

Outdoor Heritage Fund Grant Application



The purpose of the North Dakota Outdoor Heritage Fund is to provide funding to state agencies, tribal governments, political subdivisions, and nonprofit organizations to:

Directive A. Provide access to private and public lands for sportsmen, including projects that create fish and wildlife habitat and provide access for sportsmen;

Directive B. Improve, maintain, and restore water quality, soil conditions, plant diversity, animal systems and to support other practices of stewardship to enhance farming and ranching;

Directive C. Develop, enhance, conserve, and restore wildlife and fish habitat on private and public lands; and

Directive D. Conserve natural areas for recreation through the establishment and development of parks and other recreation areas.

Exemptions

Outdoor Heritage Fund grants may not be used to finance the following:

- A. Litigation;
- B. Lobbying activities;
- C. Any activity that would interfere, disrupt, or prevent activities associated with surface coal mining operations; sand, gravel, or scoria extraction activities; oil and gas operations; or other energy facility or infrastructure development;
- D. The acquisition of land or to encumber any land for a term longer than twenty years; or
- E. Projects outside this state or projects that are beyond the scope of defined activities that fulfill the purposes of Chapter 54-17.8 of the North Dakota Century Code

No Consideration

In addition to those specific items in law that are ineligible for funding, in the absence of exceptional circumstances, the following projects will NOT receive consideration for funding:

- Projects that are already completed;
- Projects that are on-going (Phased projects would be considered);
- Staffing;
- Feasibility studies;
- Annual maintenance;
- Paving projects for roads and parking lots;
- Swimming pools;
- Non-permanent equipment (such as tractors, snowmobiles);
- Research;
- Projects where the applicant is not directly involved in the project.

Application Deadline

Applications for the second grant round cycle are due on **April 1, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. CT.** All information, including attachments, must be submitted by that date. See instructions below for submission information.

Instructions

Please download this Word document (available on the Industrial Commission/Outdoor Heritage Fund Program website at <http://www.nd.gov/ndic/outdoor-infopage.htm>) to your computer and provide the information as requested. You are not limited to the spacing provided except in those instances where there is a limit on the number of words. After completing the application, save it and attach it to an e-mail and send it to outdoorheritage@nd.gov or print it and mail it to the address noted in the next paragraph.

Attachments in support of your application may be sent by mail to North Dakota Industrial Commission, ATTN: Outdoor Heritage Fund Program, State Capitol – Fourteenth Floor, 600 East Boulevard Ave. Dept. 405, Bismarck, ND 58505 or by e-mail to outdoorheritage@nd.gov. The application and all attachments must be received or postmarked by the application deadline. You will be sent a confirmation by e-mail of receipt of your application.

You may submit your application at any time prior to the application deadline. Early submission is appreciated and encouraged to allow adequate time to review your application and ensure that all required information has been included. Incomplete applications may not be considered for funding. **Any item noted with an * is required.**

Oral Presentation:

Please note that you will be given an opportunity to make a ten-minute Oral Presentation at a meeting of the Outdoor Heritage Fund Advisory Board. These presentations are strongly encouraged.

Open Record:

Please note that your application and any attachments will be open records as defined by law and will be posted on the Industrial Commission/Outdoor Heritage Fund website.

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State	ND

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List names of co-applicants if this is a joint proposal:

**Devils Lake Access Committee;
Suzie Kenner, Executive Director, Devils Lake Chamber
of Commerce, Tourism Division**

MAJOR Directive: (select the Directive that best describes your grant request)*
Choose only one response

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ADDITIONAL Directive:
(select the directives that also apply to the grant application purpose)* Choose all that apply

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Type of organization:

(select the category that describes your organization)*

- State Agency
- Political Subdivision
- Tribal Entity
- Tax-exempt, nonprofit corporation.

Project Name:

Devils Lake Access Improvements for Handicapped, Elderly and Mobility Impaired

Abstract/Executive Summary

An Executive Summary of the project stating its objectives, expected results, duration, total project costs and participants.* (no more than 500 words)

This project is meant to provide access for elderly and physically challenged anglers, who love to fish and enjoy the outdoors, but have limited access to the water due to the large amount of rocks (rip rap) placed along the lakeshore for erosion protection. The project is a cooperative effort between the City of Devils Lake, ND Game and Fish Dept., Lake Region Anglers Association, Devils Lake Chamber of Commerce – Tourism Division, Devils Lake Park Board, Devils Lake Access Committee, Ramsey County Water Resource District, Lake Region Sportsmen, Fishing Has No Boundaries - Devils Lake Chapter, VFW Post 756 and others interested in improving access to the lake. Total project cost for proposed improvements is \$610,765.

Devils Lake offers some of the best sport fishing opportunities in the Midwest. The lake offers anglers excellent opportunities to catch Walleye, Northern Pike, Perch, and White Bass among other species. Unfortunately, not all anglers are able to enjoy the excellent resource available to them. Physically challenged anglers often find it difficult, if not impossible, to access the lake for fishing opportunities due to topography and rip rap placed along the shoreline.

The project would include installation of access ramps and stairs that will allow wheelchair bound, physically challenged and elderly anglers, family members and friends access to fishing piers located along the shoreline of the lake. The project enhances existing facilities as well as creating new access points, adjusting manmade landscapes to allow elderly and physically challenged people access to the lake. Project materials and design will allow long-term lake access for anglers, sportsman and those who like the outdoors.

Limited access for fishing on Devils Lake has been the result of the unprecedented rise the lake has experienced over the course of the last 20+ years. The rising waters have swallowed homes, farmland, roads, public beaches and access points, and two State Parks. To protect the City and surrounding area, the City has worked with the Corps of

Engineers to install over 12 miles of flood protection embankment to hold back the lake. The NDDOT has abandoned roadways and raised others to stay ahead of the lake.

Raised roads and miles of flood protection have offered areas of shoreline to catch fish. However, anglers need to be mobile and agile enough to traverse mountains of rip rap to reach the shoreline. The rocks used to protect the roads and flood protection dikes from erosion are often unstable and slippery, posing a significant hazard for anglers daring enough to venture across them in search of fish.

We ask that the Committee look favorably on our application. We understand the project is expensive, but feel ALL individuals should have access to our State's bountiful natural resources, not just those that are physically fit and agile. The proposed project offers construction and maintenance challenges, but the City of Devils Lake and its cooperative partners are willing to address these challenges because we feel this project offers significant benefit to the public.

Project Duration:*

Project construction will be initiated in 2015, with hopes of completion this year. Dependent upon contractor and material availability, construction may extend into 2016. Based on the materials used, it is expected that the fishing pier improvements will have a useful life exceeding 20 years, with the ramp useful life expected to be 30+ years.

Amount of Grant request:

\$458,074 (75% of \$610,765)

Total Project Costs:

\$610,765

(Note that in-kind and indirect costs can be used for matching funds)

A minimum of 25% Match Funding is strongly encouraged.

Amount of Matching Funds:

\$152,691; of which \$77,691 is cash and the remaining \$75,000 is in-kind/indirect.

Please indicate if the matching funds will be in-kind, indirect or cash.

Source(s) of Matching Funds:*

Please provide verification that these matching funds are available for your project.

The City of Devils Lake will provide \$31,200 in cash and will provide up to \$60,000 in in-house engineering, administrative and legal fees as an in-kind match to the project. To ensure the project is completed as envisioned, the Devils Lake City Commission has also authorized up to an additional \$68,800 (\$100,000 total cash) to cover improvements that may not be allowed through the OHF program and to address cost overruns that may arise. Other sponsors have also committed funds to the project, based on approvals of their respective boards, including:

ND Game and Fish (\$30,000 cash, \$15,000 in-kind)	\$45,000
Lake Region Anglers Assoc. (cash)	\$10,000
Devils Lake Chamber - Tourism Division (cash)	\$5,000
Devils Lake Access Committee (cash)	\$1,000
Lake Region Sportsmen (cash)	\$500
Ramsey County Water Board	Land

PLEASE SEE ATTACHED LETTERS OF SUPPORT FOR THE PROJECT.

Certifications: *

X I certify that this application has been made with the support of the governing body and chief executive of my organization.

X I certify that if awarded grant funding, none of the funding will be used for any of the exemptions noted on Page 1 of this application.

Narrative

Organization Information – Briefly summarize your organization’s history, mission, current programs and activities: *

Include an overview of your organizational structure, including board, staff and volunteer involvement. (no more than 300 words)

The City of Devils Lake will be the primary project sponsor. The Devils Lake Access Committee will provide oversight and maintain the project once completed (see sustainability section).

Purpose of Grant – Describe the proposed project identifying how the project will meet the specific directive(s) of the Outdoor Heritage Fund Program: *

Directive A. Provide access to private and public lands for sportsmen, including projects that create fish and wildlife habitat and provide access for sportsmen:

The goal of this project is to provide access for elderly and physically challenged anglers, sportsmen, and those who simply love the outdoors to have better access to the shores of Devils Lake. The flooding of the lake over the past two decades has flooded many public access points to the lake, including two state parks (The Narrows and Shelters Grove), a public beach and recreation area (Lakewood Park) and a privately owned, publicly used beach (Arrowhead Resort). Loss of these access points and the need to raise roads, flood protection dikes, and protect the shoreline with erosion control rocks (rip rap), has left very limited access for anglers who are not physically capable of traversing mountains of rip rap to get to the water’s edge.

Several local clubs have approached the City of Devils Lake and the Devils Lake Access Committee (a subsidiary of the Devils Lake Chamber and Visitors Bureau, comprised of representatives from the City of Devils Lake, Devils Lake Park Board,

Ramsey County and Lake Region Anglers) related to the need to improve lake access for elderly, handicapped and physically challenged individuals who love the outdoors and fishing. This project provides ramps and stairs from relatively flat surfaces to floating fishing piers located at three different locations on the shoreline of the lake. Parking lot development, vehicle access improvements, a handicap accessible bathroom and playground equipment are also part of the proposed improvements. Although providing improved access has been discussed for some time, the proposed project is new.

The benefits of the proposed project very much equate to providing quality of life improvements for mobility challenged and elderly individuals. These individuals have a difficult time launching boats and personal watercraft. Thus, they rely on shore access for aquatic recreational activity. This access has nearly been cut off due to raised roads and shorelines mounded with rip rap. The increasing elderly population in our area further increases the need for improved lake access.

Directive B. Improve, maintain, and restore water quality, soil conditions, plant diversity, animal systems and to support other practices of stewardship to enhance farming and ranching;

One of the sites (Channel A Recreation Area, see Partial Funding Section) will repair some bank erosion that currently exists on the site (improve water quality) and offers the potential for tree planting to further enhance the site. We feel development of the parking and fishing area will also improve relations between fisherman and farmers in the area by giving fisherman an alternate location to park and fish, rather than using the adjacent roadway and bridge. Fisherman currently park on the road and fish from the bridge due to the steep bank that exists along the channel. This creates problems for farmers trying to move equipment down the already narrow roadway. This seemingly small item will make a big difference in fostering relations between farmers and fishermen.

Directive C. Develop, enhance, conserve, and restore wildlife and fish habitat on private and public lands:

The fishing piers will create a small amount of shade and structure for fish. Fish often congregate around these structures for shade and safety. Thus, the piers will improve fish habitat.

Directive D. Conserve natural areas for recreation through the establishment and development of parks and other recreation areas:

Although the areas proposed are not completely natural (man-made drainage channels and flood protection projects), these projects establish recreational areas that can be used by ALL sportsmen. Since the lands are publicly owned, we expect they will continue to be improved and available for public recreational use long into the future.

Timeframe/Uniqueness:

If approved for grant funding, the City intends to complete design and solicit bids for construction of the project areas this summer. Dependent upon bids received and contractor availability, the City may work with local organizations to complete portions of the work in-kind.

A significant cost of the project relates to ramps for wheelchair access. The unique feature related to the ramps will be the need for flexibility and adjustment for varying lake levels and the need to remove sections of ramp from the water's edge to reduce the potential for ice damage. We intend to develop the ramps and foundations in a modular fashion that will allow sections to be moved away from the shoreline during the winter months to prevent damage from ice thrusting onto the shoreline. Modular development of the ramps will also allow sections to be added or removed with increases or decreases in lake elevation, something that has been a common occurrence on Devils Lake.

Management of Project – Provide a description of how you will manage and oversee the project to ensure it is carried out on schedule and in a manner that best ensures its objectives will be met:*

Include a brief background and work experience for those managing the project.

City Engineering staff will oversee project development. Mike Grafsgaard, PE, has been the City's Engineer for nearly 14 years and has been involved with numerous City projects ranging from recreational improvements, such as this proposed project, to major infrastructure improvement projects costing millions of dollars.

Suzie Kenner has been the Executive Director of the Devils Lake Chamber of Commerce – Tourism Division for six years. She has managed numerous projects, events and coordinated lake access improvements during this period. Ms. Kenner will be the primary contact for the project once construction is complete.

Evaluation – Describe your plan to document progress and results: *

How will you tell if the project is successful? Please be specific on the methods you will utilize to measure success. Note that regular reporting, final evaluation and expenditure reports will be required for every grant awarded.

Success of the project will be gauged based on use of the facilities and feedback from sponsoring organizations such as the Lake Region Anglers and Lake Region Sportsmen. Comment boxes may be provided at each location to solicit input and feedback.

Quality of life projects, such as this, are difficult to measure in terms of numbers. Rather, success will be measured by knowing that we took steps to improve access for ALL fishermen.

Financial Information

ATTACHMENT: Project Budget – Using the standard project budget format that is available on the website at <http://www.nd.gov/ndic/outdoor-infopage.htm> , please include a detailed total project budget that specifically outlines all the funds you are requesting. Note that a minimum of 25% match funding is strongly encouraged.*

X I certify that a project budget will be sent to the Commission.*

SEE ATTACHED PROJECT BUDGET AND COST ESTIMATE SHEETS.

Sustainability – Indicate how the project will be funded or sustained in future years: *

Include information on the sustainability of this project after all the funding from the Outdoor Heritage Fund has been expended and whether the sustainability will be in the form of ongoing management or additional funding from a different source.

The project improvements will be maintained by the Devils Lake Access Committee, acting through the Devils Lake Area Chamber of Commerce and the Committee Coordinator, Suzie Kenner. The committee receives funding each year from the City of Devils Lake, Ramsey County, Devils Lake Park Board, Devils Lake Tourism, ND Game and Fish, the Lake Region Anglers Association, and others. Ms. Kenner is the Executive Director, Devils Lake Chamber of Commerce – Tourism Division, and currently oversees several recreational improvements in the area, including multiple boat lake access points and landings, fish cleaning stations (including an enclosed four season fish cleaning station), and recreational areas. Maintenance of the facilities is currently bid each year to a private contractor with oversight from Ms. Kenner, the Lake Region Anglers and Lake Access Committee members. City forces and equipment will be involved (if necessary) to install and remove sections of wheelchair ramp to prevent ice damage and adjust the ramps for varying elevations in the lake.

Partial Funding – Indicate how the project will be affected if less funding is available than that requested: *

The total project consists of three independent projects as outlined below.

AREA 1 – EAST DITCH RECREATION AREA

This area will utilize a portion of the City of Devils Lake's flood protection system to provide access to the lake. The project will use a portion of the top of the City's dike for an access route to a slightly secluded landing constructed as part of the City's latest (and final) flood protection work. Portions of previous flood protection work were left in place and modified in hopes of future use for access to the lake. Benefits of this location include proximity to the City, the area is closer to the water (making access easier to obtain) and can offer excellent fishing opportunities. This locations proximity to the City and the potential use of the dike as a walking/bikepath will allow easy access for pedestrians and bikers from town.

Cost estimate for this area is \$258,859 (includes \$40,000 in handicap accessible playground equipment to enhance the site for children of fishermen if the fishing is slow ☺).

AREA 2 – HENEGAR LANDING

This area will also utilize a portion of the City's flood protection system for access. The proposed project will enhance existing facilities, including parking areas, bathrooms, lighting and boat access. The project will include installation of ramps and stairs from the top of the City's flood protection system, adjacent to an established concrete boat landing, to fishing piers and dock adjacent to the landing. Benefits of this location include the proximity to the City, utilization of existing infrastructure and fishing benefits due to the City's nearby pump station discharge. Cost estimate for this area is \$200,100. (This amount could be reduced by \$72,300 if stairs were used for providing access across rip rap rather than the proposed wheelchair ramps. However, the facility would not be able to be used by wheelchair bound citizens.)

AREA 3 – CHANNEL A RECREATION AREA

This area will utilize property owned by the Ramsey County Water Board. The project will develop a parking area adjacent to a man-made inlet channel to the lake and provide ramps down the bank of the channel to a fishing pier adjacent to the shoreline. Benefits of this location include fishing location benefits and development cost. Cost estimate for this work is \$151,800. (This amount could be reduced by \$72,000 if stairs were used for providing access rather than ramps. However, the facility would not be able to be used by wheelchair bound citizens.)

We feel the project is important and all areas are important to be developed as proposed. The project will be greatly used and it is important to offer different areas to fish to help ensure fishing success for. The locations offer variety in fish habitat and a "hot spot" today may not produce tomorrow.

If requested grant dollars cannot be provided, we ask that the Committee provide funding to the extent practical and we will try to develop the sites the best way possible, working with local committees and groups involved.

Partnership Recognition - If you are a successful recipient of Outdoor Heritage Fund dollars, how would you recognize the Outdoor Heritage Fund partnership? *

As with similar projects, a large sign will be placed at the improvements thanking project sponsors. Additional recognition will be provided through the Devils Lake Tourism website at www.devilslakend.com.

Scoring of Grants

All applications will be scored by the Outdoor Heritage Fund Advisory Board after your ten-minute oral presentation. The ranking sheet(s) that will be used by the Board is available on the website at <http://www.nd.gov/ndic/outdoor-infopage.htm>.

Awarding of Grants*

All decisions on requests will be reported to applicants no later than 30 days after Industrial Commission consideration. Applicants whose proposals have been approved will receive a contract outlining the terms and conditions of the grant. Please note the appropriate sample contract for your organization on the website at <http://www.nd.gov/ndic/outdoor-infopage.htm> that set forth the general provisions that will be included in any contract issued by the North Dakota Industrial Commission. Please indicate if you can meet all the provisions of the sample contract. If there are provisions in that contract that your organization is unable to meet, please indicate below what those provisions would be. *

Responsibility of Recipient

The recipient of any grant from the Industrial Commission must use the funds awarded for the specific purpose described in the grant application and in accordance with the contract. The recipient cannot use any of the funds for the purposes stated under Exemptions on the first page of this application.

If you have any questions about the application or have trouble submitting the application, please contact Karlene Fine at 701-328-3722 or kfine@nd.gov.

Revised August 21, 2014.

PROJECT BUDGET

AND

COST ESTIMATES

Budget Standard Form

Please use the table below to provide a detailed total project budget that specifically outlines all the funds you are requesting and the matching funds being utilized to fund this project. Please note if the matching funds are in the form of cash, indirect costs or in-kind services. The budget should identify all other committed funding sources and the amount of funding from each source. Match can come from any source (i.e. private sources, State and Federal funding, Tribal funding, etc.) Note a minimum of 25% match funding is strongly encouraged. An application will be scored higher the greater the amount of match funding provided. (See Scoring Form.)

Please feel free to add columns and rows as needed. Please include narrative to fully explain the proposed budget.

Note that NO INDIRECT COSTS will be funded from the Outdoor Heritage Fund. Also by law several items are ineligible for funding -- see Exemptions in the Application Form. Effective January 29, 2014 the following guidelines were approved by the Industrial Commission:

NO CONSIDERATION:

In addition to those specific items in law that are ineligible for funding, in the absence of exceptional circumstances, the following projects will NOT receive consideration for funding:

- Projects that are already completed;
- Projects that are on-going (Phased projects would be considered);
- Staffing;
- Feasibility studies;
- Annual maintenance;
- Paving projects for roads and parking lots;
- Swimming pools;
- Non-permanent equipment (such as snowmobiles, tractors);
- Research;
- Projects where the applicant is not directly involved in the project.

Project Expense	OHF Request	Applicant's Match Share (Cash)	Applicant's Match Share (In-Kind)	Applicant's Match Share (Indirect)	Other Project Sponsor's Share	Total Each Project Expense
SEE ATTACHED FOR DETAILED COST BREAKDOWN					<i>(cash + in-kind)</i>	
East Ditch Recreation Area	\$194,144	\$13,220	\$0	\$25,430	\$26,065	\$258,859
Henegar Landing	\$150,075	\$10,219	\$0	\$19,657	\$20,149	\$200,100
Channel A Recreation Area	\$113,855	\$7,753	\$0	\$14,913	\$15,286	\$151,806
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total Costs	\$458,074	\$31,191	\$0	\$60,000	\$61,500	\$610,765

In-kind services used to match the request for Outdoor Heritage Fund dollars shall be valued as follows:

- Labor costs \$15.00 an hour
- Land costs Average rent costs for the county as shown in the most Recent publication of the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Services, North Dakota Field Office
- Permanent Equipment Any equipment purchased must be listed separately with documentation showing actual cost. (For example: playground equipment)
- Equipment usage Actual documentation
- Seed & Seedlings Actual documentation
- Transportation Mileage at federal rate
- Supplies & materials Actual documentation

More categories will be added as we better understand the types of applications that will be submitted. We will use as our basis for these standards other State and Federal programs that have established rates. For example the North Dakota Nonpoint Source Pollution Management Program has established rates. If your project includes work that has an established rate under another State Program please use those rates and note your source.

Approved by OHF Advisory Board: October 17, 2013
Approved by Industrial Commission: October 22, 2013
Revised by OHF Advisory Board: January 22, 2014
Approved by Industrial Commission: January 29, 2014
Revised by OHF Advisory Board: May 13, 2014
Approved by Industrial Commission: May 27, 2014

COST BREAKDOWN - CITY OF DEVILS LAKE PROJECT

Grant Request 75%	\$458,073.90
Total Sponsor Cash	\$77,691.30
Total Sponsor Inkind/Indirect	\$75,000.00
TOTAL PROJECT	\$610,765.20

SPONSOR CONTRIBUTIONS

CITY OF DEVILS LAKE - CASH	\$31,191.30
CITY OF DEVILS LAKE - INDIRECT (ENG/ADMIN/LEGAL)	\$60,000.00
GAME AND FISH - CASH	\$30,000.00
GAME AND FISH - IN-KIND (FISHING PIER)	\$15,000.00
LAKE REGION ANGLERS - CASH	\$10,000.00
DEVILS LAKE TOURISM - CASH	\$5,000.00
LAKE ACCESS - CASH	\$1,000.00
LAKE REGION SPORTSMEN - CASH	\$500.00
SPONSOR TOTAL	\$152,691.30

<u>PROJECT LOCATION</u>	<u>75% OHF GRANT</u>	<u>APPLICANT CASH</u>	<u>APPLICANT INKIND</u>	<u>APPLICANT INDIRECT</u>	<u>OTHER PROJECT SPONSOR SHARE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
EAST DITCH	\$194,144.40	\$13,219.74	\$0.00	\$25,429.66	\$26,065.40	\$258,859.20
HENEGAR	\$150,075.00	\$10,218.95	\$0.00	\$19,657.31	\$20,148.74	\$200,100.00
CHANNEL A	\$113,854.50	\$7,752.61	\$0.00	\$14,913.03	\$15,285.86	\$151,806.00
TOTAL	\$458,073.90	\$31,191.30	\$0.00	\$60,000.00	\$61,500.00	\$610,765.20

East Ditch Recreation Area

<u>Category</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Unit Cost</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
Parking Lot Improvements	Topsoil Stripping	SY	1200	\$3.00	\$3,600.00
	Gravel	TN	375	\$22.00	\$8,250.00
	Concrete Parking Area (ADA parking)	SF	1152	\$8.00	\$9,216.00
Access Improvements (Vehicle)	Gravel	TN	625	\$22.00	\$13,750.00
	Guardrail	FT	450	\$50.00	\$22,500.00
	Fabric	SY	600	\$2.50	\$1,500.00
	Rip Rap	CY	150	\$30.00	\$4,500.00
	Fill for Access Road	CY	350	\$8.00	\$2,800.00
Access Improvements (Pedestrian)	Stair Access	FT	20	\$350.00	\$7,000.00
	Ramps	FT	120	\$300.00	\$36,000.00
	Handrailing Around Concrete Slab	FT	65	\$60.00	\$3,900.00
Ammenities	Fishing Pier	LS	1	\$47,700.00	\$47,700.00
	Vault Toilet	LS	1	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
	Playground Equipment	LS	1	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00
			Subtotal		\$215,716.00
			Eng., Admin, Contingencies (20%)		\$43,143.20
			Total		\$258,859.20

Henegar Landing Recreation Area

<u>Category</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Unit Cost</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
Access Improvements (ADA ramp-north side)					
	Ramps	FT	240	\$300.00	\$72,000.00
	Guardrail modification	LS	1	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Access Improvements (south side stairs and courtersy dock)					
	Stairs	FT	20	\$350.00	\$7,000.00
	Ramps (no rail)	FT	20	\$150.00	\$3,000.00
	Guardrail modification	LS	1	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Ammenities					
	Fishing Pier (north side)	LS	1	\$64,250.00	\$64,250.00
	Courtesy Docks (south side)	LS	1	\$15,500.00	\$10,500.00
	ADA Lift For Wheelchair Bound Boaters	LS	1	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
				Subtotal	\$166,750.00
				Eng., Admin, Contingencies (20%)	\$33,350.00
				Total	\$200,100.00

Channel A Recreation Area

<u>Category</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Unit Cost</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
Parking Lot Improvements	Topsoil Stripping	SY	925	\$3.00	\$2,775.00
	Gravel	TN	290	\$22.00	\$6,380.00
Access Improvements (Vehicle)	Gravel	TN	50	\$22.00	\$1,100.00
	Guardrail	FT	120	\$50.00	\$6,000.00
	Install Culvert with end sections	LS	1	\$1,250.00	\$1,250.00
Access Improvements (Pedestrian)	Ramps (aluminum with handrail and curb)	FT	280	\$300.00	\$84,000.00
Ammenities	Fishing Pier	LS	1	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
				Subtotal	\$126,505.00
				Eng., Admin, Contingencies (20%)	\$25,301.00
				Total	\$151,806.00



Devils Lake ND

Channel A Recreation Site

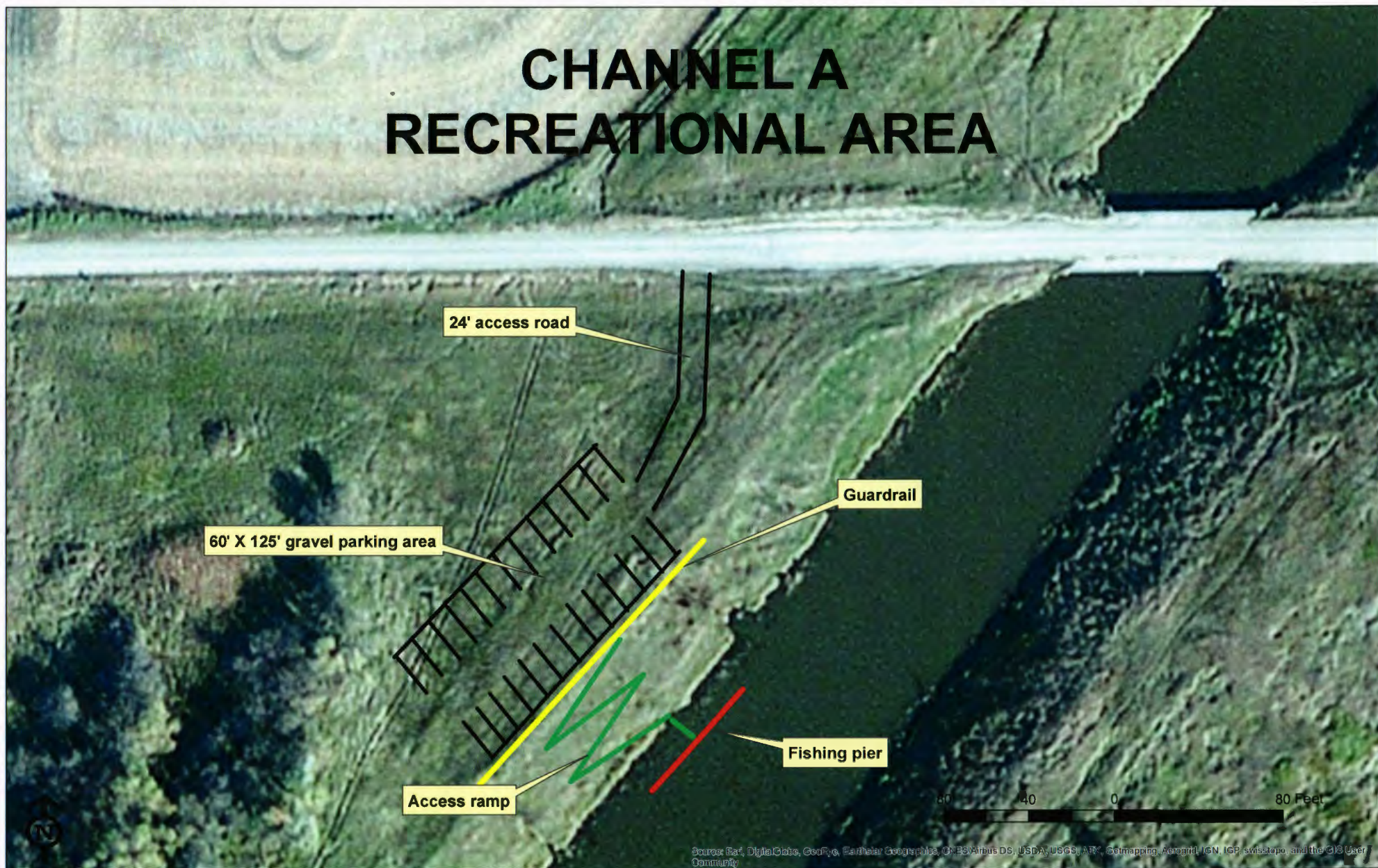
Highway 2

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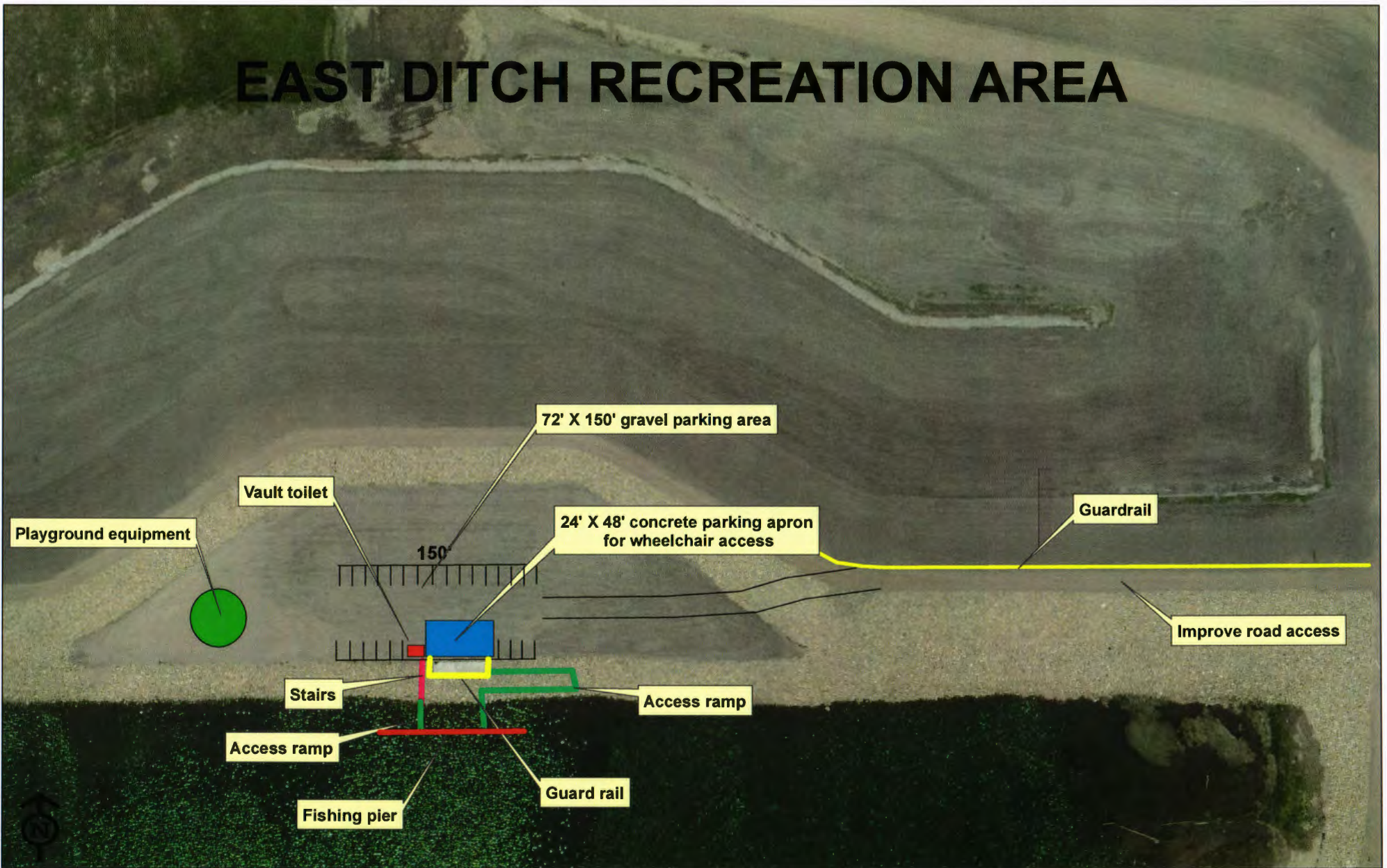
Henegar Landing Recreation Site

East Ditch Recreation Site

CHANNEL A RECREATIONAL AREA



EAST DITCH RECREATION AREA



HENEGAR LANDING RECREATIONAL AREA



LETTERS OF SUPPORT

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17. Devils Lake Kiwanis Club



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NORTH DAKOTA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT

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March 26, 2015

Mike Grafsgaard
City Engineer
PO Box 1048
Devils Lake, ND 58301

RE: Devils Lake Access Improvements for the Elderly and Mobility Impaired

Dear Mr. Grafsgaard:

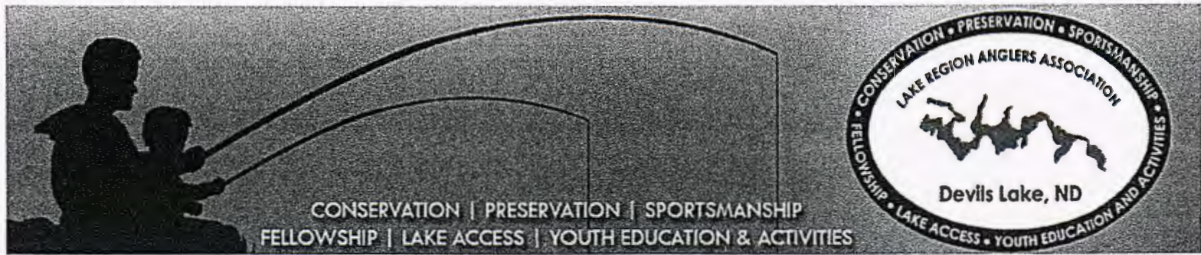
We have recently completed our review of all applications received requesting 2015 Game and Fish cost share assistance and I am happy to inform you that we have approved funding for a portion of your request. Based on the application and information submitted, we have approved \$30,000 for construction and development costs and are willing to provide a T-shaped floating fishing pier that is valued at \$15,000 towards the project.

We are excited about the opportunity to participate in such a worthy project. Devils Lake is a world class fishery and not everyone has a boat to explore this great resource. These fishing piers will be a huge asset to the community and will provide a wonderful opportunity for many anglers for years to come.

Thank you for your continued efforts in providing the public with such valuable recreational facilities. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at 328-6346.

Sincerely,

Bob Frohlich
Fisheries Development
Supervisor



March 24, 2015

Subject: Support for Devils Lake shore fishing access

At this time the Lake Region Anglers Association would like it to be known that we are in full and total support of the further development of shore fishing areas around the Devils Lake area.

With the rising water of the last several decades, shore fishing opportunities have diminished greatly. Many anglers have trouble navigating the uneven shoreline terrain to gain access to the incredible fishing that Devils Lake has to offer. It was understandable that creating protection for the city and surrounding communities was a top priority, but that time has passed and now we can focus on creating opportunities for those not able to have a boat to go fishing.

We as an organization will do all that we can to aid in this process. We are able to provide man power, services, and a cash contribution of \$10,000. Many of our members as well as those from our community, and communities nationwide deserve the opportunity to enjoy the world class fishing available in Devils Lake. Projects such as the ones proposed in Channel A, Creel Bay, and at the East Ditch Recreational Area will do just this.

These projects fit many of the goals and foundations of the Lake Region Anglers and we are in strong support of all of them.

Sincerely,

Johnnie Candle
President Lake Region Anglers Association

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North Dakota Industrial Commission
Attn: Outdoor Heritage Fund Program
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March 25, 2015

Re: Outdoor Heritage Fund Application for Devils Lake Access Improvements

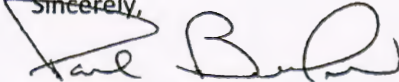
Outdoor Heritage Fund Members,

The Ramsey County Water Resource Board voted on March 24, 2015 to support the efforts of the City of Devils Lake and the Devils Lake Access Committee on Channel A. In the motion, the Water Resource District would entertain a ten year lease with the North Dakota Game and Fish Department for use of this area for parking and fishing, allowing ample area for handicap parking. We also understand that this area would be added to our liability insurance for use in this area.

This location on Channel A has long since been a "hot spot" for local and non-resident anglers to spend the afternoon fishing along its banks. Because of this popularity it has also been an issue for the farmers in the area at certain times of the year. Without proper parking areas anglers have used the roadway for parking and farm equipment hasn't been able to pass along the roadway to get into their fields until it can be cleared of vehicles. We understand that this project will enhance the area and accommodate both the angler and the farmer.

Currently there is limited parking with a make-shift parking area on the north side of the channel. With this project, the Water Resource District is also willing to add money from our recreation budget to help enhance this area even more and better develop the parking on the north side of the channel to provide even more parking areas when needed.

We urge you to consider funding the request brought to you by the City of Devils Lake for shoreline fishing improvements.

Sincerely,


Paul Becker, Chairman



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Devils Lake Fishing Piers Heritage Fund Grant Letter of Support

March 17, 2015

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The Devils Lake Park Board voted unanimously to support the efforts of the City of Devils Lake and local sportsman groups to pursue a Heritage Fund Grant to add fishing piers to Devils Lake to give an opportunity to the physically challenged an opportunity to use our lake for fishing for those that can't get on the water or close enough to the water's edge to shore fish.

With the nearly 400 miles of shoreline on our lake, there are no easy access areas on the lake for physically challenged individuals to access the shoreline to enjoy the sport of fishing due to the dikes and rocks along the shore that have been added to protect our lake. These three proposed fishing pier projects would give these people easy access to the lake which is not presently available.

The Devils Park Board presently works with the Lake Access Committee, the City of Devils Lake, Ramsey County, the Devils Lake Tourism Committee and Lake Region Anglers to provide access areas for boaters and others who have water craft that allows them to get on the lake for fishing and other recreational activities. However, there are many local citizens and tourists that don't have the luxury of these watercrafts to get on the lake and would like to fish from shore. These proposed fishing piers would solve that problem by allowing easy access to the lake at prime locations where fishing has been very good the last few years.

The Devils Lake Park Board fully supports this project and would consider providing a small amount of financial support to help meet the matching funds required by the Heritage Fund grant if the need exists.

Sincerely,

Terry Wallace
Supt. of Parks & Recreation



North Dakota Industrial Commission
Attn: Outdoor Heritage Fund Program
State Capitol - Fourteenth Floor
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept 405
Bismarck, ND 58505

March 17, 2015

I am writing this letter to show my support for the Outdoor Heritage Fund grant application for Devils Lake access improvements for the handicap, elderly and mobility impaired.

The project is to provide access for elderly and physically challenged anglers that have limited access to the water due to the large amount of rip rap placed along the shorelines of Devils Lake. Devils Lake offers anglers excellent opportunities to catch Walleye, Northern Pike, Perch and White Bass but for those that don't have a boat it is currently extremely difficult for them to access the lake unless they can maneuver over the rip rapped shoreline. This project will allow much easier access, especially to those that are confined to a wheel chair or have trouble walking. This project will help our local residents with access to the lake system as well as those that would like to travel to the area because of our great fishing.

Thank you for considering this projects for Devils Lake. Please let me know if you have any other questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom Haahr". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Tom Haahr

President, Devils Lake Visitors Committee



March 17, 2015

**North Dakota Industrial Commission
Attn: Outdoor Heritage Fund Program
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We, the undersigned, understand that the Outdoor Heritage Fund grant application for the Devils Lake access improvements requires a strong network of caring individuals and service providers if it is to help create systemic change, and improve the Lake Region Community.

The Devils Lake Access Committee through this grant is trying to provide the tools necessary to improve easy accessibility to the shores of Devils Lake for the handicapped, mobility impaired and elderly. The anglers of Devils Lake need alternative means of fishing. With the rising waters we have lost miles of shoreline that was once used for shore fishing.

This project would provide for three very suitable sites, (Channel A; Henegar Landing; and East Area) giving great lake access for miles around.

The Devils Lake Chamber of Commerce urges you to consider funding the request brought before you by the Devils Lake Access Committee.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paula Vistad". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "P" and "V".

**Paula Vistad, Executive Director
Devils Lake Area Chamber of Commerce**

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March 17, 2015

North Dakota Industrial Commission
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We understand that the Outdoor Heritage Fund grant application for the Devils Lake Access Improvements requires a strong network of organizations, individuals and service providers if it is to improve our community.

The project submitted is to provide lake access for elderly and physically challenged anglers that have limited access to Devils Lake due to the large amount of rip rap placed along the shorelines. This is a very unsafe approach even for someone of a healthy and active lifestyle. This project will allow much safer access for all users and provide access to those that are confined to a wheel chair or have trouble walking that currently have no access to Devils Lake.

Devils Lake has lost many miles of fishable shoreline over the years, including two state parks and we recognize the positive impact that this project would have not only as a region, but as a state recreation site. Devils Lake is a destination for a number of outdoorsmen. It would only make sense to incorporate a number of handicap accessible lake access points.

Thank you for considering these projects for Devils Lake. Please let me know if you have any other questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



Ed Brown

Chairman, Ramsey County Commission



March 30, 2015

Re: Outdoor Heritage Fund Grant Application

All of North Dakota's citizens and visitors deserve access to its varied recreational opportunities. Yet, in many locations, access continues to be a challenge or impossibility for people of all ages with permanent or temporary disabilities which limit their mobility and independence.

NDAD – the North Dakota Association for the Disabled, a charitable nonprofit with a 40-year history of helping people with disabilities and health issues – is pleased to endorse this grant application for three projects that most certainly would broaden shore fishing access on Devils Lake, one of the state's richest recreational resources, in a most inclusive and positive manner.

Completion of these projects would guarantee much greater access to current generations of anglers with disabilities and mobility challenges and to several generations who will follow. The projects would further assure they will not be excluded from invaluable social time with family members and friends who already have access – a benefit with societal and psychological implications which reach far beyond fishing and which strengthen the well-being of communities throughout our region.

NDAD wholeheartedly encourages you to give this application your approval. Thank you for your serious and thorough consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Leslie Stastny'.

Leslie Stastny

Director of Client Services

NDAD

March 19, 2015

Mike Grafsgaard, PE
City of Devils Lake
PO Box 1048
Devils Lake, ND 58301-1048

**Re: Outdoor Heritage Fund Grant Application
ADA Accessible Fishing Access
Devils Lake, ND**

Dear Mr. Grafsgaard,

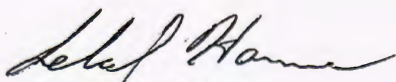
The mission of Fishing Has No Boundaries, Inc. is to reach as many of the nation's 56 million persons with disabilities as possible, providing fishing and related opportunities they might not otherwise have. The Devils Lake Chapter of Fishing Has No Boundaries has been active since 2008. We provide a yearly fishing event, held at the Spirit Lake Marina, to individuals with disabilities. The event has had up to 28 participants, and approximately twice that many volunteers. We bring the participants out on the lake and help them fish from boats for one weekend each summer.

Like you, we are aware of the lack of ADA compliant access for shore fishing opportunities on Devils Lake. Much of the shoreline of the lake is now covered in large rock riprap, nearly all of which is installed on steep slopes. This terrain is difficult to navigate and does not allow many of our friends and family to participate in shore fishing. So, we were very excited to hear of your potential project on the shores of Devils Lake. This project will provide constant access for the entire open water season, rather than just at individual occasions like our fishing event. Once the project is complete, individuals will have the opportunity to just pick a nice day and go shore fishing!

This project meets the first goal of the ND Outdoor Heritage Fund, listed in NDCC 54-17.8-03.a, "Provide access to private and public lands for sportsmen, including projects that create fish and wildlife habitat and provide access for sportsmen". We cannot think of a better way to meet this goal than to provide access to an entire group of sportsmen that currently cannot utilize the lake independently.

We are in full support of the project, which promises to greatly improve fishing access on Devils Lake for individuals with disabilities.

Sincerely,



Leland "Buck" Hamre
FHNB - Devils Lake Chapter President



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March 23, 2015

On behalf of Lake Region Corporation, I am writing this letter to show our support for the Outdoor Heritage Fund grant application for Devils Lake access improvements for the handicapped, mobility impaired and the elderly in our community.

We commend the Devils Lake Access Committee for their efforts to provide access in Devils Lake for those anglers that need alternate means to fish the shores of Devils Lake. We are a non-profit agency that serves adults with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities. We provide housing and Day Support services to many individuals in the Lake Region. We have several individuals who enjoy fishing and going to the lake. Access is now nearly impossible due to lack of access. With the rising waters shore fishing for our individuals cannot be accessed. There is no access to roadways due to the amount of rock placed to hold back water. If you cannot maneuver around the rocks you are very limited to feasible places to fish. This project would provide enormous opportunity for the individuals we serve to participate in many of the fishing and lake activities our city so proudly provides. This would provide a public place for individuals with disabilities in our community a safe, quality place to fish and take in our beautiful lake.

We urge you to consider funding the request brought to you by the Devils Lake Access Committee and the City of Devils Lake. Our Agency alone serves over 47 people with Disabilities.

If you have any further questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact me at any time. I'd be glad to help. Thank you for your time.

Jennifer Jacobson
Program Director
Lake Region Corporation
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March 25, 2015

I am writing this letter in support of the Outdoor Heritage Fund grant application for the Devils Lake Access Improvements for Handicap, Elderly, and Mobility Impaired.

Community Options is a company that works with developmentally and physically disabled individuals helping to make them more involved within their own communities. This grant would make it possible for my customers as well as all others with disabilities to be able to have access to additional activities within the community. We already have people that enjoy participating in Fishing Has No Boundries, but with these additional access points it would make it possible for these individuals to have additional opportunities to fish and enjoy what their community has to offer.

I request that you consider the Devils lake Access Committee and the City of Devils Lake's grant application with high regards as funding this project would not only be beneficial to the elderly and disabled in the community but also for the many people that come as tourists.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lori Larson".

Lori Larson
Director of Services
Community Options

Jeff W. Frith
5250 77th Ave, NE
Devils Lake, ND 58301

Thursday, March 26, 2015

North Dakota Industrial Commission
Attn: Outdoor Heritage Fund Program
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I am writing in support of the grant application from the Devils Lake Access Committee that is before you for the improvement of lake access for mobility impaired individuals.

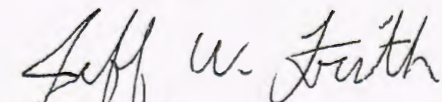
I myself use a wheelchair following an automobile accident for mobility for over thirty years. I grew up on a family farm near Devils Lake and in our free time fishing and recreating on area lakes was always a part of living here. After my accident and prior to the dramatic rise of Devils Lake it was much easier to access the lake for various recreational activities. As the lakes continued their relentless rise and existing access points became submerged it became increasingly difficult and at times impossible to enjoy the recreational benefits of the lake.

I am personally very excited for the aspect of accessible docks to provide access for fishing, photography, bird watching and many other outdoor activities that our beautiful waters have to offer.

I strongly encourage you help fund this very valuable recreational opportunity for people with physical limitations brought to you by the Devils Lake Access Committee.

Thank you for your support!

Best Regards,


Jeff W. Frith

North Dakota Industrial Commission
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March 17, 2015

I am writing in support of the City of Devils Lake's application for a grant through the Outdoor Heritage Fund to provide fishing access for the handicap, elderly and mobility impaired on Devils Lake.

North Dakota's largest natural freshwater lake has little or no public shoreline access for the elderly and physically challenged anglers. The publicly useable shoreline areas have been rock riprapped; generally where the fish can be found. There is a large number of shore fishermen that fish the many miles of rip rap areas. One has to walk over the rocks and sit amongst the rocks to fish these areas. It is difficult and about impossible for the physically challenged to maneuver over the rock rip rap to get to the lake edge to fish.

At Grahams Island State Park we have some docks that provide access that are heavily used by all types and ages of fishermen. Often you will see folks that have mobility issues desiring to fish at the docks in the boat launching ramp lanes. However this creates a conflict situation. Like any big lake, it is difficult to install and maintain shoreline docks due to overpowering wave action.

Fishing has been excellent on the lake in recent years. Both fish and fishermen are attracted to the lake and to the rip rap areas. This proposal by the City of Devils Lake is a solution to provide opportunities for those having mobility issues.

Your consideration to improve access to fish Devils Lake is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Henry J. Duray
Director, Graham's Island State Park

March 21, 2015

ND Heritage Fund Grant Committee

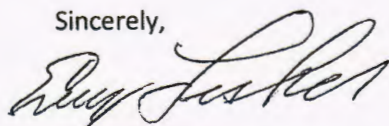
Devils Lake Elderly and Handicap Accessible Fishing Piers

To Whom it May Concern:

As past State Commander of the VFW, I am writing this letter of support for the handicap accessible fishing piers and ramps project being developed by the City of Devils Lake. With my involvement with the VFW I am very aware of the numerous elderly and handicap veterans throughout the state and feel it is our duty and obligation to support and improve their quality of life. This project would be very beneficial for those who are not mobile enough to get across rocks to fish the shoreline of the lake.

Please let me know if there is anything we can do to help this project be developed and Good Luck!

Sincerely,



Emery Fisher

Past VFW State Commander

VFW Post 756 Senior Vice Commander

March 21, 2015

ND Heritage Fund Grant Committee

RE: Devils Lake Elderly and Handicap Accessible Fishing Piers

To Whom It May Concern:

Devils Lake VFW Post 756 full supports the development of fishing piers and lake access points that are accessible to elderly and handicap individuals. Our club has numerous elderly veterans (WWII, Korean War, and Vietnam War era) whose mobility has been reduced through the years. VFW Post 756 fully supports efforts to provide fishing areas that will provide easy access for our mobility impaired veterans and citizens.

I think this project is very beneficial and offer our full support. Due to the importance of this project to some of our members, I believe our Post would consider providing a small amount of funding for this project, if requested. These requests have to go through our gaming committee that meets monthly. Please let us know if we can provide any assistance.

Sincerely,

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Dan Schmidtke, VFW Post 756 Commander



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Devils Lake, North Dakota 58301

March 23, 2015

North Dakota Industrial Commission
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Re: Outdoor Heritage Fund Application for Devils Lake Access Improvements

Dear Outdoor Heritage Fund:

I write on behalf of the Rotary Club of Devils Lake to offer our support for the Outdoor Heritage Fund grant application for Devils Lake access improvements for the handicap, mobility impaired and elderly.

The Devils Lake Access Committee is working hard to provide access to Devils Lake for those anglers that need alternate means to fish, besides using a boat. With the rise of the waters over the past 20+ years, anglers have lost access to fishing off of roadways due to the amount of rock placed to hold back the water, as well as loosing access to fishing from state parks and other access points that were previously used for shore fishing. Currently, if you cannot maneuver around the rocks you have a hard time finding a suitable place to cast a fishing pole. This project would provide three very suitable areas for the public to fish safely with proper consideration being given for these areas that have been a good bite for anglers.

The project provides access for persons with physical disabilities or challenges, including the elderly. This project has been a need in our community for many years. We urge you to consider funding the request brought to you by the Devils Lake Access Committee and the City of Devils Lake.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan Traynor".

Daniel M. Traynor
President, Devils Lake Rotary Club

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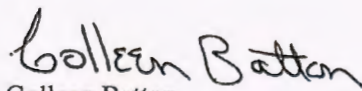
March 17, 2015

On behalf of the Devils Lake Kiwanis Club, I am writing this letter to show our support for the Outdoor Heritage Fund grant application for Devils Lake access improvements for the handicap, elderly and mobility impaired.

The project that has been submitted provides access to the physically challenged as well as the elderly people in our community. With the rising waters of Devils Lake over the past 20+ years, it has become extremely difficult for those wishing to shore fish to get access onto the lake because of the miles of rocks (rip rap) that have been placed along the shores to hold back the water to protect our roadways.

Providing alternate means for fishing onto Devils Lake is a much needed project that the Kiwanis Club supports 100%. With three potential sites (east end, west end and north end) it will provide great access for miles around. We hope that you will take careful consideration of this project.

Sincerely,


Colleen Batton

President, Devils Lake Kiwanis Club