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Executive Orders

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Office of the Governor

Executive Order # 02-02: Providing for the Assignment of Duties to State Agencies Under the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 (P.L. 94-422); Rescinding Executive Order No. 93-13

I, JESSE VENTURA, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the applicable statutes, do hereby issue this Executive Order:

WHEREAS, proper administration of the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, as amended, requires the assignment of specific duties to various state agencies; and

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WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 2001, First Special Session, [Chap. 2], Section 140, [116P.14] [Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund] designates the Department of Natural Resources as the state agency to apply for, receive, accept and disburse federal funds from this grant program;

NOW, THEREFORE, I hereby order that:

- 1. The Department of Natural Resources be designated the state agency to administer the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Program in Minnesota.
- 2. The Administrator of the Office of Management and Budget Services in the Department of Natural Resources shall serve as the state liaison officer and shall be ultimately responsible for overall administration and compliance of the Land and Water Conservation Fund in Minnesota. The Manager of the Grants Unit in the Department of Natural Resource's Office of Management and Budget Services shall serve as the alternate liaison officer and shall assist the state liaison officer in carrying out the responsibilities of this program. In the absence of the state liaison officer, the Deputy Commissioner in the Department of Natural Resources shall have authority to sign project agreements and amendments. Responsibility for this program shall include:
 - a. Implementing an ongoing statewide comprehensive outdoor recreation planning process that includes an assessment of outdoor recreation in Minnesota, a plan for addressing outdoor recreation issues, and a process for allocating federal grant funds to acquire and develop projects that provide outdoor recreation;
 - b. Ensuring compliance by all grant recipients with state laws and regulations and with federal requirements stated in the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Manual;
 - c. Managing projects by preparing and submitting applications, amendments and billings, inspecting projects to ensure proper completion, operation and maintenance, and other functions necessary for proper program administration and management;
 - d. Reporting on activities of the grant program as required by federal and state regulations; and
 - e. Cooperating with the National Park Service in activities that further proper administration of this grant program in Minnesota.

Pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* 2001, Section 4.035, subd. 2, this Order shall be effective fifteen (15) days after publication in the *State Register* and filing with the Secretary of State and shall remain in effect until rescinded by proper authority or it expires in accordance with *Minnesota Statutes* 2001, Section 4.035 subd. 3.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand this 18th day of April 2002

JESSE VENTURA

Gøvernor.

Filed According to Law:

MARY KIFFMEYER

Secretary of State