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**LCMR Work Program 1997**

**I. PROJECT TITLE:** Local Initiative Grants Program (consolidated work program) Z-LG-1

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**Budget Status: (In thousands)**

	<u><b>Total Approp.</b></u>	<u><b>Local Parks</b></u>	<u><b>Natural/ Scenic</b></u>	<u><b>Cons. Partners</b></u>	<u><b>Coop. Trails</b></u>	<u><b>Env. Part.</b></u>
M.L. 1994, Chap. 643, Sec. 23, Subd. 20 (1994 Bonding)	1,400.0	600.0	800.0*			
Balance:	269.4	0.0	276.9			
(Nat./Sc.)			157.8			
(Win. Co.)			119.1			
 M.L. 1994, Chap. 580, Sec. 6** (1994 FRF Supp.)	250.0	250.0				
Balance:	0.0	0.0				
 M.L. 1995, Chap. 220, Sec. 19, Subd. 4(e) (1995 FRF)	1,800.0	500.0	446.0	400.0	400.0	
Balance:	0.0	0.0	54.0	0.0	0.0	
 M.L. 1996, Chap. 407, Sec. 8, Subd. 3(c) (1996 FRF Supp.)	895.0	665.0		100.0	130.0	
Balance:	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	
 M.L. 1997, Chap. , Sec. , Subd. , (1997 FRF)	2,900.0	600.0	600.0	600.0	900.0	200.0
Balance:	2,900.0	600.0	600.0	600.0	900.0	200.0
<b>Totals:</b>	7,245.0	2,615.0	1,900.0	1,100.0	1,430.0	200.0
Balance:	3,169.4	600.0	930.9	600.0	900.0	200.0

\* Includes \$300,000 to Winona Co. for the Hiawatha-Appleblossom Scenic Drive scenic vista

\*\* Specific allocation to Leech Lake, White Earth and Nett Lake Indian Reservations for youth oriented community recreation facilities.

## A. Appropriation Language:

### 1994 Bonding: M.L. 1994, Chap. 643, Sec. 23, Subd. 20. Local Recreation Grants

For matching grants to be provided to local units of government for acquisition, development, or renovation of a capital nature of local park and recreation areas. Recipients must provide a match of at least one-half of total eligible project costs. The commissioner shall make payment to local units of government upon receiving documentation of reimbursable expenses. The commissioner shall determine project priorities as appropriate based upon need. Of this appropriation, \$300,000 is to provide a grant to Winona County for the purchase of the scenic vista on Hiawatha-Appleblossom Scenic Drive in Winona County. These funds must be matched on a dollar-for-dollar basis. \$500,000 of this appropriation is for grants to units of government to acquire and better natural and scenic areas under the new Minnesota Statutes, section 85.019, subdivision 4a. #1,400,000.

### 1994 FRF Supplemental: M.L. 1994, Chap. 580, Sec. 6. Local Recreation Grants.

This appropriation is from the Minnesota future resources fund to the commissioner of natural resources to provide matching grants of \$100,000 each to the White Earth and Leech Lake Reservations and \$50,000 to the Nett Lake Reservation for community recreation facilities in communities with disproportionate incidences of juvenile delinquency. \$250,000.

### 1995 FRF: M.L. 1995, Chap. 220, Sec. 19, Subd. 4(e). Local Grants.

This appropriation is from the future resource fund to the commissioner of natural resources to provide matching grants, as follows: (1) \$500,000 to local units of government for local park and recreation areas; (2) \$500,000 to local units of government for natural and scenic areas pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 85.019; (3) \$400,000 to local units of government for trail linkages between communities, trails and parks; and (4) \$400,000 for a conservation partners program, a statewide pilot to encourage private organizations and local governments to cost share enhancements of fish, wildlife, and native plant habitats; and research and wildlife, and related education activities. Conservation partners grants may be up to \$10,000 each and must be equally matched. In addition to the required work program, grants may not be approved until grant proposals to be funded have been submitted to the legislative commission on Minnesota resources and the commission has either made a recommendation or allowed 60 days to pass without making a recommendation. The above appropriations are available half for the metropolitan area as defined in Minnesota Statutes, section 473.121, subdivision 2, and half for outside the metropolitan area. This project must be completed and final products delivered by December 31, 1997, and the appropriation is available until that date.

Note: It is recommended that the project period be extended to June 30, 1998.

### 1996 FRF Supplemental: M.L. 1996, Chap 407, Sec. 8, Subd. 3(c). Local Grants.

This appropriation is from the future resource fund to the commissioner of natural resources to provide matching grants to local units of government for local park and recreation areas; trail linkages between communities, trails, and parks; and at least \$100,000 for the conservation partners program as provided in Laws 1995, chapter 220, section 19, subdivision 4, paragraph (e). In addition to the required work program, grants may not be approved until grant proposals to be funded have been submitted to the legislative commission on Minnesota resources, and the commission has either made a recommendation or allowed 60 days to pass without making a recommendation. The above appropriations are available half for the seven-county metropolitan area and half for outside of the metropolitan area. For the purpose of this paragraph, match includes nonstate contributions in either cash or in-kind.

Note: It is recommended that the project period be extended to June 30, 1998.

### 1997 FRF (Proposed): Project Number: Z-LG 1/access 7/Z-St-1

**Subd. Parks and Trails etc.**

#### **LOCAL INITIATIVES GRANTS PROGRAM \$2,900,000**

This appropriation is from the future resources fund to the commissioner of natural resources to provide matching grants, as follows: (1) \$600,000 to local units of government for local park and recreation areas pursuant to Minnesota statutes, section 5.019; \$50,000 of the appropriation is to complete the Lareu public access. (2) \$600,000 to local units of government for natural and scenic areas pursuant to Minnesota statutes section 85.019; (3) \$900,000 for trail grants to local units of government for trails to be maintained in perpetuity for the purpose of the grant; \$200,000 is for grants of up to \$50,000 per project for trail linkages between communities, trails, and parks and \$700,000 is for grants of up to \$250,000 for local trails of regional significance. Priority will be given to ISTEPA Enhancement projects; and (4) \$600,000 for a statewide conservation partners program, to encourage private organizations and local governments to cost share improvement of fish, wildlife, and native plant habitats and research and surveys of fish and wildlife. Conservation partners grants may be up to \$10,000 each. (5) \$200,000 for Community Environmental Partnerships program grants to private organizations of up to \$10,000 each for environmental service projects and related education activities through public and private partnerships, excluding curriculum development as well as staffing or programming costs not directly related to the specific funded project.

In addition to the required work program, grants may not be approved until grant proposals to be funded have been submitted to the legislative commission on Minnesota resources and the commission has approved the grants or allowed 60 days to pass. The above appropriations, in combination, are available half for the metropolitan area as defined in Minnesota statutes, section 473.121, subdivision 2, and half for outside of the metropolitan area. For the purpose of this paragraph, match includes non-state contributions, either in cash or in-kind. This project must be completed and final products delivered by June 30, 2000.

## **B. Status of Match Requirement:**

All grant programs require a dollar for dollar match commitment on the part of the local government or private organization recipient as a prerequisite to receiving a grant. In addition, all grants are reimbursement grants that require a documented expenditure of funds and/or in-kind contributions prior to reimbursement.

## **II. PROJECT SUMMARY AND RESULTS:**

The local initiatives grants program includes four existing programs and two proposed to be initiated in 1997. Every year the department solicits grant proposals from local governments for local parks, natural and scenic areas and cooperative trail projects. In 1995, the department initiated the Conservation Partners Grant program, which provides small grants to private organizations for fish and wildlife or native plant habitat related projects. Project proposals for all of these programs are evaluated and ranked on a competitive basis, with grants being awarded to the highest ranking projects. After ranking, the recommendations are brought back to the LCMR as revisions to the workprogram for final review and approval. The LCMR approves a priority ranked list presented by the DNR. If one or more approved projects subsequently is dropped from the list, the DNR is authorized by the LCMR to reallocate those funds to the next highest ranked project. If no other Ranked project is available, the funds will be added to the balance for the appropriate grant program. An may be reallocated subject to LCMR review and approval.

The Legislature has traditionally required a fifty/fifty split in grant program funding, with half of the appropriations available for the seven-county metropolitan area and half for outside the metropolitan area. Unless specified in statute, the department would like the flexibility to achieve this split within the entire appropriation, rather than within each specific subprogram. The proposed 1997 FRF appropriation language would provide this requested flexibility.

The department has consolidated much of the application process for these four programs and is working to further improve coordination of application schedules, procedures, etc.

Four distinct grant programs provide matching grants to local governments and/or private organizations for acquisition, development, renovation, enhancement, research and education associated with parks and trails, natural and scenic areas, natural habitat, and other environmental projects:

- \* **The local park grant program** (for cities, counties and townships) provides more and improved locally administered and maintained outdoor recreation facilities. The maximum grant amount of \$50,000 is established in statute (Minnesota Statutes 1995 Supplement, Section 85.019).

- \* **The natural and scenic area grant program** (for cities, counties, townships and school districts) helps local governments protect scenic amenities and high quality open space and natural areas. The maximum grant amount is established in statute (Minnesota Statutes 1995 Supplement, Section 85.019) and was increased during the 1996 legislative session from \$50,000 to \$200,000.

- \* **The cooperative trail grant program** (for cities, counties, townships and recognized tribal governments ) helps link communities to trails and parks through development of connecting trail segments. The maximum grant amount of \$50,000 has been established administratively and is not defined in statute.

- \* **The conservation partners grant program** (for private organizations and local governments) including cooperative projects involving local governments) provides assistance to private organizations for projects that enhance fish, wildlife and native plant habitat or for research

or survey projects related to habitat enhancement. The maximum grant amount of \$10,000 is specified in the appropriation language (Laws 1995, Chapter 220, Section 19, Subd. 4). This extends program eligibility to local governments.

A new program proposed for funding in 1997, the **community environmental partnerships grant program**, will help private organizations carry out a variety of projects to help protect and enhance our natural environment.

Another new program proposed for 1997 is the **regional trail initiatives grant program**. It will provide grants of up to \$250,000 to local governments for trail projects of regional significance.

The 1996 LCMR Future Resources Fund Supplemental Appropriation provided \$635,000 for approximately 20 additional local park projects (plus additional funds for two previously approved 1995 FRF projects), \$130,000 for four more cooperative trail projects (plus additional funding for one of the previously approved 1995 FRF projects) and \$100,000 for 16 additional conservation partner projects (Plus additional funding for one of the projects recommended for 1995 FRF funding). These would be selected according to rank from lists of previously evaluated and ranked projects. (See Section III, parts A, C and D)

### III. WORK PROGRAM UPDATE SUMMARY:

#### A. Local Grants:

##### 1) 1994 Bonding (July 1, 1994 - ~~October 20, 1996~~ March 14, 1997):

A total of 19 projects totaling \$600,000 were funded during the 1994 application cycle. Grant agreements have been finalized for most all of these projects. It is anticipated that all projects will be completed by the project deadline.

##### 2) 1994 FRF Supplemental (July 1, 1994 - ~~October 20, 1996~~ March 14, 1997):

Outdoor recreation projects on the Leech Lake, (\$100,000), White Earth (\$100,000) and Nett Lake (\$50,000) Indian reservations were approved by the Commission and all funds for these projects have been committed. All objectives have been completed or are nearing completion. All of the appropriation should be liquidated by the fall of 1996.

##### 3) 1995 FRF (July 1, 1995 - ~~October 20, 1996~~ March 14, 1997):

At its September 13, 1995 meeting the Commission approved the funding recommendations for the 1995 funding round. This resulted in an allocation of the total \$500,000 appropriation for local parks to 22 projects. Work on most of these projects will commence in spring, 1996. Grant agreements have been finalized for all of these projects and work is underway.

##### 4) 1996 FRF Supplemental: (April 24, 1996 - ~~October 20, 1996~~ March 14, 1997):

A total of \$895,000 was appropriated for the Local Grants Program in 1996. The department proposes to allocate \$665,000 of the supplemental funds to the Local Park Grant Program. This would provide funding for an additional 20 projects, plus additional funds for two of the previously approved 1995 FRF projects. It is anticipated that most of these projects would also get underway this summer. The Commission approved the funding recommendations for the supplemental funds on April 24, 1996. Most of the grant agreements have been finalized and the projects are underway. (Local Park Grants Program attachments pages 9 - 15).

**5) 1997 FRF (LCMR Recommendation):**

The LCMR has recommended that the Legislature appropriate \$600,000 for grants to local units of government for local park and recreation areas. Of the \$600,000, \$50,000 is for a grant to the City of Nashwaak to complete the Larue Pit public access.

**B. Natural and Scenic Area Grants:**

**1) 1994 Bonding (July 1, 1994 -~~October 20, 1996~~ March 14, 1997):**

A total of \$800,000 was appropriated for the Natural and Scenic Area Grants program, with \$300,000 specifically allocated to the Winona County scenic bluff land project and \$550,000 available for the competitive grant program. Five competitive grant projects totaling \$218,100 were approved by the Commission on September 13, 1995. Grant agreements have been approved for three of the projects. The remaining two agreements will be processed when required documents and information have been completed. Of the remaining balance of \$281,000, it is recommended that \$131,615 be allocated to fully fund two projects and partially fund an additional two projects. This will leave a balance of \$150,285. The recommendations were approved by the Commission on July, 24, 1996. (See pages 44 to 53).

Of the \$300,000 allocated for the scenic vista in Winona County, \$180,910 has been provided to the county to reimburse part of the cost of acquiring the scenic bluff land area. This leaves a current balance of \$119,090. There is a possibility of additional bluff land acquisition or betterment activities on the recently acquired site. The 1996 Legislature amended the 1994 appropriation language to allow use of the remaining funds for both acquisition and development.

**2) 1995 FRF (July 1, 1995 -~~October 20, 1996~~ March 14, 1997):**

A total of \$500,000 was appropriated. A second application round for this program was initiated in early December, 1995 with applications due May 1, 1996. Applications were evaluated and ranked during the summer of 1996. It is recommended that the total appropriation of \$500,000 be allocated to fully fund four projects and partially fund an additional two projects. This will leave a balance of \$0.0. (See pages 44 to 53).

**3) 1997 FRF (LCMR Recommendation):**

The LCMR has recommended that the Legislature appropriate \$600,000 for grants to local units of government for natural and scenic areas.

**C. Cooperative Trail Grants:**

**1) 1995 FRF (July 1 1995 -~~October 20, 1996~~ March 14, 1997):**

A total of \$400,000 was appropriated. Ten projects were approved for funding by the Commission at its September 13, 1995 meeting. Work on most of these projects will start during the spring or summer of 1996. One outstate project sponsor has notified the Department that they will be unable to complete their proposal. Therefore, the Department recommends that funds reserved for this project be reallocated to two other outstate projects. (See Cooperative Trail Grant Program attachments, pages 41-43b).

**2) 1996 FRF Supplemental (April 24, 1996 -~~October 20, 1996~~ March 14, 1997):**

The Department proposes to allocate \$130,000 of the total \$895,000 in supplemental

funds to the Cooperative Trail Grant Program. This would provide funding for an additional four projects, plus additional funding for one of the previously approved 1995 FRF projects. most of these projects will be initiated this summer. The Commission approved the funding recommendations at its April 24, 1996 meeting. One project sponsor within the metropolitan area has notified the Department that they will be unable to complete their proposals. Therefore, the Department recommends that funds reserved for this project others be reallocated to one project located within the metropolitan area as indicated within the attachment. (See Cooperative Trail Grant Program attachments, pages 41-43b).

**3) 1997 FRF (LCMR Recommendation):**

The LCMR has recommended that the Legislature appropriate \$200,000 for grants to local units of government for trail linkages between communities, trails and parks. In addition, the LCMR has recommended that an additional \$700,000 be appropriated for grants of up to \$250,000 to local units of government for local trails of regional significance. DNR will collaborate with MnDOT for those projects involving ISTEa funding. ISTEa Enhancement projects will be reviewed and prioritized based on their deliverables.

**D. Conservation Partners Grant Program:**

**1) 1995 FRF (July 1, 1995 - July 24 September 20, 1996):**

The appropriation for this program was \$400,000. The first application round for the new Conservation Partners Grant Program was initiated in the fall of 1995 with grant applications due on December 15, 1995. Applications were reviewed by DNR personnel and recommendations were brought to the Commission in April for final review and approval. It is anticipated that most projects will commence in the spring or summer. It was recommended that 60 grants be awarded statewide from the 1995 FRF allocation. The Commission approved the funding recommendations at the April 24, 1996 meeting.

**2) 1996 FRF Supplemental: (April 24, 1996 -March 14, 1997):**

The Department proposes to allocate \$100,000 of the \$895,000 in supplemental funds to the Conservation Partners Grant Program. This would provide funding for an additional 16 projects, plus additional funding for one of the projects recommended for 1995 FRF funding. Most of these projects will be initiated this spring or summer. The Commission approved the funding recommendations at the April 24, 1996 meeting. (See Conservation Partners Grant Program attachments, pages 16 - 40).

**3) 1997 FRF (LCMR Recommendation):**

The LCMR has recommended that the Legislature appropriate \$600,000 for grants to private organizations and local governments to cost share improvement of fish, wildlife, and native plant habitats and research and surveys of fish and wildlife.

**E. Community Environmental Partnerships Grant Program:**

**1) 1997 FRF (July 1, 1997 - )**

The LCMR has recommended allocating \$200,000 for this new program. The department plans to solicit grant applications for this new program, as well as the other grant programs, in order to complete the evaluation and ranking process in time to begin some project work

next summer. With the grant limit of \$10,000, it is estimated that about 30 projects may be funded.

#### **IV. OUTLINE OF PROGRAM RESULTS:** Project results are detailed in Part III.

**V. DISSEMINATION:** Each year the Local Grants Unit of DNR distributes information on the various grant programs and application materials to local governments and private organizations throughout the state. A general mailing is made at the beginning of each application period, usually in the fall, and individual requests are handled on a case by case basis. (See detail on the evaluation and ranking process in Part II)

#### **VI. CONTEXT:**

##### **A. Program Context:**

Four grant programs have received prior funding:

- \* The Local Park Grant program has the longest history of funding, having received state appropriations over the past thirty years. This program has also received over \$45 million in federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LAWCON) allocations since 1965. Congress did not allocate LAWCON dollars to the states in 1995, however, and it appears that no allocation be made in 1996.
- \* The Natural and Scenic Areas Grant program was first funded in 1994. It received state Bonding funds in 1994 and LCMR FRF funding in 1995.
- \* The Conservation Partners Grant program was first funded in 1995 as recommended by LCMR. Additional 1996 FRF Supplemental funds have also been appropriated.
- \* The Cooperative Trail Grant program received FRF funds in 1993 and 1995, as well as FRF Supplemental funds in 1996.
- \* The proposed Community Environmental Partners Grant program is a suggested Addition to the grant programs in 1997 and does not have a prior funding history.

The following illustrates the need for such grant programs as indicated by recent application requests:

##### **1) Local Park Grants:**

In 1995 a total of 112 applications were received for the Outdoor Recreation Grant program representing almost \$7.4 million in grant requests. Preliminary application requests in 1996 represented over \$16.3 million in total project costs. The proposed use of 1996 FRF Supplemental funds will help address this huge need.

##### **2) Natural and Scenic Area Grants:**

Efforts to protect open space and natural areas, especially in the Twin Cities metropolitan area, have accelerated in recent years. The new Natural and Scenic Areas Grant Program will help local governments acquire and protect these critical lands and habitats. Almost \$3.3 million in preliminary application requests were received in 1996.

##### **3) Conservation Partners Grants:**

Almost 250 applications for the new Conservation Partners Grant Program were received during the first application round. These project proposals represent almost \$5 million in total proposed project costs and over \$1.6 million in grant requests. The grants will aid the many private organizations

interested in projects to protect an enhance fish, wildlife and native plant habitat. The 1996 Supplemental funding will help by assisting about 15 projects in addition to the 60 projects recommended to receive grants from the 1995 appropriation.

**4) Cooperative Trail Grants:**

In 1995 a total of 24 applications were received for Cooperative Trail Grants representing almost \$900,000 in grant requests. The 1996 FRF Supplemental funding will help fund four additional trail linkage projects, plus provide additional dollars for one of the approved 1995 FRF projects. In addition, local governments are increasingly involved with trail projects that have regional significance. The recommended \$700,000 appropriation for local trails of regional significance will provide state assistance to these projects.

**B. TIME:**

It should be possible to complete all of the grant projects with an extension of the normal time frame to June 30, 1998. This would provide additional summer and fall development time for weather sensitive projects. It would also provide a more reasonable project period for the 1996 FRF Supplemental grants, which were not approved until April 24, 1996.

**C. BUDGET:**

None of the grant program funds are used for department personnel or support costs. A small portion of the Conservation Partners Grant and Community Environmental Partnerships Grant funds may be used by grant recipients to purchase some equipment related to their project. The following figures are estimates and are dependent on final approval of recommended projects:

Personnel	0.0
Equipment	0.0
Acquisition	869,400.0
Development	2,000,000.0
Other*	<u>300,000.0</u>
Total	<u>\$3,169,400.0</u>

\* This includes research and education activities by Conservation Partners Grant and Community Environmental Partnerships Grant recipients.

**VII. COOPERATION:**

The Conservation Partners Grant Program and the Community Environmental Partnerships Grant Program will involve grants to private organizations and groups that, in many cases, will work closely with local governments. Since these are competitive grant programs, the specific organizations or local governments are not known at this time. The Outdoor Recreation Grant, Natural and Scenic Area Grant and Cooperative Trail Grant Program also involve many partnerships between local governments and private service organizations, athletic associations, conservation groups, etc. Other DNR regional and division staff will be involved in project solicitation, evaluation and ranking. The Trails and Waterways Unit will administer the 1995 and 1996 appropriations for the Cooperative Trail Grant Program. Dan Collins is the program supervisor for the Cooperative Trail Grant Program.



**VIII. LOCATION:** Statewide grants; projects will be located within several of the ecological classification locations.

**IX. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:**

**Workprogram update reports will be submitted whenever a new grant approval is required. These workprogram report updates will also note when an appropriation for a specific grant program has been liquidated and all associated work has been completed. We anticipate reporting in July 97, September 97, July 98, September 98, July 99, September 99, and a final report June 2000.**

LMCR COOPERATIVE TRAIL GRANTS as of ~~April 16, 1996~~ March 14, 1997

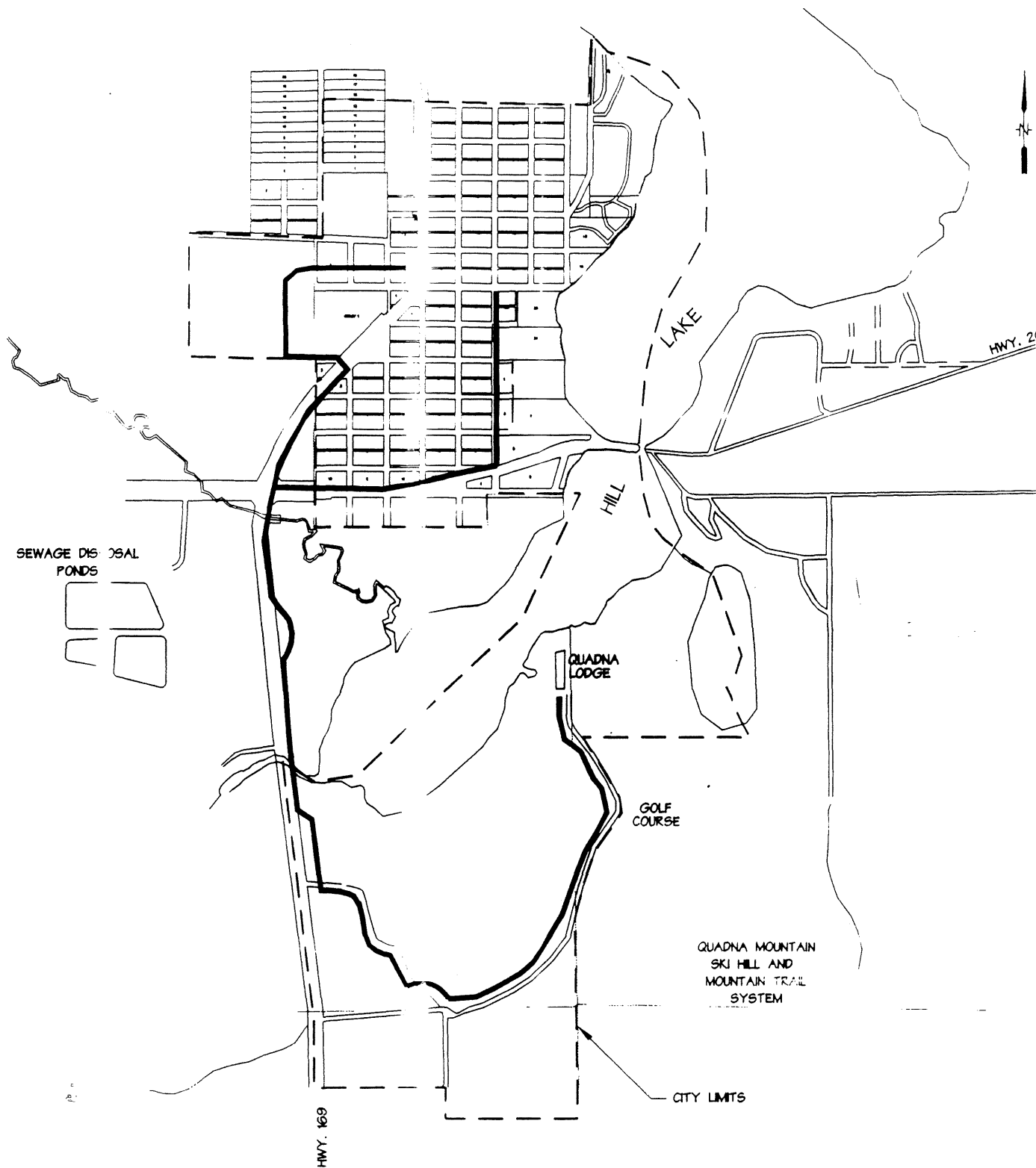
Project #	Applicant	Miles	Total Project Cost	Previously Approved Projects	Proposed Projects
L019-95-6	<b>City of Andover</b> <b><i>Bunker Hills Park Bikeway/Walkway Connection</i></b> This trail would provide a link between the Bunker Hills Park Complex and local trail systems. Passing through dense residential areas, this trail would provide safe access to regional recreation facilities. Major uses of the trail would be walking, biking, and cross-country skiing.	3	\$250,000	<b>\$50,000</b>	
L016-95-6	<b>Arden Hills Parks and Recreation</b> <b><i>Trail Connection Between T.H. 96 and existing Trail System</i></b> This trail goes south from T.H. 96 at the Arden Hills City Hall and joins the local trail system near the local Floral Park. The trail would link the local trail and park system with the proposed T.H. 96 regional trail. Primary uses would be hiking and biking in the summer and cross-country skiing in the winter.	4	\$90,383	<b>\$45,087.95</b>	
L001-95-3	<b>City of Breezy Point</b> <b><i>Paul Bunyan Trail Link</i></b> <del>This trail would provide a connection from the city of Breezy Point to the Paul Bunyan State Trail. This unsurfaced trail would provide year round use for hiking, mountain biking, and snowmobiling.</del>	5	\$134,000	<b>\$50,000</b>	
L010-95-2	<b>Breitung Township</b> <b><i>Recreation Improvements</i></b> This paved trail would connect the McKinley Park Trail, which runs adjacent to the Soudan Underground Mine State Park, with the Mesabi Trail. This trail would connect residential areas with local and State recreational facilities. The trail would be used by hikers, bikers and snowmobilers.	1.7	\$103,750	<b>\$31,500</b>	

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L002-95-3	<p><b>City of Cass Lake</b>  <b><i>Heartland and Mi-Ge-Zi Recreational Trails Project</i></b>  This trail would connect the State Heartland Trail, the US Forest Service Mi-Ge-Zi Trail and the Chippewa National Forest trail system. The trail would go through the city of Cass Lake near the high school, local recreational facilities and resorts and campgrounds. It would provide year round use to non-motorized traffic.</p>	2.5	\$180,000	<b>\$50,000</b>	
L017-95-6	<p><b>City of Minnetrista *</b>  <b><i>Multi-Use Access Trail to Luce Line State Trail</i></b>  The proposed trail would begin at the intersection of County Road 26 and County Road 92 and go west along County Road 26 to the Luce Line State Trail. The primary purpose of this gravel trail is to provide safe access to the state trail for horseback riders.</p>	4	\$32,416	<b>\$16,000</b>	
L009-95-3	<p><b>City of Moose Lake</b>  <b><i>Phase I: Trail connections to the Willard Munger State Trail.</i></b>  <b><i>Phase II: Moose Lake Multi Trail Completion Project</i></b>  Phase I seeks to develop bike trail largely on the county's existing ATV trail through the City of Moose Lake to both ends of the Willard Munger State Trail within the city. In addition to providing additional access to the State Trail for residents, State Trail visitors would be provided an additional routing alternative through the City of Moose Lake.</p> <p>Phase II* consists of paved trails connecting the City of Moose Lake with Moose Lake State Park and Munger Trail. It also connects the Soo Line Trail with the agate pits. An additional segment consists of an unpaved trail around Moosehead Lake. Trails would be used by walkers, bikers and snowmobilers.</p>	4	\$728,000	<b>\$48,500</b>	

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L003-95-5	<b>City of Northfield*</b> <b><i>Cannon River Link Dundas to Northfield</i></b> This trail would follow along the Cannon River between Northfield and Dundas. It would provide a link between recreational facilities in both cities. This trail would provide a safe route for pedestrians and bicyclists for both recreation and commuting.	2	\$100,000	<b>\$50,000</b>	
L022-95-6	<b>City of Orono</b> <b><i>Old Crystal Bay Road Bike/Hike Trail</i></b> The proposed trail would follow Old Crystal Bay Road and link the Luce Line State Trail with Baker Park. This trail be adjacent to residential areas as well as the Orono schools complex and the City Hall facilities. It would provide safe access to two major recreational facilities in the area.	2.6	\$620,000	<b>\$50,000</b>	
L012-95-5	<b>City of Preston</b> <b><i>Trout Run Trail</i></b> This trail provides a link from local recreational facilities to the Root River State Trail via the Harmony to Preston State Trail. This paved trail would be for non-motorized uses year round.	1	\$100,000	<b>\$10,000</b>	
L015-95-6	<b>City of Robbinsdale</b> <b><i>Robbinsdale Bikeway/walkway</i></b> This paved bikeway/walkway would be in two segments parallel to County Road 81 between 41st Avenue and York Avenue. It would link downtown Robbinsdale with Theodore Wirth Parkway, a regional trail, and the Minneapolis Park System. Winter plowing would provide year round use for bikers and walkers for recreation and commuting.	1.5	\$190,000	<b>\$50,000</b>	
L008-95-6	<b>City of Rockford*</b> <b><i>Citywide Trailway</i></b> <del>The proposed trail consists of several different segments providing connections to a local park, residential and shopping areas. An additional segment goes toward Lake Rebecca Park Reserve, but does not actually make a connection. The trail is designed mainly for local pedestrian use.</del>	.6	\$100,000	<b>\$29,000</b>	

Project #	Applicant	Miles	Total Project Cost	Previously Approved Projects	Proposed Projects
L004-95-6	<b>City of Vadnais Heights</b> <b><i>Vadnais Lake Area Trail</i></b> This paved trail would be located in the County Road F right-of-way from the entrance of Vadnais Lake east to McMenemy Street. This would provide a safe connection between a local park and the Vadnais Lake Area of Snail Lake Regional Park. Snow removal would provide year round use for hikers and bikers.	.5	\$99,824.10	\$49,912.05	
<u>L025-95-6</u>	<b><u>City of St. Paul</u></b> <b><u>Empire Park Trail Connection</u></b> <u>This paved trail along Pennsylvania Avenue would link Empire Park (with a grade seperated crossing under the Jackson Street bridge), the soon to be renovated (1998) MN Transportation Museum Roundhouse and the Gateway Trail (at Interstate 35E) which will be extended in 1998.</u>	<u>.5</u>	<u>\$58,000</u>		<u>\$29,000</u>
<u>L026-95-3</u>	<b><u>Aitkin County</u></b> <b><u>Hill City Intermodal Trail System</u></b> <u>This paved trail system will comprehensively link Hill City with the Hill City School/nature trail, Morrison Brook and Quadna Mountain Resort. The vast majority of this project is seperated from traffic, however the project also includes a minimal amount of designated highway shoulder use.</u>	<u>3.4</u>	<u>\$450,000</u>		<u>\$26,000</u>
<u>L027-95-3</u>	<b><u>Sherburne County</u></b> <b><u>Elk River Trail</u></b> <u>This off the road trail would be constructed along CSAH 1 between County Road 77 to County Road 32. The path would begin at the Elk River School and end at Elk River Park and a community Golf Course.</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>\$150,000</u>		<u>\$24,000</u>
			2,728,373.10 <b>3,125,373.10</b>	383,217.05 <b>451,000.00</b>	146,782.95 <b>79,000.00</b>

\*Funding for these projects comes from \$16,783 not previously obligated, and \$130,000 from 1996 supplemental appropriation



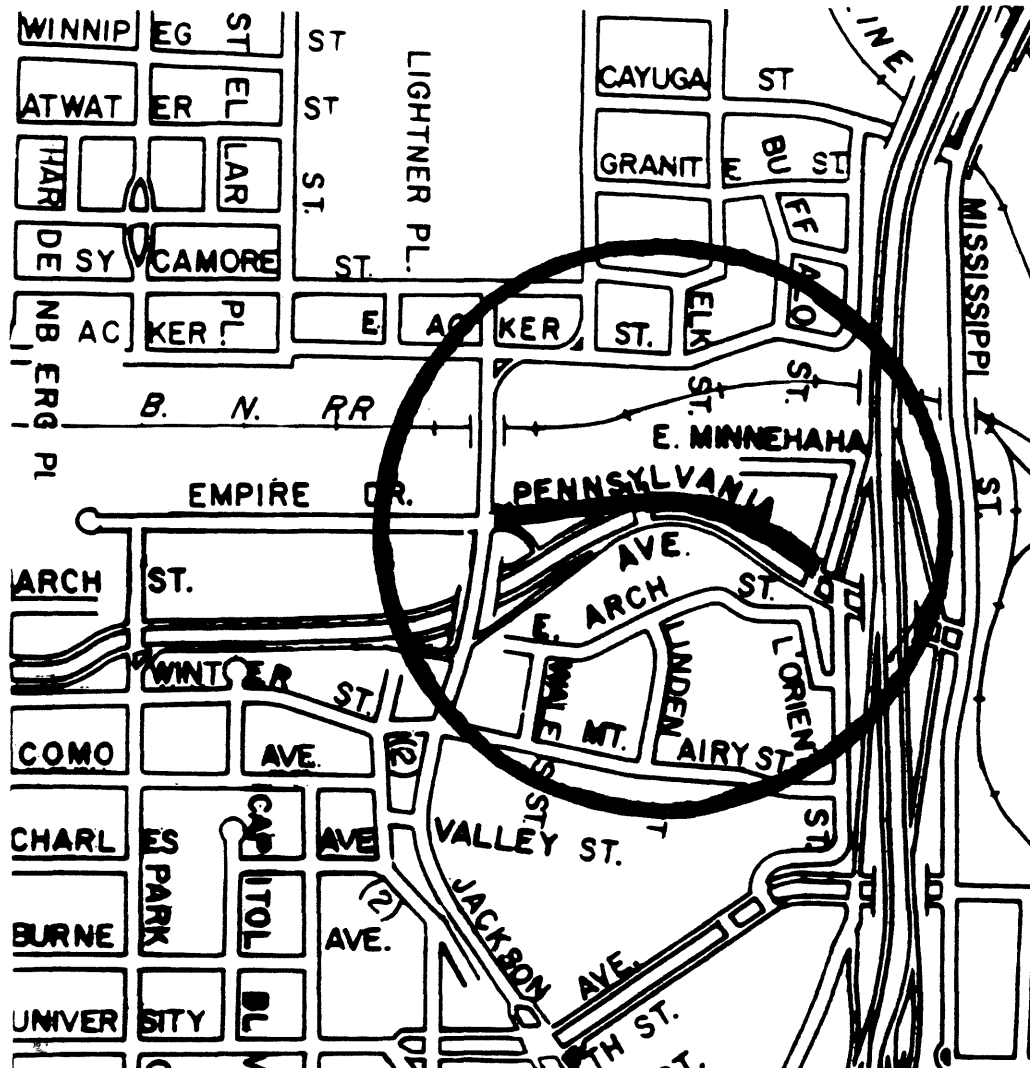
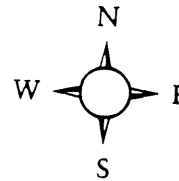
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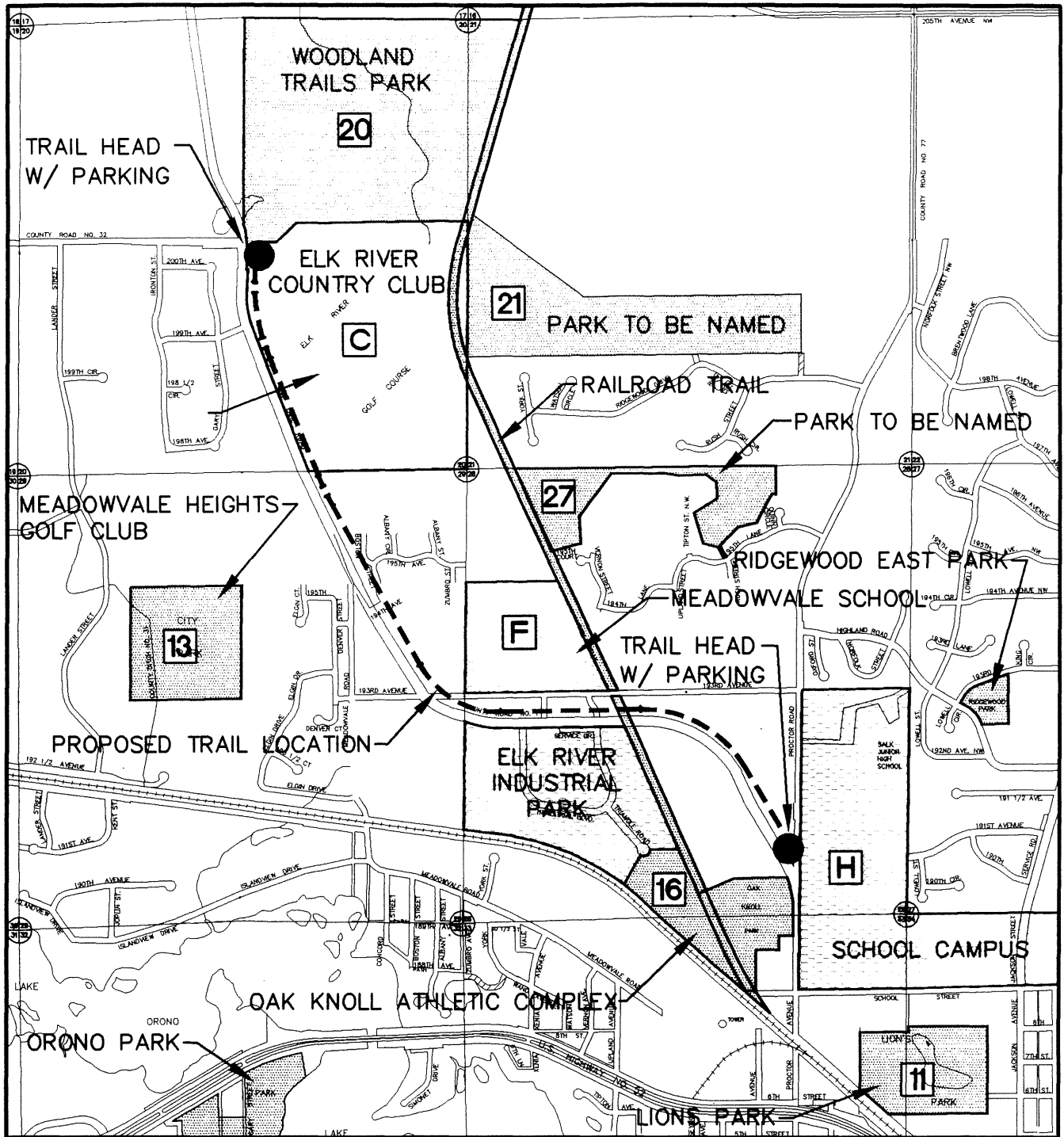
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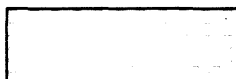
Development of a trail along Pennsylvania Avenue  
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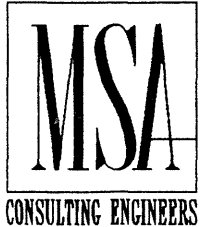
City Parks



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# WOODLAND SCHOOL LINK TRAIL

- map three -

