## Instructions

Please download this Word document (available on the Industrial Commission/Outdoor Heritage Fund Program website at <a href="http://www.nd.gov/ndic/outdoor-infopage.htm">http://www.nd.gov/ndic/outdoor-infopage.htm</a>) to your computer and provide the information as requested. You are not limited to the spacing provided. After completing the report, save it and attach it to an e-mail and send it to <a href="https://outdoorheritage@nd.gov">outdoorheritage@nd.gov</a> AND print it and mail it to: North Dakota Industrial Commission, ATTN: Outdoor Heritage Fund Program, State Capitol – Fourteenth Floor, 600 East Boulevard Ave. Dept. 405, Bismarck, ND 58505. If you are unable to scan attachments, mail them with your paper copy of the report. You will be sent a confirmation by e-mail of receipt of your report and attachments.

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 002-030 Report Date 11/30/15 Period Covered by Report (11/30/14 to 11/30/15)

**Project Name** 

Turtle Creek Watershed Project Water & Habitat Initiative

**Project Sponsor Name** 

South McLean County Soil Conservation District

Responsible Official (Last, First Middle)

Responsible Official's Title

John Mortenson

Watershed Coordinator

**Project Sponsor Address** 

24 2<sup>nd</sup> Street East

City Turtle Lake

State ND Zip Code 58575 Telephone Number 701-448-2474

Financial Update

Please provide the following information regarding the funding for your project based on the contract award:

# Funds Spent this Reporting Period

(As appropriate please provide copies of receipts for purchases)

Match Funding \$ 3,571.95

In-kind Funding \$ N/A

OHF Funding Requested for Reimbursement \$0

Total Funding Expended for this Reporting Period \$ 3,571.95

## **Total Funds Spent to Date**

Match Funding \$ 5,361.01

In-kind Funding \$ N/A

OHF Funding Received and Requested for Reimbursement \$

Total Funding Expended to Date \$ 5,361.01

#### **Balance of Grant Funds**

Match Funding \$ 132,638.99

In-kind Funding \$ N/A

OHF Funding still to be Requested \$1,789.06

Total Funding to be Expended on this Project \$138,000

Do you anticipate needing to request a grant extension 

If yes, please explain

// Yes /X/ No

Work Completed during Period Covered by Report:

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

# Water & Habitat Initiative Projects using OHF Grant Money

Fully Implemented & Reimbursed Projects

Number of		Cost Share	Match	Funding		
Projects	Project Total	(60%)	(40%)	Source	Project Type	
1	\$5,865.75	\$3,519.45	\$2,346.30	OHF	Grazing Management	
1	\$87.50	\$52.50	\$35.00	OHF	Cropland Management	

Implementation In Progress

Number of		Cost Share	Match	Funding		
Projects	Project Total	(60%)	(40%)	Source	Project Type	
1	\$12,970.24	\$7,782.14	\$5,188.10	OHF	Grazing Management	

Planned Projects

Number of	Estimated	Cost Share	Match	Funding		
Projects	Project Total	(60%)	(40%)	Source	Project Type	
	\$0.00	20.00	\	00 02		

Implementation in Progress Fencing: 14,627 Combined Feet

OHF funds will be used to supplement a larger 319 water quality project. A producer in our district currently runs approximately 120 head of cattle with his brother. They usually graze around the producer's place until the weather turns cold. Currently there is no protection for the cattle up by his place so once the weather turns, they haul all the cattle to his brother's farmstead which has protection and feedlots, but this is considerably closer to the Turtle Creek. The producer has a crop field that they are currently grazing cover crops on that he would like to add a well/frost free tank and use portable windbreaks on to extend the grazing season. This part of the project will use 319 funds.

The second part of the project is to fence in two other adjacent crop fields that the producer will use up until frost up. By grazing cattle on crop field they will reduce the amount of manure build-up at the feedlot and reduce the need for synthetic fertilizer on these fields. This will reduce fecal contamination of local water bodies. This part of the project will use OHF funds.

### Implemented Cover Crops: 5.7 Acres

A local producer was interested in planting cover crops for the purposes of weed management and erosion control. Though a late harvest limited the number of feasible crop types, winter rye was seeded and verified to have come up. As winter rye is a winter hearty crop, this planting provided appreciable cover and served as temporary habitat for wildlife during the spring of 2015.

# Implemented Livestock Exclusion Fencing: 4345 linear feet

A producer contacted our project with explicit interest in fencing his livestock out of the Lake Williams shoreline. The Lake Williams shoreline is an important habitat, not only because it is a lakeshore but also because regularly fluctuating lake levels makes it suitable habitat for riparian species. Exclusion fencing will protects 5007 feet, or almost a mile of shoreline habitat suitable for riparian species.



Fully implemented livestock exclusion fence. This fence will help prevent livestock from accessing riparian areas, and thereby preserve quality of nearby aquatic habitat and improve water quality.



Winter rye as a cover crop. In addition to meeting producer goals of controlling weeds and preventing erosion, this winter hardy cover crop will provide cover and temporary habitat between spring melt and planting.

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

The project reports shall be provided to the Commission in both electronic and hard-copy formats with permission for unrestricted distribution. The electronic versions shall be in a suitable format for posting on the Outdoor Heritage Fund/Commission website.