

## Instructions

Please download this Word document (available on the Industrial Commission/Outdoor Heritage Fund Program website at <http://www.nd.gov/ndic/outdoor-infopage.htm> ) 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 [outdoorheritage@nd.gov](mailto:outdoorheritage@nd.gov) 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 <b>005-083</b>	Report Date <b>8/31/2016</b>	Period Covered by Report <b>4/1/2016 to 8/31/2016</b>
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Project Name  
**The Fargo Project: World Garden Commons**

Project Sponsor Name  
**City of Fargo**

Responsible Official (Last, First Middle) <b>Crutchfield, Nicole B.</b>	Responsible Official's Title <b>Planning Administrator</b>
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Project Sponsor Address  
**200 3<sup>rd</sup> Street North**

City <b>Fargo</b>	State <b>ND</b>	Zip Code <b>58102</b>	Telephone Number <b>(701) 297-7782</b>
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#### Financial Update

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

\*The Fargo Project is a multi-phased, multi-year, multi-funded project. For clarity of reporting, the Financial Update is regarding funding based on work under contract award only.

#### Funds Spent this Reporting Period

(As appropriate please provide copies of receipts for purchases)

Match Funding \$ 11,292.18

In-kind Funding \$ 0

OHF Funding **Requested for Reimbursement** \$ 33,876.54

Total Funding Expended for this Reporting Period \$ 45,168.72

#### Total Funds Spent to Date

Match Funding \$ 26,974.18

In-kind Funding \$ 0

OHF Funding Received and Requested for Reimbursement \$ 77,452.28

Total Funding Expended to Date \$ 104,426.46

#### Balance of Grant Funds

Match Funding \$ 423,025.82

In-kind Funding \$ 0

OHF Funding still to be Requested \$ 245,573.54

Total Funding to be Expended on this Project \$ 668,599.36 (total phase cost is \$800,000)

Do you anticipate needing to request a grant extension If yes, please explain

Yes  No

Construction of the project was delayed again this year in 2016. Due to the nature of the site as a stormwater basin, the clay soils, and more rain in the June and July months than typical, the bottom of the basin has stayed too wet to allow construction this spring and mid-summer. Our contractors have only been able to mobilize to the site starting at the beginning of August. Much of the construction slated for this year is anticipated to occur over the winter, when the ground will be frozen and there will be less disturbance.

We have also received bids from features of the project (partially funded through the Outdoor Heritage Funds) higher than anticipated, and we are currently re-prioritizing construction of site features.

We plan to follow up with a memo outlining an extension request that will identify in further detail the re-prioritization of features and anticipated construction schedule changes.

Work Completed during Period Covered by Report:

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

April through August:

Last fall and winter, a portion of the channel was eroding. A rock vane was anticipated to be constructed last winter on frozen ground, however, warmer temperatures did not allow. In the spring, it was found that the channel had eroded more than previously thought. Due to the adaptive management focus of the project, we reevaluated the location and restoration techniques. The rock vane was installed mid-April and is functioning as anticipated.

Construction documents have been finalized for the reconstruction of the inlets and outlet project (site restoration, earthmoving, seeding and plantings), and is currently under bid. The bid opening will be on September 14. The anticipated construction is over the winter, while ground is frozen, for minimal disturbance.

We anticipated the full removal of the concrete channel in 2016. However, with reconstruction of the inlets and outlet, and with the equipment needed for demolition and earthmoving, the remaining concrete will stay in place for access with the anticipation it will be removed by Spring 2017.

The bids for the Overlook feature were opened in June. The bids came in much higher than anticipated, and all bids were rejected. We are currently working on re-prioritizing features within the site. The Overlook is not anticipated to be constructed this year. Funding from the Outdoor Heritage Funds were to cover a portion of the costs of the Overlook.

Site restoration (seeding, plantings, vegetation establishment) continues on the site. We are finding that in the undisturbed areas, the site has many native species, and we continue to take steps to encourage that growth while managing invasive species. The restoration methods on areas of disturbance require more intensive restoration, however, we plan to seed and plant as much as possible to encourage establishment.

Technical construction of the boardwalk was explored, and determined to be much more intrusive to the site than anticipated with requirements for footings in the basin due to soils. We are discussing other options of boardwalk types, but do not anticipate that feature will be built this year, as originally planned. Funding from the Outdoor Heritage Funds were to cover a portion of the costs of the Boardwalk.

Monitoring equipment is in place. We are hoping to receive reports yet this year regarding vertical water quality and groundwater quality.

Next Steps in 2016:

- Continued earthmoving and site restoration
- Award bids for the inlet/outlet reconstruction
- Begin construction of inlet/outlet project
- Continued seeding, plantings and vegetation establishment (much of this work will occur after earthwork)



Construction of Rock Vane (April 2016)



Site & vegetation restoration of area of concrete channel removal (July 2016)

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

*Maqin Elsharg for Nicole Contenfield*

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.