

DRAFT MEMORANDUM

TO: Chair Amy Sheldon, Vice Chair Jim McCullough, NRFW Committee
FR: Kari Dolan, Clerk
DATE: January 6, 2022
RE: DRAFT Assessment of Proposed FY22 Budget Adjustment-Addendum
CC: Michael O'Grady, Legislative Counsel

This memorandum addresses additional elements in FY22 Governor's Recommended Budget Adjustment (BA) pertaining to the environmental investments recommended for these agencies. I support these adjustments. Please see my detailed comments below. I am happy to discuss:

1. Natural Resources Board:

- a. References
 - i. B.713
- b. Proposal: Reallocates \$149,888 of funds.
- c. Recommendation: I support this adjustment, though I have one clarifying question.
- d. Justification: This adjustment is a net neutral shift of General Funds Operating to General Fund Personal services.
- e. Question: Is this change to adjust the budget because there was no change in NRB governance?

2. ANR:

- a. References
 - i. Sec. XX 2021 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Secs. B.1106(a)(25) [Note spreadsheet erroneously references "(24)"]
- b. Proposal: Directs \$350,000 to support an economic analysis to assume ownership of the Green River Dam.
- c. Recommendation: I support this adjustment.
- d. Justification: Directs \$350,000 to support an economic analysis (capital -- the funds the state would need to invest to keep it in good standing as a high-hazard dam -- and ongoing operations and maintenance costs) to the State to assume ownership of the Green River Dam. The Unspent funds will be directed to state-owned dams to evaluate the capital and on-going operations and maintenance costs.