

## DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

### GOVERNOR'S BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS

Source of Funds	FY23 Adjusted Base	FY24 Recommended	% Change Over FY23	FY25 Recommended	% Change Over FY24
GPR	94,500,100	187,879,400	98.8	99,744,300	-46.9
PR-F	31,990,900	33,018,400	3.2	32,952,900	-0.2
PR-S	10,801,900	9,786,800	-9.4	9,825,800	0.4
PR-O	24,327,200	22,789,000	-6.3	22,764,700	-0.1
SEG-F	58,239,900	61,485,300	5.6	61,368,900	-0.2
SEG-O	347,565,900	393,552,500	13.2	399,849,900	1.6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>567,425,900</b>	<b>708,511,400</b>	<b>24.9</b>	<b>626,506,500</b>	<b>-11.6</b>

### FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITION SUMMARY

Source of Funds	FY23 Adjusted Base	FY24 Recommended	FTE Change Over FY23	FY25 Recommended	FTE Change Over FY24
GPR	222.52	225.52	3.00	225.52	0.00
PR-F	252.68	248.68	-4.00	248.68	0.00
PR-S	49.50	43.50	-6.00	43.50	0.00
PR-O	192.39	178.64	-13.75	178.64	0.00
SEG-F	278.66	278.66	0.00	277.66	-1.00
SEG-O	1,557.68	1,595.43	37.75	1,595.43	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,553.43</b>	<b>2,570.43</b>	<b>17.00</b>	<b>2,569.43</b>	<b>-1.00</b>

### AGENCY DESCRIPTION

The Legislature created the department in 1967 by combining closely related conservation functions and combined them with newly emerging environmental protection programs. The department is administered by a secretary who is appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Natural Resources Board establishes policy for the department and consists of seven citizen members who are appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The department is organized with a headquarters office in Madison, six regional offices and over 165 other field stations and offices. The central office staff assists the secretary in directing the regions, which carry out the field operations of the department. Over 70 percent of the department's personnel operate from field stations outside of Madison.

## **Natural Resources**

The department coordinates the preservation, protection and regulation of the natural environment for the benefit of the people of this state and its visitors. Included in its objectives are water and air quality maintenance; water supply regulations; solid and hazardous waste management; fish and wildlife management; forest management and protection; providing parks and recreation opportunities; lake management; wetland, shoreland and floodplain protection; and law enforcement.

The department also coordinates federal, state and local aid programs of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and other federal agencies; and administers federal funds available for outdoor recreation, thereby taking a lead role in planning state outdoor recreation facilities. It administers state aid programs for local outdoor recreation and pollution abatement.

## **MISSION**

The mission of the department is to protect and enhance our natural resources (air, land, water, wildlife, fish, forests and the ecosystems that sustain all life); provide a healthy, sustainable environment and a full range of outdoor opportunities; ensure the right of all people to use and enjoy these resources in their work and leisure; work with people to understand each other's views and to carry out the public will; and, in this partnership, consider the future and generations to follow.

## **PROGRAMS, GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

Note: Goals, objectives and activities have been revised.

### **Program 1: Fish, Wildlife and Parks**

Goal: Provide the highest quality state park experience, resource stewardship, nature education and service for visitors to the Wisconsin State Parks System.

Objective/Activity: Expand the opportunities available to visitors through development of additional properties and recreational facilities.

Goal: Maintain adequate levels of fish stocking in Wisconsin waters, particularly Lake Michigan, which is almost totally dependent on stocking.

Objective/Activity: Stock fish produced at state fish hatcheries in accordance with approved fish quotas.

Goal: Help customers comply with state and federal endangered species laws by providing fast, efficient and high-quality endangered resources reviews.

Objective/Activity: Maintain average turnaround time for endangered resources reviews of seven or fewer business days.

Goal: Improve testing and sampling processes for chronic wasting disease (CWD).

Objective/Activity: Reduce turnaround times for CWD testing.

### **Program 2: Forestry**

Goal: Ensure that the privately-owned forests in Wisconsin are managed to sustain environmental, social and economic benefits.

Objective/Activity: Annually increase the number of acres enrolled in the Managed Forest Law program and increase outreach efforts toward previously unengaged forest land owners.

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Goal: Implement Wisconsin's Trillion Tree Pledge.

Objective/Activity: Work toward planting trees and conserving acreage as part of Wisconsin's Trillion Tree Pledge.

Goal: Reduce damage to homes resulting from fires in the wildland-urban interface.

Objective/Activity: Improve wildland fire response time.

## **Program 3: Public Safety**

Goal: Maintain or improve safety for outdoor recreational activities.

Objective/Activity: Reduce accidents related to hunting and fishing, and those involving boats, snowmobiles and all-terrain vehicles (ATVs).

## **Program 4: Environmental Management**

Goal: Protect public health and the environment while providing economic growth by efficiently administering the Wisconsin Pollution Discharge Elimination System wastewater permit program.

Objective/Activity: Maintain the Wisconsin Pollution Discharge Elimination System permit backlog at less than 10 percent.

Goal: Protect public health and safety and the state's groundwater resources by ensuring wells are constructed according to department regulations.

Objective/Activity: Perform a detailed inspection, during the construction phase, of 10 percent or more of the wells constructed each year.

Goal: Protect public health and safety by ensuring public water systems are properly operated and maintained.

Objective/Activity: Perform a detailed inspection at every community public water system at least once every three calendar years and at every noncommunity public water system at least once every five calendar years.

Goal: Improve air quality and public health in Wisconsin while efficiently administering air permit programs.

Objective/Activity: Expediently issue air construction permits, while meeting the needs and requirements of the permit applicant and the public.

Goal: Facilitate the beneficial reuse of previously abandoned and/or contaminated property.

Objective/Activity: Remediate parcels of abandoned/contaminated property and make them available for redevelopment.

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**Program 8: Internal Services**

Goal: Improve department responsiveness and transparency.

Objective/Activity: Respond to most, if not all, simple open records requests within ten business days.

Goal: Reduce the number of lost workdays due to worker's compensation injuries.

Objective/Activity: Support and train department staff and supervisors on safety procedures and policies and encourage a culture of safety within the agency.

**Program 9: External Services**

Goal: Reduce permit processing times.

Objective/Activity: Continue to reduce the amount of time that is required to review a permit application and issue a decision.

Goal: Expand online sales of licenses.

Objective/Activity: Continue to increase the percentage of hunting, fishing and trapping licenses purchased online.

**PERFORMANCE MEASURES**

**2021 AND 2022 GOALS AND ACTUALS**

<b>Prog. No.</b>	<b>Performance Measure</b>	<b>Goal 2021</b>	<b>Actual 2021</b>	<b>Goal 2022</b>	<b>Actual 2022</b>
1.	Number of visits to the Wisconsin State Parks System.	15,300,000	22,235,516	15,400,000	20,210,633
1.	Processing time for endangered resource reviews.	7 days	5.8 days	7 days	6.8 days
1.	Percentage of approved fish quotas produced at State Fish Hatcheries that are stocked out. <sup>1</sup>	90%	108%	90%	107%
1.	Cost per unit of chronic wasting disease (CWD) samples. <sup>2</sup>	Reduce per unit sample cost by 2–3% from previous year	-0.07%	Reduce per unit sample cost by 2-3% from previous year	2.08%
2.	Total number acres enrolled in Managed Forest Law program.	3,403,400 acres	3,475,373 acres	3,418,400 acres	3,490,638 acres
2.	Number of acres of private forestry outreach to previously unengaged forest landowners.	200,000 acres	223,497 acres	200,000 acres	222,588 acres
2.	Wildland fire response time.	<30 minutes	14.7 minutes	<30 minutes	16 minutes

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Prog. No.	Performance Measure	Goal 2021	Actual 2021	Goal 2022	Actual 2022
3.	Maintain or reduce the average number of recreational fatalities; off-highway vehicle (snowmobile, motorcycle and UTV/ATV), and boating and hunting related fatalities per 100,000 combined users.	4.53 per 100,000	4.07 per 100,000	4.53 per 100,000	Not yet available
4.	Processing time to issue an individual air construction permit (from completed application to permit decision).	58 days	55 days	58 days	58 days
4.	Acres of abandoned/contaminated property cleaned and made available for redevelopment.	800 acres	1,115 acres	800 acres	1,518 acres
4.	Maintain Wisconsin Pollution Discharge Elimination System (majors) water permit backlog at under 10 percent.	<10%	7.6%	<10%	10.4%
4.	Number of wells inspected during construction.	1,000	995	1,000	986
4.	Percentage of community public drinking water systems inspected at least once in the past three calendar years.	100%	98.6%	100%	100%
4.	Percentage of noncommunity public drinking water systems inspected at least once in the past five calendar years.	100%	99.2%	100%	100%
8.	Percent of simple open records requests fulfilled within 10 business days. <sup>1</sup>	95%	86.5%	95%	92.2% <sup>3</sup>
8.	Number of lost workdays per 100 employees resulting from worker's compensation claims.	4 days	0.005 days	3.5 days	0.004 days <sup>4</sup>
8.	Percent of department-managed property under an approved master plan.	45%	50%	55%	60%
9.	Number of small business contacts made through Small Business Environmental Assistance Program.	95,000 <sup>3</sup>	129,625	95,500	113,377
9.	Processing time to issue waterway individual permit decisions (measured from the date of receipt of a completed permit application to issuance of the permit decision).	70 days	51.33 days	70 days	32.21 days

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Prog. No.	Performance Measure	Goal 2021	Actual 2021	Goal 2022	Actual 2022
9.	Processing time to issue wetland individual permit decisions (measured from the date of receipt of a completed permit application to issuance of the permit decision).	70 days	3.61 days	70 days	2.63 days
9.	Processing time to issue storm water construction site permit decisions.	30 days	19 days	30 days	24 days
9.	Percent of hunting, fishing and trapping licenses purchased online.	50%	60.7%	50%	63.1%

Note: Based on fiscal year, unless otherwise noted.

<sup>1</sup>Data collected on calendar year basis.

<sup>2</sup>Cost per sample is an estimate that includes supplies, laboratory testing expenses and staff time.

<sup>3</sup>Data reported on a calendar year through August 2022.

<sup>4</sup>Data is considered preliminary.

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### 2023, 2024 AND 2025 GOALS

Prog. No.	Performance Measure <sup>1</sup>	Goal 2023 <sup>2</sup>	Goal 2024	Goal 2025
1.	Number of visits to the Wisconsin State Parks System.	15,500,000	15,600,000	15,700,000
1.	Processing time for endangered resource reviews.	7 days	7 days	7 days
1.	Percentage of approved fish quotas produced at state fish hatcheries that are stocked out.	90%	90%	90%
1.	Average statewide testing turnaround time for CWD samples.	15 days	13 days	10 days
2.	Number of trees planted on public and private lands as part of Wisconsin's Trillion Tree Pledge.	7,500,000	7,500,000	7,500,000
2.	Number of acres conserved as part of Wisconsin's Trillion Tree Pledge.	12,500	12,500	12,500
2.	Wildland fire response time.	<30 minutes	<30 minutes	<30 minutes
3.	Reduce the number of recreational fatalities per 100,000 combined users each year. Includes off-highway vehicle (snowmobile, motorcycle and UTV/ATV), boating and hunting related fatalities. <sup>3</sup>	4.53 per 100,000	Reduce fatalities per 100,000 users from 2023 actual	Reduce fatalities per 100,000 users from 2024 actual
3.	Investigate 100% of fatal recreational incidents.	N/A	100%	100%
4.	Processing time to issue an individual air construction permit (from completed application to permit decision).	58 days	58 days	58 days
4.	Acres of abandoned/contaminated property cleaned and made available for redevelopment.	800 acres	800 acres	800 acres
4.	Maintain Wisconsin Pollution Discharge Elimination System (majors) water permit backlog at under 10 percent.	<10%	<10%	<10%
4.	Percentage of annually permitted private drinking wells inspected during construction or installation.	≥ 10%	≥ 10%	≥ 10%
4.	Percentage of community public drinking water systems inspected at least once in the past three calendar years.	100%	100%	100%
4.	Percentage of noncommunity public drinking water systems inspected at least once in the past five calendar years.	100%	100%	100%

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<b>Prog. No.</b>	<b>Performance Measure<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Goal 2023<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Goal 2024</b>	<b>Goal 2025</b>
8.	Percent of simple open records requests fulfilled within 10 business days.	95%	95%	95%
8.	Number of lost workdays per 100 employees resulting from worker's compensation claims.	3 days	3 days	2.5 days
8.	Percent of department-managed property under an approved master plan.	70%	85%	95%
9.	Number of small business contacts made through Small Business Environmental Assistance Program.	95,500	95,500	95,500
9.	Processing time to issue waterway individual permit decisions (measured from the date of receipt of a completed permit application to issuance of the permit decision).	70 days	70 days	70 days
9.	Processing time to issue wetland individual permit decisions (measured from the date of receipt of a completed permit application to issuance of the permit decision).	30 days	30 days	30 days
9.	Processing time to issue storm water construction site permit decisions.	30 days	30 days	30 days
9.	Percent of hunting, fishing and trapping licenses purchased online.	50%	50%	50%

Note: Based on fiscal year, unless otherwise noted.

<sup>1</sup>Performance measures have been added or revised for the biennium.

<sup>2</sup>Goals have been revised for 2023.

<sup>3</sup>Effective with calendar year 2024, the department is pivoting from a goal based on a rolling 10-year average of fatalities per 100,000 users to one that is based on reducing the number of fatalities per 100,000 users from prior year actuals.



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### GOVERNOR'S BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS

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6. Revitalize Wisconsin
7. Well Compensation
8. Erosion Control Loans
9. Free Admission to State Parks for Fourth Graders
10. Parks Utility Funding
11. Parks Limited Term Employee and Contract Services Staffing
12. Parks Capital Development and Maintenance
13. Parks Property Specific Funding Increase
14. Parks Maintenance Equipment Funding
15. Campsite Electrification
16. Parks Technology Upgrades
17. Parks Online Admission Fee Retention
18. Open the Outdoors
19. Total Maximum Daily Load Staffing
20. Contaminated Sediment Bonding
21. Urban Nonpoint and Municipal Flood Control
22. Targeted Runoff Management
23. Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations
24. Manure Treatment Coordinator
25. Municipal Dam Repair Bonding
26. County Forest Wildlife Habitat Grant
27. County Sustainable Forestry and County Forest Administration Grants
28. Emerging Threats to Urban and Community Forestry
29. Resilient Forests Initiatives
30. Public Forest Regeneration Grants
31. Tree Planting on State-Owned Lands
32. Nursery Operations
33. Forestry Public Safety
34. Forestry Outreach
35. Forest Industrywide Strategic Plan and Roadmap
36. Deer Carcass Disposal Sites
37. Brook Trout Habitat Development
38. Inland Waters Trout Stamp
39. Nonresident Deer Hunting License
40. Sporting Lead Free
41. Manoomin Restoration and Public Education
42. Well Notification and Application Fees
43. Water ePermitting
44. Solar Energy Review Staffing

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45. Landfill Food Waste Study
46. Transportation Project Review
47. Transportation Permit Database
48. Permit Primer Update
49. Wastewater General Permit Staffing
50. Warden Safety Equipment and Body-Worn Cameras
51. Warden Overtime Funding
52. Law Enforcement Off-Road Vehicle Modernization
53. Terrestrial Invasive Species Prevention
54. Great Lakes Research Vessel Maintenance
55. Winnebago Lake System Staffing
56. Limited Term Employee Compensation
57. Endangered Resources GPR Match
58. Document Imaging
59. Snowmobile Automated Reporting System Maintenance
60. Transferring Program Off Tribal Gaming Funds
61. Water Resources Account Deficit
62. Off-Highway Motorcycle Appropriation Reestimate
63. GoWild System
64. Large Dam Licensing Fees
65. Ban on Coal Tar-Based Sealants
66. Ballast Water Program Updates
67. Notification for Permit Violations
68. Nonmetallic Mining Appropriation
69. External Services Reallocation
70. Stewardship Administrative Changes
71. Stewardship Lapse Correction
72. Tribal Relations Pilot Program
73. Tribal Appropriation and Statute Technical Modifications
74. Appropriation Changes
75. Minor Transfers Between Appropriations
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78. Debt Service Reestimate
79. Standard Budget Adjustments

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**Table 1**  
**Department Budget Summary by Funding Source (in thousands of dollars)**

	ACTUAL FY22	ADJUSTED BASE FY23	AGENCY REQUEST FY24	AGENCY REQUEST FY25	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FY24	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FY25
GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE	\$100,687.7	\$94,500.1	\$94,918.5	\$94,918.5	\$187,879.4	\$99,744.3
State Operations	89,897.2	83,900.8	84,319.2	84,319.2	92,360.6	88,384.6
Local Assistance	10,790.6	10,599.3	10,599.3	10,599.3	95,518.8	10,359.7
Aids to Ind. & Org.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,000.0
FEDERAL REVENUE (1)	\$150,017.5	\$90,230.8	\$94,589.5	\$94,407.6	\$94,503.7	\$94,321.8
State Operations	138,882.0	83,896.5	88,255.2	88,073.3	88,169.4	87,987.5
Local Assistance	11,135.5	6,334.3	6,334.3	6,334.3	6,334.3	6,334.3
PROGRAM REVENUE (2)	\$30,726.6	\$35,129.1	\$34,629.8	\$34,605.5	\$32,575.8	\$32,590.5
State Operations	30,726.6	35,129.1	34,629.8	34,605.5	32,575.8	32,590.5
SEGREGATED REVENUE (3)	\$317,086.6	\$347,565.9	\$351,061.9	\$351,061.9	\$393,552.5	\$399,849.9
State Operations	239,791.5	267,658.9	271,154.9	271,154.9	297,662.6	298,812.5
Local Assistance	72,779.5	77,061.3	77,061.3	77,061.3	78,240.8	78,888.3
Aids to Ind. & Org.	4,515.6	2,845.7	2,845.7	2,845.7	17,649.1	22,149.1
TOTALS - ANNUAL	\$598,518.4	\$567,425.9	\$575,199.7	\$574,993.5	\$708,511.4	\$626,506.5
State Operations	499,297.3	470,585.3	478,359.1	478,152.9	510,768.4	507,775.1
Local Assistance	94,705.5	93,994.9	93,994.9	93,994.9	180,093.9	95,582.3
Aids to Ind. & Org.	4,515.6	2,845.7	2,845.7	2,845.7	17,649.1	23,149.1

(1) Includes Program Revenue-Federal and Segregated Revenue-Federal

(2) Includes Program Revenue-Service and Program Revenue-Other

(3) Includes Segregated Revenue-Service, Segregated Revenue-Other and Segregated Revenue-Local

**Table 2**  
**Department Position Summary by Funding Source (in FTE positions)**

	ADJUSTED BASE FY23	AGENCY REQUEST FY24	AGENCY REQUEST FY25	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FY24	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FY25
GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE	222.52	222.52	222.52	225.52	225.52
State Operations	222.52	222.52	222.52	225.52	225.52
FEDERAL REVENUE (1)	531.34	527.34	526.34	527.34	526.34
State Operations	531.34	527.34	526.34	527.34	526.34
PROGRAM REVENUE (2)	241.89	239.89	239.89	222.14	222.14
State Operations	241.89	239.89	239.89	222.14	222.14
SEGREGATED REVENUE (3)	1,557.68	1,555.68	1,555.68	1,595.43	1,595.43
State Operations	1,557.68	1,555.68	1,555.68	1,595.43	1,595.43
TOTALS - ANNUAL	2,553.43	2,545.43	2,544.43	2,570.43	2,569.43
State Operations	2,553.43	2,545.43	2,544.43	2,570.43	2,569.43

(1) Includes Program Revenue-Federal and Segregated Revenue-Federal

(2) Includes Program Revenue-Service and Program Revenue-Other

(3) Includes Segregated Revenue-Service, Segregated Revenue-Other and Segregated Revenue-Local

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**Table 3  
Department Budget Summary by Program (in thousands of dollars)**

	ACTUAL FY22	ADJUSTED BASE FY23	AGENCY REQUEST		GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION	
			FY24	FY25	FY24	FY25
1. Fish, wildlife, and parks	\$101,450.2	\$96,356.8	\$99,409.4	\$99,352.8	\$105,319.7	\$107,936.0
2. Forestry	\$54,644.7	\$59,614.6	\$59,325.6	\$59,325.6	\$62,343.4	\$60,992.8
3. Public safety	\$37,524.7	\$37,639.8	\$38,380.8	\$38,380.8	\$39,311.4	\$39,381.6
4. Environmental management	\$72,200.2	\$81,111.9	\$82,058.8	\$82,009.2	\$86,699.6	\$85,343.7
5. Conservation aids	\$57,368.6	\$63,399.3	\$63,399.3	\$63,399.3	\$66,819.6	\$65,819.6
6. Environmental aids	\$29,024.4	\$30,381.2	\$30,381.2	\$30,381.2	\$122,017.6	\$50,517.6
7. Debt service and development	\$101,687.9	\$102,799.5	\$102,799.5	\$102,799.5	\$117,250.3	\$114,825.0
8. Internal services	\$46,476.9	\$48,809.5	\$49,678.5	\$49,678.5	\$50,867.3	\$50,992.6
9. External services	\$98,140.8	\$47,313.3	\$49,766.6	\$49,666.6	\$57,882.5	\$50,697.6
TOTALS	\$598,518.4	\$567,425.9	\$575,199.7	\$574,993.5	\$708,511.4	\$626,506.5

**Table 4  
Department Position Summary by Program (in FTE positions)**

	ADJUSTED BASE FY23	AGENCY REQUEST		GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION	
		FY24	FY25	FY24	FY25
1. Fish, wildlife, and parks	614.62	611.62	611.62	612.62	612.62
2. Forestry	425.08	422.08	422.08	425.08	425.08
3. Public safety	257.33	257.33	257.33	257.33	257.33
4. Environmental management	641.04	632.04	632.04	647.04	647.04
8. Internal services	250.65	261.65	261.65	262.65	262.65
9. External services	364.71	360.71	359.71	365.71	364.71
TOTALS	2,553.43	2,545.43	2,544.43	2,570.43	2,569.43

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**1. Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Municipal Grant Program**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	85,000,000	0.00	0	0.00
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	15,000,000	0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>85,000,000</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>15,000,000</b>	<b>0.00</b>

The Governor recommends providing expenditure authority for a municipal grant program for the testing and remediation of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances by local units of government.

**2. Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Sampling and Research**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	2,209,400	11.00	1,664,200	11.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>2,209,400</b>	<b>11.00</b>	<b>1,664,200</b>	<b>11.00</b>

The Governor recommends providing \$175,700 SEG in FY24, \$214,600 SEG in FY25, and 1.0 FTE SEG permanent position and 1.0 FTE SEG four-year project position in each year for oversight and regulation of airborne per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). The Governor also recommends providing \$176,900 SEG in FY24, \$226,200 SEG in FY25, and 3.0 FTE SEG permanent positions in each year for monitoring PFAS in drinking water and groundwater. The Governor further recommends providing \$125,600 SEG in FY24, \$164,400 SEG in FY25, and 2.0 FTE SEG permanent positions in each year for developing soil testing standards and redevelopment procedures related to PFAS. In addition, the Governor recommends providing \$62,800 SEG in FY24, \$82,300 SEG in FY25, and 1.0 FTE SEG permanent position in each year for developing standards for the disposal of PFAS and PFAS contaminated materials. The Governor also recommends providing \$125,600 SEG in FY24, \$164,400 SEG in FY25, and 2.0 FTE SEG permanent positions in each year for developing water quality guidelines and standards related to PFAS. The Governor further recommends providing \$62,800 SEG in FY24, \$82,300 SEG in FY25, and 1.0 FTE SEG permanent position in each year for developing sampling methodologies and taking samples in cases where wildlife are suspected to have been contaminated by PFAS. In addition the Governor recommends providing \$730,000 SEG in each year for wastewater, surface water and fish sampling efforts related to PFAS. Finally, the Governor recommends providing one-time funding of \$750,000 SEG in FY24 for sampling municipal public water supply wells and susceptible private, potable water supplies.

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**3. Collection, Disposal and Replacement of Firefighting Foam Containing Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,000,000	0.00	0	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,000,000	0.00	0	0.00

The Governor recommends providing one-time funding for the collection and disposal of firefighting foam that contains per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). The Governor also recommends allowing the department to assist fire departments in the purchase of PFAS-free firefighting foam.

**4. Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Emergency Measures**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	900,000	0.00	900,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	900,000	0.00	900,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing expenditure authority for emergency measures related to per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances contamination.

**5. Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Standards**

The Governor recommends establishing and enforcing various environmental standards for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances.

**6. Revitalize Wisconsin**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	5,330,500	1.00	2,850,000	1.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	5,330,500	1.00	2,850,000	1.00

The Governor recommends providing \$3,094,100 SEG in FY24, \$3,116,600 SEG in FY25, and 1.0 FTE SEG permanent position to provide grants or direct services to address discharges of hazardous substances or the existence of environmental pollution under the Revitalize Wisconsin Initiative. The Governor also recommends absorbing all financial elements and existing positions of the dry cleaner environmental response fund claims program into the Revitalize Wisconsin Initiative. The Governor further recommends providing \$2,500,000 SEG in FY24 and \$500,000 SEG in FY25 to provide grants to remove waste materials that have been accumulated or dumped at abandoned properties. Finally, the Governor recommends sunsetting the dry cleaner environmental response fund on the effective date of the budget act.

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**7. Well Compensation**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,000,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,000,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding for financial assistance under the well compensation program. The Governor also recommends amending the well compensation program to bring the program's contamination criteria in line with federal water quality standards. The Governor further recommends updating the program's financial qualifications to allow the program to serve more Wisconsin residents.

**8. Erosion Control Loans**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	7,000,000	0.00	0	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	7,000,000	0.00	0	0.00

The Governor recommends requiring the department to administer a revolving loan program to assist municipalities and owners of homes located on the shore of Lake Michigan or Lake Superior where the structural integrity of municipal buildings or homes is threatened by erosion of the shoreline. The Governor also recommends requiring the department to administer a revolving loan program to assist municipalities and owners of homes located on the shore of the Mississippi River where the structural integrity of municipal buildings or homes is threatened by erosion of the shoreline.

**9. Free Admission to State Parks for Fourth Graders**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	243,600	0.00	243,600	0.00
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	-243,600	0.00	-243,600	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00

The Governor recommends providing fee waivers for annual admissions receipts for the families of fourth grade students. The Governor also recommends creating a sum sufficient GPR appropriation to offset the revenue lost under this initiative.

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**10. Parks Utility Funding**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	431,900	0.00	440,600	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	431,900	0.00	440,600	0.00

The Governor recommends increasing funding to the state park system to reflect expected changes in prices and increased utility usage.

**11. Parks Limited Term Employee and Contract Services Staffing**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,095,500	0.00	1,095,500	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,095,500	0.00	1,095,500	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to hire additional limited term employees and contract services for the state park system.

**12. Parks Capital Development and Maintenance**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,806,700	0.00	1,806,700	0.00
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	9,595,900	0.00	8,595,900	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	11,402,600	0.00	10,402,600	0.00

The Governor recommends providing additional funding for capital development projects for the state park system. This includes: (a) capital development and maintenance projects (\$9,229,100 in each year); (b) repair and maintenance of state parks and trails (\$673,500 in each year); and (c) state parks infrastructure upgrades (\$1,500,000 in FY24 and \$500,000 in FY25).



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**13. Parks Property Specific Funding Increase**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	148,200	0.00	144,500	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	148,200	0.00	144,500	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding for the Menominee River State Recreation Area, Sauk Prairie State Recreation Area, Lizard Mound State Park, Mazomanie Day Use Area, State Ice Age Trail Areas and Brule River State Forest Cabin.

**14. Parks Maintenance Equipment Funding**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	350,000	0.00	350,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	350,000	0.00	350,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to implement a maintenance plan for mobile equipment in the state park system, including commercial mowers, utility task vehicles (UTVs), tractors and trailers.

**15. Campsite Electrification**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	2,925,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	2,925,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to electrify campsites in state parks and forests. The Governor also recommends increasing the statutory limit on the number of electrified campsites allowed in the state park system from 35 percent to 40 percent of all campsites.

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**16. Parks Technology Upgrades**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	181,900	0.00	181,900	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	181,900	0.00	181,900	0.00

The Governor recommends providing \$152,500 in one-time funding in each year to support technology upgrades in the state park system. The Governor also recommends providing \$29,400 SEG in each year for credit card terminal security software.

**17. Parks Online Admission Fee Retention**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	338,000	0.00	338,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	338,000	0.00	338,000	0.00

The Governor recommends creating an online vehicle admission and trail pass system appropriation. The Governor also recommends providing ongoing funding for expenses related to the online vehicle admission and trail pass system.

**18. Open the Outdoors**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	165,000	0.00	165,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	165,000	0.00	165,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to expand accessible outdoor recreation opportunities in the state park system.

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**19. Total Maximum Daily Load Staffing**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	169,800	2.00	220,300	2.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	169,800	2.00	220,300	2.00

The Governor recommends providing expenditure and position authority to facilitate development and implementation of water quality restoration and improvement plans.

**20. Contaminated Sediment Bonding**

The Governor recommends providing \$15 million in environmental fund-supported general obligation bonding authority for contaminated sediment removal from sites in the Great Lakes or their tributaries that are on Wisconsin's impaired waters list.

**21. Urban Nonpoint and Municipal Flood Control**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,000,000	0.00	1,000,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,000,000	0.00	1,000,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing \$11 million in environmental fund-supported general obligation bonding authority for urban nonpoint source cost-sharing and the municipal flood control program. The Governor also recommends providing \$1,000,000 SEG in expenditure authority in each year for the department to provide funding for the preparation of flood insurance studies and other flood mapping projects.

**22. Targeted Runoff Management**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	400,000	0.00	400,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	400,000	0.00	400,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing \$10 million in environmental fund-supported general obligation bonding authority for targeted runoff management infrastructure projects. The Governor also recommends providing \$400,000 SEG in each year for targeted runoff management grants.

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**23. Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations**

The Governor recommends increasing support for the Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations program by increasing the annual fee assessed to operators of concentrated animal feeding operations.

**24. Manure Treatment Coordinator**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	62,800	1.00	82,300	1.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	62,800	1.00	82,300	1.00

The Governor recommends providing expenditure and position authority for the permitting of advanced wastewater treatment systems on large Wisconsin farms.

**25. Municipal Dam Repair Bonding**

The Governor recommends providing \$10 million in GPR-supported general obligation bonds for grants to be used for dam repair, reconstruction and removal projects. The Governor also recommends setting aside \$500,000 of the bonded funds to rebuild the Sheboygan Marsh dam located near the department's Sheboygan Marsh Wildlife Area.

**26. County Forest Wildlife Habitat Grant**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	128,300	0.00	128,300	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	128,300	0.00	128,300	0.00

The Governor recommends providing additional funding for the County Forest Wildlife Habitat Grant Program.

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**27. County Sustainable Forestry and County Forest Administration Grants**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	250,000	0.00	250,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	250,000	0.00	250,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing additional funding for the Sustainable Forestry Grant Program (\$50,000 in each year) and the County Forest Administration Grant Program (\$200,000 in each year). The Governor also recommends providing statutory authority for the two existing grant programs to be established in separate appropriations.

**28. Emerging Threats to Urban and Community Forestry**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	475,000	0.00	475,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	475,000	0.00	475,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing additional funding to address emerging threats to urban forestry.

**29. Resilient Forests Initiatives**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	310,000	0.00	310,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	310,000	0.00	310,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing additional funding for the Wisconsin Forest Landowner Grant Program (\$250,000 in each year). The Governor also recommends providing additional funding for the Weed Management Area Grant Program (\$60,000 in each year).

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**30. Public Forest Regeneration Grants**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	667,500	0.00	667,500	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	667,500	0.00	667,500	0.00

The Governor recommends establishing a grant program to provide funding to public landowners for reforestation, forest regeneration and forest management activities.

**31. Tree Planting on State-Owned Lands**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	395,000	0.00	395,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	395,000	0.00	395,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding for tree planting projects on state-owned lands.

**32. Nursery Operations**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	286,200	2.00	341,600	2.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	286,200	2.00	341,600	2.00

The Governor recommends increasing expenditure and position authority to support additional seedling production in the state nursery program.

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**33. Forestry Public Safety**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	807,600	0.00	150,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	807,600	0.00	150,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing \$657,600 in one-time funding in FY24 for the purchase of new fire suppression equipment. The Governor also recommends providing \$150,000 SEG in each year for the replacement of fire suppression equipment.

**34. Forestry Outreach**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	84,200	1.00	110,800	1.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	84,200	1.00	110,800	1.00

The Governor recommends increasing expenditure and position authority to hire an outreach officer to work with groups underserved by traditional forestry and environmental higher education programs.

**35. Forest Industrywide Strategic Plan and Roadmap**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	775,000	0.00	0	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	775,000	0.00	0	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding for the development of a forest industrywide strategic plan and roadmap.

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**36. Deer Carcass Disposal Sites**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,050,000	0.00	50,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,050,000	0.00	50,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing \$1,000,000 SEG in one-time funding for the department to issue grants for the purchase of deer carcass disposal sites. The Governor also recommends providing \$50,000 SEG in each year for chronic wasting disease education for hunters.

**37. Brook Trout Habitat Development**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	227,700	0.00	197,100	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	227,700	0.00	197,100	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding for brook trout reserve conservation efforts. The Governor also recommends reallocating 1.0 FTE position to assist with conservation planning efforts.

**38. Inland Waters Trout Stamp**

The Governor recommends raising the price of the inland waters trout stamp from \$9.75 to \$14.75 per stamp.

**39. Nonresident Deer Hunting License**

The Governor recommends raising the price of the nonresident deer license from \$157.25 to \$182.25 per license.

**40. Sporting Lead Free**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	50,000	0.00	0	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	50,000	0.00	0	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding for the department to develop a program to promote the voluntary use of nonlead fishing tackle and ammunition.



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**41. Manoomin Restoration and Public Education**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	200,000	0.00	200,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	200,000	0.00	200,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding for manoomin (wild rice) stewardship efforts in ceded territory waters.

**42. Well Notification and Application Fees**

The Governor recommends increasing the well notification fee and establishing an application fee for well variance construction approvals other than high-capacity wells.

**43. Water ePermitting**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	310,800	1.00	330,300	1.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	310,800	1.00	330,300	1.00

The Governor recommends providing expenditure and position authority to maintain and improve the Water ePermitting System.

**44. Solar Energy Review Staffing**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
PR-S	0	0.00	0	0.00	62,800	1.00	82,300	1.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	62,800	1.00	82,300	1.00

The Governor recommends providing expenditure and project position authority for reviewing and permitting solar energy projects.

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**45. Landfill Food Waste Study**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	250,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	250,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing one-time funding for a food waste characterization study at landfills or sources of food waste generation.

**46. Transportation Project Review**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
PR-S	0	0.00	0	0.00	62,800	1.00	82,300	1.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	62,800	1.00	82,300	1.00

The Governor recommends providing expenditure and position authority to serve as a technical project manager for complex transportation sites and oversee a team reviewing transportation project permits.

**47. Transportation Permit Database**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	150,000	0.00	50,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	150,000	0.00	50,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing expenditure authority to develop and maintain a transportation permit database to support the cooperative agreement between the department and the Department of Transportation.

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**48. Permit Primer Update**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	80,000	0.00	0	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	80,000	0.00	0	0.00

The Governor recommends providing one-time funding to modernize the department's interactive environmental permitting platform.

**49. Wastewater General Permit Staffing**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	49,400	1.00	64,300	1.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	49,400	1.00	64,300	1.00

The Governor recommends providing expenditure and position authority for administration of the wastewater general permit program and improving compliance monitoring efforts.

**50. Warden Safety Equipment and Body-Worn Cameras**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	4,500	0.00	4,500	0.00
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	397,900	0.00	397,900	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	402,400	0.00	402,400	0.00

The Governor recommends providing \$76,500 in each year for the department to purchase automated external defibrillator units for department law enforcement staff. The Governor also recommends providing \$120,100 in each year for Taser unit upgrades for the department law enforcement staff. The Governor further recommends providing \$205,800 in each year to purchase body-worn cameras and store data for the department's law enforcement staff.

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**51. Warden Overtime Funding**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	68,700	0.00	138,900	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	68,700	0.00	138,900	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to support additional overtime costs for the department's law enforcement staff.

**52. Law Enforcement Off-Road Vehicle Modernization**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	194,300	0.00	194,300	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	194,300	0.00	194,300	0.00

The Governor recommends increasing funding to modernize off-road vehicles utilized by the department's law enforcement staff.

**53. Terrestrial Invasive Species Prevention**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	589,500	0.00	589,500	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	589,500	0.00	589,500	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding for local cooperative invasive species management areas to support the control of terrestrial invasive species.

**54. Great Lakes Research Vessel Maintenance**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	196,000	0.00	0	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	196,000	0.00	0	0.00

The Governor recommends providing one-time funding for maintenance on the department's research vessels.

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**55. Winnebago Lake System Staffing**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	109,900	2.00	146,500	2.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	109,900	2.00	146,500	2.00

The Governor recommends increasing expenditure and position authority for additional staff support for the Winnebago Lake System.

**56. Limited Term Employee Compensation**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	59,000	0.00	59,000	0.00
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,451,600	0.00	1,451,600	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,510,600	0.00	1,510,600	0.00

The Governor recommends providing additional funding to support limited term employee wage increases.

**57. Endangered Resources GPR Match**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	450,000	0.00	450,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	450,000	0.00	450,000	0.00

The Governor recommends increasing funding for the GPR match to all taxpayer designations for the endangered resources program.

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**58. Document Imaging**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	723,700	0.00	851,900	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	723,700	0.00	851,900	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to support the digitization of hard copy departmental records.

**59. Snowmobile Automated Reporting System Maintenance**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	10,000	0.00	10,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	10,000	0.00	10,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing additional funding to support the annual maintenance of the snowmobile automated reporting system.

**60. Transferring Program Off Tribal Gaming Funds**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
PR-S	0	0.00	0	0.00	-1,309,500	-9.00	-1,309,500	-9.00
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,309,500	9.00	1,309,500	9.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00

The Governor recommends converting the funding for the Snowmobile Law Enforcement program from tribal gaming revenue to the conservation fund.

**61. Water Resources Account Deficit**

The Governor recommends lapsing to the conservation fund, in FY24, \$350,000 from the resource acquisition and development - Mississippi and St. Croix rivers management appropriation to reduce the carryforward balance in this continuing appropriation to address an existing structural deficit in the water resources account.

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**62. Off-Highway Motorcycle Appropriation Reestimate**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	19,900	0.00	19,900	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	19,900	0.00	19,900	0.00

The Governor recommends adjusting the off-highway motorcycle administration appropriation to align expenditure authority with revenues.

**63. GoWild System**

The Governor recommends allowing the department to use state-issued identification cards to validate residency for the purpose of purchasing recreational licenses.

**64. Large Dam Licensing Fees**

The Governor recommends updating the large dam permit structure by repealing the current large dam fee and establishing an annual permit fee that would vary by hazard rating.

**65. Ban on Coal Tar-Based Sealants**

The Governor recommends prohibiting the sale of sealants that contain coal tar, coal tar pitch, coal tar volatiles or high concentrations of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons on or after January 1, 2024. The Governor also recommends, with certain specified exemptions, prohibiting the application of sealants that contain coal tar, coal tar pitch, coal tar volatiles or high concentrations of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons on or after July 1, 2024.

**66. Ballast Water Program Updates**

The Governor recommends updating the department's ballast water program fee structure to align with the federal Vessel Incidental Discharge Act.

**67. Notification for Permit Violations**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	96,000	0.00	0	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	96,000	0.00	0	0.00

The Governor recommends requiring the department to report when Wisconsin Permit Discharge Elimination System permit holders violate groundwater standards to county health and county land and conservation departments. The Governor also recommends providing one-time funding for the development of a new system that can notify counties and other interested parties of violations.

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**68. Nonmetallic Mining Appropriation**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
PR-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	200,000	0.00	200,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	200,000	0.00	200,000	0.00

The Governor recommends creating a new appropriation for current fees that the department collects from nonmetallic mining projects to help better administer the program.

**69. External Services Reallocation**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	64,300	0.00	64,300	0.00
PR-S	0	0.00	0	0.00	-174,000	-2.00	-174,000	-2.00
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	109,700	2.00	109,700	2.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00

The Governor recommends reallocating staff positions in the Bureau of Customer Service and Outreach and the Bureau of Waterways.

**70. Stewardship Administrative Changes**

The Governor recommends modifying the approval process for certain expenditures under the Warren Knowles-Gaylord Nelson Stewardship 2000 Program.

**71. Stewardship Lapse Correction**

The Governor recommends making changes to the Warren Knowles-Gaylord Nelson Stewardship 2000 program statutory language to ensure the amount transferred for the program from the conservation fund to the capital improvement fund is equal to the amounts in the schedule, less the unencumbered balance from prior transfers.



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**72. Tribal Relations Pilot Program**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	25,000	0.00	0	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	25,000	0.00	0	0.00

The Governor recommends providing one-time funding to develop a tribal relations pilot program.

**73. Tribal Appropriation and Statute Technical Modifications**

The Governor recommends making technical modifications to appropriations related to tribal gaming, including adding reversion language to an appropriation and removing an unused appropriation. See Department of Administration, Item #49.

**74. Appropriation Changes**

The Governor recommends converting the storm water management - fees appropriation under s. 20.370(9)(bj) from an annual appropriation to a continuing appropriation. The Governor also recommends the creation of an aquatic plant management program revenue appropriation.

**75. Minor Transfers Between Appropriations**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
PR-F	-77,800	-1.00	-77,800	-1.00	-77,800	-1.00	-77,800	-1.00
PR-S	347,800	3.00	347,800	3.00	347,800	3.00	347,800	3.00
PR-O	-347,800	-3.00	-347,800	-3.00	-1,243,900	-11.75	-1,243,900	-11.75
SEG-F	77,800	1.00	77,800	1.00	77,800	1.00	77,800	1.00
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	896,100	8.75	896,100	8.75
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00

The Governor recommends minor budget transfers between appropriations and within the same funding source to reflect current expenditures for each program.

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**76. Agency Equity Officer**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	77,500	1.00	99,600	1.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	77,500	1.00	99,600	1.00

The Governor recommends creating a new agency equity officer position within the Office of the Secretary. The agency equity officer will collaborate with the Chief Equity Officer within the Department of Administration and agency equity officers within other agencies to identify opportunities to advance equity in government operations, including determining how current government practices and policies impact communities of color and individuals with disabilities. See Department of Administration, Item #15; Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, Item #30; Department of Children and Families, Item #35; Department of Corrections, Item #33; Department of Financial Institutions, Item #8; Department of Health Services, Item #120; Department of Justice, Item #33; Department of Military Affairs, Item #19; Department of Public Instruction, Item #54; Department of Revenue, Item #53; Department of Safety and Professional Services, Item #29; Department of Tourism, Item #9; Department of Transportation, Item #60; Department of Veterans Affairs, Item #14; Department of Workforce Development, Item #30; Office of the Commissioner of Insurance, Item #29; and Public Service Commission, Item #21.

**77. State Operations Adjustments**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	107,900	0.00	107,900	0.00
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	2,127,900	0.00	2,127,900	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	2,235,800	0.00	2,235,800	0.00

The Governor recommends adjusting expenditure authority in certain state operations appropriations to reflect increased supplies and services costs related to the provision of current programmatic requirements.

**78. Debt Service Reestimate**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	4,355,000	0.00	197,300	0.00
SEG-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	-1,306,800	0.00	1,425,600	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	3,048,200	0.00	1,622,900	0.00

The Governor recommends adjusting the department's base budget to reflect a reestimate of debt service on authorized bonds.

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**79. Standard Budget Adjustments**

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY24		FY25		FY24		FY25	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	418,400	0.00	418,400	0.00	-25,600	0.00	-25,600	0.00
PR-F	1,105,300	-3.00	1,039,800	-3.00	1,105,300	-3.00	1,039,800	-3.00
PR-S	-5,000	0.00	-5,000	0.00	-5,000	0.00	-5,000	0.00
PR-O	-494,300	-2.00	-518,600	-2.00	-494,300	-2.00	-518,600	-2.00
SEG-F	3,253,400	-1.00	3,137,000	-2.00	3,167,600	-1.00	3,051,200	-2.00
SEG-O	3,496,000	-2.00	3,496,000	-2.00	3,772,100	-2.00	3,772,100	-2.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,773,800</b>	<b>-8.00</b>	<b>7,567,600</b>	<b>-9.00</b>	<b>7,520,100</b>	<b>-8.00</b>	<b>7,313,900</b>	<b>-9.00</b>

The Governor recommends adjusting the department's base budget for: (a) turnover reduction (-\$3,864,300 in each year); (b) removal of noncontinuing elements from the base (-\$584,700 and -8.0 FTE positions in FY24 and -\$790,900 and -9.0 FTE positions in FY25); (c) full funding of continuing position salaries and fringe benefits (\$8,786,900 in each year); (d) reclassifications and semiautomatic pay progression (\$31,900 in each year); (e) overtime (\$3,180,000 in each year); (f) night and weekend differential pay (\$224,000 in each year); (g) full funding of lease and directed moves costs (-\$253,700 in each year); and (h) minor transfers within the same alpha appropriation.