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APPROPRIATIONS BILL BY
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to and making appropriations involving state
2 government entities involved with agriculture, natural
3 resources, and environmental protection.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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DIVISION I
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP
GENERAL APPROPRIATION FOR FY 2015-2016

Section 1. GENERAL FUND — DEPARTMENT.

1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

For purposes of supporting the department, including its divisions, for administration, regulation, and programs; for salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes; and for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:
..... \$ 17,655,492
..... FTEs 372.00

2. Of the amount appropriated in subsection 1, the following amount is transferred to Iowa state university of science and technology, to be used for the university's midwest grape and wine industry institute:

..... \$ 288,000

3. The department shall submit a report each quarter of the fiscal year to the legislative services agency, the department of management, the members of the joint appropriations subcommittee on agriculture and natural resources, and the chairpersons and ranking members of the senate and house committees on appropriations. The report shall describe in detail the expenditure of moneys appropriated in this section to support the department's administration, regulation, and programs.

DESIGNATED APPROPRIATIONS
MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS

Sec. 2. UNCLAIMED PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING WINNINGS — HORSE AND DOG RACING. There is appropriated from the moneys available under section 99D.13 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1,

1 2015, and ending June 30, 2016, the following amount, or so
2 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes
3 designated:

4 For purposes of supporting the department's administration
5 and enforcement of horse and dog racing law pursuant to section
6 99D.22, including for salaries, support, maintenance, and
7 miscellaneous purposes:

8 \$ 305,516

9 Sec. 3. RENEWABLE FUEL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND — MOTOR FUEL
10 INSPECTION.

11 1. There is appropriated from the renewable fuel
12 infrastructure fund created in section 159A.16 to the
13 department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal
14 year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016, the
15 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
16 used for the purposes designated:

17 For purposes of the inspection of motor fuel, including
18 salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes:

19 \$ 500,000

20 2. The department shall establish and administer programs
21 for the auditing of motor fuel including biofuel processing
22 and production plants, for screening and testing motor fuel,
23 including renewable fuel, and for the inspection of motor fuel
24 sold by dealers including retail dealers who sell and dispense
25 motor fuel from motor fuel pumps.

26 SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

27 GENERAL FUND

28 Sec. 4. DAIRY REGULATION.

29 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
30 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the
31 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016,
32 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
33 used for the purposes designated:

34 For purposes of performing functions pursuant to section
35 192.109, including conducting a survey of grade "A" milk and

1 certifying the results to the secretary of agriculture:
2 \$ 189,196

3 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in
4 this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the
5 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain
6 available to be used for the purposes designated until the
7 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

8 Sec. 5. LOCAL FOOD AND FARM PROGRAM.

9 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
10 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the
11 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016,
12 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
13 used for the purposes designated:

14 For purposes of supporting the local food and farm program
15 pursuant to chapter 267A:
16 \$ 75,000

17 2. The department shall enter into a cost-sharing agreement
18 with Iowa state university of science and technology to support
19 the local food and farm program coordinator position as part of
20 the university's cooperative extension service in agriculture
21 and home economics pursuant to chapter 267A.

22 3. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in
23 this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the
24 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain
25 available to be used for the purposes designated until the
26 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

27 Sec. 6. AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION.

28 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
29 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the
30 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016,
31 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
32 used for the purposes designated:

33 For purposes of allocating moneys to an Iowa association
34 affiliated with a national organization which promotes
35 agricultural education providing for future farmers:

1 \$ 25,000

2 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated for
3 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, in this section that
4 remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal
5 year shall not revert but shall remain available to be used
6 for the purposes designated until the close of the succeeding
7 fiscal year.

8 Sec. 7. FARMERS WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAM.

9 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
10 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the
11 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016,
12 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
13 used for the purposes designated:

14 For purposes of supporting a program for farmers with
15 disabilities:

16 \$ 130,000

17 2. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 shall be used for
18 the public purpose of providing a grant to a national nonprofit
19 organization with over 80 years of experience in assisting
20 children and adults with disabilities and special needs. The
21 moneys shall be used to support a nationally recognized program
22 that began in 1986 and has been replicated in at least 30 other
23 states, but which is not available through any other entity
24 in this state, and that provides assistance to farmers with
25 disabilities in all 99 counties to allow the farmers to remain
26 in their own homes and be gainfully engaged in farming through
27 provision of agricultural worksite and home modification
28 consultations, peer support services, services to families,
29 information and referral, and equipment loan services.

30 3. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in
31 this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the
32 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain
33 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the
34 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

35 DIVISION II

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GENERAL FUND
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP
WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE
APPROPRIATIONS FOR FY 2015-2016

Sec. 8. WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE — GENERAL.

1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

For deposit in the water quality initiative fund created in section 466B.45, for purposes of supporting the water quality initiative administered by the soil conservation division as provided in section 466B.42, including salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes, and for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:

.....	\$	4,400,000
.....	FTEs	2.00

2. a. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 shall be used to support projects in subwatersheds as designated by the division that are part of high-priority watersheds identified by the water resources coordinating council established pursuant to section 466B.3.

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

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

a. The demonstration projects shall utilize water quality practices as described in the latest revision of the document entitled "Iowa Nutrient Reduction Strategy" initially presented in November 2012 by the department of agriculture and land stewardship, the department of natural resources, and Iowa

1 state university of science and technology.

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

9 c. The division shall implement a demonstration project on
10 a cost-share basis as determined by the division. However, the
11 state's share of the amount shall not exceed 50 percent of the
12 estimated cost of establishing the practice as determined by
13 the division or 50 percent of the actual cost of establishing
14 the practice, whichever is less.

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

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

27 4. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 shall be used
28 to support education and outreach in a manner that encourages
29 persons who hold a legal interest in agricultural land used for
30 farming to implement water quality practices, including the
31 establishment of such practices in watersheds generally, and
32 not limited to subwatersheds or high-priority watersheds.

33 5. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 may be used
34 to contract with persons to coordinate the implementation of
35 efforts provided in this section.

1 6. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 may be used by
2 the department to support urban soil and water conservation
3 efforts, which may include but are not limited to management
4 practices related to bioretention, landscaping, the use of
5 permeable or pervious pavement, and soil quality restoration.
6 The moneys shall be allocated on a cost-share basis as provided
7 in chapter 161A.

8 7. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
9 contrary, the department may use moneys appropriated in
10 subsection 1 to carry out the provisions of this section on a
11 cost-share basis in combination with other moneys available to
12 the department from a state or federal source.

13 Sec. 9. WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE APPROPRIATIONS — FEDERAL
14 MONEYS. The department of agriculture and land stewardship,
15 and its soil conservation division, may use moneys appropriated
16 in this division of this Act to support the water quality
17 initiative, including its projects, as provided in this
18 division of this Act, in combination with other moneys provided
19 by the United States government.

20 DIVISION III

21 DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

22 GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR FY 2015-2016

23 Sec. 10. GENERAL FUND — DEPARTMENT.

24 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
25 to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year
26 beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016, the following
27 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the
28 purposes designated:

29 For purposes of supporting the department, including its
30 divisions, for administration, regulation, and programs; for
31 salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes; and
32 for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:
33 \$ 12,862,307
34 FTEs 1,145.95

35 2. Of the number of full-time equivalent positions

1 authorized to the department pursuant to subsection 1, 50.00
2 full-time equivalent positions shall be allocated by the
3 department for seasonal employees for purposes of providing
4 maintenance, upkeep, and sanitary services at state parks.
5 This subsection shall not impact park ranger positions within
6 the department.

7 3. The department shall submit a report each quarter of the
8 fiscal year to the legislative services agency, the department
9 of management, the members of the joint appropriations
10 subcommittee on agriculture and natural resources, and the
11 chairpersons and ranking members of the senate and house
12 committees on appropriations. The report shall describe in
13 detail the expenditure of moneys appropriated under this
14 section to support the department's administration, regulation,
15 and programs.

16 Sec. 11. STATE FISH AND GAME PROTECTION FUND — REGULATION
17 AND ADVANCEMENT OF OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES.

18 1. There is appropriated from the state fish and game
19 protection fund to the department of natural resources for the
20 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016,
21 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
22 used for the purposes designated:

23 For purposes of supporting the regulation or advancement of
24 hunting, fishing, or trapping, or the protection, propagation,
25 restoration, management, or harvest of fish or wildlife,
26 including for administration, regulation, law enforcement, and
27 programs; and for salaries, support, maintenance, equipment,
28 and miscellaneous purposes:

29 \$ 41,223,225

30 2. Notwithstanding section 455A.10, the department may use
31 the unappropriated balance remaining in the state fish and game
32 protection fund to provide for the funding of health and life
33 insurance premium payments from unused sick leave balances of
34 conservation peace officers employed in a protection occupation
35 who retire, pursuant to section 97B.49B.

1 3. Notwithstanding section 455A.10, the department of
2 natural resources may use the unappropriated balance remaining
3 in the state fish and game protection fund for the fiscal
4 year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016, as is
5 necessary to fund salary adjustments for departmental employees
6 for which the general assembly has made an operating budget
7 appropriation in subsection 1.

8 Sec. 12. GROUNDWATER PROTECTION FUND — WATER
9 QUALITY. There is appropriated from the groundwater protection
10 fund created in section 455E.11 to the department of natural
11 resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015,
12 and ending June 30, 2016, from those moneys which are not
13 allocated pursuant to that section, the following amount, or
14 so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes
15 designated:

16 For purposes of supporting the department's protection
17 of the state's groundwater, including for administration,
18 regulation, and programs, and for salaries, support,
19 maintenance, equipment, and miscellaneous purposes:
20 \$ 3,455,832

21 DESIGNATED APPROPRIATIONS

22 MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS

23 Sec. 13. SPECIAL SNOWMOBILE FUND — SNOWMOBILE
24 PROGRAM. There is appropriated from the special snowmobile
25 fund created under section 321G.7 to the department of natural
26 resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and
27 ending June 30, 2016, the following amount, or so much thereof
28 as is necessary, to be used for the purpose designated:

29 For purposes of administering and enforcing the state
30 snowmobile programs:
31 \$ 100,000

32 Sec. 14. UNASSIGNED REVENUE FUND — UNDERGROUND STORAGE
33 TANKS SECTION EXPENSES. There is appropriated from the
34 unassigned revenue fund administered by the Iowa comprehensive
35 petroleum underground storage tank fund board established

1 pursuant to section 455G.4 to the department of natural
2 resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and
3 ending June 30, 2016, the following amount, or so much thereof
4 as is necessary, to be used for the purpose designated:

5 For purposes of paying for administration expenses of the
6 department's underground storage tanks section:

7 \$ 200,000

8 SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

9 GENERAL FUND

10 Sec. 15. FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AND DAM SAFETY.

11 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
12 to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year
13 beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016, the following
14 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the
15 purpose designated:

16 For purposes of supporting floodplain management and dam
17 safety:

18 \$ 2,000,000

19 2. Of the amount appropriated in subsection 1, up to
20 \$400,000 may be used by the department to acquire or install
21 stream gages for purposes of tracking and predicting flood
22 events and for compiling necessary data to improve flood
23 frequency analysis.

24 3. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in
25 subsection 1 that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the
26 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain
27 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the
28 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

29 Sec. 16. FORESTRY HEALTH MANAGEMENT.

30 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
31 to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year
32 beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016, the following
33 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the
34 purposes designated:

35 For purposes of providing for forestry health management

1 programs:

2 \$ 450,000

3 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in
4 this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the
5 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain
6 available to be used for the purposes designated until the
7 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

8 DIVISION IV

9 IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

10 SPECIAL GENERAL FUND AND GROUNDWATER PROTECTION FUND

11 APPROPRIATIONS FOR FY 2015-2016

12 VETERINARY DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY

13 Sec. 17. VETERINARY DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY.

14 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
15 to Iowa state university of science and technology for the
16 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016,
17 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
18 used for the purposes designated:

19 For purposes of supporting the college of veterinary
20 medicine for the operation of the veterinary diagnostic
21 laboratory and for not more than the following full-time
22 equivalent positions:

23 \$ 4,000,000

24 FTEs 51.00

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

29 b. Paragraph "a" does not apply to a reduction made to
30 support the college of veterinary medicine, if the same
31 percentage of reduction imposed on the college of veterinary
32 medicine is also imposed on all of Iowa state university of
33 science and technology's budget units.

34 3. If by June 30, 2016, Iowa state university of science and
35 technology fails to allocate the moneys appropriated in this

1 section to the college of veterinary medicine in accordance
2 with this section, the moneys appropriated in this section for
3 that fiscal year shall revert to the general fund of the state.

4 WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE

5 Sec. 18. IOWA NUTRIENT RESEARCH CENTER.

6 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
7 to Iowa state university of science and technology for the
8 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016,
9 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
10 used for the purposes designated:

11 For purposes of supporting an Iowa nutrient research center
12 as established in section 466B.47:

13 \$ 1,325,000

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

19 Sec. 19. DATA COLLECTION OF IN-FIELD AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES
20 — THREE-YEAR PILOT PROJECT.

21 1. Notwithstanding section 455E.11, subsection 2,
22 paragraph b, subparagraph (3), subparagraph division (b),
23 of the unobligated and unencumbered moneys remaining in the
24 agriculture management account of the groundwater protection
25 fund that would otherwise be required to be transferred to
26 the Iowa department of public health under that subparagraph
27 division, there is appropriated to Iowa state university of
28 science and technology for the fiscal year beginning July 1,
29 2015, and ending June 30, 2016, the following amount, or so
30 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes
31 designated:

32 a. For use by the university's college of agriculture and
33 life sciences for purposes of supporting a three-year data
34 collection of in-field practices project:

35 \$ 1,230,000

1 b. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in
2 paragraph "a" that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the
3 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain
4 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the
5 close of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017.

6 2. The three-year project shall be used to do all of the
7 following:

8 a. Enhance this state's ability to track its progress in
9 reducing the transport of nutrients to water from nonpoint
10 sources within watersheds in accordance with the latest
11 revision of the document entitled "Iowa Nutrient Reduction
12 Strategy" initially presented in November 2012 by the
13 department of agriculture and land stewardship, the department
14 of natural resources, and Iowa state university of science and
15 technology.

16 b. Develop a database of in-field agricultural practices
17 and analyze the impact of those practices in the aggregate.
18 An agricultural practice includes but is not limited to soil
19 and water conservation practices, structures, technologies,
20 and agricultural inputs and outputs. The college may also
21 provide for the measurement of other impacts associated with
22 agricultural production. The finding of the pilot project
23 shall be used to develop a system to be implemented within a
24 broader range of watersheds that measures existing agricultural
25 practices and the impact of different nutrient management
26 decisions.

27 3. The college shall enter into a private-public
28 partnership with one or more persons responsible for receiving,
29 collecting, or holding data described in subsection 2. The
30 college shall provide for the terms and conditions of any legal
31 or financial arrangement that it enters into with such person.
32 Any information received, collected, or held by the person
33 shall be confidential in the same manner as provided in section
34 466B.49, subsection 2. The college shall only enter into an
35 arrangement with a person if the college is satisfied that the

1 person will protect the confidentiality of the information.
2 Any information including aggregate data transmitted to the
3 college by the person shall be available for public examination
4 and copying under chapter 22, except for the same type of
5 information described in section 466B.49, subsection 2, which
6 shall remain confidential.

7 4. The college shall submit interim reports to the general
8 assembly by March 1, 2016, and March 1, 2017, and a final
9 report to the general assembly by March 1, 2018. The final
10 report shall include its findings and recommendations.

11 DIVISION V

12 ENVIRONMENT FIRST FUND

13 GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR FY 2015-2016

14 Sec. 20. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND

15 STEWARDSHIP. There is appropriated from the environment first
16 fund created in section 8.57A to the department of agriculture
17 and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1,
18 2015, and ending June 30, 2016, the following amounts, or so
19 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes
20 designated:

21 1. CONSERVATION RESERVE ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM (CREP)

22 a. For the conservation reserve enhancement program to
23 restore and construct wetlands for the purposes of intercepting
24 tile line runoff, reducing nutrient loss, improving water
25 quality, and enhancing agricultural production practices:
26 \$ 1,000,000

27 b. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated
28 in paragraph "a" may be used for costs of administration and
29 implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

30 c. Notwithstanding any other provision in law, the
31 department may use moneys appropriated in this subsection,
32 in combination with other appropriate environment first
33 fund appropriations, for cost sharing to match United States
34 department of agriculture, natural resources conservation
35 service, wetlands reserve enhancement program (WREP) funding

1 available to Iowa.

2 2. WATERSHED PROTECTION

3 a. For continuation of a program that provides
4 multiobjective resource protections for flood control, water
5 quality, erosion control, and natural resource conservation:
6 \$ 900,000

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

10 3. FARM MANAGEMENT DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM

11 a. For continuation of a statewide voluntary farm
12 management demonstration program to demonstrate the
13 effectiveness and adaptability of emerging practices in
14 agronomy that protect water resources and provide other
15 environmental benefits:
16 \$ 625,000

17 b. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated
18 in paragraph "a" may be used for costs of administration and
19 implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

20 c. Of the amount appropriated in paragraph "a", \$400,000
21 shall be allocated to an organization representing soybean
22 growers to provide for an agriculture and environment
23 performance program in order to carry out the purposes of this
24 subsection as specified in paragraph "a".

25 4. SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION — ADMINISTRATION

26 For use by the department for costs of administration and
27 implementation of soil and water conservation practices:
28 \$ 2,550,000

29 5. CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM (CRP)

30 a. To encourage and assist farmers in enrolling in and the
31 implementation of the federal conservation reserve program and
32 to work with them to enhance their revegetation efforts to
33 improve water quality and habitat:
34 \$ 1,000,000

35 b. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated

1 in paragraph "a" may be used for costs of administration and
2 implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

3 6. SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION

4 a. For use by the department in providing for soil and
5 water conservation administration, the conservation of soil and
6 water resources, or the support of soil and water conservation
7 districts:

8 \$ 6,750,000

9 b. Of the moneys appropriated in paragraph "a", the
10 department shall allocate moneys to soil and water conservation
11 districts. The first \$1,500,000 of the moneys appropriated in
12 paragraph "a" shall be divided equally and allocated to each
13 soil and water conservation district for financial incentives
14 under section 161A.73. Those moneys may be used to establish
15 management practices to control soil erosion on land that is
16 row-cropped, including but not limited to nontill planting,
17 ridge-till planting, and contouring strip-cropping. Of moneys
18 allocated to a soil and water conservation district in addition
19 to the first \$1,500,000 appropriated in paragraph "a", up
20 to 30 percent may also be used to establish such management
21 practices.

22 c. Not more than 5 percent of the moneys appropriated in
23 paragraph "a" may be allocated for cost sharing to address
24 complaints filed under section 161A.47.

25 d. Of the moneys appropriated in paragraph "a", 5 percent
26 shall be allocated for financial incentives to establish
27 practices to protect watersheds above publicly owned lakes of
28 the state from soil erosion and sediment as provided in section
29 161A.73.

30 e. The state soil conservation committee established by
31 section 161A.4 may allocate moneys appropriated in paragraph
32 "a" to conduct research and demonstration projects to promote
33 conservation tillage and nonpoint source pollution control
34 practices.

35 f. The allocation of moneys as financial incentives as

1 provided in section 161A.73 may be used in combination with
2 moneys allocated by the department of natural resources.

3 g. Not more than 15 percent of the moneys appropriated
4 in paragraph "a" may be used for costs of administration and
5 implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

6 h. In lieu of moneys appropriated in section 466A.5, not
7 more than \$50,000 of the moneys appropriated in paragraph
8 "a" shall be used by the soil conservation division of the
9 department of agriculture and land stewardship to provide
10 administrative support to the watershed improvement review
11 board established in section 466A.3.

12 7. LOESS HILLS DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION FUND

13 a. For deposit in the loess hills development and
14 conservation fund created in section 161D.2:

15 \$ 600,000

16 b. (1) Of the amount appropriated in paragraph "a",
17 \$450,000 shall be allocated to the fund's hungry canyons
18 account.

19 (2) Not more than 10 percent of the moneys allocated to the
20 hungry canyons account as provided in subparagraph (1) may be
21 used for administrative costs.

22 c. (1) Of the amount appropriated in paragraph "a",
23 \$150,000 shall be allocated to the fund's loess hills alliance
24 account.

25 (2) Not more than 10 percent of the moneys allocated to the
26 loess hills alliance account as provided in subparagraph (1)
27 may be used for administrative costs.

28 Sec. 21. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES. There is
29 appropriated from the environment first fund created in section
30 8.57A to the department of natural resources for the fiscal
31 year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016, the
32 following amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
33 used for the purposes designated:

34 1. KEEPERS OF THE LAND

35 For statewide coordination of volunteer efforts under the

1 water quality and keepers of the land programs:
2 \$ 100,000
3 2. STATE PARKS MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS
4 For regular maintenance and operations of state parks and
5 staff time associated with these activities:
6 \$ 6,135,000
7 3. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS)
8 To provide local watershed managers with geographic
9 information system data for their use in developing,
10 monitoring, and displaying results of their watershed work:
11 \$ 195,000
12 4. WATER QUALITY MONITORING
13 For continuing the establishment and operation of water
14 quality monitoring stations:
15 \$ 2,955,000
16 5. PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM ACCOUNT
17 For deposit in the public water supply system account of the
18 water quality protection fund created in section 455B.183A:
19 \$ 500,000
20 6. REGULATION OF ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATIONS
21 For the regulation of animal feeding operations, including
22 as provided for in chapters 459 through 459B:
23 \$ 1,320,000
24 7. AMBIENT AIR QUALITY
25 For the abatement, control, and prevention of ambient
26 air pollution in this state, including measures as necessary
27 to assure attainment and maintenance of ambient air quality
28 standards from particulate matter:
29 \$ 425,000
30 8. WATER QUANTITY REGULATION
31 For regulating water quantity from surface and subsurface
32 sources by providing for the allocation and use of water
33 resources, the protection and management of water resources,
34 and the preclusion of conflicts among users of water resources,
35 including as provided in chapter 455B, division III, part 4:

1 \$ 495,000

2 9. GEOLOGICAL AND WATER SURVEY

3 For continuing the operations of the department's geological
4 and water survey including but not limited to providing
5 analysis, data collection, investigative programs, and
6 information for water supply development and protection:

7 \$ 200,000

8 10. KEEP IOWA BEAUTIFUL INITIATIVE

9 For purposes of supporting a keep Iowa beautiful initiative
10 in order to assist communities in developing and implementing
11 beautification and community development plans:

12 \$ 200,000

13 11. FORESTRY HEALTH MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS

14 For purposes of providing forestry health management
15 programs:

16 \$ 50,000

17 Sec. 22. REVERSION.

18 1. Except as provided in subsection 2, and notwithstanding
19 section 8.33, moneys appropriated for the fiscal year beginning
20 July 1, 2015, in this division of this Act that remain
21 unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year
22 shall not revert but shall remain available to be used for the
23 purposes designated until the close of the succeeding fiscal
24 year, or until the project for which the appropriation was made
25 is completed, whichever is earlier.

26 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated for
27 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, in this division of
28 this Act to the department of agriculture and land stewardship
29 to provide financial assistance for the establishment of
30 permanent soil and water conservation practices that remain
31 unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year
32 shall not revert but shall remain available for expenditure
33 for the purposes designated until the close of the fiscal year
34 beginning July 1, 2018.

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DIVISION VI

1 ENVIRONMENT FIRST FUND
2 SPECIAL APPROPRIATION FOR FY 2015-2016
3 Sec. 23. REAP — IN LIEU OF GENERAL FUND
4 APPROPRIATION. Notwithstanding the amount of the standing
5 appropriation from the general fund of the state to the Iowa
6 resources enhancement and protection fund as provided in
7 section 455A.18, there is appropriated from the environment
8 first fund created in section 8.57A to the Iowa resources
9 enhancement and protection fund, in lieu of the appropriation
10 made in section 455A.18, for the fiscal year beginning July 1,
11 2015, and ending June 30, 2016, the following amount, to be
12 allocated as provided in section 455A.19:
13 \$ 16,000,000

DIVISION VII

15 PERSONNEL SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT PAYMENTS
16 Sec. 24. PERSONNEL SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT PAYMENTS. As
17 a condition made to any appropriation to the department of
18 agriculture and land stewardship, the department of natural
19 resources, or Iowa state university of science and technology
20 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30,
21 2016, as provided in this Act, the moneys appropriated and any
22 other moneys available for use by that entity for that fiscal
23 year under this Act shall not be used for the payment of a
24 personnel settlement agreement between that entity and a state
25 employee that contains a confidentiality provision intended to
26 prevent public disclosure of the agreement or any terms of the
27 agreement.

DIVISION VIII

29 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP
30 GENERAL APPROPRIATION FOR FY 2016-2017
31 Sec. 25. GENERAL FUND — DEPARTMENT.
32 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
33 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the
34 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017,
35 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be

1 used for the purposes designated:

2 For purposes of supporting the department, including its
3 divisions, for administration, regulation, and programs; for
4 salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes; and
5 for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:

6 \$ 8,827,746
7 FTEs 372.00

8 2. Of the amount appropriated in subsection 1, the following
9 amount is transferred to Iowa state university of science and
10 technology, to be used for the university's midwest grape and
11 wine industry institute:

12 \$ 144,000

13 3. The department shall submit a report each quarter of the
14 fiscal year to the legislative services agency, the department
15 of management, the members of the joint appropriations
16 subcommittee on agriculture and natural resources, and the
17 chairpersons and ranking members of the senate and house
18 committees on appropriations. The report shall describe in
19 detail the expenditure of moneys appropriated in this section
20 to support the department's administration, regulation, and
21 programs.

22 DESIGNATED APPROPRIATIONS

23 MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS

24 Sec. 26. UNCLAIMED PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING WINNINGS —
25 HORSE AND DOG RACING. There is appropriated from the moneys
26 available under section 99D.13 to the department of agriculture
27 and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1,
28 2016, and ending June 30, 2017, the following amount, or so
29 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes
30 designated:

31 For purposes of supporting the department's administration
32 and enforcement of horse and dog racing law pursuant to section
33 99D.22, including for salaries, support, maintenance, and
34 miscellaneous purposes:

35 \$ 152,758

1 Sec. 27. RENEWABLE FUEL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND — MOTOR FUEL
2 INSPECTION.

3 1. There is appropriated from the renewable fuel
4 infrastructure fund created in section 159A.16 to the
5 department of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal
6 year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017, the
7 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
8 used for the purposes designated:

9 For purposes of the inspection of motor fuel, including
10 salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes:
11 \$ 250,000

12 2. The department shall establish and administer programs
13 for the auditing of motor fuel including biofuel processing
14 and production plants, for screening and testing motor fuel,
15 including renewable fuel, and for the inspection of motor fuel
16 sold by dealers including retail dealers who sell and dispense
17 motor fuel from motor fuel pumps.

18 SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

19 GENERAL FUND

20 Sec. 28. DAIRY REGULATION.

21 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
22 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the
23 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017,
24 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
25 used for the purposes designated:

26 For purposes of performing functions pursuant to section
27 192.109, including conducting a survey of grade "A" milk and
28 certifying the results to the secretary of agriculture:
29 \$ 94,598

30 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in
31 this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the
32 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain
33 available to be used for the purposes designated until the
34 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

35 Sec. 29. LOCAL FOOD AND FARM PROGRAM.

1 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
2 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the
3 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017,
4 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
5 used for the purposes designated:

6 For purposes of supporting the local food and farm program
7 pursuant to chapter 267A:

8 \$ 37,500

9 2. The department shall enter into a cost-sharing agreement
10 with Iowa state university of science and technology to support
11 the local food and farm program coordinator position as part of
12 the university's cooperative extension service in agriculture
13 and home economics pursuant to chapter 267A.

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

19 Sec. 30. AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION.

20 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
21 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the
22 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017,
23 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
24 used for the purposes designated:

25 For purposes of allocating moneys to an Iowa association
26 affiliated with a national organization which promotes
27 agricultural education providing for future farmers:

28 \$ 12,500

29 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated for
30 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, in this section that
31 remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal
32 year shall not revert but shall remain available to be used
33 for the purposes designated until the close of the succeeding
34 fiscal year.

35 Sec. 31. FARMERS WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAM.

1 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
2 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the
3 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017,
4 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
5 used for the purposes designated:

6 For purposes of supporting a program for farmers with
7 disabilities:

8 \$ 65,000

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

22 3. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in
23 this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the
24 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain
25 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the
26 close of the succeeding fiscal year.

27 DIVISION IX

28 GENERAL FUND

29 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP

30 WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE

31 APPROPRIATIONS FOR FY 2016-2017

32 Sec. 32. WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE — GENERAL.

33 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
34 to the department of agriculture and land stewardship for the
35 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017,

1 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
2 used for the purposes designated:

3 For deposit in the water quality initiative fund created in
4 section 466B.45, for purposes of supporting the water quality
5 initiative administered by the soil conservation division as
6 provided in section 466B.42, including salaries, support,
7 maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes, and for not more than
8 the following full-time equivalent positions:

9	\$	2,200,000
10	FTEs	2.00

11 2. a. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 shall be
12 used to support projects in subwatersheds as designated by the
13 division that are part of high-priority watersheds identified
14 by the water resources coordinating council established
15 pursuant to section 466B.3.

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

21 3. In supporting projects in subwatersheds and watersheds
22 as provided in subsection 2, all of the following shall apply:

23 a. The demonstration projects shall utilize water quality
24 practices as described in the latest revision of the document
25 entitled "Iowa Nutrient Reduction Strategy" initially presented
26 in November 2012 by the department of agriculture and land
27 stewardship, the department of natural resources, and Iowa
28 state university of science and technology.

29 b. The division shall implement demonstration projects as
30 provided in paragraph "a" by providing for participation by
31 persons who hold a legal interest in agricultural land used in
32 farming. To every extent practical, the division shall provide
33 for collaborative participation by such persons who hold a
34 legal interest in agricultural land located within the same
35 subwatershed.

1 c. The division shall implement a demonstration project on
2 a cost-share basis as determined by the division. However, the
3 state's share of the amount shall not exceed 50 percent of the
4 estimated cost of establishing the practice as determined by
5 the division or 50 percent of the actual cost of establishing
6 the practice, whichever is less.

7 d. The demonstration projects shall be used to educate other
8 persons about the feasibility and value of establishing similar
9 water quality practices. The division shall promote field day
10 events for purposes of allowing interested persons to establish
11 water quality practices on their agricultural land.

12 e. The division shall conduct water quality evaluations
13 within supported subwatersheds. Within a reasonable period
14 after accumulating information from such evaluations, the
15 division shall create an aggregated database of water quality
16 practices. Any information identifying a person holding a
17 legal interest in agricultural land or specific agricultural
18 land shall be a confidential record under section 22.7.

19 4. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 shall be used
20 to support education and outreach in a manner that encourages
21 persons who hold a legal interest in agricultural land used for
22 farming to implement water quality practices, including the
23 establishment of such practices in watersheds generally, and
24 not limited to subwatersheds or high-priority watersheds.

25 5. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 may be used
26 to contract with persons to coordinate the implementation of
27 efforts provided in this section.

28 6. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 may be used by
29 the department to support urban soil and water conservation
30 efforts, which may include but are not limited to management
31 practices related to bioretention, landscaping, the use of
32 permeable or pervious pavement, and soil quality restoration.
33 The moneys shall be allocated on a cost-share basis as provided
34 in chapter 161A.

35 7. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the

1 contrary, the department may use moneys appropriated in
2 subsection 1 to carry out the provisions of this section on a
3 cost-share basis in combination with other moneys available to
4 the department from a state or federal source.

5 Sec. 33. WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE APPROPRIATIONS — FEDERAL
6 MONEYS. The department of agriculture and land stewardship,
7 and its soil conservation division, may use moneys appropriated
8 in this division of this Act to support the water quality
9 initiative, including its projects, as provided in this
10 division of this Act, in combination with other moneys provided
11 by the United States government.

12 DIVISION X

13 DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

14 GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR FY 2016-2017

15 Sec. 34. GENERAL FUND — DEPARTMENT.

16 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
17 to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year
18 beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017, the following
19 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the
20 purposes designated:

21 For purposes of supporting the department, including its
22 divisions, for administration, regulation, and programs; for
23 salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes; and
24 for not more than the following full-time equivalent positions:
25 \$ 6,431,154
26 FTEs 1,145.95

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

34 3. The department shall submit a report each quarter of the
35 fiscal year to the legislative services agency, the department

1 of management, the members of the joint appropriations
2 subcommittee on agriculture and natural resources, and the
3 chairpersons and ranking members of the senate and house
4 committees on appropriations. The report shall describe in
5 detail the expenditure of moneys appropriated under this
6 section to support the department's administration, regulation,
7 and programs.

8 Sec. 35. STATE FISH AND GAME PROTECTION FUND — REGULATION
9 AND ADVANCEMENT OF OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES.

10 1. There is appropriated from the state fish and game
11 protection fund to the department of natural resources for the
12 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017,
13 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
14 used for the purposes designated:

15 For purposes of supporting the regulation or advancement of
16 hunting, fishing, or trapping, or the protection, propagation,
17 restoration, management, or harvest of fish or wildlife,
18 including for administration, regulation, law enforcement, and
19 programs; and for salaries, support, maintenance, equipment,
20 and miscellaneous purposes:

21 \$ 20,611,613

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

28 3. Notwithstanding section 455A.10, the department of
29 natural resources may use the unappropriated balance remaining
30 in the state fish and game protection fund for the fiscal
31 year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017, as is
32 necessary to fund salary adjustments for departmental employees
33 for which the general assembly has made an operating budget
34 appropriation in subsection 1.

35 Sec. 36. GROUNDWATER PROTECTION FUND — WATER

1 QUALITY. There is appropriated from the groundwater protection
2 fund created in section 455E.11 to the department of natural
3 resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016,
4 and ending June 30, 2017, from those moneys which are not
5 allocated pursuant to that section, the following amount, or
6 so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes
7 designated:

8 For purposes of supporting the department's protection
9 of the state's groundwater, including for administration,
10 regulation, and programs, and for salaries, support,
11 maintenance, equipment, and miscellaneous purposes:
12 \$ 1,727,916

13 DESIGNATED APPROPRIATIONS

14 MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS

15 Sec. 37. SPECIAL SNOWMOBILE FUND — SNOWMOBILE
16 PROGRAM. There is appropriated from the special snowmobile
17 fund created under section 321G.7 to the department of natural
18 resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and
19 ending June 30, 2017, the following amount, or so much thereof
20 as is necessary, to be used for the purpose designated:

21 For purposes of administering and enforcing the state
22 snowmobile programs:
23 \$ 50,000

24 Sec. 38. UNASSIGNED REVENUE FUND — UNDERGROUND STORAGE
25 TANKS SECTION EXPENSES. There is appropriated from the
26 unassigned revenue fund administered by the Iowa comprehensive
27 petroleum underground storage tank fund board established
28 pursuant to section 455G.4 to the department of natural
29 resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and
30 ending June 30, 2017, the following amount, or so much thereof
31 as is necessary, to be used for the purpose designated:

32 For purposes of paying for administration expenses of the
33 department's underground storage tanks section:
34 \$ 100,000

35 SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

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GENERAL FUND

Sec. 39. FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AND DAM SAFETY.

1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purpose designated:

For purposes of supporting floodplain management and dam safety:

..... \$ 1,000,000

2. Of the amount appropriated in subsection 1, up to \$200,000 may be used by the department to acquire or install stream gages for purposes of tracking and predicting flood events and for compiling necessary data to improve flood frequency analysis.

3. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in subsection 1 that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the succeeding fiscal year.

Sec. 40. FORESTRY HEALTH MANAGEMENT.

1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

For purposes of providing for forestry health management programs:

..... \$ 225,000

2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available to be used for the purposes designated until the close of the succeeding fiscal year.

DIVISION XI

1 IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
2 SPECIAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR FY 2016-2017
3 VETERINARY DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY

4 Sec. 41. VETERINARY DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY.

5 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
6 to Iowa state university of science and technology for the
7 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017,
8 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
9 used for the purposes designated:

10 For purposes of supporting the college of veterinary
11 medicine for the operation of the veterinary diagnostic
12 laboratory and for not more than the following full-time
13 equivalent positions:

14	\$	2,000,000
15	FTEs	51.00

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

20 b. Paragraph "a" does not apply to a reduction made to
21 support the college of veterinary medicine, if the same
22 percentage of reduction imposed on the college of veterinary
23 medicine is also imposed on all of Iowa state university of
24 science and technology's budget units.

25 3. If by June 30, 2017, Iowa state university of science and
26 technology fails to allocate the moneys appropriated in this
27 section to the college of veterinary medicine in accordance
28 with this section, the moneys appropriated in this section for
29 that fiscal year shall revert to the general fund of the state.

30 WATER QUALITY INITIATIVE

31 Sec. 42. IOWA NUTRIENT RESEARCH CENTER.

32 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
33 to Iowa state university of science and technology for the
34 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017,
35 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be

1 used for the purposes designated:

2 For purposes of supporting an Iowa nutrient research center
3 as established in section 466B.47:

4 \$ 662,500

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

10 DIVISION XII

11 ENVIRONMENT FIRST FUND

12 GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR FY 2016-2017

13 Sec. 43. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND

14 STEWARDSHIP. There is appropriated from the environment first
15 fund created in section 8.57A to the department of agriculture
16 and land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1,
17 2016, and ending June 30, 2017, the following amounts, or so
18 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes
19 designated:

20 1. CONSERVATION RESERVE ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM (CREP)

21 a. For the conservation reserve enhancement program to
22 restore and construct wetlands for the purposes of intercepting
23 tile line runoff, reducing nutrient loss, improving water
24 quality, and enhancing agricultural production practices:

25 \$ 500,000

26 b. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated
27 in paragraph "a" may be used for costs of administration and
28 implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

29 c. Notwithstanding any other provision in law, the
30 department may use moneys appropriated in this subsection,
31 in combination with other appropriate environment first
32 fund appropriations, for cost sharing to match United States
33 department of agriculture, natural resources conservation
34 service, wetlands reserve enhancement program (WREP) funding
35 available to Iowa.

1 2. WATERSHED PROTECTION

2 a. For continuation of a program that provides
3 multiobjective resource protections for flood control, water
4 quality, erosion control, and natural resource conservation:
5 \$ 450,000

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

9 3. FARM MANAGEMENT DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM

10 a. For continuation of a statewide voluntary farm
11 management demonstration program to demonstrate the
12 effectiveness and adaptability of emerging practices in
13 agronomy that protect water resources and provide other
14 environmental benefits:
15 \$ 312,500

16 b. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated
17 in paragraph "a" may be used for costs of administration and
18 implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

19 c. Of the amount appropriated in paragraph "a", \$200,000
20 shall be allocated to an organization representing soybean
21 growers to provide for an agriculture and environment
22 performance program in order to carry out the purposes of this
23 subsection as specified in paragraph "a".

24 4. SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION — ADMINISTRATION

25 For use by the department for costs of administration and
26 implementation of soil and water conservation practices:
27 \$ 1,275,000

28 5. CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM (CRP)

29 a. To encourage and assist farmers in enrolling in and the
30 implementation of the federal conservation reserve program and
31 to work with them to enhance their revegetation efforts to
32 improve water quality and habitat:
33 \$ 500,000

34 b. Not more than 10 percent of the moneys appropriated
35 in paragraph "a" may be used for costs of administration and

1 implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

2 6. SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION

3 a. For use by the department in providing for soil and
4 water conservation administration, the conservation of soil and
5 water resources, or the support of soil and water conservation
6 districts:

7 \$ 3,375,000

8 b. Of the moneys appropriated in paragraph "a", the
9 department shall allocate moneys to soil and water conservation
10 districts. The first \$750,000 of the moneys appropriated in
11 paragraph "a" shall be divided equally and allocated to each
12 soil and water conservation district for financial incentives
13 under section 161A.73. Those moneys may be used to establish
14 management practices to control soil erosion on land that is
15 row-cropped, including but not limited to nontill planting,
16 ridge-till planting, and contouring strip-cropping. Of moneys
17 allocated to a soil and water conservation district in addition
18 to the first \$1,500,000 appropriated in paragraph "a", up
19 to 30 percent may also be used to establish such management
20 practices.

21 c. Not more than 5 percent of the moneys appropriated in
22 paragraph "a" may be allocated for cost sharing to address
23 complaints filed under section 161A.47.

24 d. Of the moneys appropriated in paragraph "a", 5 percent
25 shall be allocated for financial incentives to establish
26 practices to protect watersheds above publicly owned lakes of
27 the state from soil erosion and sediment as provided in section
28 161A.73.

29 e. The state soil conservation committee established by
30 section 161A.4 may allocate moneys appropriated in paragraph
31 "a" to conduct research and demonstration projects to promote
32 conservation tillage and nonpoint source pollution control
33 practices.

34 f. The allocation of moneys as financial incentives as
35 provided in section 161A.73 may be used in combination with

1 moneys allocated by the department of natural resources.

2 g. Not more than 15 percent of the moneys appropriated
3 in paragraph "a" may be used for costs of administration and
4 implementation of soil and water conservation practices.

5 h. In lieu of moneys appropriated in section 466A.5, not
6 more than \$25,000 of the moneys appropriated in paragraph
7 "a" shall be used by the soil conservation division of the
8 department of agriculture and land stewardship to provide
9 administrative support to the watershed improvement review
10 board established in section 466A.3.

11 7. LOESS HILLS DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION FUND

12 a. For deposit in the loess hills development and
13 conservation fund created in section 161D.2:

14 \$ 300,000

15 b. (1) Of the amount appropriated in paragraph "a",
16 \$225,000 shall be allocated to the fund's hungry canyons
17 account.

18 (2) Not more than 10 percent of the moneys allocated to the
19 hungry canyons account as provided in subparagraph (1) may be
20 used for administrative costs.

21 c. (1) Of the amount appropriated in paragraph "a", \$75,000
22 shall be allocated to the fund's loess hills alliance account.

23 (2) Not more than 10 percent of the moneys allocated to the
24 loess hills alliance account as provided in subparagraph (1)
25 may be used for administrative costs.

26 Sec. 44. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES. There is
27 appropriated from the environment first fund created in section
28 8.57A to the department of natural resources for the fiscal
29 year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30, 2017, the
30 following amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be
31 used for the purposes designated:

32 1. KEEPERS OF THE LAND

33 For statewide coordination of volunteer efforts under the
34 water quality and keepers of the land programs:

35 \$ 50,000

1 2. STATE PARKS MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS
2 For regular maintenance and operations of state parks and
3 staff time associated with these activities:
4 \$ 3,057,500
5 3. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS)
6 To provide local watershed managers with geographic
7 information system data for their use in developing,
8 monitoring, and displaying results of their watershed work:
9 \$ 97,500
10 4. WATER QUALITY MONITORING
11 For continuing the establishment and operation of water
12 quality monitoring stations:
13 \$ 1,477,500
14 5. PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM ACCOUNT
15 For deposit in the public water supply system account of the
16 water quality protection fund created in section 455B.183A:
17 \$ 250,000
18 6. REGULATION OF ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATIONS
19 For the regulation of animal feeding operations, including
20 as provided for in chapters 459 through 459B:
21 \$ 660,000
22 7. AMBIENT AIR QUALITY
23 For the abatement, control, and prevention of ambient
24 air pollution in this state, including measures as necessary
25 to assure attainment and maintenance of ambient air quality
26 standards from particulate matter:
27 \$ 212,500
28 8. WATER QUANTITY REGULATION
29 For regulating water quantity from surface and subsurface
30 sources by providing for the allocation and use of water
31 resources, the protection and management of water resources,
32 and the preclusion of conflicts among users of water resources,
33 including as provided in chapter 455B, division III, part 4:
34 \$ 247,500
35 9. GEOLOGICAL AND WATER SURVEY

1 For continuing the operations of the department's geological
2 and water survey including but not limited to providing
3 analysis, data collection, investigative programs, and
4 information for water supply development and protection:

5 \$ 100,000

6 10. KEEP IOWA BEAUTIFUL INITIATIVE

7 For purposes of supporting a keep Iowa beautiful initiative
8 in order to assist communities in developing and implementing
9 beautification and community development plans:

10 \$ 100,000

11 11. FORESTRY HEALTH MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS

12 For purposes of providing forestry health management
13 programs:

14 \$ 25,000

15 Sec. 45. REVERSION.

16 1. Except as provided in subsection 2, and notwithstanding
17 section 8.33, moneys appropriated for the fiscal year beginning
18 July 1, 2016, in this division of this Act that remain
19 unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year
20 shall not revert but shall remain available to be used for the
21 purposes designated until the close of the succeeding fiscal
22 year, or until the project for which the appropriation was made
23 is completed, whichever is earlier.

24 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated for
25 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, in this division of
26 this Act to the department of agriculture and land stewardship
27 to provide financial assistance for the establishment of
28 permanent soil and water conservation practices that remain
29 unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year
30 shall not revert but shall remain available for expenditure
31 for the purposes designated until the close of the fiscal year
32 beginning July 1, 2019.

33 DIVISION XIII

34 PERSONNEL SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT PAYMENTS

35 Sec. 46. PERSONNEL SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT PAYMENTS. As

1 a condition made to any appropriation to the department of
2 agriculture and land stewardship, the department of natural
3 resources, or Iowa state university of science and technology
4 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and ending June 30,
5 2017, as provided in this Act, the moneys appropriated and any
6 other moneys available for use by that entity for that fiscal
7 year under this Act shall not be used for the payment of a
8 personnel settlement agreement between that entity and a state
9 employee that contains a confidentiality provision intended to
10 prevent public disclosure of the agreement or any terms of the
11 agreement.

12 DIVISION XIV

13 RELATED STATUTORY CHANGES FOR CODIFICATION IN 2015 BLUFFLANDS
14 PROTECTION PROGRAM AND REVOLVING FUND

15 Sec. 47. Section 161A.80, subsection 2, paragraphs a and b,
16 Code 2015, are amended by striking the paragraphs.

17 Sec. 48. Section 161A.80, Code 2015, is amended by adding
18 the following new subsection:

19 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. This section is repealed on July 1,
20 2025.

21 Sec. 49. NEW SECTION. 161A.80A Outstanding bluffland
22 protection loans.

23 1. The principal and interest from any blufflands
24 protection loan made pursuant to section 161A.80 remaining
25 outstanding on July 1, 2025, that would have been payable to
26 the blufflands protection revolving fund created in section
27 161A.80, shall instead be paid to the division on or after July
28 1, 2015, pursuant to the terms of the loan agreement. The
29 moneys paid to the division shall be credited to the rebuild
30 Iowa infrastructure fund created in section 8.57.

31 2. This section is repealed on July 1, 2030.

32 EXPLANATION

33 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
34 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

35 GENERAL. This bill relates to agriculture and natural

1 resources by making appropriations for the fiscal years
2 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 to support related entities, including
3 the department of agriculture and land stewardship (DALs),
4 the department of natural resources (DNR), and Iowa state
5 university (ISU).

6 The bill primarily appropriates moneys to DALs and DNR.
7 The appropriations are made to support those departments for
8 administration, regulation, and support of programs. The bill
9 requires the departments to submit quarterly reports to the
10 general assembly and department of management regarding the
11 expenditure of appropriated moneys. The bill also provides
12 moneys to support specific programs or projects administered by
13 those departments. The bill appropriates moneys from a number
14 of sources, including the general fund of the state, the state
15 fish and game protection fund, the groundwater protection fund
16 (Code section 455E.11), and the environment first fund (Code
17 section 8.57A). The bill is organized into divisions.

18 DALs — GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS — FY 2015-2016. For
19 DALs, moneys are appropriated from the general fund of the
20 state for FY 2015-2016 in order to support its administrative
21 divisions, including consumer protection and industry services,
22 soil conservation, and food safety and animal health. Moneys
23 are transferred to ISU to support its midwest grape and wine
24 institute.

25 DALs — MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS APPROPRIATIONS — FY 2015-2016.
26 The bill appropriates moneys from a number of sources for
27 FY 2015-2016 to support DALs in order to support designated
28 purposes, including moneys derived from unclaimed winnings from
29 horse and dog races, for administration and enforcement of
30 racing regulations (Code section 99D.22); and moneys credited
31 to the renewable fuel infrastructure fund (Code section
32 159A.16), for purposes of motor fuel inspection and auditing
33 biofuel processing and production (Code chapter 214A).

34 DALs — SPECIAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS — FY 2015-2016.
35 The bill also makes special appropriations from the general

1 fund of the state for FY 2015-2016 to DALs in order to support
2 specific purposes including milk inspection (Code section
3 192.109), the local food and farm program (Code chapter 267A),
4 an agricultural education organization, and assistance to
5 farmers with disabilities.

6 DALs — GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS — SOIL AND WATER
7 CONSERVATION AND WATER QUALITY — FY 2015-2016. The bill
8 appropriates moneys from the general fund of the state for FY
9 2015-2016 to DALs for deposit in the water quality initiative
10 fund (Code section 466B.45), including to support high-priority
11 watershed projects.

12 DNR — GENERAL FUND AND OTHER MAJOR FUNDS APPROPRIATIONS
13 — FY 2015-2016. The bill makes appropriations from a number
14 of funds for FY 2015-2016 to DNR in order to support its
15 administrative divisions involving natural resources and
16 environmental protection from the general fund of the state,
17 the state fish and game protection fund, and the groundwater
18 protection fund.

19 DNR — DESIGNATED MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS APPROPRIATIONS — FY
20 2015-2016. The bill appropriates moneys for FY 2015-2016 to
21 DNR from a number of sources to support designated purposes,
22 including moneys deposited in the special snowmobile fund
23 (Code section 321G.7) to provide for administering and
24 enforcing the state snowmobile programs; and moneys deposited
25 in the unassigned revenue fund for purposes of paying for
26 administration of the department's underground storage tanks
27 section.

28 DNR — SPECIAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS — FY 2015-2016.
29 The bill also makes special appropriations from the general
30 fund of the state for FY 2015-2016 to DNR in order to support
31 specific purposes including floodplain management and dam
32 safety and forestry health management programs.

33 ISU — SPECIAL GENERAL FUND AND GROUNDWATER PROTECTION
34 FUND APPROPRIATIONS — FY 2015-2016. The bill appropriates
35 moneys from the general fund of the state for FY 2015-2016

1 to ISU to support the operation of its veterinary diagnostic
2 laboratory. The bill appropriates moneys to ISU to support the
3 Iowa nutrient research center (Code section 466B.47). The bill
4 appropriates moneys from the agriculture management account of
5 the groundwater protection fund to the college of agriculture
6 and life sciences for purposes of supporting a three-year data
7 collection and analysis pilot project.

8 DALS AND DNR — ENVIRONMENT FIRST FUND (EFF) APPROPRIATIONS
9 — FY 2015-2016. The bill appropriates moneys from the
10 environment first fund (Code section 8.57A) for FY 2015-2016
11 to support a number of programs administered by DALS and
12 DNR. For DALS, the moneys are appropriated to support
13 programs involving soil conservation, watershed protection
14 and nutrient management, and the loess hills development and
15 conservation fund (Code section 161D.2); and for DNR, moneys
16 are appropriated to support programs involving water quality,
17 state parks, public water supplies, air quality, water supply
18 development and protection information, a keep Iowa beautiful
19 initiative, and forestry health programs.

20 IOWA RESOURCES AND PROTECTION FUND (REAP) — APPROPRIATIONS
21 — FY 2015-2016. The bill appropriates moneys from the general
22 fund of the state for FY 2015-2016 to the Iowa resources
23 enhancement and protection fund in lieu of the standing limited
24 appropriation of \$20 million (Code section 455A.18).

25 PERSONNEL SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT PAYMENTS — FY 2015-2016.
26 As a condition of any appropriation made for FY 2015-2016 to
27 DALS, DNR, or ISU, no moneys may be used for the payment of a
28 personnel settlement agreement that contains a confidentiality
29 provision.

30 DALS — GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS — FY 2016-2017. For
31 DALS, moneys are appropriated from the general fund of the
32 state for FY 2016-2017 in order to support its administrative
33 divisions, including consumer protection and industry services,
34 soil conservation, and food safety and animal health. Moneys
35 are transferred to ISU to support its midwest grape and wine

1 institute.

2 DALS — MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS APPROPRIATIONS — FY 2016-2017.

3 The bill appropriates moneys from a number of sources for
4 FY 2016-2017 to support DALS in order to support designated
5 purposes, including moneys derived from unclaimed winnings from
6 horse and dog races, for administration and enforcement of
7 racing regulations (Code section 99D.22); and moneys credited
8 to the renewable fuel infrastructure fund (Code section
9 159A.16), for purposes of motor fuel inspection and auditing
10 biofuel processing and production (Code chapter 214A).

11 DALS — SPECIAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS — FY 2016-2017.

12 The bill also makes special appropriations from the general
13 fund of the state for FY 2016-2017 to DALS in order to support
14 specific purposes including milk inspection (Code section
15 192.109), the local food and farm program (Code chapter 267A),
16 an agricultural education organization, and assistance to
17 farmers with disabilities.

18 DALS — GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS — SOIL AND WATER

19 CONSERVATION AND WATER QUALITY — FY 2016-2017. The bill

20 appropriates moneys from the general fund of the state for FY
21 2016-2017 to DALS for deposit in the water quality initiative
22 fund (Code section 466B.45), including to support high-priority
23 watershed projects. The bill appropriates moneys to ISU
24 to support the Iowa nutrient research center (Code section
25 466B.47).

26 DNR — GENERAL FUND AND OTHER MAJOR FUNDS APPROPRIATIONS

27 — FY 2016-2017. The bill makes appropriations from a number

28 of funds for FY 2016-2017 to DNR in order to support its
29 administrative divisions involving natural resources and
30 environmental protection from the general fund of the state,
31 the state fish and game protection fund, and the groundwater
32 protection fund.

33 DNR — DESIGNATED MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS APPROPRIATIONS — FY

34 2016-2017. The bill appropriates moneys for FY 2016-2017 to
35 DNR from a number of sources to support designated purposes,

1 including moneys deposited in the special snowmobile fund
2 (Code section 321G.7) to provide for administering and
3 enforcing the state snowmobile programs; and moneys deposited
4 in the unassigned revenue fund for purposes of paying for
5 administration of the department's underground storage tanks
6 section.

7 DNR — SPECIAL GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS — FY 2016-2017.
8 The bill also makes special appropriations from the general
9 fund of the state for FY 2016-2017 to DNR in order to support
10 specific purposes including floodplain management and dam
11 safety and forestry health management programs.

12 ISU — SPECIAL GENERAL FUND AND OTHER FUNDS APPROPRIATIONS
13 — FY 2016-2017. The bill appropriates moneys from the
14 general fund of the state for FY 2016-2017 to ISU to support
15 the operation of its veterinary diagnostic laboratory. The
16 bill appropriates moneys to ISU to support the Iowa nutrient
17 research center (Code section 466B.47).

18 DALS AND DNR — ENVIRONMENT FIRST FUND APPROPRIATIONS — FY
19 2016-2017. The bill appropriates moneys from the environment
20 first fund (Code section 8.57A) for FY 2016-2017 to support a
21 number of programs administered by DALS and DNR. For DALS,
22 the moneys are appropriated to support programs involving soil
23 conservation, watershed protection and nutrient management, and
24 the loess hills development and conservation fund (Code section
25 161D.2); and for DNR, moneys are appropriated to support
26 programs involving water quality, state parks, public water
27 supplies, air quality, water supply development and protection
28 information, a keep Iowa beautiful initiative, and forestry
29 health programs.

30 PERSONNEL SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT PAYMENTS — FY 2016-2017.
31 As a condition of any appropriation made for FY 2016-2017 to
32 DALS, DNR, or ISU, no moneys may be used for the payment of a
33 personnel settlement agreement that contains a confidentiality
34 provision.

35 RELATED STATUTORY CHANGES — BLUFFLAND PROTECTION PROGRAM

1 AND REVOLVING FUND. The bill extends the repeal date for
2 provisions creating a bluffland protection program and a
3 bluffland protection revolving fund (Code section 161A.80).
4 The provisions are to be repealed on July 1, 2015, and
5 the bill extends that date to July 1, 2025. After that
6 date, outstanding loans must be repaid to the rebuild Iowa
7 infrastructure fund.