

**M.L. 2026 Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund (ENRTF) Proposals Summary  
LCCMR 2026 RFP**

**Process for M.L. 2026**

As of March 19, 2025, the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR) received 400 proposals requesting a total of \$358,772,000. The amount available for appropriation from the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund (ENRTF) is approximately \$103 million. This RFP process is for FY 2027 funds that become available beginning July 1, 2026.

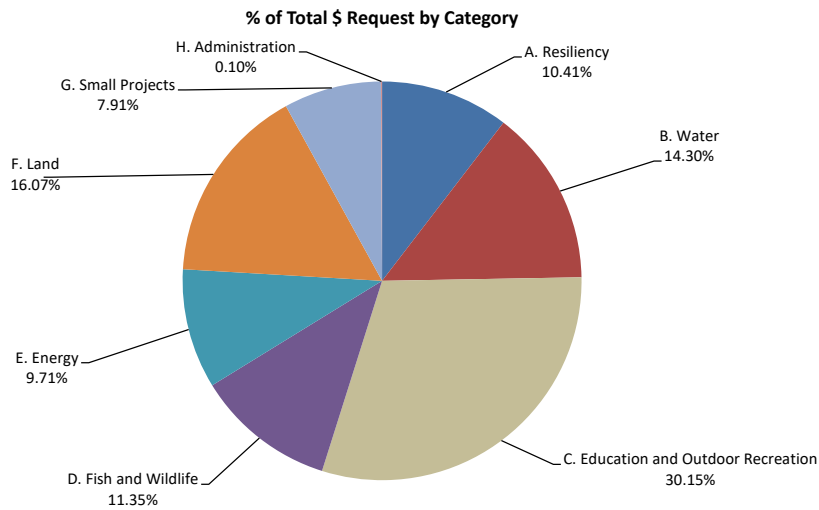
LCCMR reviews and evaluates all proposals against their adopted evaluation criteria. On June 11, members will select high-ranking proposals to invite for presentation before the LCCMR on June 24-27, June 30, and July 1 in order to receive further consideration. On July 18, the LCCMR will meet to make final selection and funding allocation decisions. In late 2025, the commission will meet to approve appropriation bill language for these projects that will be presented to the 2026 Minnesota Legislature as the official LCCMR recommendations for spending from the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund.

Check the LCCMR meeting schedule for the most up-to-date information and important process dates.

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|---|---|
| January 8, 2025                         | RFP Issued  |
| March 19, 2025                          | RFP Proposal Deadline (400 proposals received totaling ~\$359 million)                    |
| June 11, 2025                           | Selection of Proposals for Further Consideration and Presentations                        |
| June 24-27 & 30, 2025, and July 1, 2025 | Proposal Presentations  |
| July 18, 2025                           | Allocation and Recommendations  |
| August - November 2025                  | Recommended Projects Undergo Work Plan Development; Research Projects Undergo Peer Review |
| December 10, 2025                       | Appropriation Language Review and Adoption  |

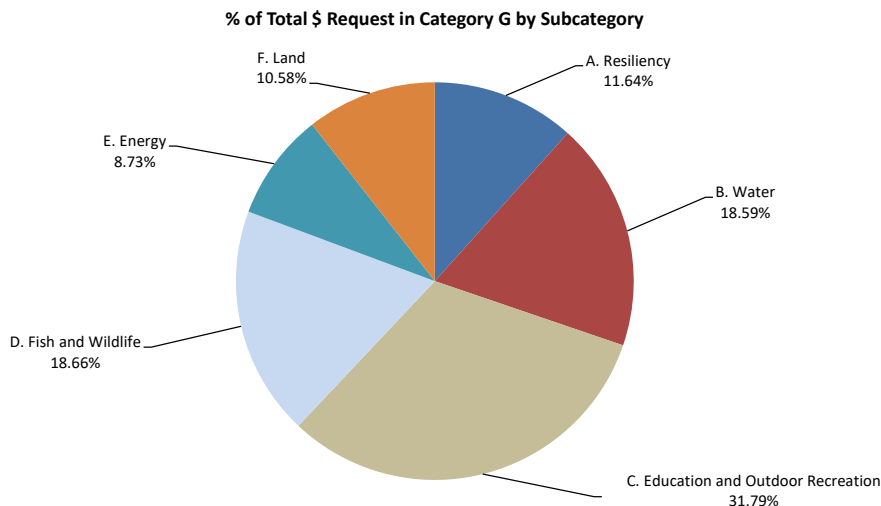
**Summary of Proposals by Category**

| Category                                   | \$ Request           | \$ Percent  | # Proposals | # Percent   |
|--|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>A. Resiliency</b>                       | \$37,362,000         | 10.41%      | 37          | 9.25%       |
| <b>B. Water</b>                            | \$51,312,000         | 14.30%      | 53          | 13.25%      |
| <b>C. Education and Outdoor Recreation</b> | \$108,183,000        | 30.15%      | 69          | 17.25%      |
| <b>D. Fish and Wildlife</b>                | \$40,717,000         | 11.35%      | 36          | 9.00%       |
| <b>E. Energy</b>                           | \$34,836,000         | 9.71%       | 32          | 8.00%       |
| <b>F. Land</b>                             | \$57,646,000         | 16.07%      | 41          | 10.25%      |
| <b>G. Small Projects</b>                   | \$28,374,000         | 7.91%       | 128         | 32.00%      |
| <b>H. Administration</b>                   | \$342,000            | 0.10%       | 4           | 1.00%       |
| <b>Total</b>                               | <b>\$358,772,000</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>400</b>  | <b>100%</b> |



**Summary of Category G Proposals by Subcategory**

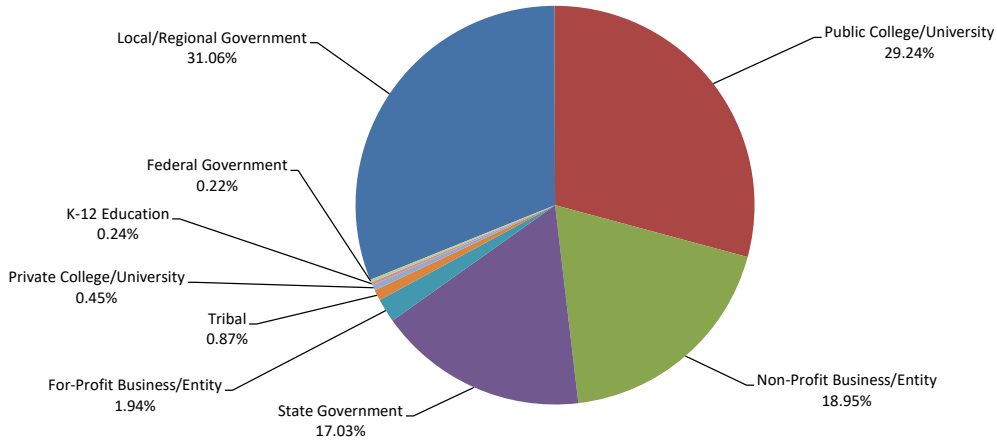
| Subcategory                                | \$ Request          | \$ Percent  | # Proposals | # Percent   |
|--|---------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>A. Resiliency</b>                       | \$3,303,000         | 11.64%      | 17          | 13.28%      |
| <b>B. Water</b>                            | \$5,276,000         | 18.59%      | 22          | 17.19%      |
| <b>C. Education and Outdoor Recreation</b> | \$9,019,000         | 31.79%      | 43          | 33.59%      |
| <b>D. Fish and Wildlife</b>                | \$5,295,000         | 18.66%      | 24          | 18.75%      |
| <b>E. Energy</b>                           | \$2,478,000         | 8.73%       | 9           | 7.03%       |
| <b>F. Land</b>                             | \$3,003,000         | 10.58%      | 13          | 10.16%      |
| <b>Total</b>                               | <b>\$28,374,000</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>128</b>  | <b>100%</b> |



**Summary of Proposals by Proposer Affiliation**

| Affiliation Type           | \$ Request           | \$ Percent  | # Proposals | # Percent   |
|----------------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Local/Regional Government  | \$111,439,000        | 31.06%      | 59          | 14.75%      |
| Public College/University  | \$104,909,000        | 29.24%      | 185         | 46.25%      |
| Non-Profit Business/Entity | \$67,973,000         | 18.95%      | 94          | 23.50%      |
| State Government           | \$61,095,000         | 17.03%      | 36          | 9.00%       |
| For-Profit Business/Entity | \$6,943,000          | 1.94%       | 11          | 2.75%       |
| Tribal                     | \$3,136,000          | 0.87%       | 5           | 1.25%       |
| Private College/University | \$1,614,000          | 0.45%       | 5           | 1.25%       |
| K-12 Education             | \$878,000            | 0.24%       | 3           | 0.75%       |
| Federal Government         | \$785,000            | 0.22%       | 2           | 0.50%       |
| <b>Total</b>               | <b>\$358,772,000</b> | <b>100%</b> | <b>400</b>  | <b>100%</b> |

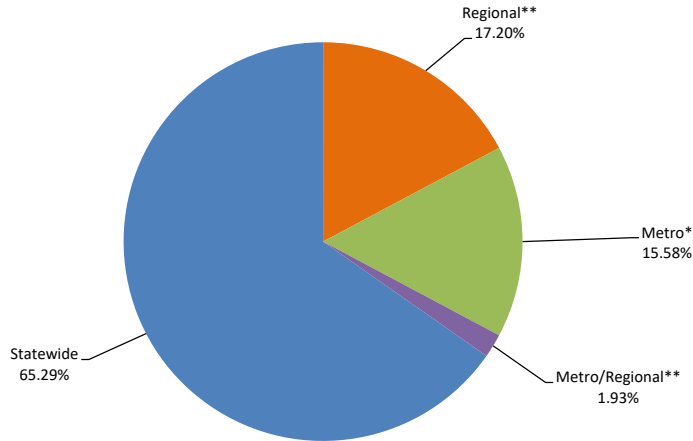
**% of Total \$ Request by Proposer Affiliation**



**Summary of Proposals by Area of Impact**

| Areas of Impact  | \$ Request           | \$ Percent     | # Proposals | # Percent      |
|------------------|----------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|
| Statewide        | \$234,231,000        | 65.29%         | 275         | 68.75%         |
| Regional**       | \$61,717,000         | 17.20%         | 69          | 17.25%         |
| Metro*           | \$55,890,000         | 15.58%         | 46          | 11.50%         |
| Metro/Regional** | \$6,934,000          | 1.93%          | 10          | 2.50%          |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>\$358,772,000</b> | <b>100.00%</b> | <b>400</b>  | <b>100.00%</b> |

**% of Total \$ Request by Area of Impact**



\* "Metro" region includes the 11 counties of Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, Isanti, Ramsey, Scott, Sherburne, Washington, and Wright.

\*\* "Regional" means area of impact is less than "Statewide" but includes one or more regions of the state ("Northwest", "Northeast", "Central", "Southwest", or "Southeast") other than the 11-county "Metro" region.