FINAL REPORT

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2003 Project AbstractFor the Period Ending June 30, 2006

TITLE: Water Recreation: Boat Access, Fishing Piers & Shore fishing

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FUND: Trust Fund

LEGAL CITATION: ML 2003, Ch. 128, Art. 1, Sec. 9, Subd. 6(g)

APPROPRIATION AMOUNT: \$1,150,000

Overall Project Outcome and Results

This project's objective is to provide the public with improved access to lakes and rivers statewide. Access includes boat access, fishing piers and shore fishing improvements. Access opportunities are provided to people with or without a boat, to people of all ages, and to people with a diverse range of physical abilities.

Project results for boat access development included the construction of two new public boat access sites, one on Ross Lake in Crow Wing County and the other on Cedar Lake in Morrison County. It also provided for the redevelopment of four existing sites on the following lakes: Leech Lake, Cass County; Sand Lake, Pine County; Long Lake, Cass County; and Green Lake, Kandiyohi County.

Project results for boat access land acquisition included the purchase of property for a new public access site on Star Lake, Otter Tail County. It also provided the funds to purchase additional property adjacent to an existing access site on Star Lake, Otter Tail County to allow the site to be expanded and improved.

Project results for fishing piers and shore fishing were numerous. Fishing piers were installed on 15 lakes statewide with six in the Twin Cities metropolitan area and the remainder in greater Minnesota. Shore fishing stations were built at seven locations throughout greater Minnesota.

Minnesotans greatly appreciate and have come to expect adequate access to the state's lakes and rivers as evidenced by the large number of boats registered and fishing licenses sold. Minnesota is known nationally for its boating and fishing opportunities provided by its wide array of lakes and rivers. The utilization of these significant natural resources has become an important aspect of our states social culture and economic climate. Studies have shown that water access sites are for more than just boaters; they are used by birdwatchers, people who want to view the lake's scenery, or as a place to rest and relax. Fishing piers are popular places for children to recreate and to pick up a life long interest in fishing and the outdoors. Boaters benefit by having additional access to water through high quality boat launch facilities that are convenient and safe. Local units of government gain benefit via grants and technical assistance for providing new or improved access.

Project Results Use and Dissemination

The public water access sites, fishing piers and shore fishing areas will be identified on the DNR's system of water access maps and the DNR website. Signs will be posted on each access site, fishing pier and shore fishing project giving attribution to the environment and natural resources trust fund.

Attachment C – Project Title: Water Recreation: Boat Access, Fishing Piers & Shorefishing 5/5/2006

Status Report on Fishing Piers & Shore Fishing Projects 2003 LCMR Trust Fund						
Lake / River	County	Size	MR Trust Year Install	Fund LCMR	Donation / Other Funding	Status
Ham Lake	Anoka	64' Pier	2004	\$6,453.00	\$11,823.00	Completed
Town Lake	Becker	84' Pier	2004	\$21,566.00	\$0.00	Completed
Eagle Lake	Carver	104' Pier	2004	\$12,245.00	\$12,250.00	Completed
Foot Lake	Kandiyohi	Platform	2004	\$4,148.00	\$0.00	Completed
Rowe Pit	Mower	Platform	2004	\$3,168.00	\$1,000.00	Completed
Otter Tail River	Otter Tail	Platform	2004	\$4,148.00	\$2,500.00	Completed
Lake Ore-Be-Gone	St. Louis	64' Pier	2004	\$17,722.00	\$500.00	Completed
Powers Lake	Washington	84' Pier	2004	\$6,454.00	\$15,000.00	Completed
Mississippi River	Wright	20' L-Pier	2004	\$10,860.00	\$0.00	Completed
TOTAL 2004				\$86,764.00	\$43,073.00	
Spring Lake	Anoka	104' Pier	2005	\$9,489.00	\$19,000.00	Completed
Bartlett Lake	Itasca	84' Pier	2005	\$24,996.00	\$0.00	Completed
Pearl Lake	Jackson	44' Pier	2005	\$7,667.00	\$10,000.00	Completed
Como Lake	Ramsey	104' Pier	2005	\$21,339.00	\$7,000.00	Completed
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Loon Lake	Waseca	64' Pier	2005	\$5,521.70	\$13,000.00	Completed
Cedar Lake	Wright	84' Pier	2005	\$25,005.00	\$0.00	Completed
	C	Replacement		ĺ		
Mississippi River	Wright	10' Extension	2005	\$289.30	\$1,100.00	Completed
TOTAL 2005				\$94,307.00	\$50,100.00	
Green Lake	Kandiyohi	Bridge Pjt Coop w/ County Shorefishing	2006	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	Encumbered
Green Lake	Kandiyohi	Outlet Pjt Coop w/ County Shorefishing	2006	\$6,980.00	\$10,000.00	Encumbered
Circle Lake	Rice	84' Pier	2006	\$17,330.00	\$10,000.00	Encumbered
Foot Lake	Kandiyohi	2nd 12x20 Platform	2006	\$11,358.00	\$0.00	Pending
Ravine Lake	Washington	104' Pier	2006	\$16,000.00	\$15,500.00	Pending
Long Lake	Watonwan	64' Pier	2006	\$18,315.00		Pending
Games Lake	Kandiyohi	Shorefishing Platform	2006	\$11,000.00		Pending
TOTAL 2006				\$100,983.00	\$60,500.00	
TOTAL 2004 - 2006				\$282,054.00	\$153,673.00	