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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 014-150	Report Date 9/30/2020	Period Covered by Report 3/28/2020 – 9/25/2020	
Project Name Precision Agriculture: Technology, Conservation and Habitat			
Project Sponsor Name Pheasants Forever, Inc.			
Responsible Official (Last, First Middle) Bush, Rachel Marie		Responsible Official's Title ND State Coordinator	
Project Sponsor Address PO Box 7403			
City Bismarck	State ND	Zip Code 58503	Telephone Number 701-403-4853
<u>Financial Update</u> 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	\$7,080.97	\$7,996.80	\$92,628.20
In-kind Funding	-	-	-
Pheasants Forever	\$7,597.02	\$11,872.31	\$33,428.69
OHF Funding	\$15,882.46	\$18,627.53	\$283,247.47
Total	\$30,560.45	\$38,496.64	\$409,304.36
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:

Since last reporting period many of the applications we received have been able to complete their practices and get conservation in the ground. Due to dry conditions, we had 2 applicants choose to forego planting this spring and will plan to seed this coming fall or next spring. Our field staff continue to share this opportunity with the growers they work with from across the State. We have worked with and received applications from Cass County all the way to Bowman County. Below is a synopsis of project progress.

<u>Program Action</u>	<u>Count To Date</u>
Total Applications Received	17
Signed Contracts	14
Completed Contracts	9
Planned Practices	
Grass Seeding	289.06 ac
Cover Crops	252.5 ac
Pollinator Habitat	87.71 ac
Total OHF Funds Obligated	\$63,591.70
Implemented Practices	
Grass Seeding	413.18 ac
Cover Crops	98.3 ac
Pollinator Habitat	0 ac
Total OHF Funds Spent	\$18,627.53

Please see project photos attached at the end of this document.

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Signature of Responsible Official

Rachel Bush, ND State Coordinator



An aerial drone shot of a recently enrolled and planted PATCH contract in western North Dakota. The perennial cover established through the program can be seen in the center of the photo between two areas of crop. This area was underperforming as cropland, and the landowner has an interest in hunting and upland game. Establishing it to quality habitat just made sense.



These cover crops were flown on over 60" corn in Cass County, ND.



Full season cover crops planted through PATCH in western North Dakota on marginal cropland. These full season cover crops provide brood rearing cover for upland game and livestock forage in the fall and winter.



Perennial cover (left) was established in western North Dakota on cropland identified through PF's Precision Ag & Conservation Solutions process. These marginal cropland acres will now produce high quality nesting habitat and livestock forage.



This perennial cover, comprised of a mix of wheatgrasses and legumes was planted on marginal cropland acres that were impacted by salts adjacent to a wetland in southeast North Dakota. The addition of perennial cover will reduce evaporation rates and increase infiltration, reducing salinity and protecting water quality by buffering the wetland from runoff.