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| <b>Outdoor Heritage Fund<br/>Status and Final Report Form/Guidelines</b>  |                             |   |                                  |
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| This report is used to show progress of grant projects funded through the Outdoor Heritage Fund. Status Reports and the Final Report must be submitted as required in Contract. |                             |   |                                  |
| Contract Number<br>001-017  | Report Date<br>Nov. 30 2017 | Period Covered by Report<br>(November 1, 2016 to October 31, 2017)  |                                  |
| Project Name<br><b>North Dakota Game and Fish Dept. Outdoor Heritage Habitat Initiative</b>   |                             |   |                                  |
| Project Sponsor Name<br><b>North Dakota Game and Fish Dept.</b>   |                             |   |                                  |
| Responsible Official (Last, First Middle)<br><b>Kading, Kevin J.</b>  |                             | Responsible Official's Title<br><b>Private Lands Section Leader</b> |                                  |
| Project Sponsor Address<br><b>100 N. Bismarck Expressway</b>  |                             |   |                                  |
| City<br>Bismarck,   | State<br>ND                 | Zip Code<br>58501   | Telephone Number<br>701-328-6371 |
| <b><u>Financial Update</u></b>  |                             |   |                                  |
| Please provide the following information regarding the funding for your project based on the contract award:  |                             |   |                                  |
| <b><u>Funds Spent this Reporting Period</u></b><br>(As appropriate please provide copies of receipts for purchases)   |                             |   |                                  |
| Direct Payments (OHF request)<br>\$243,931.77 (PLOTS payments)  |                             |   |                                  |
| Match Funding<br>\$18,759.06 (PLOTS access)<br>\$2,561.15 (PLOTS - indirect)  |                             |   |                                  |
| In-kind Funding<br>\$0 No in-kind included in the proposal  |                             |   |                                  |
| OHF Funding Requested for Reimbursement \$243,931.77  |                             |   |                                  |
| Total Funding Expended for this Reporting Period \$265,251.98   |                             |   |                                  |
| <b><u>Total Funds Spent to Date</u></b>   |                             |   |                                  |
| Match Funding \$376,241.03  |                             |   |                                  |
| In-kind Funding \$ NA   |                             |   |                                  |
| OHF Funding Received and Requested for Reimbursement \$200,000 (2014), \$443,931.78 (2015), \$243,931.78 (2016), \$243, 931.77 (2017).  |                             |   |                                  |
| Total Funding Expended to Date \$1,508,036.36   |                             |   |                                  |
| <b><u>Balance of Grant Funds</u></b>  |                             |   |                                  |
| Match Funding \$329,775.84 (\$706,016.87 - \$376,241.03)  |                             |   |                                  |

NOTE: Grant award was reduced from \$2M to \$1.9M. Match amount may vary from original proposal. Original match for \$2M grant was \$733,000. \$1.9M grant match will be 696,350. Match amount was adjusted per discussions with NDIC January 2016 to more accurately reflect the correct match amount. Match amount is \$706,016.87.

In-kind Funding \$0

OHF Funding still to be Requested \$768,204.67

Total Funding to be Expended on this Project \$1,900,000

Do you anticipate needing to request a grant extension If yes, please explain

Yes  No

Work Completed during Period Covered by Report:

(This information will be posted on the Outdoor Heritage Fund/Industrial Commission website)

The \$1.9M grant was divided out between the Save Our Lakes (SOL) program and the PLOTS program. \$1.5M was allocated to PLOTS, while the remaining \$400,000 was allocated to SOL. The initial proposal indicated that SOL agreements would be between 10 and 20 years and PLOTS agreements would be for 10 years. SOL payments would be made one-time, upfront, while PLOTS payments would be made annually. The only deviation from the original proposal included a slight adjustment to allow a range of six to ten years for PLOTS agreements to better fit the needs and interests of producers.

#### Save Our Lakes

No additional agreements were signed during this reporting period. The \$400,000 OHF allocated to SOL has been fully expended on 19 agreements totaling 1,101.40 acres. OHF funds were used to provide 75 percent of the land rental payment, while SOL funds provided the remaining 25 percent of the payment. Payments were made as a one-time, lump sum. Other non-OHF, SOL funds were used to install infrastructure such as fencing and wells and to plant grass on or adjacent to these areas. The main objective of these agreements is to manage riparian systems and important watersheds through an array of practices and methods including managed grazing and/or haying; i.e. reducing the duration, frequency and intensity of grazing or haying along the riparian systems. Annual monitoring has been completed on these agreements.

#### PLOTS

No additional agreements were signed during this reporting period. Eleven agreements, totaling 3,041 acres, have been signed in Ransom, Lamoure and Dickey counties. Annual payments were made in March 2017 with funds made available through this grant. Annual monitoring has been completed on these agreements; no agreements were out of compliance. Seven agreements had managed haying completed on approximately 720 acres in 2017.

These acres are all signed with Department PLOTS signs as well as a sign indicated funding was provided through OHF. The areas are available for walk-in public access and are displayed in the Department's annually published Conservation PLOTS guide. They can also be viewed on the Department's interactive map service and available for GPS download or use on smart phone apps.

Photos of work completed are welcome (If appropriate, please submit photos of key elements of the project completed or in progress during reporting period) Do not exceed five photos per project report.

Signature of Responsible Official



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