maintenance [LFB Summary Page 447, #2]*. Provide \$196,000 in 2023-24 as one-time funding from the fish and wildlife account of the SEG conservation fund to refurbish Great Lakes research vessels.

25. *Fish Hatchery Improvements*. Provide \$2,500,000 from unobligated stewardship bonding authority for projects including drilling new wells, facility maintenance, upgrades and renovations, and construction of new buildings in the Les Voigt Fish Hatchery and the Brule State Fish Hatchery.

Law Enforcement

26. *Law Enforcement Equipment [Paper #595]*. Provide \$76,500, including \$4,500 GPR, \$4,100 environmental SEG, and \$67,900 conservation SEG, as one-time funding in each year of the 2023-25 biennium to acquire AEDs. Provide \$120,100 conservation SEG as one-time funding in each year of the biennium to acquire and license tasers. Provide \$194,300 annually in the forestry general program operations appropriation to acquire off-road vehicles for DNR law enforcement officers.

27. *Warden Overtime [LFB Summary Page 451, #2]*. Provide \$68,700 (\$6,700 environmental SEG and \$125,400 conservation SEG) in 2023-24 and \$138,900 (\$13,500 environmental SEG and \$125,400 conservation SEG) in 2024-25 for overtime costs of DNR wardens.

Waste, Remediation, & Air

28. *PFAS Trust Fund*. Create a segregated PFAS trust fund. Create from the fund a continuing appropriation as the amounts in the schedule for addressing and preventing perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances contamination in this state. Transfer \$110,000,000 GPR and \$15,000,000 environmental management SEG in 2023-24 to the fund. Specify that fund revenues include: (a) transfers to the PFAS trust fund under the bill or other acts; (b) all monies, other than fines and forfeitures, received under settlement agreements or orders in settlement of actions or proposed actions for violations of Chapters 280 to 299 that relate to per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances; (c) all donations, gifts, and bequests; and (d) all income and interest earned by the fund. Specify that the unencumbered balance of the PFAS-containing firefighting foam cleanup appropriation, s. 20.370 (4)(ps) be transferred to the fund.

29. *Bonding for Great Lakes Contaminated Sediment Removal (Paper #605)*. Provide \$7,500,000 GPR in 2023-24 in a new, continuing appropriation for the Department of Natural Resources to fund removal of contaminated sediment under s. 281.87 (affecting the Great Lakes and tributaries).

30. *Air Management Position Deletion (Paper #606)*. Delete 7.00 vacant positions and \$563,500 PR annually in associated funding. Reduce from 10 to 9 the number of DNR unclassified division administrator positions authorized under s. 230.08(2)(e) of the statutes.

31. *Reauthorize Funding for Cleanup of Electronic Waste (Paper #607)*. Modify the statutory language of s. 20.370 (4)(hs), the appropriation for electronic waste cleanup related to 5R Processors, to be continuing. Reauthorize the unencumbered, unexpended balance of the appropriation, \$1,450,000, so that DNR can continue the intended cleanup initiatives in 2023-24. Authorize an additional \$2,000,000 for increased cleanup costs in the 2023-25 biennium. Total funding under the appropriation would be \$3,450,000 in 2023-24.

32. *Grant for Lake Altoona Sediment Dredging*. Provide \$500,000 one-time environmental management SEG in 2023-24 for a grant to the Lake Altoona Protection and Rehabilitation District for costs related to the acquisition and transport of a bed load sediment collector, and for sediment dredging activities.

33. *Waste Management Positions Transfer (Page 461, #15)*. Transfer 3.0 waste management positions and \$360,500 SEG from recycling administration to general operations to better align position funding with assigned duties.

Water Quality

34. *Well Compensation Grant Program (Paper #610)*. Create a new GPR continuing appropriation for well compensation and well abandonment grants under s. 281.75 of the statutes. Specify that funding of \$1,000,000 be placed in the Committee's supplemental appropriation in 2023-24.

35. *Dam Safety Bonding (Paper #612)*. Provide \$4,000,000 GPR in 2023-24 for the dam safety grant program under s.31.385 of the statutes in a biennial appropriation.

36. *Urban Nonpoint and Municipal Flood Control (Paper #614)*. Provide \$4,000,000 GPR for UNPS and MFC programs in a biennial appropriation.

37. *Rural Nonpoint Source Pollution Abatement (Paper #615)*. Provide \$6,500,000 GPR in 2023-24 for rural nonpoint source water pollution abatement grants in a biennial appropriation.

38. *Permit Primer Update (Page 469, #21)*. Provide \$80,000 in 2023-24 environmental management SEG in 2023-24 for improvements to the Department's permit primer tool.

39. *Water Resources Account Lapse (Page 64, #10)*. Lapse \$350,000 from the DNR river management appropriation to the balance of the water resources account of the conservation fund in 2023-24.

40. *Dam Projects Earmarks*. In addition to GPR listed above for safely grants, provide funding for projects as follows:

- *Sheboygan Marsh Dam*. Provide \$500,000 GPR in 2023-24 in a new, continuing appropriation to Sheboygan County for removal and reconstruction of the dam on the Sheboygan River at Sheboygan Marsh.

- *Echo Lake Dam*. Provide \$1,000,000 GPR in 2023-24 in a new, continuing appropriation to the City of Burlington for restoration of the dam on Echo Lake.

- *Steve Creek Dam*. Provide \$750,000 GPR in 2023-24 in a new, continuing appropriation to Price County for repairs to the dam on Steve Creek.

- *Mill Pond Dam*. Provide \$1,000,000 GPR in 2023-24 in a new, continuing appropriation for removal and restoration of the dam in Mill Pond.

41. *Willow River Dam*. Provide \$2 million GPR in 2023-24 in a new, continuing appropriation to the Lake Mallalieu Lake Association for dredging Lake Mallalieu.

42. *Buffalo Lake*. Provide \$100,000 water resources SEG in 2023-24 to the Buffalo Lake

Protection and Rehabilitation District to assist with permitting and study requirement in Buffalo Lake.

43. *Arcadia Municipal Flood Control Project.* Extend the date by which funding for the Arcadia municipal flood control stewardship earmark must be obligated through the 2023-25 biennium. Further, allow funding to be awarded if the project is designed, authorized, approved, or supervised by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Environmental Improvement Fund

44. *Revenue Obligation Bonding Authority [Paper #345].* Increase the revenue bonding authorization for the EIF by \$46,000,000 to provide the required match for the 2023-25 biennium.

Note:

	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>Biennium</u>	<u>Positions</u>
GPR	\$27,255,900	\$1,005,900	\$28,261,800	-2.75
FED	0	0	0	-16.56
PR	-563,500	-563,500	-1,127,000	-9.00
SEG	<u>29,488,400</u>	<u>3,438,700</u>	<u>32,927,100</u>	<u>-15.40</u>
Total	\$56,180,800	\$3,881,100	\$60,061,900	-43.71
	BR \$46,000,000			
SEG-REV	\$2,464,000	\$3,364,000	\$5,828,000	
GPR-Tribal	-1,000,000	-1,000,000	-2,000,000	
GPR-Transfer	110,000,000		110,000,000	
SEG-Transfer	15,000,000		15,000,000	