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Outdoor Heritage Fund Status and Final Report Form/Guidelines			
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 001-017	Report Date Nov. 30 2021	Period Covered by Report (November 1, 2020 to October 31, 2021)	
Project Name North Dakota Game and Fish Dept. Outdoor Heritage Habitat Initiative			
Project Sponsor Name North Dakota Game and Fish Dept.			
Responsible Official (Last, First Middle) Kading, Kevin J.		Responsible Official's Title Private Lands Section Leader	
Project Sponsor Address 100 N. Bismarck Expressway			
City Bismarck,	State ND	Zip Code 58501	Telephone Number 701-527-1081
<b>Financial Update</b> Please provide the following information regarding the funding for your project based on the contract award:			
<u>Funds Spent this Reporting Period</u> (As appropriate please provide copies of receipts for purchases)			
Direct Payments (OHF request) \$133,258.46 (PLOTS payments)			
Match Funding \$10,708.96 (PLOTS access) \$539.73 (PLOTS - indirect)			
In-kind Funding \$0 No in-kind included in the proposal			
OHF Funding <b>Requested for Reimbursement</b> \$133,258.46 Total Funding Expended for this Reporting Period \$144,507.15			
<u>Total Funds Spent to Date</u> Match Funding \$440,732.75 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), \$243,984.74 (2018) \$243,931.77 (2019), 133,258.46 (2020), \$133,258.46 (2021) Total Funding Expended to Date \$2,326,961.51			
<u>Balance of Grant Funds</u> Match Funding \$265,284.12 (\$706,016.87 - \$440,732.75)			

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 \$13,771.24

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. Five agreements, totaling 1,698.8 acres, remain active in Dickey, LaMoure and Ransom counties. Annual payments were made in March 2021 with funds made available through this grant. Annual monitoring has been completed on these agreements; no agreements were out of compliance. Agreements that are no longer active in this grant are being maintained by the Department with non-OHF funds.

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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