

Coronavirus Relief / Health Care Response / COVID-19 Minnesota Funds Request Form

Please complete this form in accordance with the process instructions.

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Title of Request: Reducing Authorization from LCRC Action Order #11 - Animal Carcass Disposal

Date: 10/5/2020 **Request Amount:** -\$ 6,750,000

Expenditure Time Period: 4/29/2020 to 12/31/2020

Request Funding Source:

- Coronavirus Relief Fund (if selected complete page 2)
- Health Care Response Fund
- COVID-19 Minnesota Fund

Brief Summary of Request: (Summary must be complete on this page with supporting information attached)

The Department of Agriculture proposes reducing LCRC Action Order #11 for Animal Carcass Disposal from \$10.952 million to \$4.202 million. When meat processing plants were closed earlier this year in response to COVID-19 outbreaks, thousands of animals needed to be depopulated. The Department spent less than anticipated on disposal of livestock because rather than composting, producers were able to use rendering facilities to convert carcasses into usable materials.

If the authorization is reduced as requested, the Department will retain nearly \$2 million, which will allow the state to respond to possible future depopulation needs.

\$10,952,000 - original authorization
 (\$2,238,951) - expended and encumbered
 (\$6,750,000) - proposed reduction

\$1,963,049 - remaining for future depopulation needs

Andrea F. Vaubel

Department Head Signature

10/6/2020

Date