

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to parks; appropriating money for a master plan for the Ramsey County
1.3 chain of lakes.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **RAMSEY COUNTY CHAIN OF LAKES MASTER PLAN.**

1.6 \$80,000 is appropriated in fiscal year 2010 from the fund to the Metropolitan
1.7 Council to update the joint master plan for Phalen-Keller Lakes Regional Park by Ramsey
1.8 County and the city of St. Paul, that includes the following Ramsey County chain of
1.9 lakes: Gervais, Keller, Kohlman, Phalen, Round, and Spoon. The Metropolitan Council,
1.10 Ramsey County, and the city of St. Paul, in consultation with other interested parties, shall
1.11 prepare the plan. A preliminary report shall be submitted to the chairs of the legislative
1.12 committees with jurisdiction over environment and natural resources finance no later than
1.13 February 15, 2010. A final master plan shall be submitted to the chairs of the legislative
1.14 committees with jurisdiction over environment and natural resources no later than
1.15 January 3, 2011. The master plan shall provide a plan to enhance the outdoor recreational
1.16 opportunities of the park system. The plan shall:

1.17 (1) identify and prioritize actions necessary to enhance opportunities for water
1.18 recreation, walking, biking, and other athletic activities;

1.19 (2) include a capital improvement plan identifying and prioritizing facilities for
1.20 improvement and development;

1.21 (3) provide a plan to enhance cross-country ski trail connections between the
1.22 system's golf courses and other open spaces; and

1.23 (4) identify and prioritize any land that should be acquired.