

Final Report: 90 Bonding, 93 T.F. & F.R.F, 95T.F.
Update: 94 and 96 Bonding
Date of Report: December 31, 1997

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Project Completion Date: December, 1998

LCMR Work Program 1997

I. PROJECT TITLE: State Trail Rehabilitation, Acquisition, and Development

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	<u>1996 Work Program Requests</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Balance</u>
7.	96 Bonding Trail Rehabilitation	\$ 500,000	\$ 417,000
6.	96 Bonding Trail Acquisition and Development	\$ 4,000,000	\$ 3,168,000
	Total	\$ 4,500,000	\$ 3,585,000

	<u>Previously Approved Requests</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Balance</u>
5.	95 Trust Fund Trail Rehabilitation and Acquisition	\$ 250,000	\$ 0
4.	94 Bonding Trail Rehabilitation	\$ 1,350,000	\$ 68,000
3.	94 Bonding Trail Acquisition and Development	\$ 4,778,000	\$ 519,000
2.	93 Trust Fund (TF) and Future Resources Fund (FRF) Initiate Acquisition of Gateway Segment . . .	\$ 254,000	\$ 0
1.	90 Bonding Acquisition and Betterment	\$ 3,500,000	\$ 0
	Total	\$ 10,332,000	\$ 587,000

A. Legal Citation:

1996 Appropriation Language

7. *ML 1996, Chap. 463, Sec. 7, Subd. 11. Trail Rehabilitation* \$500,000
 To upgrade, repair, or rehabilitate improvements of a capital nature on the Luce Line trail, the Douglas trail, and the North Shore trail. The commissioner shall determine project priorities as appropriate based upon need.

6. *ML 1996, Chap. 463, Sec. 7, Subd. 12. Trail Acquisition and Development* \$4,000,000
 For acquisition and development of a capital nature on state trails as specified in Minnesota Statutes, section 85.015. The commissioner shall determine project priorities as appropriate based upon need.

\$500,000 of the appropriation is for acquisition and construction for the Shooting Star trail and Goodhue Pioneer trail portion of the Douglas trail, provided that any land acquired must provide a complete trail segment that connects to a community or another trail segment.

1995 Appropriation Language

5. *ML 1995, Chap. 220, Sec. 19, Subd. 4(c). State Trail Rehabilitation and Acquisition* \$250,000
This appropriation is from the trust fund to the commissioner of natural resources for state trail plan priorities. \$94,000 of this appropriation is from the trust fund acceleration. The commissioner must submit grant requests for supplemental funding for federal ISTE A money and report the results to the legislative commission on Minnesota resources.

This project must be completed and final products delivered by December 31, 1997, and the appropriation is available until that date.

1994 Appropriation Language

4. *ML 1994, Chap. 643, Sec. 23, Subd. 13. Trail Rehabilitation* \$1,350,000
To upgrade, repair, or rehabilitate improvements of a capital nature at Willard Munger trail, Luce Line trail, Sakatah Singing Hills trail, and North Shore trail. Of this amount, \$500,000 is for the completion of the Sakatah Singing Hills trail.

\$150,000 is for the North Shore trail, and debt service on the bonds sold to finance this appropriation must be paid from the snowmobile trails account in the natural resources fund to the commissioner of finance as required by Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.643.

3. *ML 1994, Chap. 643, Sec. 23, Subd. 21. Trail Acquisition and Development* \$4,778,000
For acquisition and betterment of state trails as specified in Minnesota Statutes, section 85.015.

This appropriation includes \$378,000 for the North Shore trail. Debt service on the bonds sold to finance the North Shore trail part of this appropriation is appropriated and must be paid from the snowmobile trails account in the natural resources fund to the commissioner of finance as required by Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.643.

Of this appropriation, \$100,000 is to build a nonmotorized trail between the entrance to Lake Louise State Park and the city of LeRoy.

The commissioner shall determine all other project priorities as appropriate based on need.

1993 Appropriation Language

2. *ML 1993, Chap. 172, Sec. 14, Subd. 10(d). Initiate Acquisition of the Gateway Segment of the Willard Munger State Trail into Downtown Saint Paul* \$254,000
Of this appropriation, \$200,000 is from the trust fund and \$54,000 is from the future resources fund to the commissioner of natural resources for acquisition and development of the trail right-of-way of the gateway segment of the Willard Munger state trail into downtown Saint Paul. This appropriation is for acquisition and development only and must be done in cooperation with the city of Saint Paul.

1990 Appropriation Language

1. *ML 1990, Chap. 610, Art. 1, Sec. 20, Subd. 2(c). To acquire and to better state trails.* \$3,500,000

This appropriation is from the infrastructure development fund.

This appropriation is to acquire and to develop the Barnum to Carlton segment of the Willard Munger trail, the Soo Line trail, and the Paul Bunyan trail.

II. PROJECT SUMMARY AND RESULTS:

This project includes rehabilitation projects on three state trails, acquisition of needed parcels on four state trails, and development projects on seven state trails. All state trails in this project are authorized in Minnesota Statutes 85.015, and all development will be in accordance with trail master plans as adopted.

Results of this project will include the rehabilitation of existing facilities such as bridges, culverts, and trail. Parcels will be required to complete existing trails and to start or continue acquisition on recently authorized trails such as the Shooting Star and Goodhue Pioneer state trails.

III. ANNUAL WORK PROGRAM UPDATE SUMMARY:

- IV. OUTLINE OF PROJECT RESULTS:** *Specific projects are described in the table beginning on page 5.*

Numbers correspond to columns in chart on Pages 5 and 6



Result #1: Trail Rehabilitation

Rehabilitate three state trails including the Luce Line, Douglas, and North Shore state trails.

	<u>1996 Work Program Request</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Completion Date</u>
7.	96 Bonding \$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	Dec 1998
	<u>Previously Approved Budget</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Completion Date</u>
5.	95 Trust Fund \$	\$ 0	
4.	94 Bonding \$ 1,350,000	\$ 68,000	June 1998
	Total \$ 1,350,000	\$ 68,000	

Result #2: Trail Acquisition and Development

This includes the acquisition of needed parcels for the Luce Line, Paul Bunyan, Shooting Star, and Goodhue Pioneer state trails. Also, continue development on the Paul Bunyan, Luce Line, Heartland, Gateway, Blufflands (Root River to Houston and to Harmony), and Shooting Star state trails.

	<u>1996 Work Program Request</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Completion Date</u>
6.	96 Bonding \$ 4,000,000	\$ 3,585,000	Dec 1998

	<u>Previously Approved Budget</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Completion Date</u>
3.	94 Bonding \$ 4,778,000	\$ 519,000	Dec 1998
2.	93 TF and FRF \$ 254,000	\$ 0	
1.	90 Bonding \$ 3,500,000	\$ 0	
	Total \$ 8,532,000	\$ 519,000	

Dissemination: Project accomplishments are reported in local newspapers. As trail segments are completed, local tourism groups, chambers of commerce, and trail groups will usually publicize through brochures, maps, etc. Also will be listed in Trails and Waterways' brochure, state trail maps, and order forms, and in brochures by Office of Tourism.

V. CONTEXT:

A. Significance: This project will contribute to the rehabilitation of state trails which would correct safety problems, and, in most cases, delaying these projects would result in higher costs due to rising construction costs and more heavily deteriorated facilities. The acquisition and development projects would provide high quality attractions that offer, through tourism, a high return on state funds. They have regional and statewide reputation and enjoy local government support and support from citizens and local groups.

B. Time: Projects will be engineered and constructed as soon as possible. It is anticipated that these projects will be completed within two years.

C. Budget Context for 1996 Work Program:

Budget:	\$ 4,500,000
Personnel:	Limited use of seasonal laborers and Minnesota Conservation Corp (MCC) crews on labor intensive projects. For larger projects funding may be used for acquisition and development specialists.
Equipment:	N/A
Rehabilitation:	\$ 500,000
Acquisition:)
&) \$ 4,000,000
Development:)
Other:	N/A
Total:	\$ 4,500,000

VI. COOPERATION:

VII. LOCATION: *Ecological classification location* All (statewide)

VIII. WORK PROGRAM FINAL REPORT: Refer to table beginning on page 5

TRAIL	1 ACQ & DEV 90 Bonding	2 ACQ & DEV 93 Trust Fund and 93 Future Resources Fund	3 ACQ & DEV 94 Bonding	4 REHAB 94 Bonding	5 REHAB 95 Trust Fund
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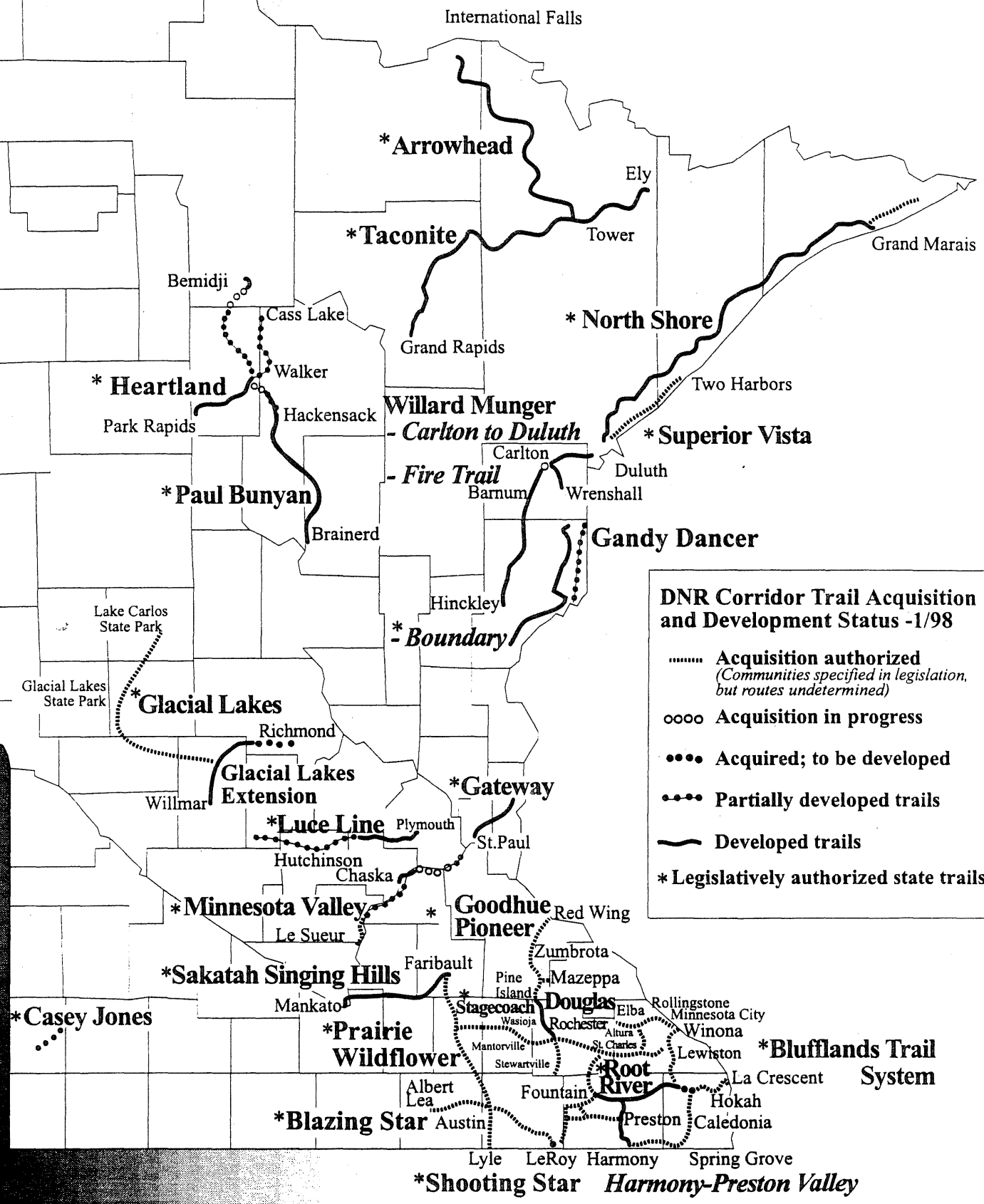
Luce Line				Balance: \$0 Repair bridges & culverts between Plymouth & Winsted Liquidated: \$359,000	Balance: \$0 Continue rehabilitation (bridges, culverts) between Plymouth and Winsted (29 miles) Liquidated: \$60,000
Douglas					
North Shore			Balance: \$313,000 Extend trail from Grand Marais to Canadian border Liquidated \$65,000	Balance: 0 Rehab. Bridges Liquidated \$150,000	
Paul Bunyan (PBT)	Balance: \$0 Acquired remaining Burlington Northern Grade and started dev. Liquidated: \$1,600,000		Balance \$0 Develop trail from Baxter to Hackensack including 2 major bridges. Liquidated: \$2,721,000		
Heartland				Balance: \$68,000 Repaving existing trail (Park Rapids to Walker) Liquidated: \$213,200	Balance: \$0 Complete bituminous rehabilitation of existing trail (Park Rapids to Walker, 28 miles) ISTEA match Liquidated: \$190,000
Gateway	Balance: \$0 Developed trail from I-694 to Pine Point Park Liquidated: \$1,400,000	Balance: \$0 Extended trail from I-35E to Cayuga ISTE match Liquidated: \$254,000			
Blufflands Preston to Harmony			Balance: \$0 Develop bike trail from Preston to Harmony Liquidated: \$983,000		
Rushford to Houston			Balance: \$206,000 Complete trail from Money Creek Woods to Houston Liquidated: \$393,000		
Shooting Star			Balance: \$0 Acquire & develop trail between Lake Louise S.P. and Leroy ISTE match Liquidated: \$97,000		
Sakatah				Balance: \$0 Paving of trail Liquidated: \$494,000	
Goodhue Pioneer					
Willard Munger	Balance: \$0 Acquired B.N. Grade from Barnum through Carlton & funded portion of the development to Carlton Liquidated: \$500,000			Balance: \$0 Carlton to W. Duluth: fix slumps & bituminous Liquidated: \$65,800	
BALANCE	\$0	\$0	\$519,000	\$68,000	\$0

Previously Approved Requests -----

TRAIL	6 ACQ & DEV 96 Bonding	7 REHAB 96 Bonding
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Luce Line	Balance: \$672,000 - initiate bicycle trail development from Winsted to Cosmos (32 miles; bridges, culverts, blading, & shaping) - acquisition of severances in Winsted and Cosmos (5 parcels, 18 acres) ISTEA Liquidated: \$128,000	Balance: \$268,000 repair bridges, culverts, and the horse trail on the existing 29 miles between Plymouth and Winsted Liquidated: \$82,000
Douglas		Balance: \$69,000 repair large slump Liquidated: \$1,000
North Shore		Balance: \$80,000 widening and straightening of existing trail Liquidated: \$0
Paul Bunyan (PBT)	Balance: \$794,000 develop bicycle trail from Walker to 4 miles south of Bemidji (28 miles) primarily to acquire needed parcels (approximately 4 miles) to access Bemidji (major landowner is Burlington Northern) Liquidated: \$206,000	
Heartland	Balance: \$193,000 Initiate bicycle trail development between Walker toward Cass Lake (Pike Bay Road, 18 miles) ISTE match Liquidated: \$7,000	
Gateway	Balance: \$198,000 extend bicycle trail from Cayuga to Pennsylvania Avenue (.7 miles) ISTE match Liquidated: \$2,000	
Blufflands Preston to Harmony	Balance: \$662,000 Complete bicycle trail from Preston to Harmony (12 miles including 4 major bridges). Presently liquidating balance Liquidated: \$488,000	
Rushford to Houston	Balance: \$50,000 develop bicycle trail from Money Creek Woods to Houston (6 miles) Liquidated: 0	
Shooting Star	Balance: \$350,000 Continue acquisition and development (primarily for acquisition from LeRoy to Austin, 32 miles) Liquidated: \$0	
Sakatah		
Goodhue Pioneer	Balance: \$249,000 proposed 38 mile corridor (initiate acquisition of remaining 24 miles; 14 miles in state ownership) Liquidated: \$1,000	
Willard Munger		
BALANCE	\$3,168,000	\$417,000

1996 Work Program Requests -----



DNR Corridor Trail Acquisition and Development Status -1/98

- Acquisition authorized
(Communities specified in legislation, but routes undetermined)
- oooo Acquisition in progress
- Acquired; to be developed
- Partially developed trails
- Developed trails
- * Legislatively authorized state trails