

# **Agriculture and Natural Resources Appropriations Bill Senate File 2421**

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**An Act relating to and making appropriations involving State government entities associated with agriculture, natural resources, and environmental protection, and including effective date provisions.**

**Fiscal Services Division  
Legislative Services Agency**

## **NOTES ON BILLS AND AMENDMENTS (NOBA)**

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**FUNDING SUMMARY**

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**General Fund FY 2025:** Appropriates a total of \$45.9 million from the General Fund and 1,618.0 full-time equivalent (FTE) positions for FY 2025. This is an increase of \$2.4 million and an increase of 204.0 FTE positions compared to estimated FY 2024.

The General Fund changes include:

- A new appropriation of \$1.8 million for the Choose Iowa Fund that combines the appropriations for the Value Added Agricultural Grant Program, Choose Iowa Promotional Program, and Dairy Innovation and Revitalization Program. There is an increase of \$100,000 to the Choose Iowa Promotional Program in this appropriation.
- An increase of \$952,000 to the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship (DALs) Administrative Division.
- An increase of \$578,000 to Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Operations.
- A new appropriation of \$250,000 for the Butchery Innovation and Revitalization Program to the DALs.
- A decrease of \$250,000 for foreign animal disease vaccine development.
- A new appropriation of \$200,000 for a new Choose Iowa Food Purchasing Pilot Program.
- A new appropriation of \$150,000 to Iowa State University (ISU) for private forestry management.
- An increase of \$100,000 for livestock disease research.
- An increase of \$100,000 to the ISU Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory.
- An increase of \$75,000 for agricultural education.
- An increase of \$50,000 for foreign animal disease preparedness.
- An increase of \$50,000 to the Southern Iowa Development and Conservation Fund.
- An increase of \$25,000 to the DNR for forestry health management.

**Other Funds FY 2025:** Appropriates a total of \$97.1 million from other funds. This is an increase of \$646,000 compared to estimated net FY 2024. The Bill appropriates \$49.8 million from the Fish and Wildlife Trust Fund, \$42.0 million from the Environment First Fund (EFF), \$3.5 million from the Groundwater Protection Fund (GWPF), and \$1.9 million from various other funds.

Iowa Code section [8.57A](#) contains a standing appropriation of \$42.0 million from the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund (RIIF) to the EFF, and the Bill appropriates the following amounts to the following departments for FY 2024:

- \$17.3 million to the DALs.
- \$24.0 million to the DNR.
- \$695,000 to the University of Iowa (UI).

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

### AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES APPROPRIATIONS BILL

The Bill appropriates \$12.0 million from the EFF to the Resource Enhancement and Protection (REAP) Fund in lieu of the \$20.0 million General Fund standing appropriation in Iowa Code chapter [455A](#) and allocates \$1.0 million from the Open Spaces Account of the REAP to be used for State park maintenance, repair, and refurbishment for FY 2025. The Bill also appropriates \$375,000 for the Floodplain Management and Dam Safety Program in addition to a \$1.5 million appropriation from the General Fund.

Due to the passage of [HF 2641](#) (Department of Agriculture Programs and Activities Bill) by the General Assembly on April 17, 2024, the appropriations in Part A of Division VIII combined the Value Added Agriculture Grant Program, Choose Iowa Promotional Program, and Dairy Innovation and Revitalization Program appropriations into the Choose Iowa Fund. The Bill appropriates \$1.8 million to the Choose Iowa Fund in Part B of Division VIII of the Bill.

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### NEW PROGRAMS, SERVICES, OR ACTIVITIES

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A new appropriation of \$200,000 for FY 2025 to the DALs for the Choose Iowa Food Purchasing Pilot Project. The Pilot Project will provide assistance to schools and food banks in the purchase of locally sourced foods.

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A new appropriation of \$150,000 and 1.0 FTE position in FY 2025 to ISU for the management of private forests in northeast Iowa.

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Appropriates \$1.8 million from the General Fund in FY 2025 to the Choose Iowa Fund. From the Fund, \$463,000 must be used for the Value Added Agricultural Grant Program, \$600,000 must be used for the Choose Iowa Promotional Program, and \$750,000 must be used for the Dairy Innovation and Revitalization Program. This appropriation maintains current levels of funding for the Value Added Agricultural Grant Program and the Dairy Innovation and Revitalization Program compared to estimated FY 2024 and provides an increase of \$100,000 to the Choose Iowa Promotional Program compared to estimated FY 2024.

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A new appropriation of \$250,000 in FY 2025 for the Butchery Innovation and Revitalization Program.

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A new appropriation of \$250,000 in FY 2025 from the Blufflands Protection Revolving Fund to the Iowa Geological Survey.

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A new appropriation of \$100,000 in FY 2025 from the Blufflands Protection Revolving Fund to the DALs for the Choose Iowa Food Purchasing Pilot Project.

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A new appropriation of \$296,000 in FY 2025 from the Blufflands Protection Revolving Fund to the DNR for State Park accessibility.

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### MAJOR INCREASES/DECREASES/TRANSFERS OF EXISTING PROGRAMS

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**General Fund — DALs Administrative Division:** Appropriates a total of \$20.2 million and 420.0 FTE positions from the General Fund for FY 2025. This is an increase of \$952,000 and 81.8 FTE positions compared to estimated FY 2024.

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**General Fund — Agricultural Education:** Appropriates a total of \$150,000 in FY 2025 to the Iowa FFA Association. This is an increase of \$75,000 compared to estimated FY 2024.

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**General Fund — DNR Operations:** Appropriates a total of \$12.5 million and 1,146.0 FTE positions from the General Fund for FY 2025. This is an increase of \$578,000 and 120.3 FTE positions compared to estimated FY 2024.

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**General Fund — ISU Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory:** Appropriates a total of \$4.5 million and 51.0 FTE positions in FY 2025 to ISU's Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory. This is an increase of \$100,000 and 1.0 FTE position compared to estimated FY 2024.

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**General Fund — Livestock Disease Research Fund:** Appropriates a total of \$291,000 in FY 2025 to ISU for livestock disease research. This is an increase of \$100,000 compared to estimated FY 2024.

Page 12, Line 3

Suspends the Blufflands Protection Program and requires any remaining moneys in the Blufflands Protection Revolving Fund to be used only to wind down existing obligations and comply with Iowa Code section [161A.80B](#).

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### STUDIES AND INTENT

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#### *Intent*

Requires the DALs to enter into a cost-sharing agreement with ISU to support the Local Food and Farm Program Coordinator position.

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Permits the DNR to use unappropriated funds from the State Fish and Game Protection Fund to provide funding of insurance premiums from unused sick leave balances of retiring conservation peace officers.

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Permits the DNR to use unappropriated funds from the State Fish and Game Protection Fund for salary

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adjustment costs for FY 2025.

Requires the appropriation for the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory to revert to the State General Fund at the end of FY 2025 if the moneys are not allocated to the College of Veterinary Medicine.

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Allows the DNR to use up to \$1.0 million from the Open Spaces Account for State park maintenance, repair, and refurbishment for FY 2025.

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#### *Nonreversion*

Allows unexpended funds from the Dairy Survey Program to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2026

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Allows unexpended funds from the Local Food and Farm Program appropriation to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2026.

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Allows unexpended funds from the Iowa FFA Association appropriation to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2026.

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Allows unexpended funds from the Farmers With Disabilities Program appropriation to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2026.

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Allows unexpended funds from the Choose Iowa Food Purchasing Pilot Project appropriation to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2027.

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Allows the unexpended funds from the Floodplain Management and Dam Safety appropriation to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2026.

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Allows unexpended funds from the Forestry Health Management appropriation to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2026.

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Allows the unexpended funds from the EFF appropriations to remain available for expenditure until the close of FY 2026 or until a specific project is completed, whichever is earlier.

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Allows the unexpended funds from the EFF appropriations for soil and water conservation practices to remain available for expenditure until the close of FY 2028.

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Specifies that the Hungry Canyons allocation to the Loess Hills Development and Conservation Fund in the

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Bill is exempt from reversion.

Allows unexpended funds from the Value Added Agricultural Grant Program appropriation to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2027.

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Allows unexpended funds from the Dairy Innovation Fund to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2027.

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Allows unexpended funds from the Butchery Innovation and Revitalization Program appropriation to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2027.

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Allows the unexpended funds from the Iowa Geological Survey appropriation to carry forward for expenditure.

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Allows the unexpended funds from the Choose Iowa Food Purchasing Pilot Project appropriation to carry forward for expenditure.

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Allows the unexpended funds from the State Parks Accessibility appropriation to carry forward for expenditure.

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#### ***Required Reports***

Requires the DALs to submit a quarterly report to the General Assembly and the Department of Management (DOM) detailing the expenditure of the moneys appropriated for DALs administration, regulation, and programs.

Page 1, Line 21

Requires the DALs to submit a report on its findings and recommendations for the Choose Iowa Food Purchasing Pilot Project to the Governor and General Assembly no later than January 15, 2025.

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Requires the DNR to submit a quarterly report to the General Assembly and the DOM detailing the expenditure of moneys appropriated for DNR administration, regulation, and programs.

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Specifies that any unencumbered or unobligated funds appropriated in FY 2025 to the I-CASH will revert to the General Fund at the end of FY 2025. If moneys are reverted, the UI is required to transfer to the General Fund from other unencumbered General Fund appropriations or other funds the difference between the amount reverted and the amount appropriated.

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#### **SIGNIFICANT CODE CHANGES**

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Repeals the maximum balance of the Blufflands Protection Revolving Fund, the requirement that funds exceeding the maximum balance be credited to the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund (RIIF), and that no loan can be made on or after July 1, 2025.

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Repeals the requirement of any principal or interest from an outstanding loan from the Blufflands Protection Revolving Fund on July 1, 2025 be credited to the RIIF.

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Makes changes to Iowa Code chapter [458A](#) (Oil, Gas, and Other Minerals).

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### EFFECTIVE DATE

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Specifies that Part A of Division VIII is effective July 1, 2024, only if 2024 Iowa Acts, [HF 2641](#) (Department of Agriculture Programs and Activities Bill), is not enacted.

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Specifies that Part B of Division VIII is effective July 1, 2024, only if 2024 Iowa Acts, [HF 2641](#) (Department of Agriculture Programs and Activities Bill), is enacted.

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Senate File 2421 provides for the following changes to the Code of Iowa.

<b>Page #</b>	<b>Line #</b>	<b>Bill Section</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Code Section</b>
26	34	32	Amend	161A.80A.2
27	25	33	Amend	161A.80B.1
28	6	34	Amend	458A.2.7
28	12	35	Amend	458A.4.1.e
28	18	36	Amend	458A.4.6



1 1 DIVISION I  
 1 2 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP  
 1 3 GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

1 4 Section 1. GENERAL FUND — DEPARTMENT.  
 1 5 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
 1 6 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the  
 1 7 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025,  
 1 8 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
 1 9 used for the purposes designated:  
 1 10 For purposes of supporting the department, including its  
 1 11 divisions, for administration, regulation, and programs; for  
 1 12 salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes; and  
 1 13 for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:  
 1 14 ..... \$ 20,162,310  
 1 15 ..... FTEs 420.00

General Fund appropriation to the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship (DALs) for operations.  
  
 DETAIL: This is an increase of \$952,116 and 81.75 full-time equivalent (FTE) positions compared to estimated FY 2024 for Department operations.

1 16 2. Of the amount appropriated in subsection 1, the following  
 1 17 amount is transferred to Iowa state university of science and  
 1 18 technology, to be used for the university’s midwest grape and  
 1 19 wine industry institute:  
 1 20 ..... \$ 325,000

Transfers \$325,000 of the General Fund appropriation to the DALs for the Midwest Grape and Wine Industry Institute at Iowa State University (ISU).  
  
 DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated FY 2024.

1 21 3. The department shall submit a report each quarter of  
 1 22 the fiscal year to the general assembly and the department  
 1 23 of management. The report shall describe in detail the  
 1 24 expenditure of moneys appropriated in this section to support  
 1 25 the department’s administration, regulation, and programs.

Requires the DALs to submit a quarterly report to the General Assembly and the Department of Management (DOM) detailing the expenditure of the moneys appropriated for DALs administration, regulation, and programs.

1 26 DESIGNATED APPROPRIATIONS FROM MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS

1 27 Sec. 2. UNCLAIMED PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING WINNINGS —  
 1 28 HORSE AND DOG RACING. There is appropriated from the moneys  
 1 29 available under section 99D.13 to the department of agriculture  
 1 30 and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
 1 31 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, the following amount, or so  
 1 32 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
 1 33 designated:  
 1 34 For purposes of supporting the department’s administration  
 1 35 and enforcement of horse and dog racing law pursuant to section

Appropriation to the DALs from unclaimed pari-mutuel winnings for enforcement of horse and dog racing laws.  
  
 DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024.

2 1 99D.22, including for salaries, support, maintenance, and  
 2 2 miscellaneous purposes:  
 2 3 ..... \$ 305,516

2 4 Sec. 3. RENEWABLE FUEL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND — MOTOR  
 2 5 FUEL INSPECTION. There is appropriated from the renewable  
 2 6 fuel infrastructure fund created in section 159A.16 to the  
 2 7 department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal  
 2 8 year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, the  
 2 9 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
 2 10 used for the purposes designated:  
 2 11 For purposes of the inspection of motor fuel, including  
 2 12 salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes:  
 2 13 ..... \$ 500,000

Renewable Fuel Infrastructure Fund (RFIF) appropriation to the DALs for motor fuel inspections.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024.

2 14 SPECIAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

2 15 Sec. 4. SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS FROM GENERAL FUND TO  
 2 16 DEPARTMENT. There is appropriated from the general fund of the  
 2 17 state to the department of agriculture and land stewardship  
 2 18 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June  
 2 19 30, 2025, the following amounts, or so much thereof as is  
 2 20 necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

2 21 1. DAIRY REGULATION  
 2 22 a. For purposes of performing functions pursuant to section  
 2 23 192.109, including conducting a survey of grade “A” milk and  
 2 24 certifying the results to the secretary of agriculture:  
 2 25 ..... \$ 189,196

General Fund appropriation to the DALs for the Dairy Survey Program.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated FY 2024. The DALs is responsible for annually certifying all milk labeled Grade “A” pasteurized and Grade “A” raw milk for pasteurization. When the survey results show that requirements for production, processing, and distribution are not met, the DALs initiates procedures to suspend the permit of the violator.

2 26 b. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
 2 27 this subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
 2 28 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
 2 29 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the  
 2 30 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

CODE: Allows unexpended funds from the Dairy Survey Program to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2026.

2 31 2. LOCAL FOOD AND FARM PROGRAM  
 2 32 a. For purposes of supporting the local food and farm

General Fund appropriation to the DALs for the Local Food and Farm Program.

2 33 program pursuant to chapter 267A:  
 2 34 ..... \$ 75,000

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated FY 2024. The Program requires the DALs to work in cooperation with ISU Extension and Outreach. The Program facilitates communication between farmers, food entrepreneurs, and consumers while encouraging coordination among various government agencies, universities, organizations, and businesses. In addition, the Program funds special projects in local food markets.

2 35 b. The department shall enter into a cost-sharing agreement  
 3 1 with Iowa State University of Science and Technology to support  
 3 2 the local food and farm program coordinator position as part of  
 3 3 the university's cooperative extension service in agriculture  
 3 4 and home economics pursuant to chapter 267A.

Requires the DALs to enter into a cost-sharing agreement with ISU to support the Local Food and Farm Program Coordinator position.

3 5 c. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
 3 6 this subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
 3 7 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
 3 8 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the  
 3 9 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

Allows unexpended funds from the Local Food and Farm Program appropriation to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2026.

3 10 3. AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION

General Fund appropriation to the DALs for the Iowa FFA Association.

3 11 a. For purposes of allocating moneys to an Iowa association  
 3 12 affiliated with a national organization that promotes  
 3 13 agricultural education providing for future farmers:  
 3 14 ..... \$ 150,000

DETAIL: This is an increase of \$75,000 compared to estimated FY 2024. The FFA Association is a student organization for students interested in agriculture, education, and leadership. The organization works with individual students and guides them to achieve personal growth through agricultural education.

3 15 b. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
 3 16 this subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
 3 17 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
 3 18 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the  
 3 19 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

CODE: Allows unexpended funds from the Iowa FFA Association appropriation to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2026.

3 20 4. FOREIGN ANIMAL DISEASES AFFLICTING LIVESTOCK

General Fund appropriation to the DALs for the Foreign Animal Disease Program.

3 21 a. For deposit in the foreign animal disease preparedness  
 3 22 and response fund created in section 163.3B to further  
 3 23 implement a foreign animal disease preparedness and response  
 3 24 strategy as described in section 163.3C:  
 3 25 ..... \$ 1,050,000

DETAIL: This is an increase of \$50,000 compared to estimated FY 2024. The Foreign Animal Disease Preparedness and Response Strategy works to develop practical, cost-effective plans to control

and/or eradicate foreign animal diseases.

3 26 b. For deposit in the foreign animal disease preparedness  
 3 27 and response fund created in section 163.3B, for purposes  
 3 28 of purchasing and maintaining equipment to further the  
 3 29 implementation of the foreign animal disease preparedness and  
 3 30 response strategy developed under section 163.3C:  
 3 31 ..... \$ 250,000

General Fund appropriation to the DALs for foreign animal disease equipment.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated FY 2024. This appropriation is used to purchase and maintain equipment used in the Foreign Animal Disease Program.

3 32 5. FARMERS WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAM  
 3 33 a. For purposes of supporting a program for farmers with  
 3 34 disabilities:  
 3 35 ..... \$ 230,000

General Fund appropriation to the DALs for the Farmers With Disabilities Program.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated FY 2024. The moneys will be used by the Easter Seals Society of Iowa for the Rural Solutions Program. The funding provides assistance to farm family members and rural residents with disabilities. The Easter Seals Society of Iowa offers agricultural work site and home modification consultations, peer support, and services for each family. The Rural Solutions Program began in 1986 and provides assistance to farm family members and rural residents with disabilities.

4 1 b. The moneys appropriated in this subsection shall be  
 4 2 used for the public purpose of providing a grant to a national  
 4 3 nonprofit organization with over 80 years of experience in  
 4 4 assisting children and adults with disabilities and special  
 4 5 needs. The moneys shall be used to support a nationally  
 4 6 recognized program that began in 1986 and has been replicated  
 4 7 in at least 30 other states, but is not available through  
 4 8 any other entity in this state, and that provides assistance  
 4 9 to farmers with disabilities in all 99 counties to allow the  
 4 10 farmers to remain in their own homes and be gainfully engaged  
 4 11 in farming through provision of agricultural worksite and home  
 4 12 modification consultations, peer support services, services  
 4 13 to families, information and referral, and equipment loan  
 4 14 services.

Specifies requirements for the use of appropriated moneys through the Farmers With Disabilities Program.

4 15 c. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
 4 16 this subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
 4 17 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
 4 18 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the  
 4 19 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

CODE: Allows unexpended funds from the Farmers With Disabilities Program appropriation to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2026.

4 20 6. LOESS HILLS DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION FUND  
 4 21 a. For deposit in the loess hills development and  
 4 22 conservation fund created pursuant to section 161D.2:  
 4 23 ..... \$ 400,000

General Fund appropriation to the Loess Hills Development and Conservation Fund.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated FY 2024. The funds are used by the Loess Hills Development and Conservation Authority to protect natural resources in the deep loess soil region of western Iowa.

4 24 b. (1) Of the amount appropriated to the loess hills  
 4 25 development and conservation fund in this subsection, \$360,000  
 4 26 shall be allocated to the fund's hungry canyons account.

Allocates \$360,000 from the Loess Hills Development and Conservation Fund appropriation to the Hungry Canyons Account.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to FY 2024.

4 27 (2) Not more than 10 percent of the moneys allocated to the  
 4 28 fund's hungry canyons account as provided in this paragraph may  
 4 29 be used for administrative costs.

Prohibits the use of more than 10.00% (\$36,000) of the funds allocated to the Hungry Canyons Account for administration.

4 30 c. (1) Of the amount appropriated to the loess hills  
 4 31 development and conservation fund in this subsection, \$40,000  
 4 32 shall be allocated to the fund's loess hills alliance account.

Allocates \$40,000 from the Loess Hills Development and Conservation Fund to the Loess Hills Alliance Account.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated FY 2024.

4 33 (2) Not more than 10 percent of the moneys allocated to  
 4 34 the fund's loess hills alliance account as provided in this  
 4 35 paragraph may be used for administrative costs.

Prohibits the use of more than 10.00% (\$4,000) of the funds allocated to the Loess Hills Alliance Account for administration.

5 1 7. SOUTHERN IOWA DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION FUND  
 5 2 a. For deposit in the southern Iowa development and  
 5 3 conservation fund created pursuant to section 161D.12:  
 5 4 ..... \$ 200,000

General Fund appropriation to the Southern Iowa Development and Conservation Fund.

DETAIL: This is an increase of \$50,000 compared to estimated FY 2024. The Southern Iowa Development and Conservation Authority (SIDCA) was established in 1999 in response to soil erosion, water resource degradation, and stream channel destabilization linked to disturbance of the fragile glacial till soils of southern Iowa.

5 5 b. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated  
 5 6 to the fund as provided in this subsection may be used for  
 5 7 administrative costs.

Prohibits the use of more than 10.00% (\$20,000) of the funds appropriated to the Southern Iowa Development and Conservation Fund for administration.

5 8 8. GRAIN REGULATION  
 5 9 For the administration and enforcement of chapters 203  
 5 10 and 203C, including salaries, support, maintenance, and  
 5 11 miscellaneous purposes:  
 5 12 ..... \$ 350,000

General Fund appropriation to the DALs for the administration and enforcement of grain dealer regulation and agricultural product warehouses.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated FY 2024. The program was first funded in FY 2021 with the enactment of [HF 2643](#) (FY 2021 Omnibus Appropriations Act).

5 13 Sec. 5. CHOOSE IOWA FOOD PURCHASING PILOT PROJECT FOR  
 5 14 SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS OR FOOD BANKS AND IOWA EMERGENCY  
 5 15 FEEDING ORGANIZATIONS.

5 16 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
 5 17 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the  
 5 18 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025,  
 5 19 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
 5 20 used for the purposes designated:  
 5 21 For purposes of supporting a choose Iowa food purchasing  
 5 22 pilot project to assist eligible participants in purchasing  
 5 23 qualified food products:  
 5 24 ..... \$ 200,000

General Fund appropriation to the DALs for a new Choose Iowa Food Purchasing Pilot Project.

DETAIL: This is a new appropriation of \$200,000 for FY 2025. The Choose Iowa Food Purchasing Pilot Project will provide assistance to schools and food banks for the purchase of locally sourced foods.

5 25 2. Except as provided in subsection 3, the department  
 5 26 shall administer the pilot project based on the farm-to-school  
 5 27 program described in chapter 190A, in which the department  
 5 28 reimburses a school or school district for the purchase of a  
 5 29 food product originating from a farm source.

Requires the DALs to administer the Pilot Project based on the Farm-to-School Program described in Iowa Code chapter [190A](#).

5 30 3. The department shall administer the pilot project  
 5 31 according to all of the following:  
 5 32 a. A farm or business that owns or operates the farm  
 5 33 source shall be given a preference to participate in the pilot  
 5 34 project if the farm or business is currently participating in  
 5 35 the choose Iowa promotional program as provided in chapter  
 6 1 159, subchapter II, part 2, Code 2024. Otherwise, a farm  
 6 2 or business may participate in the pilot project if the farm  
 6 3 or business has applied to participate in the choose Iowa  
 6 4 promotional program and the department determines that the  
 6 5 application will be approved.  
 6 6 b. An eligible participant is limited to any of the  
 6 7 following:  
 6 8 (1) A public or private school or a school district, if the

Requires the DALs to administer the Pilot Program according to all of the following criteria:

- A farm or business that owns or operates the food source shall be given a preference to participate in the Pilot Project if the farm or business is currently participating in the Choose Iowa Promotional Program or has applied for the Program and the DALs determines the application will be approved.
- Limits eligible participants to a public or private school or school district that is not currently participating in the Farm-to-School Program, and an Iowa food bank or emergency feeding organization that has been recognized by the DALs.
- Limits qualified food products for a school or school district to meat and poultry, dairy products other than milk, eggs, honey, and produce and limits qualified food products for a food bank

<p>6 9 public or private school or school district is not currently  6 10 participating in the farm-to-school program.  6 11 (2) An Iowa food bank or an Iowa emergency feeding  6 12 organization, recognized by the department.  6 13 c. A qualified food product is limited to the following:  6 14 (1) For a school or school district, meat and poultry, dairy  6 15 products other than milk, eggs, honey, and produce.  6 16 (2) For an Iowa food bank or Iowa emergency feeding  6 17 organization, meat and poultry, dairy products, eggs, honey,  6 18 and produce.  6 19 d. The department is not required to follow a requirement in  6 20 chapter 190A that the department determines is not practical  6 21 for the pilot project.</p>	<p>or emergency feeding organization to meat and poultry, dairy products, eggs, honey, and produce.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Does not require the DALS to follow a requirement of Iowa Code chapter <a href="#">190A</a> if it is determined to not be practical for the Pilot Project.</li> </ul>
<p>6 22 4. a. Of the moneys appropriated in subsection 1, not more  6 23 than \$100,000 shall be used to reimburse schools or school  6 24 districts and not more than \$150,000 shall be used to reimburse  6 25 Iowa food banks and Iowa emergency feeding organizations.</p>	<p>Requires that of the moneys appropriated, no more than \$100,000 may be used to reimburse schools or school districts and not more than \$150,000 may be used to reimburse food banks or emergency feeding organizations.</p>
<p>6 26 b. An eligible participant shall be reimbursed on a matching  6 27 basis with the department contributing \$1 for every \$1 expended  6 28 by the eligible participant.</p>	<p>Requires the DALS to reimburse eligible participants on a dollar-for-dollar match basis.</p>
<p>6 29 c. (1) A school or school district shall not receive more  6 30 than \$1,000 for participating in the pilot project.</p>	<p>Limits a school or school district from receiving more than \$1,000 for participating in the Pilot Program.</p>
<p>6 31 (2) An Iowa food bank or Iowa emergency feeding organization  6 32 shall not receive more than \$25,000 for participating in the  6 33 pilot project.</p>	<p>Limits a food bank or emergency feeding organization from receiving more than \$25,000 for participating in the Pilot Program.</p>
<p>6 34 5. The department may use not more than 5 percent of the  6 35 moneys appropriated in subsection 1 to pay for the costs of  7 1 administering the pilot project.</p>	<p>Prohibits the use of more than 5.00% (\$10,000) of the funds appropriated to the Choose Iowa Food Purchasing Pilot Project for administration.</p>
<p>7 2 6. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  7 3 subsection 1 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024,  7 4 that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the  7 5 fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for  7 6 expenditure for the purposes designated in subsection 1 until  7 7 the close of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026.</p>	<p>CODE: Allows unexpended funds from the Choose Iowa Food Purchasing Pilot Project appropriation to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2027.</p>

7 8 7. The department shall prepare and submit a report  
7 9 regarding its findings and recommendations to the governor and  
7 10 general assembly not later than January 15, 2025.

Requires the DALs to submit a report on its findings and recommendations for the Choose Iowa Food Purchasing Pilot Project to the Governor and General Assembly by January 15, 2025.

7 11 DIVISION II  
7 12 DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

7 13 Sec. 6. GENERAL FUND — DEPARTMENT.  
7 14 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
7 15 to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year  
7 16 beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, the following  
7 17 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the  
7 18 purposes designated:

General Fund appropriation to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for operations.

DETAIL: This is an increase of \$577,707 and 120.25 FTE positions compared to estimated FY 2024.

7 19 For purposes of supporting the department, including its  
7 20 divisions, for administration, regulation, and programs; for  
7 21 salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes; and  
7 22 for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:  
7 23 ..... \$ 12,500,000  
7 24 ..... FTEs 1,145.95

7 25 2. Of the number of full-time equivalent positions  
7 26 authorized to the department pursuant to subsection 1, 50.00  
7 27 full-time equivalent positions shall be allocated by the  
7 28 department for seasonal employees for purposes of providing  
7 29 maintenance, upkeep, and sanitary services at state parks.  
7 30 This subsection shall not impact conservation officer, park  
7 31 ranger, or park manager positions within the department.

Requires the DNR to allocate 50.00 FTE positions to State Park operations for seasonal maintenance and upkeep. This does not affect the number of Conservation Officer, Park Ranger, or Park Manager FTE positions.

7 32 3. The department shall submit a report each quarter of  
7 33 the fiscal year to the general assembly and the department  
7 34 of management. The report shall describe in detail the  
7 35 expenditure of moneys appropriated under this section to  
8 1 support the department's administration, regulation, and  
8 2 programs.

Requires the DNR to submit a quarterly report to the General Assembly and the DOM detailing the expenditure of moneys appropriated for DNR administration, regulation, and programs.

8 3 Sec. 7. STATE FISH AND GAME PROTECTION FUND — REGULATION  
8 4 AND ADVANCEMENT OF OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES.

8 5 1. There is appropriated from the state fish and game  
8 6 protection fund created pursuant to section 456A.17 to the  
8 7 department of natural resources for the fiscal year beginning  
8 8 July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, the following amount,

State Fish and Game Protection Fund appropriation to the law enforcement, fisheries, and wildlife programs of the DNR.



8 9 or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
 8 10 designated:  
 8 11 For purposes of supporting the regulation or advancement of  
 8 12 hunting, fishing, or trapping, or the protection, propagation,  
 8 13 restoration, management, or harvest of fish or wildlife,  
 8 14 including for administration, regulation, law enforcement, and  
 8 15 programs; and for salaries, support, maintenance, equipment,  
 8 16 and miscellaneous purposes:  
 8 17 ..... \$ 49,752,093

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024.

8 18 2. Notwithstanding section 455A.10, the department may use  
 8 19 the unappropriated balance remaining in the state fish and game  
 8 20 protection fund to provide for the funding of health and life  
 8 21 insurance premium payments from unused sick leave balances of  
 8 22 conservation peace officers employed in a protection occupation  
 8 23 who retire, pursuant to section 97B.49B.

CODE: Permits the DNR to use unappropriated funds from the State Fish and Game Protection Fund to provide funding of insurance premiums from unused sick leave balances of retiring conservation peace officers.

8 24 3. Notwithstanding section 455A.10, the department may  
 8 25 use the unappropriated balance remaining in the state fish  
 8 26 and game protection fund for the fiscal year beginning July  
 8 27 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, as is necessary to fund  
 8 28 salary adjustments for departmental employees for which the  
 8 29 general assembly has made an operating budget appropriation in  
 8 30 subsection 1.

CODE: Permits the DNR to use unappropriated funds from the State Fish and Game Protection Fund for salary adjustment costs for FY 2025.

8 31 Sec. 8. GROUNDWATER PROTECTION FUND — WATER QUALITY. There  
 8 32 is appropriated from the groundwater protection fund created  
 8 33 in section 455E.11 to the department of natural resources for  
 8 34 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30,  
 8 35 2025, from those moneys that are not allocated pursuant to  
 9 1 that section, the following amount, or so much thereof as is  
 9 2 necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:  
 9 3 For purposes of supporting the department's protection  
 9 4 of the state's groundwater, including for administration,  
 9 5 regulation, and programs, and for salaries, support,  
 9 6 maintenance, equipment, and miscellaneous purposes:  
 9 7 ..... \$ 3,455,850

Groundwater Protection Fund appropriation to the DNR for programs specified in Iowa Code section [455E.11](#).

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024. The allocations include:

- \$100,303 for the Storage Tanks Program. The funds are used for the administration of the State Underground Storage Tank (UST) Program.
- \$447,324 for the Household Hazardous Waste Program. The funds are allocated to regional collection centers and for administration of the Program.
- \$62,461 for administration of the Private Well Testing Program. The funds are used by the DNR for administering the closure of private wells.
- \$1,686,751 for groundwater monitoring. The funds are used for monitoring groundwater at sanitary disposal projects.
- \$618,993 for the Landfill Alternatives Program. The Program is

now called the Solid Waste Alternatives Program (SWAP), and the funds are used to provide financial assistance to local governments; public and private groups, businesses, and individuals for education; market development projects; and utilization of best practices to reduce landfill waste.

- \$192,500 for the Waste Reduction and Assistance Program. The Program is now called the Pollution Prevention Services Program and provides confidential and nonregulatory assistance to facility operators.
- \$50,000 to administer the SWAP.
- \$297,518 for the Geographic Information System (GIS) Program. The funds are used to maintain the GIS Program and a comprehensive water resource data system that can be used by the public.

9 8 DESIGNATED APPROPRIATIONS FROM MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS

9 9 Sec. 9. SPECIAL SNOWMOBILE FUND — SNOWMOBILE  
 9 10 PROGRAM. There is appropriated from the special snowmobile  
 9 11 fund created under section 321G.7 to the department of natural  
 9 12 resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and  
 9 13 ending June 30, 2025, the following amount, or so much thereof  
 9 14 as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:  
 9 15 For purposes of administering and enforcing the state  
 9 16 snowmobile programs:  
 9 17 ..... \$ 100,000

Special Snowmobile Fund appropriation to the DNR for administration and enforcement of the State Snowmobile Program.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024. These funds are used for snowmobile safety education and trail maintenance and to provide cost-share grants to local snowmobile organizations.

9 18 Sec. 10. UNASSIGNED REVENUE FUND — UNDERGROUND STORAGE  
 9 19 TANKS SECTION EXPENSES. There is appropriated from the  
 9 20 unassigned revenue fund administered by the Iowa comprehensive  
 9 21 petroleum underground storage tank fund board established  
 9 22 pursuant to section 455G.4 to the department of natural  
 9 23 resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and  
 9 24 ending June 30, 2025, the following amount, or so much thereof  
 9 25 as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:  
 9 26 For purposes of paying for administration expenses of the  
 9 27 department’s underground storage tanks section:  
 9 28 ..... \$ 200,000

Underground Storage Tank Fund appropriation to the DNR.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024. The funds are used for administration of the UST Program.

9 29 SPECIAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

9 30 Sec. 11. SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS FROM GENERAL FUND TO

9 31 DEPARTMENT. There is appropriated from the general fund of the  
 9 32 state to the department of natural resources for the fiscal  
 9 33 year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, the  
 9 34 following amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
 9 35 used for the purposes designated:

10 1 1. FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AND DAM SAFETY  
 10 2 a. For purposes of supporting floodplain management and dam  
 10 3 safety:  
 10 4 ..... \$ 1,510,000

General Fund appropriation to the DNR for the Floodplain Management and Dam Safety Program.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated FY 2024. Section 18 of the Bill appropriates an additional \$375,000 from the Environment First Fund (EFF) for the Program. The goal of the Program is the protection of life and property from damage by flooding. The Program does the following:

- Supports a network of stream gauges.
- Provides funding for the Dam Safety Program, which maintains information on more than 3,800 dams.
- Funds floodplain mapping projects.
- Provides technical assistance for community enrollment for flood insurance.
- Regulates the construction of floodplains and floodways.

10 5 b. Of the amount appropriated in this subsection, up to  
 10 6 \$400,000 may be used by the department to acquire or install  
 10 7 stream gages for purposes of tracking and predicting flood  
 10 8 events and for compiling necessary data to improve flood  
 10 9 frequency analysis.

Allocates up to \$400,000 for the purchase and installation of stream gauges to assist with predicting flood events.

10 10 c. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
 10 11 this subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
 10 12 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
 10 13 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the  
 10 14 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

CODE: Allows the unexpended funds from the Floodplain Management and Dam Safety appropriation to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2026.

10 15 2. FORESTRY HEALTH MANAGEMENT  
 10 16 a. For purposes of providing for forestry health management  
 10 17 programs:  
 10 18 ..... \$ 525,000

General Fund appropriation to the DNR for forestry health management programs.

DETAIL: This is an increase of \$25,000 compared to estimated FY 2024. Forestry health management programs are dedicated to monitoring, managing, and reducing insects and diseases that

damage and harm Iowa's forests.

10 19 b. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
10 20 this subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
10 21 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
10 22 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the  
10 23 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

CODE: Allows unexpended funds from the Forestry Health Management appropriation to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2026.

10 24 3. STATE PARK OPERATIONS  
10 25 For supporting operations at state parks, including  
10 26 maintenance and repair of grounds and facilities:  
10 27 ..... \$ 1,000,000

General Fund appropriation to the DNR to support operations at State parks, including maintenance and repair of facilities.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated FY 2024.

10 28 DIVISION III  
10 29 IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY  
10 30 SPECIAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

10 31 Sec. 12. VETERINARY DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY.  
10 32 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
10 33 to Iowa state university of science and technology for the  
10 34 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025,  
10 35 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be

General Fund appropriation to ISU for operations at the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory.

DETAIL: This is an increase of \$100,000 and 1.00 FTE position compared to estimated FY 2024.

11 1 used for the purposes designated:  
11 2 For purposes of supporting the college of veterinary  
11 3 medicine for the operation of the veterinary diagnostic  
11 4 laboratory and for not more than the following full-time  
11 5 equivalent positions:  
11 6 ..... \$ 4,500,000  
11 7 ..... FTEs 51.00

11 8 2. a. Iowa state university of science and technology  
11 9 shall not reduce the amount that it allocates to support the  
11 10 college of veterinary medicine from any other source due to the  
11 11 appropriation made in this section.

Prohibits ISU from reducing funding from other sources to the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory as a result of this appropriation.

11 12 b. Paragraph "a" does not apply to a reduction made  
11 13 to support the college of veterinary medicine if the same  
11 14 percentage of reduction imposed on the college of veterinary  
11 15 medicine is also imposed on all of Iowa state university of

Allows ISU to reduce funding to the College of Veterinary Medicine if the same percentage of reduction is applied to other ISU budget units.

11 16 science and technology's budget units.

11 17 3. If by June 30, 2025, Iowa state university of science and  
11 18 technology fails to allocate the moneys appropriated in this  
11 19 section to the college of veterinary medicine in accordance  
11 20 with this section, the moneys appropriated in this section for  
11 21 that fiscal year shall revert to the general fund of the state.

Requires the appropriation for the Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory to revert to the State General Fund at the end of FY 2025 if the moneys are not allocated to the College of Veterinary Medicine.

11 22 Sec. 13. MANAGEMENT OF PRIVATE FORESTS.  
11 23 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
11 24 to Iowa state university of science and technology for the  
11 25 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025,  
11 26 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
11 27 used for the purposes designated:

General Fund appropriation to ISU for forestry management.

11 28 For purposes of supporting the Iowa cooperative extension  
11 29 service in agriculture and home economics in providing  
11 30 technical support to landowners and loggers regarding the  
11 31 management of private forests in northeast Iowa, and for not  
11 32 more than the following full-time equivalent positions:

DETAIL: This is a new appropriation of \$150,000 and 1.00 FTE position for FY 2025. The appropriation is to support the Iowa Cooperative Extension Service in Agriculture and Home Economics in providing technical support to landowners and loggers in the management of private forests in northeast Iowa.

11 33 ..... \$ 150,000  
11 34 ..... FTEs 1.00

11 35 2. The department of natural resources shall cooperate with  
12 1 the Iowa cooperative extension service in agriculture and home  
12 2 economics in administering this section.

Requires the DNR to cooperate with the Iowa Cooperative Extension Service in Agriculture and Home Economics.

12 3 Sec. 14. LIVESTOCK DISEASE RESEARCH.  
12 4 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
12 5 to Iowa state university of science and technology for the  
12 6 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025,  
12 7 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
12 8 used for the purposes designated:

General Fund appropriation to the Livestock Disease Research Fund.

12 9 For deposit in the livestock disease research fund created  
12 10 in section 267.8:

DETAIL: This is an increase of \$100,000 compared to estimated FY 2024.

12 11 ..... \$ 291,390

12 12 2. Moneys appropriated under subsection 1 shall be used  
12 13 by Iowa state university of science and technology to support  
12 14 animal disease research in areas of importance to livestock  
12 15 producers.

Requires the funds to be used by ISU to support animal disease research in areas of importance to livestock producers.

12 16 DESIGNATED APPROPRIATIONS FROM MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS

12 17 Sec. 15. IOWA NUTRIENT REDUCTION FUND — VETERINARY  
 12 18 DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY. Notwithstanding section 466B.46, there  
 12 19 is appropriated from the Iowa nutrient research fund created  
 12 20 in section 466B.46 to Iowa state university of science and  
 12 21 technology for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and  
 12 22 ending June 30, 2025, the following amount, or so much thereof  
 12 23 as is necessary, to be used for the purpose designated:  
 12 24 For the purpose of supporting the college of veterinary  
 12 25 medicine for the operation of the veterinary diagnostic  
 12 26 laboratory:  
 12 27 ..... \$ 120,000

Appropriates \$120,000 from the Iowa Nutrient Research Fund to the College of Veterinary Medicine at ISU.  
  
 DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024. This appropriation is used to provide additional support to the ISU Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory.

12 28 DIVISION IV  
 12 29 STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA  
 12 30 SPECIAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

12 31 Sec. 16. IOWA’S CENTER FOR AGRICULTURAL SAFETY AND HEALTH  
 12 32 (I-CASH).

12 33 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
 12 34 to the state university of Iowa for the fiscal year beginning  
 12 35 July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, the following amount,  
 13 1 or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
 13 2 designated:  
 13 3 For supporting the operations of Iowa’s center for  
 13 4 agricultural safety and health, as part of the university’s  
 13 5 college of public health, and in cooperation with the  
 13 6 department of agriculture and land stewardship, to anticipate,  
 13 7 recognize, and prevent occupational illness and injury among  
 13 8 members of the agricultural community:  
 13 9 ..... \$ 128,154

General Fund appropriation to Iowa's Center for Agricultural Safety and Health (I-CASH) at the University of Iowa (UI), as part of the College of Public Health.  
  
 DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated FY 2024.

13 10 2. a. As a condition of the appropriation made in  
 13 11 subsection 1, the state university of Iowa shall retain the  
 13 12 director of Iowa’s center for agricultural safety and health  
 13 13 employed on the effective date of this division of this Act for  
 13 14 at least the same number of hours for the fiscal year beginning  
 13 15 July 1, 2024, as worked by the director during the fiscal year  
 13 16 beginning July 1, 2023.

Requires the UI to retain the I-CASH Director and to pay for the same number of hours during FY 2025 as in FY 2024.

13 17 b. As a condition of the appropriation made in subsection  
 13 18 1, the state university of Iowa shall not reduce the amount

Specifies that the UI cannot reduce other funding that supports the I-CASH due to this appropriation.

13 19 allocated to support Iowa's center for agricultural safety and  
13 20 health from any other source due to the appropriation made in  
13 21 subsection 1.

13 22 3. If by June 30, 2025, the state university of Iowa fails  
13 23 to use the moneys appropriated in subsection 1 in accordance  
13 24 with the purposes and conditions of subsections 1 and 2, any  
13 25 unencumbered or unobligated moneys appropriated in subsection  
13 26 1 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June  
13 27 30, 2025, shall revert to the general fund of the state. In  
13 28 addition, if moneys revert as required pursuant to section  
13 29 8.33, the state university of Iowa shall transfer to the  
13 30 general fund of the state from any otherwise unencumbered or  
13 31 unobligated moneys from any other general fund appropriation or  
13 32 from any moneys available from other funding sources an amount  
13 33 equal to the amount appropriated in subsection 1 less any  
13 34 amount that reverted to the general fund of the state pursuant  
13 35 to section 8.33.

Specifies that any unencumbered or unobligated funds appropriated in FY 2025 to the I-CASH will revert to the General Fund at the end of FY 2025. If moneys are reverted, the UI is required to transfer to the General Fund from other unencumbered General Fund appropriations or other funds the difference between the amount reverted and the amount appropriated.

14 1 DIVISION V  
14 2 ENVIRONMENT FIRST FUND  
14 3 GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS

14 4 Sec. 17. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND  
14 5 STEWARDSHIP. There is appropriated from the environment first  
14 6 fund created in section 8.57A to the department of agriculture  
14 7 and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
14 8 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, the following amounts, or so  
14 9 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
14 10 designated:

Iowa Code section [8.57A](#) contains a standing appropriation of \$42,000,000 from the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund (RIIF) to the EFF. Moneys in the EFF are appropriated by the General Assembly for the protection, conservation, enhancement, or improvement of natural resources or the environment. The Bill appropriates a total of \$17,300,000 to the DALs from the EFF for FY 2025.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024.

14 11 1. CONSERVATION RESERVE ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM (CREP)  
14 12 a. For the conservation reserve enhancement program to  
14 13 restore and construct wetlands for the purposes of intercepting  
14 14 tile line runoff, reducing nutrient loss, improving water  
14 15 quality, and enhancing agricultural production practices:  
14 16 ..... \$ 1,000,000

Environment First Fund appropriation to the DALs for the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP).

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024. The CREP is a federally administered voluntary program for agricultural landowners that provides financial incentives to establish wetlands for water quality improvement in tile-drained regions of Iowa. The Program includes 37 counties in north central Iowa in an area that has been identified as a contributor to high nitrate

	<p>loads in the Mississippi River Basin. The Program is administered by the federal Farm Services Agency (FSA) in the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).</p>
<p>14 17 b. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated 14 18 in paragraph "a" may be used for costs of administration and 14 19 implementation of soil and water conservation practices.</p>	<p>Prohibits the use of more than 10.00% (\$100,000) of the cost-share funds for administration and costs associated with the implementation of soil and water conservation practices.</p>
<p>14 20 c. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the 14 21 department may use moneys appropriated in this subsection, 14 22 in combination with other appropriate environment first 14 23 fund appropriations, for cost sharing to match United States 14 24 department of agriculture, natural resources conservation 14 25 service, wetlands reserve enhancement program (WREP) funding 14 26 available to Iowa.</p>	<p>Permits funds to be used in combination with other EFF appropriations or as cost-share funds for federal projects.</p>
<p>14 27 2. WATERSHED PROTECTION 14 28 a. For continuation of a program that provides 14 29 multiobjective resource protections for flood control, water 14 30 quality, erosion control, and natural resource conservation: 14 31 ..... \$ 900,000</p>	<p>Environment First Fund appropriation to the DALs for the Watershed Protection Program.</p> <p>DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024. The purpose of the Program is to provide financial assistance for projects that establish permanent soil and water conservation practices. Project practices are integrated into a larger watershed plan and meet multiple objectives. This appropriation offers watershed grants to Soil and Water Conservation Districts for locally led watershed projects.</p>
<p>14 32 b. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated 14 33 in paragraph "a" may be used for costs of administration and 14 34 implementation of soil and water conservation practices.</p>	<p>Prohibits the use of more than 10.00% (\$90,000) of the cost-share funds for administration and costs associated with the implementation of soil and water conservation practices.</p>
<p>14 35 3. CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM (CRP) 15 1 a. To encourage and assist farmers in enrolling in and the 15 2 implementation of the federal conservation reserve program and 15 3 to work with them to enhance their revegetation efforts to 15 4 improve water quality and habitat: 15 5 ..... \$ 900,000</p>	<p>Environment First Fund appropriation to the DALs for the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP).</p> <p>DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024. The CRP is a voluntary program administered by the federal government for agricultural landowners. The CRP provides landowners with annual rental payments and cost-share assistance for removing agricultural land from production and establishing conservation practices. The CRP is administered by the federal FSA in</p>



the USDA and is a major federal conservation program. Land enrolled in the CRP increases wildlife habitat, reduces soil erosion, and improves water quality.

15 6 b. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated  
15 7 in paragraph "a" may be used for costs of administration and  
15 8 implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

Prohibits the use of more than 10.00% (\$90,000) of the cost-share funds for administration and costs associated with the implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

15 9 4. SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION

Environment First Fund appropriation to the DALs for the Soil and Water Conservation Program.

15 10 a. For use by the department in providing for soil and water  
15 11 conservation:  
15 12 ..... \$ 8,325,000

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024.

15 13 b. (1) Of the amount appropriated in paragraph "a", for  
15 14 transfer to the hungry canyons account of the loess hills  
15 15 development and conservation fund created in section 161D.2:  
15 16 ..... \$ 140,000

Transfers \$140,000 from the Soil and Water Conservation appropriation to the Hungry Canyons Account of the Loess Hills Development and Conservation Fund.

15 17 (2) Not more than 10 percent of the moneys transferred to  
15 18 the fund's hungry canyons account as provided in subparagraph  
15 19 (1) may be used for administrative costs.

Prohibits the use of more than 10.00% (\$14,000) of the funds for administration costs.

15 20 c. Of the remaining amount appropriated in paragraph "a",  
15 21 for use by the department in providing for soil and water  
15 22 conservation administration, the conservation of soil and  
15 23 water resources, or the support of soil and water conservation  
15 24 districts:  
15 25 ..... \$ 8,185,000

Allocates \$8,185,000 from the Soil and Water Conservation appropriation to the Soil and Water Conservation Cost Share Program.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated FY 2024. Soil and Water Conservation Cost Share Program funding provides financial incentives to landowners who implement approved soil and water conservation practices. State funds are divided among the Soil and Water Conservation Districts. The landowner pays for at least 50.00% of the cost of the conservation practice.

15 26 d. Of the amount appropriated in paragraph "c" that the  
15 27 department allocates to a soil and water conservation district,  
15 28 the first \$15,000 may be expended by the district for the  
15 29 purpose of providing financial incentives under section 161A.73  
15 30 to establish management practices for the control of soil  
15 31 erosion on land that is row-cropped, including but not limited  
15 32 to nontill planting, ridge-till planting, and contouring

Permits each Soil and Water Conservation District to use up to \$15,000 of the allocation to establish management practices for the control of soil erosion on row-cropped land. Also permits up to 30.00% of remaining funds to be expended for the same purpose.

15 33 strip-cropping. Of any remaining amount of that appropriation  
 15 34 allocated by the department to a district, 30 percent may be  
 15 35 expended by the district for that same purpose.

16 1 e. Not more than 5 percent of the moneys appropriated in  
 16 2 paragraph "c" may be allocated for cost sharing to address  
 16 3 complaints filed under section 161A.47.

Permits the DALs to use up to 5.00% (\$409,250) of the cost-share funds to address complaints filed for land erosion caused by sediment.

16 4 f. Of the moneys appropriated in paragraph "c", 5 percent  
 16 5 shall be allocated for financial incentives to establish  
 16 6 practices to protect watersheds above publicly owned lakes of  
 16 7 the state from soil erosion and sediment as provided in section  
 16 8 161A.73.

Requires 5.00% (\$409,250) of cost-share funds to be used for financial incentives to establish practices to protect watersheds above publicly owned lakes from soil erosion and sediment.

16 9 g. The state soil conservation and water quality committee  
 16 10 established by section 161A.4 may allocate moneys appropriated  
 16 11 in paragraph "c" to conduct research and demonstration projects  
 16 12 to promote conservation tillage and nonpoint source pollution  
 16 13 control practices.

Permits the State Soil Conservation and Water Quality Committee to allocate funds for research and demonstration projects to promote conservation tillage and nonpoint source pollution control practices.

16 14 h. The allocation of moneys as financial incentives as  
 16 15 provided in section 161A.73 may be used in combination with  
 16 16 moneys allocated by the department of natural resources.

Permits financial incentive payments to be used in combination with funds from the DNR.

16 17 i. Not more than 15 percent of the moneys appropriated  
 16 18 in paragraph "c" may be used for costs of administration and  
 16 19 implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

Prohibits the use of more than 15.00% (\$1,227,750) of the cost-share funds for administration and costs associated with the implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

16 20 5. SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION — ADMINISTRATION

Environment First Fund appropriation to the DALs for soil and water conservation administration.

16 21 a. For use by the department for costs of administration and  
 16 22 implementation of soil and water conservation practices:

16 23 ..... \$ 3,800,000

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024.

16 24 b. Of the moneys appropriated in paragraph "a", \$150,000  
 16 25 is allocated to support field staff providing technical  
 16 26 assistance.

Allocates \$150,000 of the above appropriation to support field staff providing technical assistance.

16 27 Sec. 18. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES. There is  
 16 28 appropriated from the environment first fund created in section  
 16 29 8.57A to the department of natural resources for the fiscal  
 16 30 year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, the

Iowa Code section [8.57A](#) contains a standing appropriation of \$42,000,000 from the RIF to the EFF. Moneys in the EFF are appropriated by the General Assembly for the protection, conservation, enhancement, or improvement of natural resources or the

16 31 following amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
 16 32 used for the purposes designated:

environment. The Bill appropriates a total of \$24,005,000 to the DNR from the EFF for FY 2025.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024.

16 33 1. STATE PARKS MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS  
 16 34 For regular maintenance and operations of state parks and  
 16 35 staff time associated with these activities:  
 17 1 ..... \$ 6,235,000

Environment First Fund appropriation to the DNR for State park maintenance and operations.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024. State parks are under the administration of the Parks Bureau in the DNR. Funding pays for seasonal staff, facilities maintenance, equipment replacement, and other related expenditures.

17 2 2. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS)  
 17 3 To provide local watershed managers with geographic  
 17 4 information system data for their use in developing,  
 17 5 monitoring, and displaying results of their watershed work:  
 17 6 ..... \$ 195,000

Environment First Fund appropriation to the DNR for the GIS Program.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024. The GIS Program is responsible for the development, management, and coordination of the Natural Resources Geographic Information System (NRGIS) for the DNR. The NRGIS is used to provide local watershed managers with data to develop, monitor, and display watershed improvements.

17 7 3. WATER QUALITY MONITORING  
 17 8 For continuing the establishment and operation of water  
 17 9 quality monitoring stations:  
 17 10 ..... \$ 2,955,000

Environment First Fund appropriation to the DNR for the Water Quality Monitoring Program.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024. Appropriated dollars are allocated for the administration, research, and operation of water quality monitoring stations. The DNR contracts with experts from the U.S. Geological Survey and State universities for water quality research, analysis, and modeling. The appropriation supports six water quality monitoring programs. Water samples are collected to develop a baseline of information on Iowa streams, lakes, and wetlands. The DNR tracks water temperature, dissolved oxygen, pH, and many other physical conditions and chemicals. The Water Quality Monitoring Program records fish kills and statewide water data and assesses the ability of water bodies to meet their intended uses (impaired waters) as defined by the federal Clean Water Act.

17 11 4. PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM ACCOUNT

Environment First Fund appropriation to the DNR for the Public Water

17 12 For deposit in the public water supply system account of the  
 17 13 water quality protection fund created in section 455B.183A:  
 17 14 ..... \$ 500,000

Supply System Account of the Water Quality Protection Fund.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024. A public water supply is defined as a system that has at least 15 service connections or serves at least 25 persons for at least 60 days throughout the year. These systems are regulated by the Water Supply Engineering Section of the DNR.

17 15 5. REGULATION OF ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATIONS  
 17 16 For the regulation of animal feeding operations, including  
 17 17 as provided for in chapters 459, 459A, and 459B:  
 17 18 ..... \$ 1,320,000

Environment First Fund appropriation to the DNR for the Animal Feeding Operations Program.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024. This appropriation is used to regulate animal feeding operations. This includes processing permits for the construction of new sites and reviewing nutrient management plans. Other activities include inspection of earthen basins, construction sites, and operations as well as inspecting and investigating manure, fertilizer, and chemical spills.

17 19 6. FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AND DAM SAFETY  
 17 20 For supporting floodplain management and dam safety:  
 17 21 ..... \$ 375,000

Environment First Fund appropriation to the DNR for the Floodplain Management and Dam Safety Program.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024. Section 11 of the Bill appropriates an additional \$1,510,000 from the General Fund for the Program. The goal of the Program is the protection of life and property from damage by flooding. The Program does the following:

- Supports a network of stream gauges.
- Provides funding for the Dam Safety Program, which maintains information on 3,800 dams.
- Funds floodplain mapping projects.
- Provides technical assistance for community enrollment for flood insurance.
- Regulates the construction of floodplains and floodways.

17 22 7. AMBIENT AIR QUALITY  
 17 23 For the abatement, control, and prevention of ambient  
 17 24 air pollution in this state, including measures as necessary  
 17 25 to assure attainment and maintenance of ambient air quality  
 17 26 standards from particulate matter:  
 17 27 ..... \$ 425,000

Environment First Fund appropriation to the DNR for the Ambient Air Quality Program.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024. Appropriated funds finance the administration of ambient air monitoring activities and an annual contract with the State Hygienic

Laboratory (SHL) at the UI to conduct air monitoring. The SHL collects air monitoring data, provides quality assurance results, and reports data to the public.

17 28 Sec. 19. STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA — IOWA GEOLOGICAL  
17 29 SURVEY. There is appropriated from the environment first  
17 30 fund created in section 8.57A to the state university of Iowa  
17 31 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June  
17 32 30, 2025, the following amounts, or so much thereof as is  
17 33 necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

Iowa Code section [8.57A](#) contains a standing appropriation of \$42,000,000 from the RIIF to the EFF. Moneys in the EFF are appropriated by the General Assembly for the protection, conservation, enhancement, or improvement of natural resources or the environment. The Bill appropriates a total of \$695,000 to the UI from the EFF for FY 2025.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024.

17 34 1. OPERATIONS  
17 35 For purposes of supporting the operations of the Iowa  
18 1 geological survey of the state as created within the state  
18 2 university of Iowa pursuant to section 456.1, including but not  
18 3 limited to providing analysis; data maintenance, collection,  
18 4 and compilation; investigative programs; and information for  
18 5 water supply development and protection:  
18 6 ..... \$ 200,000

Environment First Fund appropriation to the UI for the Geological and Water Survey Program.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024. This appropriation funds the development of programs that provide comprehensive information regarding mineral and water resources in Iowa. This includes educational programs as well as technology transfer programs and an emphasis on new water supply developments and monitoring water quality. The Geological and Water Survey Program provides information to the federal government and State agencies.

18 7 2. WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT  
18 8 For purposes of supporting the Iowa geological survey in  
18 9 measuring, assessing, and evaluating the quantity of water  
18 10 sources in this state and assisting the department of natural  
18 11 resources in regulating water quantity as provided in chapter  
18 12 455B, subchapter III, part 4, pursuant to sections 455B.262B  
18 13 and 456.14:  
18 14 ..... \$ 495,000

Environment First Fund appropriation to the UI for the Water Quantity Program.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024. The Water Quantity Program was established due to an increase in the number of industries that are dependent on large quantities of water for their operations (ethanol plants). The goal of the Program is to provide long-term planning for water use for industrial operations, drinking water, and other water uses.

18 15 Sec. 20. REVERSION.  
18 16 1. a. Except as provided in paragraph “b”, and  
18 17 notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated for the

CODE: Allows the unexpended funds from the EFF appropriations to remain available for expenditure until the close of FY 2026 or until a specific project is completed, whichever is earlier.

18 18 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, in this division of this  
 18 19 Act that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of  
 18 20 the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available  
 18 21 for expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of  
 18 22 the succeeding fiscal year, or until the project for which the  
 18 23 appropriation was made is completed, whichever is earlier.

18 24 b. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated for  
 18 25 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, in this division of  
 18 26 this Act to the department of agriculture and land stewardship  
 18 27 to provide financial assistance for the establishment of  
 18 28 permanent soil and water conservation practices that remain  
 18 29 unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year  
 18 30 shall not revert but shall remain available for expenditure  
 18 31 for the purposes designated until the close of the fiscal year  
 18 32 beginning July 1, 2027.

18 33 2. Subsection 1 does not apply to moneys transferred  
 18 34 pursuant to this division of this Act to the loess hills  
 18 35 development and conservation fund created in section 161D.2,  
 19 1 which shall not revert as provided in that section.

19 2 DIVISION VI  
 19 3 ENVIRONMENT FIRST FUND  
 19 4 SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

19 5 Sec. 21. WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE — DEPARTMENT OF  
 19 6 AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP.

19 7 1. There is appropriated from the environment first fund  
 19 8 created in section 8.57A to the department of agriculture  
 19 9 and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
 19 10 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, the following amount, or so  
 19 11 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
 19 12 designated:

19 13 For deposit in the water quality initiative fund created in  
 19 14 section 466B.45, for purposes of supporting the water quality  
 19 15 initiative administered by the division of soil conservation  
 19 16 and water quality as provided in section 466B.42, including  
 19 17 salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes:  
 19 18 ..... \$ 2,375,000

19 19 2. a. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 shall be

CODE: Allows the unexpended funds from the EFF appropriations for soil and water conservation practices to remain available for expenditure until the close of FY 2028.

Specifies that the Hungry Canyons allocation to the Loess Hills Development and Conservation Fund in the Bill is exempt from reversion.

Environment First Fund appropriation to the DALs for the Water Quality Initiative (WQI).

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding from the EFF compared to estimated net FY 2024.

The [Nutrient Reduction Strategy Report](#) was introduced in November 2012 as a collaborative effort by the DALs, the DNR, and ISU to assess and reduce nutrient flow into Iowa waters. The WQI was created in [SF 435](#) (FY 2014 Agriculture and Natural Resources Appropriations Act) to provide funding for watershed practices in high-priority watersheds as designated by the Water Resources Coordinating Council (WRCC).

Requires the funds appropriated above to be used to support projects

19 20 used to support projects in subwatersheds as designated by the  
 19 21 division that are part of high-priority watersheds identified  
 19 22 by the water resources coordinating council established  
 19 23 pursuant to section 466B.3.

in high-priority watersheds as identified by the WRCC.

19 24 b. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 shall be used to  
 19 25 support projects in watersheds generally, including regional  
 19 26 watersheds, as designated by the division and high-priority  
 19 27 watersheds identified by the water resources coordinating  
 19 28 council established pursuant to section 466B.3.

Requires the funds appropriated above to be used to support projects in watersheds.

19 29 3. In supporting projects in subwatersheds and watersheds  
 19 30 as provided in subsection 2, all of the following apply:

Specifies criteria for projects in high-priority watersheds as follows:

19 31 a. The demonstration projects shall utilize water quality  
 19 32 practices as described in the Iowa nutrient reduction strategy  
 19 33 as defined in section 455B.171.

- Requires demonstration projects to utilize water quality practices described in the Iowa Nutrient Reduction Strategy as defined in Iowa Code section [455B.171](#).
- Requires the DALs to collaborate with agricultural landowners in targeted watersheds.
- Prohibits the State's cost-share amount of water quality protection practices from exceeding 50.00% of the value of the practices, except for edge-of-field practices.
- Requires demonstration projects to educate the public about water quality practices.
- Requires the DALs to conduct water quality evaluations within targeted watersheds and to create a database of water quality practices. Specifies that all information received is to be a confidential record and exempt from public access.

19 34 b. The division shall implement demonstration projects as  
 19 35 provided in paragraph "a" by providing for participation by  
 20 1 persons who hold a legal interest in agricultural land used in  
 20 2 farming. To every extent practical, the division shall provide  
 20 3 for collaborative participation by such persons who hold a  
 20 4 legal interest in agricultural land located within the same  
 20 5 subwatershed.

20 6 c. The division shall implement a demonstration project on  
 20 7 a cost-share basis as determined by the division. However,  
 20 8 except for edge-of-field practices, the state's share of the  
 20 9 amount shall not exceed 50 percent of the estimated cost of  
 20 10 establishing the practice as determined by the division or  
 20 11 50 percent of the actual cost of establishing the practice,  
 20 12 whichever is less.

20 13 d. The demonstration projects shall be used to educate other  
 20 14 persons about the feasibility and value of establishing similar  
 20 15 water quality practices. The division shall promote field day  
 20 16 events for purposes of allowing interested persons to establish  
 20 17 water quality practices on their agricultural land.

20 18 e. The division shall conduct water quality evaluations  
 20 19 within supported subwatersheds. Within a reasonable period  
 20 20 after accumulating information from such evaluations, the  
 20 21 division shall create an aggregated database of water quality  
 20 22 practices. Any information identifying a person holding a  
 20 23 legal interest in agricultural land or specific agricultural  
 20 24 land shall be a confidential record under section 22.7.

<p>20 25 4. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 shall be used  20 26 to support education and outreach in a manner that encourages  20 27 persons who hold a legal interest in agricultural land used for  20 28 farming to implement water quality practices, including the  20 29 establishment of such practices in watersheds generally, and  20 30 not limited to subwatersheds or high-priority watersheds.</p>	<p>Requires the DALs to use funds to support education and outreach to encourage agricultural producers to establish water quality practices.</p>
<p>20 31 5. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 may be used  20 32 to contract with persons to coordinate the implementation of  20 33 efforts provided in this section.</p>	<p>Permits the DALs to use funds for contracts that will assist with the implementation of the WQI.</p>
<p>20 34 6. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 may be used by  20 35 the department to support urban soil and water conservation  21 1 efforts, which may include but are not limited to management  21 2 practices related to bioretention, landscaping, the use of  21 3 permeable or pervious pavement, and soil quality restoration.  21 4 The moneys shall be allocated on a cost-share basis as provided  21 5 in chapter 161A.</p>	<p>Permits the DALs to use funds to support urban soil and water conservation practices and to allocate funds on a cost-share basis.</p>
<p>21 6 7. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the  21 7 contrary, the department may use moneys appropriated in  21 8 subsection 1 to carry out the provisions of this section on a  21 9 cost-share basis in combination with other moneys available to  21 10 the department from a state or federal source.</p>	<p>Permits the DALs to use funds as cost-share moneys for projects.</p>
<p>21 11 8. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated in  21 12 this section may be used to pay for the costs of administering  21 13 and implementing the water quality initiative by the  21 14 department's division of soil conservation and water quality as  21 15 provided in section 466B.42 and this section.</p>	<p>Prohibits the DALs from using more than 10.00% (\$237,500) of the funds appropriated for administration and implementation of WQI practices.</p>
<p>21 16 DIVISION VII  21 17 IOWA RESOURCES ENHANCEMENT AND PROTECTION — OPEN SPACES</p>	
<p>21 18 Sec. 22. REAP — IN LIEU OF GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION. In  21 19 lieu of the standing appropriation in section 455A.18, there is  21 20 appropriated from the environment first fund created in section  21 21 8.57A to the Iowa resources enhancement and protection fund  21 22 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June  21 23 30, 2025, the following amount, to be allocated as provided in  21 24 section 455A.19:</p>	<p>Appropriates \$12,000,000 from the EFF to the Resources Enhancement and Protection (REAP) Fund in lieu of the \$20,000,000 General Fund standing appropriation.</p> <p>DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated net FY 2024.</p>



21 25 ..... \$ 12,000,000

21 26 Sec. 23. REAP — OPEN SPACES ACCOUNT — STATE PARK  
 21 27 MAINTENANCE, OPERATIONS, AND FACILITY REFURBISHMENT.  
 21 28 Notwithstanding section 455A.19, subsection 1, paragraph “a”,  
 21 29 subparagraph (1), of the moneys allocated to the open spaces  
 21 30 account of the Iowa resources enhancement and protection fund,  
 21 31 up to \$1,000,000 may be used by the department of natural  
 21 32 resources for state park maintenance, development, operations,  
 21 33 and facility refurbishment for the fiscal year beginning July  
 21 34 1, 2024, and ending on June 30, 2025.

CODE: Allows the DNR to use up to \$1,000,000 from the Open Spaces Account for State park maintenance, repair, and refurbishment for FY 2025.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated FY 2024.

21 35 DIVISION VIII  
 22 1 SPECIAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS — MARKETING AGRICULTURAL  
 22 2 PRODUCTS — DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP

22 3 PART A  
 22 4 MARKETING PROGRAMS — APPROPRIATION PROVISIONS CONDITIONED ON  
 22 5 FAILURE TO ENACT CERTAIN LEGISLATION

22 6 Sec. 24. VALUE-ADDED AGRICULTURE GRANT PROGRAM, CHOOSE  
 22 7 IOWA PROMOTIONAL PROGRAM, AND DAIRY INNOVATION FUND. There  
 22 8 is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the  
 22 9 department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal  
 22 10 year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, the  
 22 11 following amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
 22 12 used for the purposes designated:

The appropriations in Part A of Division VIII are assumed not to be necessary due to the passage of [HF 2641](#) (Department of Agriculture Programs and Activities Bill) passed by the General Assembly on April 17, 2024, which combined the Value Added Agriculture Grant Program, Choose Iowa Promotional Program, and Dairy Innovation and Revitalization Program appropriations into the Choose Iowa Fund appropriation.

DETAIL: Section 26 of the Bill combines these appropriations into one appropriation of \$1,813,000 to the Choose Iowa Fund.

22 13 1. VALUE-ADDED AGRICULTURE GRANT PROGRAM  
 22 14 a. For the administration and execution of a value-added  
 22 15 agriculture grant program to identify, evaluate, and support  
 22 16 programs and services that add value to agriculture products,  
 22 17 enable new technology, and support marketing strategies:  
 22 18 ..... \$ 463,000

General Fund appropriation to the DALs for the administration of a Value Added Agricultural Grant Program.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated FY 2024. The purpose of the Program is to identify, evaluate, and support programs that add value to agriculture products, enable new technologies, and support marketing strategies.

22 19 b. The department shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A  
 22 20 necessary to implement and administer this subsection.

Requires the DALs to adopt administrative rules to administer the Value Added Agricultural Grant Program.

22 21 c. The department may use not more than 5 percent of the  
 22 22 moneys appropriated in paragraph "a" to pay for the costs of  
 22 23 administering the grant program described in that paragraph.

Prohibits the DALs from using more than 5.00% (\$23,150) of the unencumbered or unobligated moneys in the Value Added Agricultural Grant Program Fund for administration.

22 24 d. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
 22 25 paragraph "a" for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024,  
 22 26 that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the  
 22 27 fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for  
 22 28 expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the  
 22 29 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026.

CODE: Allows unexpended funds from the Value Added Agricultural Grant Program appropriation to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2027.

22 30 2. CHOOSE IOWA PROMOTIONAL PROGRAM  
 22 31 For deposit in the choose Iowa fund established pursuant to  
 22 32 section 159.31:  
 22 33 ..... \$ 600,000

General Fund appropriation to the Choose Iowa Promotional Program.

DETAIL: This is an increase of \$100,000 compared to estimated FY 2024. The funds are for the State branding program to advertise food items that contain agricultural commodities grown in Iowa.

22 34 3. DAIRY INNOVATION FUND  
 22 35 a. For deposit in the dairy innovation fund created in  
 23 1 section 159.31A:  
 23 2 ..... \$ 750,000

General Fund appropriation for the Dairy Innovation Program.

DETAIL: Maintains current funding compared to estimated FY 2024. The Dairy Innovation Program provides financial assistance to businesses related to the dairy industry to help expand or refurbish or establish new milk plants and mobile dairy processing units, rent buildings or equipment, or incorporate methods or technologies that reduce farm labor.

23 3 b. The department may use not more than 5 percent of the  
 23 4 moneys appropriated in paragraph "a" to pay for the costs of  
 23 5 administering the dairy innovation program.

Prohibits the DALs from using more than 5.00% (\$37,500) of the unencumbered or unobligated moneys in the Dairy Innovation Fund for administration.

23 6 c. Notwithstanding section 8.33, and section 159.31A,  
 23 7 subsection 2, paragraph "b", moneys appropriated in paragraph  
 23 8 "a" for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, that remain  
 23 9 unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year  
 23 10 shall not revert but shall remain available for expenditure  
 23 11 for the purposes designated until the close of the fiscal year  
 23 12 beginning July 1, 2026.

CODE: Allows unexpended funds from the Dairy Innovation Fund to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2027.

23 13 Sec. 25. CONTINGENT EFFECTIVE DATE. This part of this

Specifies that Part A of Division VIII is effective July 1, 2024, only if

23 14 division of this Act takes effect July 1, 2024, only if 2024  
23 15 Iowa Acts, House File 2641, is not enacted.

2024 Iowa Acts, [HF 2641](#) (Department of Agriculture Programs and Activities Bill), is not enacted.

DETAIL: House File 2641 (Department of Agriculture Programs and Activities Bill) was passed by the General Assembly on April 17, 2024.

23 16 PART B  
23 17 MARKETING PROGRAMS — APPROPRIATION PROVISIONS CONDITIONED ON  
23 18 ENACTMENT OF CERTAIN LEGISLATION

23 19 Sec. 26. CHOOSE IOWA FUND.

Appropriates \$1,813,000 from the General Fund to the Choose Iowa Fund.

23 20 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
23 21 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the  
23 22 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025,  
23 23 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
23 24 used for the purposes designated:

DETAIL: This is a new appropriation for FY 2025 due to the passage of Iowa Acts, 2024, [HF 2641](#) (Department of Agriculture Programs and Activities Bill), passed by the General Assembly on April 17, 2024. House File 2641 combined the Value Added Agricultural Grant Program, Choose Iowa Promotional Program, and Dairy Innovation and Revitalization Program into the Choose Iowa Fund.

23 25 For deposit in the choose Iowa fund as created in section  
23 26 187.201:  
23 27 ..... \$ 1,813,000

23 28 2. a. (1) Of the amount appropriated in subsection 1,  
23 29 the department shall use \$463,000 to support the value-added  
23 30 agricultural grant program created in section 187.321.

Requires DALS to use \$463,000 from the Choose Iowa Fund for the Value Added Agricultural Grant Program.

DETAIL: Maintains the current level of funding compared to estimated FY 2024. The purpose of the Program is to identify, evaluate, and support programs that add value to agriculture products, enable new technologies, and support marketing strategies.

23 31 (2) Of the amount appropriated in subsection 1, the  
23 32 department shall use \$600,000 to support the choose Iowa  
23 33 promotional program as provided in chapter 187, subchapter III,  
23 34 part 1.

Requires DALS to use \$600,000 from the Choose Iowa Fund for the Choose Iowa Promotional Program.

DETAIL: This is an increase of \$100,000 compared to estimated FY 2024. The funds are for the State branding program to advertise food items that contain agricultural commodities grown in Iowa.

23 35 (3) Of the amount appropriated in subsection 1, the  
24 1 department shall use \$750,000 to support the dairy innovation  
24 2 and revitalization program created in section 187.311.

Requires DALS to use to \$750,000 from the Choose Iowa Fund for the Dairy Innovation and Revitalization Program.

DETAIL: Maintains current funding compared to estimated FY 2024. The Dairy Innovation Program provides financial assistance to businesses related to the dairy industry to help expand or refurbish or

establish new milk plants and mobile dairy processing units, rent buildings or equipment, or incorporate methods or technologies that reduce farm labor.

24 3 b. The department may increase or decrease the amount of  
24 4 moneys used to support a program described in paragraph "a"  
24 5 based on the amount of moneys awarded to persons participating  
24 6 in the program. The department shall publish a notice of the  
24 7 department's action to increase or decrease the amount on the  
24 8 department's internet site where the programs are advertised at  
24 9 least thirty days prior to the day that the department takes  
24 10 such action.

Allows the DALs to increase or decrease the amount of moneys used to support a program based on the amount of moneys awarded to persons participating in the program and requires the DALs to publish a notice of any increase or decrease 30 days prior to the change.

24 11 Sec. 27. CONTINGENT EFFECTIVE DATE. This part of this  
24 12 division of this Act takes effect July 1, 2024, only if 2024  
24 13 Iowa Acts, House File 2641, is enacted.

Specifies that Part B of Division VIII is effective July 1, 2024, only if 2024 Iowa Acts, [HF 2641](#) (Department of Agriculture Programs and Activities Bill), is enacted.

DETAIL: House File 2641 was passed by the General Assembly on April 17, 2024.

24 14 DIVISION IX  
24 15 BUTCHERY INNOVATION AND REVITALIZATION FUND AND PROGRAM

24 16 Sec. 28. APPROPRIATION TO SUPPORT THE PROGRAM.

General Fund appropriation to the DALs for the Butchery Innovation and Revitalization Fund and Program.

24 17 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state  
24 18 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the  
24 19 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025,  
24 20 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
24 21 used for the purposes designated:

DETAIL: This is a new appropriation of \$249,695 for FY 2025. The Butchery Innovation and Revitalization Program awards financial assistance to eligible meat processing businesses, licensed custom lockers, and mobile slaughter units.

24 22 For the establishment and administration of a new butchery  
24 23 innovation and revitalization program to award financial  
24 24 assistance to eligible businesses for projects based on  
24 25 criteria described in section 15E.370:  
24 26 ..... \$ 249,695

24 27 2. The department shall adopt rules under chapter 17A as it  
24 28 deems necessary or desirable to establish and administer the  
24 29 program described in subsection 1.

Requires the DALs to adopt administrative rules as it deems necessary or desirable to establish and administer the Program.

24 30 3. The department may use not more than 5 percent of the

Prohibits the DALs from using more than 5.00% (\$12,485) of the

24 31 moneys appropriated in subsection 1 to pay for the costs of  
24 32 administering the program described in subsection 1.

funds appropriated for administration of the Program.

24 33 4. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
24 34 subsection 1 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024,  
24 35 that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the  
25 1 fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for  
25 2 expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the  
25 3 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026.

CODE: Allows unexpended funds from the Butchery Innovation and Revitalization Program appropriation to carry forward for expenditure in FY 2027.

25 4 DIVISION X  
25 5 BLUFFLANDS PROTECTION REVOLVING FUND

25 6 PART A  
25 7 APPROPRIATIONS

25 8 Sec. 29. APPROPRIATION TO SUPPORT IOWA GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

25 9 1. Notwithstanding sections 161A.80A and 161A.80B, there  
25 10 is appropriated from the blufflands protection revolving fund  
25 11 created in section 161A.80A to the state university of Iowa for  
25 12 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30,  
25 13 2025, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary,  
25 14 to be used for the purposes designated:

CODE: Appropriation from the Blufflands Protection Revolving Fund to the UI to support groundwater planning and resource assessment.

DETAIL: This is a new appropriation of \$250,000 for FY 2025.

25 15 For purposes of supporting a groundwater planning and  
25 16 resource assessment project to be administered by the Iowa  
25 17 geological survey of the state as created pursuant to section  
25 18 456.1:  
25 19 ..... \$ 250,000

25 20 2. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 shall be used  
25 21 by the Iowa geological survey to map and assess the condition  
25 22 of this state's aquifers. The Iowa geological survey may  
25 23 measure the volume of groundwater that is available for various  
25 24 uses, the current and predicted allocations of groundwater to  
25 25 support those uses, the recharge rate for the aquifers, and  
25 26 the development of models for budgeting this state's water  
25 27 resources.

Specifies the appropriation will be used by the Iowa Geological Survey to map and assess the condition of the State's aquifers to measure the volume of groundwater available for various uses, allocations of groundwater to support those uses, the recharge rate of aquifers, and the development of models for budgeting the State's water resources.

25 28 3. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys transferred in  
25 29 subsection 1 shall not revert to any fund but shall remain  
25 30 available for the purposes designated in subsection 1.

CODE: Allows the unexpended funds from the Iowa Geological Survey appropriation to carry forward for expenditure.

25 31 Sec. 30. APPROPRIATION TO SUPPORT CHOOSE IOWA FOOD  
25 32 PURCHASING PILOT PROJECT.

25 33 1. Notwithstanding sections 161A.80A and 161A.80B, there  
25 34 is appropriated from the blufflands protection revolving fund  
25 35 created in section 161A.80A to the department of agriculture  
26 1 and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
26 2 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, the following amount, or so  
26 3 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
26 4 designated:

26 5 For purposes of supporting the choose iowa food purchasing  
26 6 pilot project for schools and school districts or food banks  
26 7 and iowa emergency feeding organizations as provided in this  
26 8 Act:  
26 9 ..... \$ 100,000

26 10 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
26 11 subsection 1 shall not revert to any fund but shall remain  
26 12 available for the purposes designated in subsection 1.

26 13 Sec. 31. APPROPRIATION TO SUPPORT STATE PARK AND RECREATION  
26 14 AREAS ACCESSIBILITY.

26 15 1. Notwithstanding sections 161A.80A and 161A.80B, after  
26 16 moneys have been appropriated to support purposes described  
26 17 in this part of this division of this Act, any unobligated or  
26 18 unencumbered moneys remaining in the blufflands protection  
26 19 revolving fund created in section 161A.80A are appropriated to  
26 20 the department of natural resources for purposes of increasing  
26 21 accessibility for persons with disabilities when visiting state  
26 22 parks and recreation areas.

26 23 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
26 24 subsection 1 shall not revert to any fund but shall remain  
26 25 available for the purposes designated in subsection 1.

26 26 3. After moneys have been appropriated to support purposes  
26 27 described in this part of this division of this Act, the  
26 28 blufflands protection program created in section 161A.80A is  
26 29 suspended and moneys shall not be expended from the blufflands  
26 30 protection revolving fund other than to wind down existing  
26 31 obligations and comply with section 161A.80B.

CODE: Appropriation from the Blufflands Protection Revolving Fund to the DALs to support the Choose Iowa Food Purchasing Pilot Project.

DETAIL: This is a new appropriation of \$100,000 for FY 2025. The appropriation will be used to further support the Choose Iowa Food Purchasing Pilot Project established in Section 5 of the Bill.

CODE: Allows the unexpended funds from the Choose Iowa Food Purchasing Pilot Project appropriation to carry forward for expenditure.

CODE: Requires the remaining balance of the Blufflands Protection Revolving Fund to be transferred to the General Fund and appropriated to the DNR for the purpose of increasing accessibility for persons with disabilities when visiting State Parks and recreation areas.

DETAIL: Appropriates at least \$296,228 from the Blufflands Protection Revolving Fund to the DNR.

CODE: Allows the unexpended funds from the State Parks Accessibility appropriation to carry forward for expenditure.

Suspends the Blufflands Protection Program and requires any remaining moneys in the Blufflands Protection Revolving Fund to be used only to wind down existing obligations and comply with Iowa Code section [161A.80B](#).

26 32 PART B  
26 33 CODIFIED PROVISIONS

26 34 Sec. 32. Section 161A.80A, subsection 2, Code 2024, is  
26 35 amended to read as follows:

27 1 2. A blufflands protection revolving fund is created in  
27 2 the state treasury. All proceeds shall be divided into two  
27 3 equal accounts. One account shall be used for the purchase  
27 4 of blufflands along the Mississippi river and its tributaries  
27 5 and the other account shall be used for the purchase of  
27 6 blufflands along the Missouri river and its tributaries. The  
27 7 proceeds of the revolving fund are appropriated to make loans  
27 8 to conservation organizations ~~which~~ that agree to purchase  
27 9 bluffland properties adjacent to state public lands. The  
27 10 department of agriculture and land stewardship, in conjunction  
27 11 with the department of natural resources, shall adopt rules  
27 12 pursuant to chapter 17A to administer the disbursement of  
27 13 funds. Notwithstanding section 12C.7, interest or earnings on  
27 14 investments made pursuant to this section or as provided in  
27 15 section 12B.10 shall be credited to the blufflands protection  
27 16 revolving fund. Notwithstanding section 8.33, unobligated  
27 17 or unencumbered funds credited to the blufflands protection  
27 18 revolving fund shall not revert at the close of a fiscal year.  
27 19 ~~However, the maximum balance in the blufflands protection~~  
27 20 ~~revolving fund shall not exceed two million five hundred~~  
27 21 ~~thousand dollars. Any funds in excess of two million five~~  
27 22 ~~hundred thousand dollars shall be credited to the rebuild Iowa~~  
27 23 ~~infrastructure fund. No loan shall be made under this section~~  
27 24 ~~on or after July 1, 2025.~~

27 25 Sec. 33. Section 161A.80B, subsection 1, Code 2024, is  
27 26 amended to read as follows:

27 27 1. The principal and interest from any loan made pursuant to  
27 28 section 161A.80A, ~~as enacted in 2015 Iowa Acts, ch 132, §45,~~  
27 29 ~~remaining outstanding on July 1, 2025, that would have been~~  
27 30 ~~payable to the blufflands protection revolving fund created~~  
27 31 ~~in section 161A.80A, that is due shall instead be paid to the~~  
27 32 ~~division on or after July 1, 2025, pursuant to the terms of~~  
27 33 ~~the loan agreement. The moneys paid to the division shall be~~  
27 34 ~~credited to the rebuild Iowa infrastructure fund created in~~  
27 35 ~~section 8.57~~ are appropriated to the department of natural

CODE: Repeals the maximum balance of the Blufflands Protection Revolving Fund, the requirement that funds exceeding the maximum balance be credited to the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund (RIIF), and the provision that no loan can be made on or after July 1, 2025.

CODE: Repeals the requirement of any principal or interest from an outstanding loan from the Blufflands Protection Revolving Fund on July 1, 2025, be credited to the RIIF.

Specifies that any moneys paid be appropriated to the DNR are to be used to support projects increasing the accessibility of persons with disabilities when visiting State parks and recreation areas.

28 1 resources for purposes of supporting projects increasing the  
28 2 accessibility of persons with disabilities when visiting state  
28 3 parks and recreation areas.

28 4 DIVISION XI  
28 5 MISCELLANEOUS CODE PROVISIONS

28 6 Sec. 34. Section 458A.2, subsection 7, Code 2024, is amended  
28 7 to read as follows:

28 8 7. "Gas" means and includes all ~~natural gas and all other~~  
28 9 naturally occurring gasses or fluid hydrocarbons which that  
28 10 are produced at the wellhead and not defined in this section  
28 11 as oil.

28 12 Sec. 35. Section 458A.4, subsection 1, paragraph e, Code  
28 13 2024, is amended to read as follows:

28 14 e. That the production from wells be separated into ~~gaseous~~  
28 15 ~~and liquid hydrocarbons~~ gasses and liquids, and that each be  
28 16 accurately measured by the means and upon standards prescribed  
28 17 by the department;

28 18 Sec. 36. Section 458A.4, subsection 6, Code 2024, is amended  
28 19 to read as follows:

28 20 6. To make rules or orders for the classification of wells  
28 21 as oil wells or ~~dry natural~~ gas wells; or wells drilled, or  
28 22 to be drilled, for geological information, or as wells for  
28 23 secondary recovery projects, or wells for the disposal of  
28 24 highly mineralized water, brine, or other oil field wastes, or  
28 25 wells for the storage of dry natural gas, or casinghead gas,  
28 26 or wells for the development of reservoirs for the storage of  
28 27 liquid petroleum gas and for the exploration and production of  
28 28 metallic mineral resources.

CODE: Makes changes to Iowa Code chapter [458A](#) (Oil, Gas, and Other Minerals).



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## General Fund

	Actual FY 2023 (1)	Estimated FY 2024 (2)	Gov Rec FY 2025 (3)	Final Action FY 2025 (4)	Final Action vs Est FY 2024 (5)	Page and Line # (6)
<b><u>Agriculture and Land Stewardship, Dept of</u></b>						
<b>Agriculture and Land Stewardship</b>						
Administrative Division	\$ 18,960,194	\$ 19,210,194	\$ 19,682,310	\$ 20,162,310	\$ 952,116	PG 1 LN 4
Milk Inspections	189,196	189,196	189,196	189,196	0	PG 2 LN 21
Local Food and Farm	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	0	PG 2 LN 31
Agricultural Education	25,000	75,000	75,000	150,000	75,000	PG 3 LN 10
Foreign Animal Disease	750,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,050,000	50,000	PG 3 LN 20
Foreign Animal Disease Capitals	0	250,000	250,000	250,000	0	PG 3 LN 26
Foreign Animal Disease Vaccine Development	0	250,000	250,000	0	-250,000	
Farmers with Disabilities	180,000	230,000	230,000	230,000	0	PG 3 LN 32
Loess Hills Development and Conservation Fund	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	0	PG 4 LN 20
Southern Iowa Development and Conservation Fund	250,000	150,000	150,000	200,000	50,000	PG 5 LN 1
Grain Regulation	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	0	PG 5 LN 8
Choose Iowa Food Purchasing Pilot	0	0	0	200,000	200,000	PG 5 LN 16
*Value Added Agriculture Grant Program	463,000	463,000	463,000	0	-463,000	PG 22 LN 13
*Choose Iowa Promotion Program	500,000	500,000	600,000	0	-500,000	PG 22 LN 30
*Dairy Innovation Program	0	750,000	750,000	0	-750,000	PG 22 LN 34
Choose Iowa Fund	0	0	0	1,813,000	1,813,000	PG 23 LN 19
Butchery Innovation and Revitalization	0	0	0	249,695	249,695	PG 24 LN 16
<b>Total Agriculture and Land Stewardship, Dept of</b>	<b>\$ 22,142,390</b>	<b>\$ 23,892,390</b>	<b>\$ 24,464,506</b>	<b>\$ 25,319,201</b>	<b>\$ 1,426,811</b>	
<b><u>Natural Resources, Department of</u></b>						
<b>Natural Resources</b>						
Natural Resources Operations	\$ 12,093,061	\$ 11,922,293	\$ 12,479,695	\$ 12,500,000	\$ 577,707	PG 7 LN 13
Floodplain Management Program	1,510,000	1,510,000	1,510,000	1,510,000	0	PG 10 LN 1
Forestry Health Management	500,000	500,000	500,000	525,000	25,000	PG 10 LN 15
State Park Operations	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	0	PG 10 LN 24
<b>Total Natural Resources, Department of</b>	<b>\$ 15,103,061</b>	<b>\$ 14,932,293</b>	<b>\$ 15,489,695</b>	<b>\$ 15,535,000</b>	<b>\$ 602,707</b>	
<b><u>Regents, Board of</u></b>						
<b>Regents, Board of</b>						
ISU - Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory	\$ 4,400,000	\$ 4,400,000	\$ 4,400,000	\$ 4,500,000	\$ 100,000	PG 10 LN 31
ISU - Private Forest Management	0	0	0	150,000	150,000	PG 11 LN 22
ISU - Livestock Disease Research	170,390	191,390	191,390	291,390	100,000	PG 12 LN 3
UI - Iowa Center for Ag Safety & Health (I-CASH)	128,154	128,154	128,154	128,154	0	PG 12 LN 33
<b>Total Regents, Board of</b>	<b>\$ 4,698,544</b>	<b>\$ 4,719,544</b>	<b>\$ 4,719,544</b>	<b>\$ 5,069,544</b>	<b>\$ 350,000</b>	
<b>Total Agriculture and Natural Resources</b>	<b>\$ 41,943,995</b>	<b>\$ 43,544,227</b>	<b>\$ 44,673,745</b>	<b>\$ 45,923,745</b>	<b>\$ 2,379,518</b>	

\*These appropriations have been combined into a single line item for the Choose Iowa Fund totaling \$1,813,000, due to the passage of House File 2641 (Department of Agriculture Programs and Activities Bill) on April 17, 2024.

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## Other Funds

	Actual FY 2023 <u>(1)</u>	Estimated Net FY 2024 <u>(2)</u>	Gov Rec FY 2025 <u>(3)</u>	Final Action FY 2025 <u>(4)</u>	Final Action vs Est Net FY 2024 <u>(5)</u>	Page and Line # <u>(6)</u>
<b><u>Agriculture and Land Stewardship, Dept of</u></b>						
<b>Agriculture and Land Stewardship</b>						
Native Horse & Dog Prog - Unclaimed Winnings	\$ 305,516	\$ 305,516	\$ 305,516	\$ 305,516	\$ 0	PG 1 LN 27
Motor Fuel Inspection - RFIF	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	0	PG 2 LN 4
Conservation Reserve Enhancement - EFF	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	0	PG 14 LN 11
Watershed Protection Fund - EFF	900,000	900,000	900,000	900,000	0	PG 14 LN 27
Conservation Reserve Prog - EFF	900,000	900,000	900,000	900,000	0	PG 14 LN 35
Cost Share - EFF	8,325,000	8,325,000	8,325,000	8,325,000	0	PG 15 LN 9
Soil & Water Conservation - EFF	3,800,000	3,800,000	3,800,000	3,800,000	0	PG 16 LN 20
Water Quality Initiative - EFF	2,375,000	2,375,000	2,375,000	2,375,000	0	PG 19 LN 5
Choose Iowa Food Pilot - Blufflands	0	0	0	100,000	100,000	PG 25 LN 31
<b>Total Agriculture and Land Stewardship, Dept of</b>	<b>\$ 18,105,516</b>	<b>\$ 18,105,516</b>	<b>\$ 18,105,516</b>	<b>\$ 18,205,516</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>	
<b><u>Natural Resources, Department of</u></b>						
<b>Natural Resources</b>						
Fish & Game - DNR Admin Expenses	\$ 48,397,337	\$ 49,752,093	\$ 49,752,093	\$ 49,752,093	\$ 0	PG 8 LN 3
GWF - Storage Tanks Study	100,303	100,303	100,303	100,303	0	
GWF - Household Hazardous Waste	447,324	447,324	447,324	447,324	0	
GWF - Well Testing Admin 2%	62,461	62,461	62,461	62,461	0	
GWF - Groundwater Monitoring	1,686,751	1,686,751	1,686,751	1,686,751	0	
GWF - Landfill Alternatives	618,993	618,993	618,993	618,993	0	
GWF - Waste Reduction and Assistance	192,500	192,500	192,500	192,500	0	
GWF - Solid Waste Alternatives	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	0	
GWF - Geographic Information System	297,518	297,518	297,518	297,518	0	
Snowmobile Registration Fees	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	0	PG 9 LN 9
Administration Match - UST	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	0	PG 9 LN 18
Park Operations & Maintenance - EFF	6,235,000	6,235,000	6,235,000	6,235,000	0	PG 16 LN 33
GIS Information for Watershed - EFF	195,000	195,000	195,000	195,000	0	PG 17 LN 2
Water Quality Monitoring - EFF	2,955,000	2,955,000	2,955,000	2,955,000	0	PG 17 LN 7
Water Quality Protection - EFF	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	0	PG 17 LN 11
Animal Feeding Operations - EFF	1,320,000	1,320,000	1,320,000	1,320,000	0	PG 17 LN 15
Floodplain Mgmt and Dam Safety - EFF	375,000	375,000	375,000	375,000	0	PG 17 LN 19
Ambient Air Quality Monitoring - EFF	425,000	425,000	425,000	425,000	0	PG 17 LN 22
REAP - EFF	12,000,000	12,000,000	12,000,000	12,000,000	0	PG 21 LN 18
State Park Accessibility - Blufflands	0	0	0	296,228	296,228	PG 26 LN 13
<b>Total Natural Resources, Department of</b>	<b>\$ 76,158,187</b>	<b>\$ 77,512,943</b>	<b>\$ 77,512,943</b>	<b>\$ 77,809,171</b>	<b>\$ 296,228</b>	

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<b><u>Regents, Board of</u></b>						
<b>Regents, Board of</b>						
ISU - Vet Diagnostic Lab - Iowa Nutrient Research Fund	\$ 0	\$ 120,000	\$ 120,000	\$ 120,000	\$ 0	PG 12 LN 17
UI - Geological and Water Survey Oper. - EFF	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	0	PG 17 LN 34
UI - Water Resource Management - EFF	495,000	495,000	495,000	495,000	0	PG 18 LN 7
UI - Iowa Geological Survey - Blufflands	0	0	0	250,000	250,000	PG 25 LN 8
<b>Total Regents, Board of</b>	<b>\$ 695,000</b>	<b>\$ 815,000</b>	<b>\$ 815,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,065,000</b>	<b>\$ 250,000</b>	
<b>Total Agriculture and Natural Resources</b>	<b>\$ 94,958,703</b>	<b>\$ 96,433,459</b>	<b>\$ 96,433,459</b>	<b>\$ 97,079,687</b>	<b>\$ 646,228</b>	

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	Actual FY 2023 (1)	Estimated FY 2024 (2)	Gov Rec FY 2025 (3)	Final Action FY 2025 (4)	Final Action vs Est FY 2024 (5)	Page and Line # (6)
<b><u>Agriculture and Land Stewardship, Dept of</u></b>						
<b>Agriculture and Land Stewardship</b>						
Administrative Division	307.49	338.25	338.25	420.00	81.75	PG 1 LN 4
<b>Total Agriculture and Land Stewardship, Dept of</b>	<b>307.49</b>	<b>338.25</b>	<b>338.25</b>	<b>420.00</b>	<b>81.75</b>	
<b><u>Natural Resources, Department of</u></b>						
<b>Natural Resources</b>						
Natural Resources Operations	939.40	1,025.70	1,025.70	1,145.95	120.25	PG 7 LN 13
<b>Total Natural Resources, Department of</b>	<b>939.40</b>	<b>1,025.70</b>	<b>1,025.70</b>	<b>1,145.95</b>	<b>120.25</b>	
<b><u>Regents, Board of</u></b>						
<b>Regents, Board of</b>						
ISU - Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory	51.00	50.00	50.00	51.00	1.00	PG 10 LN 31
ISU - Private Forest Management	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	PG 11 LN 22
<b>Total Regents, Board of</b>	<b>51.00</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>52.00</b>	<b>2.00</b>	
<b>Total Agriculture and Natural Resources</b>	<b>1,297.89</b>	<b>1,413.95</b>	<b>1,413.95</b>	<b>1,617.95</b>	<b>204.00</b>	