MEMO: Agenda Item #7

DATE: June 20, 2019

SUBJECT: ML 2019, Ch. 2, Art. 1, Sec . 2 Accomplishment Plans

PRESENTER: Sandy Smith, Project Analyst Manager, LSOHC

Suggested Motion:

Move to approve all of the accomplishment plans for the ML 2019 appropriations as provided in the DRAFT LSOHC member binders sent to members in November 2018, with seven that were updated after the December meeting with the revised allocation recommendations (listed below with links).

Council members may remove plans for further discussion and/or approval at an upcoming meeting.

Background:

MS 97A.056, Subd. 12 requires recipients of Outdoor Heritage Funds to submit accomplishment plans to the Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council in the form prescribed by the council for council approval. Those accomplishment plans are the deliverables tied to expenditure of the appropriation. Programs whose accomplishment plans conform to the submitted proposal and appropriation language are placed on the consent list.

In order to enable managers to start spending July 1, 2019, the council must approve the APs at the June 20th council meeting.

Staff contacted all program managers and asked if there were any changes of significance that would require re-writing or updating of the DRAFT Accomplishment plans that were submitted for Council review in October 2017. Below are the seven programs that were updated after the December Council meeting to reflect the additional funds available to recommend:

3b / FA 02 Southeast Minnesota Protection and Restoration - Phase VII
The AP was revised to reflect the December Council action to add $2.0 million to original recommendation of $3,741,000 to total $5.741 million.

3f / FRE 03 Minnesota Forest Recovery Project - Phase I
The AP was created after the December Council action to recommend funding at 1,058,000 from the original recommendation of $0.
5b / HA 02 Metro Big Rivers - Phase IX
The AP was revised to reflect the December Council action to add $1.0 million to original recommendation of $3,163,000 to total $4.163 million.

5c / HA 03 Dakota County Habitat Protection/Restoration - Phase VII
The AP was revised to reflect the December Council action to add $1.0 million to original recommendation of $2,516,000 to total $3.516 million.

5m / HRE 08 Restoration of Norway Brook connectivity to the Pine River
The AP was revised to reflect the December Council action to add $1,262,000 million to original recommendation of $1,005,000 to total $2.267 million.

5o / H RE 12 Restoring the Upper Mississippi River at Lake Pepin - Phase I
The AP was created after the December Council action to recommend funding at 750,000 from the original recommendation of $0.

5o / CPL Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program: Statewide and Metro Habitat - Phase XI
The AP was revised to reflect the December Council action to add $1,157,000 million to original recommendation of $9,981,000 to total $11,138,000. The February forecast came in lower than previous projections. To account for the downward forecast, $10,760,000 was appropriated ($378,000 less than the Draft AP).

All managers receiving money in ML 2019 appropriation are up to date with status updates. Final Reports for ML 2014 are due November 1, 2019. Staff will report back at the November 21st meeting with another update.

The Final Accomplishment Plans posted to the web will include the full legal citation and appropriation language as passed in the ML 2019 bill.

Attachments: