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**FINAL REPORT**

**Department of Natural Resources**  
*Division of Parks and Recreation*

**STATE OF MINNESOTA**

Date: July 18, 2006

To: John Velin, Director  
Legislative Commission on Minnesota Resources

From: Larry Peterson, Park Development and Real Estate Manager  
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Subject: 2003 Final Project Abstract, Work Program Report and Budget Detail

Enclosed is the Final Project Abstract for 2003 LCMR funds. Also enclosed is the Final Work Program Report and Final Budget Detail dated April 29, 2006.

If you have any questions please feel free to call.

## **2003 Project Abstract**

For the Period Ending June 30, 2006

**TITLE:** State Park and Recreation Area Acquisition \$1,500,000

**PROJECT MANAGER:** Larry Peterson

**ORGANIZATION:** DNR, Division of Parks and Recreation

**ADDRESS:** 500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155-4039

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**FUND:** \$1,500,000 Trust Fund

**LEGAL CITATION:** ML 2003, Chap 128, Sec.9, Subd.6a

**APPROPRIATION AMOUNT:** \$ 1,500,000.00

### **Overall Project Outcome and Results**

The purpose of this project was to acquire inholdings from willing sellers within state park and recreation area boundaries. Approximately 730 acres in the following locations were completed using the 2003 LCMR appropriation:

Crow Wing State Park	470 acres (4 parcels acquired)
George Crosby Manitou State Park	220 acres
Judge C.R. Magney State Park	40 acres

This appropriation was significant in that it continued the progress toward acquiring critical private inholdings within statutory state park boundaries. The Crow Wing State park acquisitions protect an additional 3 miles along the Mississippi River wildlife corridor in an area that is experiencing rapid residential development. These parcels will also preserve the natural views from the park facilities and helped facilitate the connection of the Paul Bunyan State Trail. The George Crosby Manitou and Judge C.R. Magney State Park parcels were acquired to protect lands within the Lake Superior watershed and offer recreational opportunities such as hiking (one mile of hiking trail included), backpacking and birdwatching.

### **Project Results Use and Dissemination**

Parcels acquired have been shown on updated state park boundary maps, and have been described in the Minnesota State Park Traveler newspaper and other publications.

**2003 LCMR Final Work Program Report**

April 28, 2006

**I. Project Title: State Park and Recreation Area Acquisition \$1,500,000**

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**Total Biennial Project Budget:**

\$LCMR Appropriation	-\$ Amount Spent	=\$ Balance
\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$0

**Legal Citation: ML 2003, Chap 128, Sec.9, Subd.6a.**

**Appropriation Language:** Subd. 6. (a) State Park and Recreation Area Land Acquisition \$750,000 the first year and \$750,000 the second year are from the trust fund to the commissioner of natural resources to acquire in-holdings for state park and recreation areas. Land acquired with this appropriation must be sufficiently improved to meet at least minimum management standards as determined by the commissioner of natural resources. The appropriation is available until June 30, 2006, at which time the project must be completed and final products delivered, unless an earlier date is specified in the work program.

**II. and III: Final Project Summary**

The purpose of this project was to acquire inholdings from willing sellers within state park and recreation area boundaries. Approximately 730 acres in the following locations were completed using the 2003 LCMR appropriation:

Crow Wing State Park	74 acres (also used LCMR 2001 funding)
Crow Wing State Park	97 acres
Crow Wing State Park	86 acres
Crow Wing State Park	213 acres (also used LCMR 2005 funding)
G. Crosby Manitou State Park	220 acres (also used CZM Grant)
Judge C.R. Magney State Park	40 acres (also used RIM funds)

This appropriation is significant in that it continues the progress toward reducing the backlog of acquiring private in-holdings within statutory state park boundaries. These private in-holdings currently total about 51,000 acres.

**IV. Outline of project results:**

Ownership of approximately 470 acres within the statutory boundary of Crow Wing State Park : the Division of Parks and Recreation acquired four parcels with the help of the Parks and Trails Council of Minnesota and the Conservation Fund. These two organizations were able to appraise, negotiate and close on the four acquisitions in a timely manner. The DNR utilized some LCMR 2001 and LCMR 2005 funds to help acquire these lands. Acquiring these parcels protected the Mississippi River corridor and the natural views from the park facilities and help facilitate the connection of the Paul Bunyan State Trail.

Ownership of approximately 220 acres within George Crosby Manitou State Park: CZM (Coastal Zone Management) grant money was offered to the Division of Parks and Recreation as a match to acquire

acreage within George Crosby Manitou State Park. LCMR 2003 funds provided the match for this acquisition. This acquisition consolidated lands into a contiguous unit containing hiking trails, backpacking campsites and protect ecologically significant resources and scenic vistas in the park.

Ownership of approximately 40 acres within Judge C.R. Magney State Park: LCMR 2003 funds were used to leverage funds from the RIM Critical Habitat matching grant program. This acquisition added a key parcel surrounded by state park land and will offer added protection within the Brule River watershed.

**Budget:** \$1,500,000

**All results:** LCMR Budget: \$1,500,000  
Balance: \$0

**V. Total Project Budget:**

**All Results** – Professional Services, ie. real estate staff assistance,  
appraisal, survey, title review and transaction fees: \$76,269.68

**All Results** - Acquisition: \$1,423,730.32

**Total Budget:** \$1,500,000

**VI. Past, Present and Future Spending:**

**A. Past Spending:** *SEE ATTACHED SPREADSHEET (Exhibit A)*

1999 LCMR Trust Fund (ML 1999, Chap 31, Sec.16, Subd.4i.), \$500,000.00

2001 LCMR MN Future Resources Fund (ML2001,Chap 2, Sec. 14, Subd. 5(p), \$1,726,000.00

**B. Current Spending:** 2005 Bonding

**C. Future Spending:** None

**VII. Dissemination of Information**

Parcels acquired have been shown on updated state park boundary maps, and have been described in the Minnesota State Park Traveler newspaper and other publications.

**VIII. Location:** Statewide

**IX. Reporting Requirements:**

Work program progress reports were submitted January 15, 2004, July 15, 2004, January 15, 2005, September 30, 2005 and April 29, 2006.

Proposal Title: State Park and Recreation Area Land Acquisition Sub 6 (a)

Project Manager Name: Larry Peterson

LCMR Requested Dollars: \$ 1,500,000.00

2003 LCMR Proposal Budget	Revised Result 1 Budget:	Amount Spent (date)	Balance (date)	Result 2 Budget:	Amount Spent (date)	Balance (date)	New Result 3 Budget:	Amount Spent (date)	Balance (date)	
	Ownership of approx. 74 acres within Crow Wing State Park	8-Dec-03	8-Dec-03	Ownership of approx. 395 acres within Crow Wing State Park involving 3 transactions	16-Aug-05	16-Aug-05	Ownership of approx. 220 acres within G. Crosby Manitou SPK and 40 acres at Judge Magney SPK	30-Apr-06	30-Apr-06	
BUDGET ITEM										NEW TOTAL FOR BUDGET ITEM
Land acquisition (how many acres) Professional Services, ie. Real estate staff assistance, appraisal, survey, title review and transaction fees	\$140,114.35*; 74 acres \$10,000	\$ 150,114.35	\$ -	\$1,145,000; 395 acres \$42,000	\$1,187,000	\$ -	\$95,000*-220 acres \$43,615.97*- 40 acres \$24,269.68	\$162,885.65	\$ -	\$1,423,730.32; 729 acres \$76,269.68
Land rights acquisition (less than fee)	Fee			Fee			Fee			
COLUMN TOTAL	\$150,144.35 *partial funding for this acquisition-see pg 5 in 2003/2205 LCMR workplan update dated April 28, 2006	\$ 150,114.35	\$ -	\$ 1,187,000.00	\$1,187,000	\$ -	\$162,885.65 * partial funding from CZM Grant and RIM-see pg. 6 in 2003/2205 LCMR workplan update dated April 28, 2006	\$162,885.65	\$ -	\$ 1,500,000.00

PARK	2001 LCMR FUTURE RESOURCES FUND	2001 LCMR TRUST FUND	2002 LAWCON	2003 LCMR TRUST FUND	2004 LAWCON	2005 LCMR TRUST FUND
Banning SPK		38 acres acquired - <b>\$32,813.72</b> (also \$42,186.28 from Bonding 2000)				
Big Bog SRA	160 acres acquired - <b>\$25,345.00</b> 40 acres acquired - <b>\$10,120.00</b>					
Crow Wing SPK	73.8 acres acquired - <b>\$98,110.09</b> 44.44 acres acquired - <b>\$91,800.00</b>	<b>\$136,775.56</b> (same 73.8 acquired with '01 Fut. Res.)		<b>\$140,114.35</b> (same 73.8 acquired with '01 Fut. Res.) 96.64 acres acquired - <b>\$530,000</b> 86 acres acquired - <b>\$515,000</b> 213 acres acquired - <b>\$100,000</b> (same as 213 in '05 TF)		<b>\$863,000</b> (Acquired - same as 213 acres in '03 TF)
Cuyuna SRA		80 acres acquired - <b>\$75,000.00</b> 611 acres of partial interests acquired - <b>\$125,430.00</b>				
Frontenac SPK	38.5 acres acquired - <b>\$278,500.00</b>					
G. Crosby Manitou SPK				220 acres acquired - <b>\$95,000</b> (also \$92,000 from CZM Grant)		420 acres acquired - <b>\$128,893.10</b> (also from CZM Grant & Bonding)
Hill Annex SPK					<b>\$210,000.00</b> for building restoration - near completion	
Judge C.R, Magney SPK				40 acres acquired <b>\$43,615.97</b> (also \$20,384 from RIM)		
Lac Qui Parle SPK			<b>\$748,000.00</b> for campground (+\$202,000 from '02 Bonding)			
Mille Lacs Kathio SPK		0.27 acres acquired - <b>\$93,500.00</b>				
Minneopa SPK					<b>\$104,000.00</b> for accessibility upgrades - near completion	
MN Valley SRA	5 acres acquired - <b>\$16,500.00</b>	<b>\$1587.62</b> lease payment for trail				
Nerstrand Big Woods SPK	6.2 acres acquired - <b>\$55,963.01</b> (also \$48,536.99 from Lottery-In-Lieu)					
North Shore Trail & Waysides					<b>\$74,000</b> - trail restoration completed	
Split Rock Lighthouse SPK		42.5 acres acq. - <b>\$154,000.00</b>				
William O'Brien SPK		20 acres acquired - <b>\$171,600.00</b> 35.35 acres acq. - <b>\$272,380.00</b>				
Whitewater SPK						<b>\$1,000,000.00</b> to acquire 215 ac.
Professional Services Costs	<b>\$39,661.90.00</b>	<b>\$46,913.10</b>	(\$15,597 from '02 Bonding)	<b>\$76,269.68</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$8106.9</b>
Total LCMR/LAWCON Appropriations	<b>\$616,000.00</b>	<b>\$1,110,000.00</b> (\$205,000 1 <sup>st</sup> yr., 905,000 2 <sup>nd</sup> yr.)	<b>\$744,000.00</b>	<b>\$1,500,000.00</b> (750,000 1 <sup>st</sup> yr., \$750,000 2 <sup>nd</sup> yr.)	<b>\$404,000.00</b>	<b>\$2,000,000.00</b>
Balance	Zero	Zero	Zero	Zero	Zero	<b>\$1,000,000.00</b>