

## 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	Report Date	Period Covered by Report	
011-127	September 27, 2019	10/01/18 – 9/30/19	
Project Name			
NWTF Northern Plains Riparian Restoration Initiative			
Project Sponsor Name			
National Wild Turkey Federation			
Responsible Official (Last, First Middle)		Responsible Official's Title	
Smith, Collin		District Biologist	
Project Sponsor Address			
770 Augusta Road			
City	State	Zip Code	Telephone Number
Edgefield	South Carolina	29824	(803) 637-3106

#### Financial Update

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

	Funds Spent THIS Reporting Period*	Total Funds Spent to Date	Balance of Remaining Funds
Cash Match Funding	NWTF: \$2,750 Partners: \$129,143.40 <b>Total: \$131,893.40</b>	NWTF: \$2,750 Partners: \$129,143.40 <b>Total: \$131,893.40</b>	
In-kind Match Funding	NWTF: \$3,731.66 Partner: \$14,572.80 <b>Total: \$18,304.46</b>	NWTF: \$5,604.48 Partner: \$14,572.80 <b>Total: \$20,177.28</b>	
OHF Funding	<b>\$8,250</b>	<b>\$8,250</b>	<b>\$36,750</b>
<b>Total</b>			

Do you anticipate needing to request a grant extension? // Yes /X/ No

Not at this time.

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Work Completed during Period Covered by Report:

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

**REPORTING PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2018 – SEPTEMBER 15, 2019**

During the period from October 1, 2018 through September 15, 2019, NWTF staff prepared and sent out the 2019 NPRRI request for proposals, reviewed and ranked the received NPRRI applications and made awards. Project site visits were also conducted as necessary in addition to performing project administrative activities. This entailed 58 hours of staff time which was spent on 2019 NPRRI application & RFP preparation, reviewing and ranking the received project proposals, and making necessary follow up phone calls or site visits to garner additional information from applicants and to provide technical assistance. A total of five North Dakota riparian project proposals received awards through the NPRRI 2019 cycle. The combined NWTF staff time and indirect in-kind match funding totaled \$3,731.66.

**OHF GRANT PROJECT SUMMARY TO DATE (NWTF's NPRRI cycle's 2018, 2019, 2020)**

**2018 NPRRI CYCLE**

During the **2018 NPRRI** cycle, two riparian projects will be utilizing funds from this OHF grant in support of performance. These projects are listed below

**2018 Project 18ND01 - Glencoe Farms Riparian & Upland Enhancement Project**

This U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Partners for Wildlife project is located in the NW corner of Emmons County, ND and consists of restoring and improving 1,130 acres of private farmland through the creation of riparian grazing pastures. Project specifics entail the installation of cross fencing, a solar well and water pipeline, removal of invasive tree species such as Russian olive, and the implementation of a proper riparian grazing regime. The project objectives include improved health of the native riparian areas & woody areas as well as the general overall native plant/grass communities. Five partners will be assisting with the delivery of this project at an estimated total cost of \$91,056. The NWTF awarded \$5,000 in cash support of this project. It is anticipated that the project will be completed by late summer 2019. **(this project is still in progress)**

Total Estimated Project Cost: \$91,056

NPRRI Award Amount (NWTF & OHF cash combined): \$5,000

OHF Cash: \$3,750

NWTF Cash Match: \$1,250

Partner Cash Match: to be determined upon completion

Partner In-kind Match: to be determined upon completion

**2018 Project 18ND02 - Janke-James River Project**

This North Dakota Game & Fish Department project is located in LaMoure County, ND, approximately 4 miles SE of the town of LaMoure. The project takes place on private lands enrolled in the North Dakota Game & Fish Department's PLOTS program which are open to public hunting. The project consists of the re-contouring of a steep, highly eroded bank along the James River. High water and erosion is resulting in head cutting taking place along this section of river and topsoil and native grasses are being lost over time. The project aims to restore 4,364 feet of a 12ft steep bank along the James River by slope the bank back to a 3:1 slope and planting a native/introduced grass mix starting at the water's edge and ending 100 feet back. The slope will be stabilized with matting (V-Max and Coconut) on top of the grass seed. An additional 3,235 feet will have a 100-foot grass buffer planted but no additional earth work will be required. The project will have five project partners working together and estimate the project to cost approximately \$104,852.68. The NWTF's NPRRI has awarded \$2,000 in cash support, and the project is anticipated to be completed in late summer of 2019. The NPRRI award, including the OHF portion, supported the installation of stabilization material.

**(this project has been completed)**

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Total Project Cost: \$130,932.52  
NPRRI Award Amount (NWTF & OHF cash combined): \$2,000  
OHF Cash: \$1,500  
NWTF Cash Match: \$500  
Partner Cash Match: \$117,444.52  
Partner In-kind Match: \$11,488.00



Janke James River Project – stabilization material installation

### 2019 NPRRI CYCLE

During the **2019 NPRRI** cycle, five riparian projects will be utilizing funds from this OHF grant in support of performance. These projects are listed below

#### 2019 Project 19ND01 – Njos Alkali Creek Project

This U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Partners for Wildlife project is located in Bowman County, ND. The project takes place on private lands that are currently enrolled in the North Dakota Game and Fish Department's PLOTS program. The project consists of the installation of fencing and water developments and removal of invasive grass to improve two miles of riparian grazing management, resulting in enhanced riparian communities, grasslands and water quality. This improved grazing system will affect 320 acres directly along Alkali Creek and enhance a total of 3,000 associated upland grasslands. Multiple wildlife species will benefit as these areas are rested from grazing and permitted to recover. This project will have 6 project partners working together and it is estimated that the project will cost approximately \$17,783.68. The NWTF's NPRRI has awarded \$3,000 in cash support, and the project is in completion stage now. The NPRRI award, including the OHF portion, supported the pipeline construction going to water developments. **(this project has been completed)**

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Total Project Cost: \$17,783.68  
NPRRI Award Amount (NWTF & OHF cash combined): \$3,000  
OHF Cash: \$2,250  
NWTF Cash Match: \$750  
Partner Cash Match: \$11,698.88  
Partner In-kind Match: \$3,084.80



Njos Alkali Creek project – pipeline



Njos Alkali Creek project – water tank

### 2019 Project 19ND02 – Nagel Otter Creek Project

This U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Partners for Wildlife project is located in Grant County, ND on private lands. Through the installation of riparian fencing, tree plantings and off-site water developments, this project will improve 8,000 feet of riparian management on Otter Creek, which is a tributary of the Heart River, and also improve grassland management on the associated drainages & uplands. This improved grazing system will affect 1,040 acres in total, providing improved habitat for many species of wildlife and also improve water quality. The project has four project partners working together and it is estimated that the project will cost approximately \$125,098.43. The NWTF's NPRRI has awarded \$6,000 in cash support, and the project is in nearing completion stage now. The NPRRI award, including the OHF portion, supported the well construction. **(this project is still in progress)**

Total Estimated Project Cost: \$125,098.43  
NPRRI Award Amount (NWTF & OHF cash combined): \$6,000  
OHF Cash: \$4,500  
NWTF Cash Match: \$1,500  
Partner Cash Match: to be determined upon completion  
Partner In-kind Match: to be determined upon completion

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Nagel Otter Creek Project – Well head

**2019 Project 19ND03 – Richards Beaver Creek Project**

This U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Partners for Wildlife project is located in Golden Valley County, ND. The project takes place on private lands that are currently enrolled in the North Dakota Game and Fish Department's PLOTS program. This project will take place in two phases, with phase 1 affecting 348 acres and phase two affecting 460 acres. An additional 517 acres of grasslands will see improved management. The project consists of the installation of 7,100 feet of riparian fencing, grass plantings and construction of off-site water developments enabling improved riparian community management. Phase 1 will improve management on 15,500 feet of Beaver Creek while phase 2 will improve management of another 16,200 feet of Beaver creek and 4,000 feet of other unnamed drainages. This riparian community supports habitat for a variety of wildlife species. This project will have eight project partners working together and it is estimated that all phases of the project combined will cost approximately \$92,000. The NWTF's NPRRI has awarded \$2,500 in cash support, and the project is expected to be completed in summer 2020. **(this project is still in progress)**

Total Estimated Project Cost: \$92,000  
NPRRI Award Amount (NWTF & OHF cash combined): \$2,500  
OHF Cash: \$1,875  
NWTF Cash Match: \$625  
Partner Cash Match: to be determined upon completion  
Partner In-kind Match: to be determined upon completion

**2019 Project 19ND04 – Aefedt Riparian Pasture Project**

This U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Partners for Wildlife project is located in Grant County, ND. The project takes place on private lands and consists of the installation of fencing and water lines to create a 14 pasture rotation system from what is currently a two pasture system. This will allow for multi pasture short duration

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grazing and long duration resting on 1,033 acres along the Cannon Ball river. This improved grazing system will enhance both riparian & grassland health for a multitude of wildlife species. Additionally, 111 acres of cropland has been restored to native grass & legumes along with 41 acres of wetlands and riparian habitat enhancements. This project will have six project partners working together and it is estimated that the project will cost approximately \$115,474.50. The NWTF's NPRRI has awarded \$6,000 in cash support, and the project is anticipated to be completed in fall of 2020. **(this project is still in progress)**

Total Estimated Project Cost: \$115,474.50  
NPRRI Award Amount (NWTF & OHF cash combined): \$6,000  
OHF Cash: \$4,500  
NWTF Cash Match: \$1,500  
Partner Cash Match: to be determined upon completion  
Partner In-kind Match: to be determined upon completion

**2019 Project 19ND05 – Arlien Stryle Grazing System Project**

This U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Partners for Wildlife project is located in Emmons County, ND. The project takes place on private lands and ND state lands and consists of the installation of cross fence to create a 25 pasture rotation system that will permit 340 to 400 days of rest to the majority of pastures, which will increase wildlife cover and minimize disturbance on 1,633 acres. Riparian areas and woody draws located on the project site will be enhanced through limited and properly timed grazing when the need occurs. This project will have seven project partners working together and it is estimated that the project will cost approximately \$65,400. The NWTF's NPRRI has awarded \$3,500 in cash support, and the project is anticipated to be completed in spring of 2020. **(this project is still in progress)**

Total Estimated Project Cost: \$65,400  
NPRRI Award Amount (NWTF & OHF cash combined): \$3,500  
OHF Cash: \$2,625  
NWTF Cash Match: \$875  
Partner Cash Match: to be determined upon completion  
Partner In-kind Match: to be determined upon completion

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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