

OHF FINAL REPORT – EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Project Number: 001-010

Recipient: Richland Soil Conservation District

Award Amount: \$105,000

Total Project Costs: \$113,446.80

Total OHF Funds Received: \$44,475.48



Goal of Project:

The goal was to promote water quality improvement practices in Richland County. This grant was to work in coordination with the funds that were received through the EPA 319 grant.

Work Accomplished:

- 1 – Riparian Area Management along with Herbaceous Cover
- 1 – Streambank Stabilization along with Herbaceous Cover
- 1 – Critical Area planting

Project Results:

Three water quality improvement projects were installed. Two water quality projects were installed with just under 3 miles (15,032 Feet) of streambank restored and vegetated to hold the topsoil in place. The third project was prone to river water breakout which flowed across farmland taking the topsoil with it. 6 acres of land was seeded to native grasses and reshaping was done to prevent these breakouts from removing topsoil and flowing into the Wild Rice River.

Value to North Dakota:

While these projects are completed on private lands, they have a benefit to many in North Dakota. By keeping the topsoil in place, it does not become part of the waterway as sedimentation. These projects benefit not only the landowner but wildlife, wildlife habitat, recreational use of waterway and of course drinking water source for many of North Dakota's residents.