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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)	
014-153	08/26/2020	12/01/2019 to 08/26/2020	
Project Name ND Statewide Tree Planting Initiative			
Project Sponsor Name North Dakota Conservation District Employees Association			
Responsible Official (Last, First Middle)		Responsible Official's Title	
Gahner, Darci		Treasurer	
Project Sponsor Address 123 Main Street, PO Box 346			
City	State	Zip Code	Telephone Number
McClusky	ND	58463	701-873-2101

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	413,200.60	413,200.60	586,799.40
In-kind Funding	374,942.50 375,000.00	375,000.00	475,000.00
OHF Funding	1,251,601.80	1,251,601.80	1,818,398.20
Total			

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:

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

The ND Conservation Districts have concluded the 2020 tree planting season with 1,927,891 feet of trees and fabric installed equivalent to 365 miles across the North Dakota landscape. Soil Conservation Districts utilized newsletters, press releases, county fairs booths, and one on one producer contact to promote the ND Statewide Conservation Tree Planting Initiative. Soil Conservation Districts will under go a random spot check on their tree plantings receiving Outdoor Heritage Funds to insure plantings are meeting installation specifications along with proper maintenance. These spot check reviews will be conducted by a certified planner during the duration of the grant period and reported back to the grant administration for planting verification.

Participation included 381 approved contracts that addressed field wind breaks, stream bank stabilization, farmstead protection, wildlife habitat, livestock protection and living snow fences in North Dakota. All contracts have met requirements of the State Historical Preservation Office and a committee review for approval of the Conservation Plan for species. Tree species must meet all soil suitability specs and setbacks unless proper documentation is obtained to justify change to the plan or specifications through a variance obtained by NRCS.

Tree planting assistance for the 2021 Tree Planting season concluded on August 3rd, 2020 with 412 contract considerations. Plans have all been submitted to the State Historical Preservation Office for cultural and a CONS-4 certified plan review for contract acceptance. Contract acceptance isn't declared approved until SHPO provides cultural screenings on impacted areas. If an area is deemed a cultural significance an archeology screening is required and needs to be approved by SHPO for forward installation. The 2021 Tree planting season with the ND Statewide Tree Planting Initiative is estimated to install 2,370,307 feet with a cost associated of \$1,616,512.00.

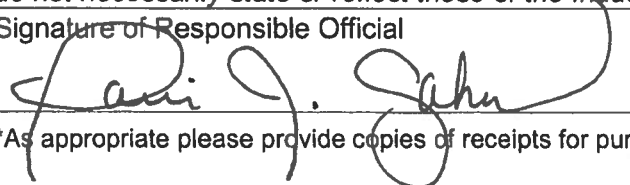
Photos of work completed are welcome (If appropriate, please submit photos of key elements of the project completed or in progress during reporting period) Do not exceed five photos per project report.

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Signature of Responsible Official

 Lari J. John, NDCOEA Treasurer

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