

Contract No. 002-019
“Bald Hill Creek Watershed Project”
 Submitted by Griggs County Soil Conservation District
 Principal Investigator: Nathan Johnson
 Directive B

PARTICIPANTS

Sponsor	Cost Share	
EPA Section 319	\$255,400	
NRCS Technical Assistance	\$ 12,500	
Department of Health Technical Assistance	\$ 12,500	
Griggs County Soil Conservation District	\$ 30,700*	
Griggs County Water Resource Board	\$ 30,700	
Landowner	<u>\$238,865*</u>	
Subtotal Cash Cost Share		\$580,665
*Landowner (a portion of the \$'s noted above will be in-kind)		
*Griggs County Soil Conservation District (a portion will be in-kind)	<u>\$? (in-kind)</u>	
Subtotal In-kind Cost Share		\$?
North Dakota Industrial Commission	<u>\$300,000</u>	
Total Project Cost	\$880,665	

Project Schedule – 54 months	Project Deliverables:
Contract Date – 6/25/14	Status Report: August 1, 2014 ✓
Start Date – 6/1/14	Status Report: November 30, 2014 ✓
Completion Date – 9/30/18	Status Report: November 30, 2015 ✓
	Status Report: November 30, 2016 ✓
	Status Report: November 30, 2017 ✓
	Status Report: September 30, 2018* ✓
	Final Report: December 1, 2018* ✓

OBJECTIVE/STATEMENT OF WORK:

This project will implement best management practices to meet the overall goal of restoring the aquatic life uses and to maintain the recreational uses of the Bald Hill Creek and its tributaries. Tasks include:

- Provide technical and financial assistance to producers/landowners within 1/2 mile of the Bald Hill Creek and its tributaries and to prioritize locations when outside the AnnAgns priority areas.
- Assist with best management practices that protect/enhance riparian, crop, and non-crop acreage in high priority areas.
- Develop education programs to heighten public awareness of non-point pollution impacts and solutions.
- Develop working partnerships in the local community to benefit natural resources.

STATUS:

Contract 002-019 has been signed. The funds were with the stipulations that the landowner must provide a 40% match and maximum amount of cash share dollars for each manure management system is \$175,000.

8/31/14 - I have contracts for 3 different producers that consist of 13,635 feet of fencing, 60 acres of hay planting, and 161 acres of cover crops total \$8,673.27 in cost share collars with a match funding of \$5,782.18. None of this money has actually been spent on the projects because they are not finished. Once the producer finishes his project he will receive his cost share dollars.

11/30/14 - Producers have completed 2 contracts that I have paid out on. Eric Broten planted 161 acres of cover crop and received a cost share payment of \$1,932 and he matched that with \$1,288 for a total of project \$3,220. Garfield Clemens installed a total of 2,940 feet of fence to improve his grazing system. He received a cost share of

\$2,381.40 and matched that with \$1,587.60 for a total project cost of \$3,969.00. I have another contract signed with a producer that includes fence, pipeline, water tanks, and prescribed grazing that is worth a total project cost of \$18,597. He will be paid as his practices are completed.

10/31/15 - Producers have completed 2 contracts that I have paid out on. Loren Leininger installed 15,120 feet of fence. He received a cost share of \$60.78.24 and matched that with \$4,052.16 for a total project cost of \$10,130.40. Tyrone Larson planted 27 acres of alfalfa. He received a cost share of \$567.00 and matched that with \$378.00 for a total project cost of \$945.00. I have several other contracts that are signed that are waiting to be completed that include fence, pipeline, water tanks, and prescribed grazing. These projects will receive a cost share of \$41,797.92. They will be paid as the practices are completed.

4/19/16 - Status report has been received. The status report states: Producers have completed 3 contracts that I have paid out on. Duane Feiring has completed a partial manure management system that allows him to feed his cattle out on cropland away from the feedlot inside the farmyard. He received a cost share of \$15,933.28 with the total project cost of \$26,555.46. Mike Haugen completed a large fencing project that included 27,425 feet of fence. He received cost share of \$22,214.25 with the total project cost of \$37,023.75. This project allows Mike to rotate his cattle into several different sections within the pasture. Triple H Simmentals also completed a fencing project that included 7,000 feet of fence. They received cost share of \$5,670.00 with a total project cost of \$9,450.00. This allows Triple H Simmentals to rotate their herd and better manage their pastures.

I have several contracts that are signed that are waiting to be completed that include fence, pipeline, water tanks, well, and partial manure management system. These projects will receive a cost share of \$31,088.64. They will be paid as practices are completed.

6/16/16 - Status report has been received. The status report states: I have had one producer finish his project. Mitch Dahl has completed a partial manure management system that allows him to feed his cattle out on cropland away from the feedlot inside the farmyard. He received a cost share of \$9,750.00 with the total project cost of \$16,250.00

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1/30/17 - Status report has been received. The status report states: Producers have completed 2 contracts. Mitch Dahl has completed 38 acres of cover crop that he grazes his cattle on in the fall. (Cover Crop Best Practice) He also planted 50 acres of hay that he will use to help feed his cattle. (Pasture/Hayland Planting Best Practice) He received a cost share of \$1,814.90 with the total project cost of \$3,024.83. Chris Moser completed a fencing project that included 1008 feet of cross fence. He received cost share of \$574.56 with the total project cost of \$957.60. This project allows Chris to rotate his cattle into several different sections within the pasture.

I have several contracts that are signed that are waiting to be completed that include fence, pipeline, water tanks and well. Those projects will receive a cost share of \$23,129.52 with the total project costs of \$38,549.20. They will be paid as practices are completed.

8/16/17 - Status report has been received. The status report states: Producers have completed 2 contracts. Ron Eggermont has completed 40.7 acres of hay planting that he will use to help feed his cattle. He received a cost share of \$1,269.84 with the total project cost of \$2,116.40. Jeff Edland completed a fencing project that included 1380 feet of fence. He received cost share of \$1,490.40 with the total project cost of \$2,484.00. This project allows Jeff to keep his cattle out of a waterway that flows to Bald Hill Creek.

I have several contracts that are signed that are waiting to be completed that include a partial manure management system, fence, pipeline, water tanks and a well. These projects will receive a cost share of \$84,320.91 with the total projects cost of \$140,534.85. They will be paid as practices are completed.

9/25/17 - Status report has been received. The status report states: A producer planted 500 acres of cover crop. He received a cost share of \$1,846.30 with a total project cost of \$3,077.16. This project allowed the producer to keep his ground covered, reduce erosion and help improve his soil health after his crops were hailed out.

11/15/17 - Status report has been received. The status report states: A producer planted 715 acres of cover crop. He received a cost share of \$9,002.88 with a total project cost of \$15,004.80. This project allowed the producer to keep his ground covered, reduce erosion and help improve his soil health after his crops got hailed out.

12/7/17 - Status report has been received. The status report states: A producer installed 2,400 feet of deep pipeline that was tied into rural water to ensure that the producer's cattle are always receiving clean fresh water. The producer received a cost share of \$10,429.88 to install the pipeline with a total cost of the pipeline being \$17,383.13.

12/13/17 - Status report has been received. The status report states: The producer installed 15 portable windbreak panels that are 24' long out in his crop field. This will allow his cattle to feed out in the field longer and shorten the amount of time that they are in the corral. The producer received a cost share of \$5,850 to install the windbreak panel with a total cost of the panels being \$9,750.00.

10/10/18 – Status report has been received. The report states in part:

There were 7 producers who completed 74,775 feet of fence, 2 tanks, 1 well, 1 electrical hookup, 2,850 feet of tree planting, and 136 acres of cover crop. With a total of \$81,848.45 in cost share and a total project costs of \$136,414.08.

A full report with pictures is available on the website.

11/7/18 – A no cost amendment was requested and to extend the contract until December 1, 2018.

12/18/18 – Status report states that the following activities were completed:

- 85 acres of cover crop
- 1 well installed.

A final report for the overall project was submitted and is available on the website.

This contract is now closed with a returned commitment of \$117,109.18.

*Denotes changes from original contract.

Updated 12/18/2018