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EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

An Inventory of Its WPA and Relief Project Files

OVERVIEW OF THE RECORDS

- Agency:** Minnesota. Executive Council.
- Series Title:** WPA and relief project files,
- Dates:** [193-]-[195-].
- Abstract:** Files on a variety of work relief, disaster relief, and conservation projects financed by the Executive Council, many with Works Progress Administration funds.
- Quantity:** 7.75 cu. ft. (7 boxes and 1 partial box).
- Location:** See Detailed Description section for box locations.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE RECORDS

Files on a variety of work relief, disaster relief, and conservation projects financed by the Executive Council, many with Works Progress Administration funds, and on related administrative and financial matters.

They include reforestation, lake restoration, flood and erosion control, dam construction, park improvement, weed control, and related conservation projects; construction or renovation of county and municipal buildings and public works, such as bridges, roads, courthouses, village halls, community centers, and sewerage plants; renovation to the State Capitol grounds and to several state buildings; payments of aid to college and high school students and to school districts; and provision of relief to victims of floods, drought, tornadoes, and other natural disasters and to disabled war veterans.

RELATED MATERIALS

Many files may prove to interfile with other Executive Council or Governor's office records.

INDEX TERMS

This collection is indexed under the following headings in the catalog of the Minnesota Historical Society. Researchers desiring materials about related topics, persons or places should search the catalog using these headings.

Topics:

Bridges—Minnesota.
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Water resources development—Minnesota.

Places:

Minnesota—Capital and capitol.
Minnesota—Public works.

Organizations:

Minnesota Work Projects Administration.
Minnesota Works Progress Administration.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Note to Researchers: To request materials, please note both the location and box numbers shown below.

Location	Box	
110.C.6.1B	1	Old Capitol Site Leasing. Noxious Weed Project. North Range Mining Company. Pine County Court House. Pequot Bridge Project. Pelican Lake Diversion Project. Paul Bunyan State Forest. Ottertail River, Wilkin County. Oronoco Dam. Personal Property Tax Data and Attorney General's Opinion. Old Mill Site, Marshall County. Floyd B. Olson Memorial. College Student Aid. Cook County Relief Data. College Aid. 2 folders. School District Relief. Direct and Unemployment Relief Data. County Relief Payments for 1936-1939. 4 folders. Deficiency Relief Fund Data. Disabled War Veterans Relief. Distressed Township File. Fire Fighting Data. Drought Relief. War Veterans' Relief.
Location	Box	
110.C.6.2F	2	Hail Relief. High School Aid Budgets. Grant County Flood Relief. Flood Relief, Whitewater Valley. Lyon County Flood Relief Project. Snake River Flood Requests. High School Student Aid Requests. Capitol Grounds Budget, etc. Old Capitol Site: Registration of Title. Old Capitol Wrecking Project. Old Capitol Site: Leasing, etc. Tornado Relief, Southwestern Minnesota. Miscellaneous Correspondence.

Location	Box	
110.C.6.2F	2	Flood Relief: Isanti. Flood Relief: Lake of the Woods County. West Central Flood Area. Tornado Relief: Brown, Redwood, Renville Counties. School District Relief Fund. 5 folders. Wind Storm Relief: Lac Qui Parle, Chisago, Central Minnesota.

Location	Box	
110.C.6.3B	3	Flood Relief: Itasca County. Flood Relief: Traverse, Wilkin, Grant Counties. Fire Relief: St. Louis County. Aitkin County Flood Relief. Flood Control Bill and Reports. Marshall County Flood Project. Township Relief File. 1944 Flood Relief Budget, etc. High School Student Aid, 1939-1940. Flood Relief and Control. Miscellaneous Correspondence. Flood Relief: Norman County. Flood Relief: Red Lake and Clearwater River Area. Flood Relief: Traverse County. Flood Relief: Stearns and Washington Counties. Wilkin County Flood Relief. Flood Relief: Whitewater and Elba Area, Winona County. 1972 Small Dams. Soldiers' Home Board. Rogers-Brown Iron Ore Lease. Roseau River Project. Round Grove Lake. Rural Credit Deficiency Relief. South Branch of Two Rivers, Kittson County. Ramsey County Boys Farm School. Red Lake River Improvement Project. Rice Lake Project, Faribault County. Rush Lake, Chisago County. St. Cloud Dam. St. Louis County Recreational Building. St. Louis County Reforestation Project. Scandinavian Lake Project. Sewing Project Requests. Sibley Park Lake and Dam. Pomme de Terre, Stevens County. Commissioner of Administration.

Location	Box	
110.C.6.3B	3	Lac Qui Parle Correspondence, 1946-1947. Split Rock. Split Rock Lake, Park, and Dam Project, Pipestone County. 1 folder, 1 volume.

Location	Box	
110.C.6.4F	4	Requests for Sponsors Funds. Spring Creek, Pleasant Valley Dam. State Fair Grounds. State Park Projects Data. State Feeble-Minded School Site Commission. State Planning Board. Sturm Wilson Road. Supreme Court Rooms. Surplus Commodities. Pokegama, Cross Lake. 4 folders. Pine Lake Reservoir, Aitkin County. Swift County Garage Project. Special Depository Designations. Spilleman Lake, Yellow Medicine County. Miscellaneous Correspondence. 2 folders. Timber Sales, 1935-1940. Delinquent Inheritance Tax List, 1946. Executive Council Cancellations. Director, Division of Drainage and Waters. Director, Division of Land Acquisition. State Treasurer. Railroad and Warehouse Commission. H. J. Aufderheide, State Relief Agent. Alfred Leucke, State Relief Agent. Einar W. Johnson, Auditor, State Relief Agent. J. J. Rachac, Auditor, State Relief Agent. Commissioner of Conservation. Assistant Attorney General.

Location	Box	
110.C.6.5B	5	WPA and Appropriations Correspondence [bulk 1936-1938]: Accident Prevention Safety Inspection. Administrative Funds, Reimbursement of. Aitkin County Agricultural Society Request. Aitkin County Old Age Assistance and Dependent Children. Aitkin County Reforestation Area. Aitkin County Request, Sponsorship Funds. Akeley Water System Request. Alice Whitney Park, Stearns County. Allie and Preston Lakes, Renville County. Appleton Dust Bowl/Wind Erosion Project. Armory Project. Army Worm Control Project. Assumption of Bonded Debt [proposed national forest]. Aurora Sewer Project. Auto Garage [Capitol]. Bank Balances, Cancellation of. Bass Lake Project, Itasca County. Beaver Creek Project, Renville County. Beaver Lake, Ramsey County. Beaver Valley, Houston County. Beldon Township Road Project, Pine County. Benefit Association Railway Employees. Benson Park, Swift County. Bertha Village, Todd County. Big Fork Hospital. Big Fork Sewer System Project. Biwabik Sewer Project. Braham Village Sewage Plant. Brandon Sewer Project. Bruno Village Auditorium Project, Pine County. Burtrum Community Hall Request. Comstock Community Hall. Cook Village Sewer Project. De Graff Sewer Project. Deer River Community Center. Embarrass Township. Fergus Falls Municipal Auditorium. Floodwood Sewer System. Golden Valley Community Center. Grand Marais Sewer Project. Gully Village, Polk County. Hinckley Sewerage Disposal Plant. Keewatin Village, Itasca County.

Location	Box	
110.C.6.5B	5	WPA and Appropriations Correspondence (cont): Lake Benton, Lincoln County. McIntosh, Village of. McKinley Village Hall. Malung, Town of. Middle River Fire Hall and Auditorium. Milaca Water Conservation Project. Moorhead Project. Mora Municipal Hospital. Murdoch Water Project. New York Mills Project. Odessa Community Hall. Orr Village Water System. Ortonville, Conveyance of Certain Lands to. Osakis Sewer Project. Oslo Community Hall. Parkers Prairie Sewer Project. Pine City Public Building. Pine River Village, Cass County. Proctor Community Hall Project. Ranier Community Hall. Roseau Village Sewage Disposal Plant. Saint Paul/Ramsey County Correspondence. Mainly welfare board reports. Saint Paul WPA Projects. Sauk Rapids Sewer Project. Scanlon Sewer Project, Carlton County. Sleepy Eye, Brown County. Starbuck Community Building. Stephen Water and Sewerage Plant. Tower City Hall. Warren Community Building. Warroad Hospital Request. Westbrook Village Paving Project. Willow River, Pine County. Winsted Sewer Project. Winton Sewer Project.

Location	Box	
110.C.6.6F	6	<p>Typhoid Control Project, 1938. Includes "Report of Investigation of the Typhoid Fever Epidemic, Minneapolis, 1935," by the Minnesota Department of Health.</p> <p>Vermillion Dam, Hastings, Dakota County. Vocational Rehabilitation Requests. Walker Fish Hatchery and Pond. Wanamingo Lake Park and Dam, Goodhue County. Watonwan County Lake Project. Waverly Lake. Weed Inspection: Barberry Control. White Blister Rust Eradication. Willmar Chain of Lakes. Whitewater Public Hunting Grounds. Wood Lake and Mulligan Slough. Pokegama Lake Relief, 1926. [Allocations of Relief, 1937-1939] State Executive Council Resolutions and Appropriations, 1939. 2 folders. Lists of appropriations made in connection with direct relief and work relief projects.</p> <p>Appropriations out of Chapter 35, E. S. Laws 1919, January 1937 – December 1938. State Capitol Grounds Grading and Planting, 1932. Contract, specifications, and planting list (bid document), and related correspondence.</p> <p>State Office Building: Contract, Specifications, and Planting List, 1933.</p>
Location	Box	
110.C.6.6F	6 (cont)	<p>Big and Little Birch Lakes and Lake Sylvia, Stearns and Todd Counties. Big Stone County 4-H Club Building. Big Stone Lake Project. Capitol Grounds Requests. Capitol Building Improvements. 2 folders. Carlos Avery Game Refuge. Carlton County Road and Bridge Project. Central Canteen Trust Account [for relief]. Clearwater County Fair Grounds Project. Columbia Heights Park Project. Completion Reports, [State Relief Agency], 1938-1939. Conservation Projects. Conservation Safety Program, Tourist Bureau. Cottonwood Lake, Cottonwood County.</p>

Location	Box	
110.C.6.6F	6	Cottonwood River, Brown County. Crooked Lake, Anoka County. Lake Emily, Pope County. 3 folders. Lake Carlos, Douglas County. Duluth Port Authority. Federal Music Project. Forestry Division: Lease of Lands, 1937. Forestry WPA Project. 4-H Club House, State Fair Grounds. Goose Lake Project. GAR Request for Home. Fort Ridgely Park, Nicollet County.

Location	Box	
110.C.7.1B	7	Fort Ripley, Morrison County. Fort Snelling National Cemetery. Fox Lake, Martin County. Frontenac Park, Goodhue County. Cross/Turtle/Two Connections, Polk County. Douglas County Fair Project. Douglas Lodge. Federal Fish Hatchery Data. [related to Lac Qui Parle project] Fish Reduction. Lake Minnetonka. Lake Osakis Project, Todd and Douglas Counties. Lake Shetek Boy Scout Camp. Lake Shetek, Murray County. Lake Traverse-Boise de Sioux. Lone Craftsman Project. Mapping Project, Forestry Division. Markville Bridge, Pine County. Marlow Lake [Restoration], Pope County. Martin County-Wide Project. Middle River Dam, Argyle. Mille Lacs County Road Project. Minneapolis Board of Welfare WPA Projects. Minnesota Guide Book Project. Minnesota Point Development Project, St. Louis County. 2 folders. Lake Yankton, Lyon County. Land Acquisition Department. Legal Survey Project. Leif Erikson Monument Association. Little Fork Project, Koochiching County.

Location	Box	
110.C.7.1B	7	Status Report, Water Conservation Projects, 7/1/36. Kennedy, Kittson County (letter), 1939. Kansas, Mary, and Long Lakes, Watonwan County, 1937. Inventory, State Property, 1937. Division on Insurance: Project Requests Correspondence, 1937. Koochiching County-Wide Road Project, 1939. Kittons County Fair Grounds, Hallock, 1937. Kensington Historical Park, 1938. [Minnesota] Historical Society Correspondence, 1937. Re installation of stacks and shelves. See also Maps and Drawings. Heron Lake, Jackson County, Correspondence, 1935-1936. Hanska Lake Rehabilitation Project, 1939. Hay Creek, Pine County, Correspondence, 1937. Minnesota Lake Project, Faribault County. Minnesota Point Project. Minnesota Resources Commission. Minnesota Territorial Pioneers Building. Minnewashka Lake Project. Mud Lake [Restoration Project], Marshall County. Monson Lake. Moorhead Dam, Clay County. Mountain Lake, Cottonwood County. Muskoda Dam. Mustinka River Project, Grant County. [Miscellany for filing]. 1 folder. Transient Camp, Savage, 1937-1942.
Location	Box	
110.C.7.1B	7 (cont)	Record of State Executive Council Resolutions and Appropriations, ca. 1934-1938. 1 looseleaf notebook. Record of resolutions and appropriations made by the Executive Council for State Relief Agency projects, consisting of project descriptions and initial status reports, and subsequent summary status reports. Alphabetical by name or location of project. Transferred from Governor: Miscellaneous Records.

Location	Box	
110.C.7.1B	7 (cont)	Project Files [transferred from Investment Board]: Blue Mound Lake, Rock County. Board of Control Requests. Buck Mills and Lake Melissa Project. Buffalo Chain of Lakes Restoration Project, Becker County. Camden Park. Camp Ripley. Camps – Underprivileged Children. CCC Camps. Chippewa County Road Way Permit.
Location	Box	
110.C.8.6F	8	School District Grant and Aid Files, 1937-1939. ¾ box (partial box). By county, A-W.