

Stream Restoration and Water Related Infrastructure



What is Get Out MORE?

The transformative Get Out MORE (Modernize Outdoor Recreation Experiences) investments will help ensure Minnesotans of all abilities and interests enjoy a world-class recreation system, whatever outdoor experience they choose.

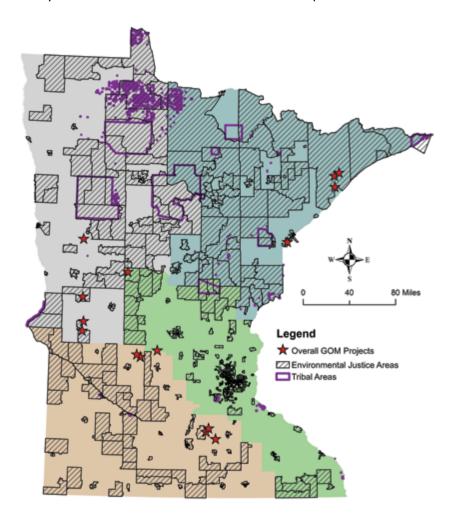
The one-time investments totaling \$150 million center on five key areas: Enhancing access and welcoming new users to public lands and outdoor recreation facilities; Modernizing camping and related infrastructure; Enhancing fisheries and fishing infrastructure; Modernizing boating access; Restoring streams and modernizing water-related infrastructure to support outdoor recreation.

What are the stream restoration and water-related infrastructure projects funded by Get Out MORE?

Ten dam removal/modification projects and five culvert replacements comprise \$9.13 million of the total \$150 million in Get Out MORE funding.

Where are these projects happening?

The 15 dam removal/modification and culvert replacement projects funded by Get Out MORE are shown on the map below.



What will these projects accomplish?

Get Out MORE funding for these projects will reconnect an estimated 156 miles of streams, enhance fish passage and support waterfowl production. Better fish passage supports new shore fishing access along rivers that may currently have no or limited designated access and enhance the fish populations at already established access sites.

Are there other benefits to these projects?

Yes. Seven of these projects will be constructed in underserved community areas. Project benefits are not limited to the site of construction. All of the projects provide systemic ecosystem services like clean water, habitat improvement and climate resiliency, as well as enhanced recreational opportunities and safety upgrades.

Isn't the DNR already doing these types of restoration projects?

In a typical project year, three to five restoration projects are completed, depending on funding levels and scale of projects. Get Out MORE will allow approximately three additional projects per year to be completed for the next five years.

Since 2015, an average of approximately \$2.5 million awarded for stream restoration projects annually. Get Out MORE adds about \$1.8 million of funding per year over the next five years, an increase of 42 percent per year.

Where can I find out more?

More information about these projects and the full scope of Get Out MORE projects is available at mndnr.gov/aboutdnr/get-out-more.

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