

Chairs motion 7/19/23

_____ moves to recommend the Initial Agreement as shown on lines 5 to 107 in the column titled “Compiled Member Evaluation #2 Average \$ Amount” on the spreadsheet labeled “Members 2024 RFP LCCMR Proposal Allocations Initial Agreement, as of July 18, 2023” with the following adjustments:

1. Reduce the Emerging Issues Account (line 102) to \$821,000.
2. Increase from the average allocation to the full request amount all proposals selected by 17 members, with the following exception:
 - a. 2024-073 Enhancing Wastewater Treatment while Bioprospecting for Novel Pharmaceuticals (line 12) remains at the average allocation amount.
3. Increase from the average allocation to the full request amount all proposals selected by 16 members.
4. Increase the average allocation by 4% for all proposals selected by 15 members, with the following exceptions:
 - a. 2024-277 Growing the Minnesota Bison Conservation Herd (line 84) remains at the average allocation amount.
 - b. 2024-113 Spring Lake Park Reserve Restoration and River Access (line 74) remains at the average allocation amount.
5. Remove the following proposal from the recommendations:

2024-152 Red River Basin Nutrient Offset Plan (line 106)
6. Specify that funding for the following projects would be provided through a grant agreement with the State of Minnesota and that work would be in cooperation with the public agency(ies) and academic entities named in the proposal:
 - a. 2024-251 Effects of Conservation Grazing on Solar Pollinator Habitat
 - b. 2024-257 Breaking the PFAS Cycle with a Full-Scale Demonstration
7. Request staff to develop draft bill language for review by the commission and to allow staff to make small dollar amount and technical changes as needed to correct any errors.