



Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request



Requested Meeting Date: January 25, 2022

Title of Item: Resolution for CPL Grant - Bud Capping

<input type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA	Action Requested:	<input type="checkbox"/> Direction Requested
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONSENT AGENDA	<input type="checkbox"/> Approve/Deny Motion	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item
<input type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION ONLY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopt Resolution (attach draft)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold Public Hearing*
<i>*provide copy of hearing notice that was published</i>		

Submitted by: Dennis Thompson	Department: Land
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Presenter (Name and Title): Dennis Thompson, Interim Land Commissioner	Estimated Time Needed: NA
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Summary of Issue:

The Aitkin County Land Department desires to apply for a Conservation Partners Legacy Grant (CPL) with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources to help alleviate bud capping expenses. Deer herbivory continues to be a major problem with all planted pines. Pine trees are bud capped until their terminal bud is out of the deer's reach. This, on average, takes about 4 years. The Land Department is asking for \$21,000 to be used over the next two years and would furnish the required 10% match using materials and staff time.

Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:

Recommended Action/Motion:
Adopt resolution

Financial Impact:

Is there a cost associated with this request? Yes No

What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$ Grant request is for \$21,000.00

Is this budgeted? Yes No *Please Explain:*

County will provide \$2,000.00 in in-kind match and \$1,500.00 in cash match for total match of \$3,500.00

By Commissioner: xx

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CPL Grant- Bud Capping

WHEREAS, the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners supports the grant application made to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for the Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program. The application is to help fund tree protection (bud capping) for pine trees, and

WHEREAS, The Aitkin County has the financial capability to meet the 10% match of non-state funds or in-kind resources,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, IF Aitkin County is awarded the grant by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Aitkin County agrees to accept the grant award and may enter into an agreement with the State of Minnesota. Aitkin County will comply with all applicable laws, environmental requirements, and regulations as stated in the grant agreement, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Aitkin County Interim Land Commissioner is hereby authorized to execute such agreements as are necessary to implement the project on behalf of Aitkin County.

Commissioner xx moved the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

FIVE MEMBERS PRESENT

All Members Voting Yes

**STATE OF MINNESOTA}
COUNTY OF AITKIN}**

I, Jessica Seibert, County Administrator, Aitkin County, Minnesota do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in the Administration Office of Aitkin County in Aitkin, Minnesota as stated in the minutes of the proceedings of said Board on the 25th day of January 2022, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the whole thereof.

Witness my hand and seal this 25th day of January 2022

Jessica Seibert
County Administrator