## 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 002-032

Report Date

Period Covered by Report

August 31, 2015

January 01, 2015 to July 31, 2015

**Project Name** 

Conservation of Grasslands and Long-billed Curlews on Private Lands in SW North Dakota

**Project Sponsor Name** 

American Bird Conservancy

Responsible Official (Last, First Middle)

Responsible Official's Title

Mandich, Cheryl

Northern Great Plains Conservation Coordinator

**Project Sponsor Address** 

PO Box 249

City The Plains State Zip Code VA 20198 Telephone Number 540-253-5780

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 \$

In-kind Funding \$ 160,825

## **OHF Funding Requested for Reimbursement \$**

Total Funding Expended for this Reporting Period \$

## Total Funds Spent to Date

Match Funding \$

In-kind Funding \$160,825

OHF Funding Received and Requested for Reimbursement \$2,932

Total Funding Expended to Date \$

**Balance of Grant Funds** 

Match Funding \$

In-kind Funding \$ 23,783 (In Kind Match and ABC Cash)

OHF Funding still to be Requested \$26,390

Total Funding to be Expended on this Project \$

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)

When the grant was awarded, \$12,144 was allocated for fencing projects and \$15,528 for native seeding projects. We've worked with five producers in Bowman, Slope, Grant, and Sioux counties on fencing projects with \$6272.96 being disbursed for three completed projects. One project has been delayed due to extenuating circumstances on the part of the producer and another is in the initial planning stages. Both projects are anticipated to be implemented in the spring of 2016. The completion of these projects will expend those monies allocated to fencing. We do have several more producers interested and are looking for additional funding for these projects. The monies have been used to fund fencing projects that have enabled the producers to distribute livestock grazing thereby improving the plant community and providing a mosaic of habitats for grassland birds, especially the Long-billed Curlew. Two of the completed projects involved the use of temporary electric fencing. The producers created smaller paddocks within their pastures which allows them to vary the intensity and duration of the grazing depending on their goals for that particular pasture. In the coming months, we will be focusing on locating private landowners interested in planting native seed.

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

Merrie S. Marrier

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.