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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 (xx/xx/xx to xx/xx/xx)
013-142	Dec 16, 2021	7/1/2021 to 12/16/2021
Project Name Cover Crop & Livestock Integration Project II		
Project Sponsor Name Ducks Unlimited, Inc.		
Responsible Official (Last, First Middle) Gue, Tanner	Responsible Official's Title Manager of Conservation Programs – ND	
Project Sponsor Address 2525 River Road		
City Bismarck	State ND	Zip Code 58503
Telephone Number 701-355-3592		

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
Match Funding	\$57,915.41	\$411,956.52	\$454,023.48
In-kind Funding	\$0.00	\$11,403.00	\$0.00
OHF Funding	\$68,001.51	\$477,585.00	\$773,205.00
Total	\$125,916.92	\$900,944.52	\$1,227,228.48

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

If yes, please explain:

*As appropriate please provide copies of receipts for purchases.

Work Completed during Period Covered by Report:

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The Cover Crop & Livestock Integration Project II (CCLIP2) was designed to provide North Dakota farmers and ranchers with the financial assistance needed to kick-start sustainable agricultural practices that meet their operational goals and diversify their operations while improving soil health, water quality, grassland health, and wildlife habitat. Interest in the program continues to be very strong. During this reporting period, Ducks Unlimited biologists and agronomists have worked directly with more than 12 different farmers and ranchers interested in CCLIP2. To date, a total of approximately 81% (\$1,250,789.80 / \$1,250,790.00) of awarded funds have been obligated to 52 different CCLIP2 agreements for grazing infrastructure and cover crop seeding costs. Direct benefits of the 52 projects underway include enhancement of 14,283.9 acres of cropland (135% of goal: 14,283.9 / 10,560) and 17,770.9 acres of adjacent grasslands (467% of goal: 17,770.9 / 3,800).

Figure1: Thanks to the North Dakota Outdoor Heritage Fund and CCLIP2, this landowner in Logan County was able to graze a diverse, multi-species cover crop mix late in the fall of 2021. He'll gain valuable rest and recovery time on his pastures. Extra rest on pastures has proven critical for ranchers as well as wildlife during the current drought conditions.



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Figure 2: Ducks Unlimited and cooperating landowners continue to publicly acknowledge the North Dakota Outdoor Heritage Fund's funding of CCLIP2 projects in several ways. For example, willing landowners have placed signs like these in areas of high visibility. Those interested in learning more about regenerative conservation and the North Dakota Outdoor Heritage Fund can use the QR code on the sign. Here, an CCLIP2 cooperator shares his great CCLIP2 experience with other farmers, ranchers and conservation partners.



Figure 3: Ducks Unlimited's team of biologists and agronomists continue to help willing landowners monitor their soil health accomplishments on CCLIP2 project sites. Here, Ducks Unlimited's agronomist and a landowner in Stutsman County discuss water infiltration and improvements in soil function as a result of the diverse cover crop mix and grazing.



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