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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 011-130 12/20/2021		Period Covered by Report 10/01/2020-10/31/2021		
Project Name Urban Woods and Prairies Initiative Expansion				
Project Sponsor Nan Audubon Dakota				
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City Fargo	State ND	Zip Code 58103	Telephone Number 701-298-3373	
<u>Financial Update</u> Please provide the following information regarding the funding for your project based on the contract award:				
		Spent THIS	Total Funds Spent to Date	Balance of Remaining Funds
Match Funding	•	\$1,350.00	\$18,612.47	\$71,387.53
In-kind Funding		\$800.02	\$31,541.49	\$135,371.51
OHF Funding		\$44,773.16	\$165,718.92	\$364,281.08
Total		\$46,923.18	\$215,872.88	\$571,040.12
Do you anticipate needing to request a grant extension? // Yes /x/ No				
If yes, please explain:				
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Work Completed during Period Covered by Report: (This information will be posted on the Outdoor Heritage Fund/Industrial Commission website)

Over the last year, Audubon Dakota's Urban Woods and Prairies Initiative continued to find success in project growth and the establishment of healthy, diverse native plant communities. Below are the accomplishments delivered in each North Dakota UWP city, including Bismarck, Fargo, Grand Forks and Minot.

Bismarck – MNL (Minnesota Native Landscapes), previously Prairie Restorations Inc. (PRI), continued Integrated Prairie Management at Atkinson Park (3 acres) and Zonta Park (5 acres).

Grand Forks – 23,000 square feet of seeding near the coulee at Sertoma Park and Integrated Prairie Management at English Coulee (3 acres) was completed. In July, Audubon Dakota staff met with representatives of the City of Grand Forks and the University of North Dakota (UND) to identify near future project sites along the English Coulee owned by UND. Prairie restoration and woodland enhancement efforts are planned to be undertaken in spring 2022.

Fargo –Integrated prairie management continued at Heritage Hills (32 acres), Forest River (16 acres), Briarwood Park (36 acres), Pontes Prairie (10 acres), Unicorn Park (8 acres), Lions Conservancy Park (5 acres), Iwen Park (20 acres), Bison Meadows, Legacy Park (1 acre), and Crofton Coves (1 acre). Additionally, prairie sod was planted in front of the Orchard Glen sign, plugs were hand planted in Forest River, and Bison Meadows was prepped and seeded.

In a typical year, Audubon Dakota would have hired a seasonal technician to complete avian surveys at each Fargo UWP site. Unfortunately, no avian data is available for the 2021 field season due to funding and hiring restrictions caused by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Minot – Nubbin Park (4 acres) received seeding with a short dry prairie mix and integrated prairie management. Over the summer in 2021, Audubon Dakota staff were invited to join the Minot Greenway Taskforce which is composed of local city and park district representatives along with local residents. The Greenway Taskforce is intended to focus land-use planning efforts around the potential urban natural habitat to be created by the Greenway in 2022. To date, the Taskforce has held three planning meetings.

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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