



December 26, 2019

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*Senate Agriculture, Rural Development, and Housing Policy Committee*

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*House Environment and Natural Resources Policy Committee*

Representative Rick Hansen, Chair  
Representative Dan Fabian, Republican Lead  
*House Environment and Natural Resources Finance Division*

Representative Jeanne Poppe, Chair  
Representative Rod Hamilton, Republican Lead  
*House Agriculture and Food Finance and Policy Division*

Dear Senators and Representatives:

Enclosed you will find the quarterly report Emergency Response to Disease Outbreaks in Wildlife. This report covers the period July 1 to September 30, 2019, and fulfills the requirements of 2019 Minnesota Session Laws, First Special Session, Chapter 4, Article 1, Section 3, Subdivision 6(b), which states:

*\$1,595,000 the first year and \$275,000 the second year are from the general fund, and \$1,125,000 the first year and \$1,675,000 the second year are from the game and fish fund for planning for and emergency response to disease outbreaks in wildlife. The commissioner and board must each submit quarterly reports on the activities funded under this paragraph to the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees and divisions with jurisdiction over environment and natural resources and agriculture.*

Please let me know if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,



Sarah Strommen  
Commissioner

- c Bob Meier, Assistant Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources
- David Olfelt, Director, Division of Fish and Wildlife
- Pat Rivers, Deputy Director, Division of Fish and Wildlife
- Dr. Beth S. Thompson, Executive Director, MN Board of Animal Health
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