



Department of Natural Resources Fact Sheet



2008 CAPITAL BUDGET Statewide Asset Preservation Governor's Recommendation: \$2,000,000

It is needed because

Statewide asset preservation protects the state's long-term investment in buildings, and is essential to maintaining the safety of public facilities and providing for a productive work force. DNR operates and maintains 2,634 buildings throughout Minnesota, valued at more than \$390 million. There is an asset renewal (deferred maintenance) backlog of more than \$35 million in asset preservation projects, with 745 buildings rated as in poor condition. Maintaining these facilities in good condition improves public safety, reduces operating costs, and enhances employee productivity.

Statewide, facility maintenance programs have been under-funded. This request represents the minimal level of funding necessary to resolve the most urgent problems, particularly problems eroding the capital value of state-owned buildings.

Major project elements

This funding will help preserve state assets across Minnesota by maintaining the existing function and values of buildings through building renewal and repairs. Specifically, this funding will provide for:

- ◆ Roofing,
- ◆ Plumbing and heating,
- ◆ Electrical repair and upgrades,
- ◆ Energy efficiency improvements, and
- ◆ Structural upgrades.

Also, failed building systems will be updated using improved technologies as opportunities arise.

Priority-setting

Projects funded with this appropriation will be located throughout the state, and will be the highest priority projects based on:

- ◆ Risk of illness and injury,
- ◆ Indoor air quality,
- ◆ Level of accessibility, and
- ◆ Security issues.

Upon receipt of funding, projects eligible for asset preservation funding will be reviewed and those with the highest priorities will be funded.

Project locations

Projects funded with this appropriation will be located throughout the state.

Key measures and outcomes

Statewide asset preservation protects the state's investment in public facilities, maintains the safety of these facilities, and provides for productive work places.

- ◆ Conduct several projects at facilities across the state to reduce risk of injury and illness, improve indoor air quality, increase security, enhance accessibility, maintain building value and utility, and reduce operating costs.

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