## Instructions

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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 005-069		Report Date 10/31/2017	Period Covered by Report (09/04/15 to 10/31/2017)
Project Name CATTAIL BAY BOAT RAMP PROJECT			
Project Sponsor Name VOICES FOR LAKE OAHE (VFLO)			
Responsible Official (Last, First Middle) VANNURDEN, DOUGLAS LYNN			Responsible Official's Title VFLO PRESIDENT
Project Sponsor Address PO BOX 482			
City LINTON	State ND	Zip Code 58552	Telephone Number 701-400-6037
Financial Update 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) Match Funding \$ 16,416.50 In-kind Funding \$ \$4,500 (US Army Corps of Engineers – precast concrete planks) OHF Funding <b>Requested for Reimbursement</b> \$ 27,000 Total Funding Expended for this Reporting Period \$ 51,291.50			
Total Funds Spent to Date Match Funding \$ 13,041.50 In-kind Funding \$ 4,500.00 OHF Funding Received and Requested for Reimbursement \$ 3375.00 Total Funding Expended to Date \$20,916.50			
Balance of Grant Funds Match Funding \$ 9000.00 In-kind Funding \$ OHF Funding still to be Requested \$ 3375.00 Total Funding to be Expended on this Project \$ 60,291.50			
Do you anticipate needing to request a grant extension If yes, please explain /_/ Yes /x/ No NOTE: At the completion of the project I will file one more report that will include a picture of the sign to be placed at the ramp and request for the final \$3375			

Work Completed during Period Covered by Report: (This information will be posted on the Outdoor Heritage Fund/Industrial Commission website)

The Cattail Bay recreation area is located on Lake Oahe west of Highway 1804 in Emmons county. The existing boat ramp and recreational area was established by the US Army Corps of Engineers and is a very popular fishing access point to some of the most outstanding fishing areas on Lake Oahe in North Dakota. When fishing is good, 100 or more anglers and boats and others use this boat ramp daily. Voices for Lake Oahe identified the need to widen the existing ramp to provide better access, decrease congestion and improve the overall experience and access for the public. We sought and were able to receive a permit from the US Army Corps of Engineers to move forward with this project.

The existing ramp is 241 feet long and 17 feet wide and depending on the lake level, can be a real challenge for even experienced drivers - both sportsmen and women. Compound that challenge with a 3-4 foot wide dock located in the water on one side of the ramp or the other. The narrow ramp creates a bottleneck that can be frustrating as well as very hazardous when there is a rush to get off the water because of an approaching storm.

We were very excited to be able to get this grant from the North Dakota Outdoor Heritage Fund to be able to make this improvement. However, since receiving the grant, we have been blessed with high water levels that were the result of high snow pack in the mountains, higher than average run off, and in many cases record rainfall in Missouri River areas below Lake Oahe resulting in Army Corp water releases that maintained higher than normal lake levels well into the fall. Our construction goal was to be able to pour cement as far as we could above the water level. As a result, we chose to delay this project in the anticipation that the elevation of the lake would drop. However, after three years it was determined that we needed to move forward with the construction as costs were rising and the lake level was staying at about 1610 feet.

After advertising for interested contractors and inviting bids, we were able to contract with two separate contractors, Lehrkamp Enterprises and Climax Concrete. Lehrkamp was contracted to do all the site preparation, including placement of rock, spalls and other materials both above and below the water line. He was also responsible for placing the 16' by 6" by 38" concrete "planks" below the water line, insuring that they align with the existing ramp surface. This necessitated the hauling in and placement of over 1000 ton of rocks as a base for the ramp as well as to rip-rap the ramp for future stability

Climax Concrete was contracted to construct the ramp above the waterline, this included doweling rebar into the existing ramp at 1' intervals as well as pouring a 1 foot thickened edge and bottom for the new ramp surface. The surface of the ramp was also finished with a grooved design to help improve traction for vehicles and trailers. Our original plans were to widen the ramp by 18 feet, however, the concrete planks provided to us by the Army Corp of Engineers were only 16 feet wide.

Construction of the Ramp began on October 9<sup>th</sup> and the first cement was poured on October 21<sup>st</sup>. The final cement was poured on October 25<sup>th</sup>. The ramp was closed beginning on October 16<sup>th</sup> and is to remain closed through November 4<sup>th</sup> to allow proper curing time. The final rip-raping and rock placement will occur following 30 days of curing. At that time we will receive our final billing from Lehrkamp.

We also will be placing a sign recognizing the partnership to complete this project and install it at the boat ramp. Because of increased costs above our initial construction estimates we have approached many businesses and organizations in the southcentral region, including the Bismarck Mandan area seeking to raise additional funds to cover our shortfall.

Thanks to the partnership of the ND Outdoor Heritage Fund for making this improvement project possible. It will greatly improve the access and safe use of this outstanding Natural Resource available to North Dakotans – Lake Oahe and we hope to continue to enhance the recreational areas available in the future.

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.

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Signature of Responsible Official

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