

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate House

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The Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation (Saunders) recommended the following amendment to amendment (088992):

Senate Amendment (with directory and title amendments)

Delete line(s) 960

and insert:

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(c) Land Management Uniform Cost-Accounting Council shall prepare and deliver a report on the methodology and formula for allocating land management funds to the Acquisition and Restoration Council. The Acquisition and Restoration Council shall review, modify as appropriate, and submit the report to the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund. The Board of Trustees shall review, modify as appropriate and submit the report to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives no later than December 31, 2008, that provides an interim management formula and a long-term management

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formula, and the methodologies used to develop the formulas, which shall be used to allocate land management In requesting funds provided for in paragraph (b) for interim and long-term management of all acquisitions lands managed pursuant to this chapter and for associated contractual services. The methodology and formula for interim management shall be based on the estimated land acquisitions for the fiscal year in which the interim funds will be expended. The methodology and formula for long-term management shall recognize, but not be limited to, the following: the managing agencies shall recognize the following categories of land management needs:

- 1. The assignment of management intensity associated with managed habitats and natural communities and the related management activities to achieve land management goals provided in ss. 253.054(5) and 259.032(10).
- a. The acres of land that require minimal effort for resource preservation or restoration.
- b. The acres of land that require moderate effort for resource preservation or restoration.
- c. The acres of land that require significant effort for resource preservation or restoration.
- 2. The assignment of management intensity associated with public access, including but not limited to:
- a. The acres of land that are open to the public but offer no more than minimally developed facilities;
- b. The acres of land that have a high degree of public use and offer highly developed facilities;
- c. The acres of land that are sites with historic significance or unique natural features, or a very high degree of public use.

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- 3. The acres of land with a secondary manager contributing to the over-all management effort.
- 4. The anticipated revenues generated from management of the lands.
- 5. The impacts of, and needs created or addressed by, multiple-use management strategies.
- 6. The acres of land with infestations of non-native or invasive plants, animals, or fish.
- 1. Lands which are low need tracts, requiring basic resource management and protection, such as state reserves, state preserves, state forests, and wildlife management areas. These lands generally are open to the public but have no more than minimum facilities development.
- 2. Lands which are moderate need tracts, requiring more than basic resource management and protection, such as state parks and state recreation areas. These lands generally have extra restoration or protection needs, higher concentrations of public use, or more highly developed facilities.
- 3. Lands which are high need tracts, with identified needs requiring unique site specific resource management and protection. These lands generally are sites with historic significance, unique natural features, or very high intensity public use, or sites that require extra funds to stabilize or protect resources, such as lands with heavy infestations of nonnative, invasive plants.

In evaluating the management funding needs of lands based on the above categories, the lead land managing agencies shall include in their considerations the impacts of, and needs created or addressed by, multiple-use management strategies. The funding

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formulas for interim and long-term management proposed by the agencies shall be reviewed by the legislature during the 2009 regular legislative session. The legislature may reject, modify, or take no action relative to the proposed funding formulas. If no action is taken, the funding formulas shall be used in the allocation and distribution of funds provided in paragraph (b).