DANE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
2023 CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENT

Amendment # EANR-C-1	
Sponsor:	Supervisors Downing, Chawla, Collins, Smith, Hatcher, Wright
Oversight Committee Action:	Environment, Agriculture and Natural Resources, approved 5-0.
Personnel & Finance Action:	
Department:	Land and Water Resources
Program:	Capital Budget

Motion:
(revenue/expenditure/text effect)

Increase expenditures and borrowing proceeds revenue by $300,000 to fund an agricultural conservation easement purchase (ACEP) program in Dane County.

Line Item Detail:

Org	Object	DESCRIPTION:	Amount
LWLEGACY	NEW	ACEP Matching Program	$300,000
LWLEGACY	84974	BORROWING PROCEEDS	$300,000

Intent/Justification

This amendment adds $300,000 to the Capital Budget of the Land & Water Resources Department to support a county matching grant program to help local units of government purchase agricultural conservation easements on working farm lands in rural Dane County as part of a farmland preservation strategy. The program should meet criteria described in the 2022 Farmland Preservation Plan and should pay for 25% of the cost of acquisition of agricultural conservation easements. This program will help the local communities access additional
matching funds available from the Natural Resources Conservation Service and other entities. Establising a ACEP program was a key recommendation contained in the draft Farmland Preservation Plan. The Operating Budget Resolution establishes a workgroup to define the operational parameters of the program.

NET GPR EFFECT: $0