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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 004-060	Report Date 11/28/17	Period Covered by Report 7/1/17-11/28/17
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Project Name
Western North Dakota Habitat Enhancement Projects

Project Sponsor Name
Mule Deer Foundation

Responsible Official (Last, First Middle) Johnson, Marshall	Responsible Official's Title Regional Director
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Project Sponsor Address
2034 Northridge Dr

City Bismarck	State ND	Zip Code 58501	Telephone Number 406-850-8785
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Financial Update

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

Funds Spent this Reporting Period: **\$32,992.00**

(As appropriate please provide copies of receipts for purchases)

Match Funding \$8,428.00

Landowner invested over \$16,000 in addition to funds that MDF/OHF granted.

OHF Funding Requested for Reimbursement:

Total New Funding requested for this Reporting Period \$24,744.00

Total Funds Spent to Date

Match Funding \$55,809

In-kind Funding \$9,555 + In kind equipment and labor from JMAC and Bobcat/Doosan (Value was approx. \$30,000)

Total Funding Expended/requested to Date \$132,495.22

Balance of Grant Funds

Match Funding \$480,900

In-kind Funding \$9,555 + JMAC & Bobcat/Doosan

OHF Funding still to be Requested \$348,405

Total Funding to be Expended on this Project

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)

MDF/OHF #10: Richard Ranch Fencing Project (Field #9 & #6)

This project is a continuation of the overall fencing project that was started in the summer of 2016. Summer 2017, the focus was on the North End of the property, last fall and into the winter the South part of the property was the focus. This project is a continuation of the South End, where the primary grazing grounds are as well as the Beaver Creek Riparian area. This project included the tearing down of old and dilapidated barbed wire fencing (7-8 miles pulled from MDF volunteers), eliminate the amount of fencing and replace needed fencing with wildlife friendly fencing for livestock management and habitat stewardship purposes on the ranch. Overall goal is the elimination of much of the wire that crisscrossed the land and reducing the number livestock grazing pastures to a better grazing management system. Landowner is working with ND Game and Fish Private Lands Biologist, County Extension and Federal Lands management programs.

Replacing barbed wire fence with wildlife friendly fencing is a benefit for all large game animals and upland game. This is a 20,153 acre ranch that is situated in prime mule deer, elk, antelope and upland game habitat in western North Dakota. The terrain is prairie, badlands, eight miles of riparian area (Beaver Creek) as well as two sizable stock dams. Vegetation includes native grasses, shrubs and forbs. Woody vegetation includes Cotton wood, Ash, Elm, Juniper, Russian olive, choke cherry, June berry and buffalo berry shrubs.

The landowner, MDF, RMEF and ND Petroleum Council volunteers pulled out over 7 miles of old dilapidated fences and posts. A third party was hired to install new fencing that is wildlife friendly. Original agreement with landowner was that MDF/OHF would cover wildlife fencing up to \$32,992 or 4.93 miles (roughly 75% of the expense) anything over and above including the installation and additional miles was covered by the landowner. Landowner installed several miles of the more costly wildlife fencing at his expense as he believed that this fencing was much more beneficial to wildlife.

Total Project Cost for MDF/OHF: \$32,992 (OHF: \$24,744 MDF: \$8,248.00)

MDF/OHF Project #11: Richard Ranch Water Project (re-surface and dredge stock damn)

The purpose of this project was to shore up the stability of a South end stock dam as well as to dredge it out in order it to keep more captured water. These dams are important to the landowners livestock as we are fencing off and limiting the access to the Beaver Creek riparian area to allow re-establishment of vegetation to the Beaver Creek riparian area. We figured that this limited access would last several years and afterwards on a rotation basis. Wildlife and adjacent grasses, shrubs and trees also benefit from the available water, especially in dry years.

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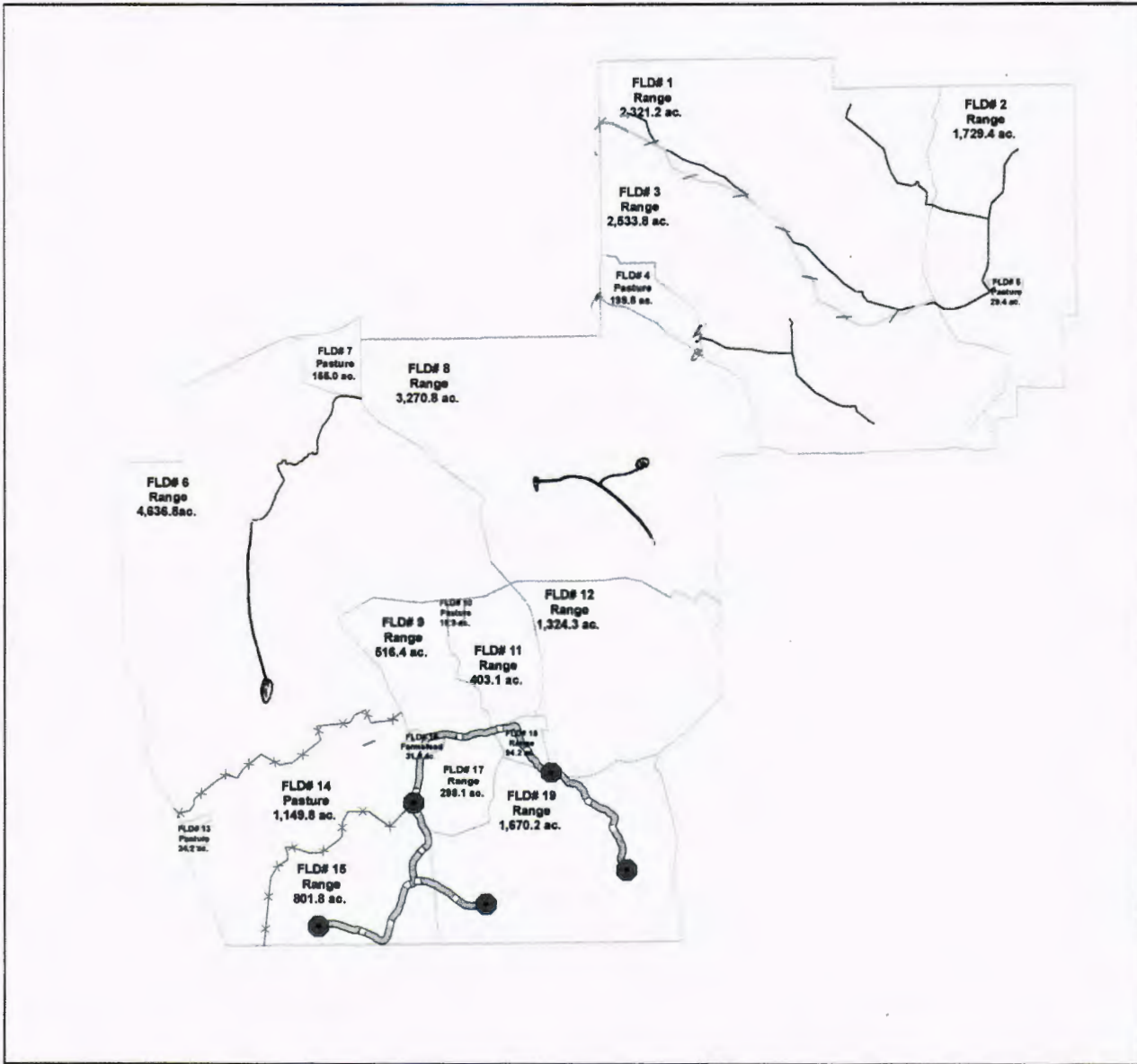
Cost of Project; \$10,000 (OHF \$0 MDF \$0 In-Kind from Doosan Equipment - \$10,000 for equipment and operator)
NO REQUEST FOR FUNDS. Representation of project partnerships with industry.

Richard Ranch – Beach: South Unit covers the lower left half of map



Figure 1 Field #6 & #9 fence work

BYRON MICHAEL RICHARD BEACH UNIT



Legend

- WELLS
- PROPOSED TANKS
- PROPOSED PIPELINES
- PROPOSED FENCE
- New_Fences_16
- EXISTING PIPELINES
- Case PLUs

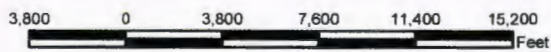


Figure 2 South Unit

<p>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. N/A</p>
<p>Signature of Responsible Official</p>
<p>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.</p>