The Clean Water, Land and Legacy Amendment will appear on your November 4, 2008 General Election ballot.

The Amendment will be phrased as follows:

Shall the Minnesota Constitution be amended to dedicate funding to protect our drinking water sources; to protect, enhance, and restore our wetlands, prairies, forests, and fish, game, and wildlife habitat; to preserve our arts and cultural heritage; to support our parks and trails; and to protect, enhance, and restore our lakes, rivers, streams, and groundwater by increasing the sales and use tax rate beginning July 1, 2009, by three-eighths of one percent on taxable sales until the year 2034?

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The constitutional amendment dedicates 3/8’s of 1% addition to the state sales tax that will generate $300 million a year to separate accounts for:

- Parks and Trails Fund: 14.25% $43 Million
- Arts and Arts Youth Access Fund: 19.75% $59 Million
- Clean Lakes, Rivers and Streams Fund: 33% $100 Million
- Game, Fish & Wildlife Habitat Fund: 33% $100 Million

Please read through this brochure for more information, and this fall remember to VOTE YES.

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Vote Yes
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In 1998 Sportsmen & Women protected the right to hunt, fish and trap through a Constitutional Amendment which was approved by 77% of Minnesota voters!

Minnesota’s 1.5 million hunters and anglers know they can no longer keep up with the urgent need for investments in game, fish and wildlife habitat.

Federal conservation programs have proven unreliable. Sportsmen and women have seen firsthand how the years of under-funding have negatively impacted habitat, access and sporting opportunities.

Since the 1930’s hunters and anglers have taxed themselves and paid for habitat conservation through excise taxes, license sales, stamps, and donations. And today’s natural resource problems are growing faster than funds available.

For the past decade sportsmen and women have pushed the legislature to allow the dedicated investments for Minnesota’s 1.5 million hunters and anglers to decide on a constitutional amendment to secure the future of hunting, fishing and trapping in Minnesota. NOW IT’S YOUR TURN!

Election Day – November 4th, 2008 – YOU will have the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to VOTE YES on a Constitutional Amendment to dedicate significant NEW investments for game, fish and wildlife habitat!

Additional Funding Needed!

Fish & Game Habitat Account Created by Clean Water, Land and Legacy Amendment

$100 Million

This NEW source of funds:

- Invests more than ALL of our licenses sales and donations combined!
- Invests more in ONE YEAR than 25 years of Minnesota’s duck, pheasant, trout, and turkey stamp sales!

This NEW source of dedicated funding is protected from political influences that may divert funds to other priorities. This NEW source of funds would be overseen by a citizen-led council with stakeholder participation.

- The Citizen-led Lessard Outdoor Heritage Council oversees the $100 million yearly in potential game, fish and wildlife habitat investments.
- The Conservation Partners program allows for millions of dollars yearly in matching grants to local clubs, groups and chapters for habitat projects.

Implementation of long range plans for waterfowl, pheasant, grouse, turkey, big game, Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) and conservation.

Replenishment of our fisheries resources, aquatic management areas and trout stream restoration.

Restoring native grasslands and wetland habitat benefiting pheasants, waterfowl, prairie chicken, wild turkey, deer and non-game wildlife.

A major investment in forests for ruffed grouse, woodcock, wild turkey, big game species, non-game wildlife and outdoor recreation.

More reliable management of species of interest such as moose and elk. Also, more opportunities for Minnesota bear hunters.

Restoring Minnesota’s historic shallow lakes and wetlands, guaranteeing migratory waterfowl for generations to come.

Better management and stream bank restoration for our in-state rivers and streams.

Expansion of Minnesota’s habitat base will allow future generations to enjoy Minnesota’s Outdoor Heritage.

Current Revenue Sources

Federal Duck Stamp Sales & MN Duck, Pheasant, Turkey & Trout Stamp Sales:

$5.8 Million

Minnesota Deer License Sales:

$15 Million

Minnesota Fishing License Sales:

$27 Million

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