

Projects Committee Meeting
Thursday, June 1, 2017 8:00 AM
Lower Platte North NRD Office
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1. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

At the May 8, 2017, Board Meeting, the following motion to table was passed by all present:
Ruzicka make the motion, seconded by Clausen, to table the LPRCA Interlocal Agreement until next month and ask Dave Potter to be at Committee and Board Meeting.

Dave Potter attended attend the Projects Committee Meeting and will be at the June 12th Board Meeting.

2. SWCP

Gottschalk reviewed the attached SWCP status report with the committee.

2.A. SWCP Application Approvals

Mike Chvatal small dam project:

Mr. Chvatal was in attendance to discuss a revised construction estimate he has received from Lierman Excavating Co. for his proposed dam project. We would like input from the committee regarding the new estimate and whether additional cost share funds would be available, over and above the \$ 16,742.31 currently approved for the project. There was much committee discussion about the merits of putting additional funding into this project. The committee was reminded that the Chvatal project is above Cottonwood Creek Flood Reduction Dam 21-A, and would help trap silt and nutrients from ending up in that structure. A question was asked if grant funds would be available to assist with the Chvatal project and Mountford will ask NDEQ if that is a possibly.

2.B. SWCP Payments

16-P-13	Dayle Alswager	\$ 1,000.00	Emergency Terrace Repair
16-B-5	Kirk Marushak	<u>\$ 5,927.76</u>	Basins/Tile

TOTAL: \$ 6,927.76

2.C. SWCP Cancellations

None presented at this time but it is anticipated that there will be some by the June Board meeting.

2.D. Wahoo Creek Cost Share Approvals

None at this time.

3. WATERSHEDS

3.A. Shell Creek

3.A.1. Shell Creek Environmental Enhancement Plan Implementation

NDEQ has verbally approved \$300,000 of EPA 319 funds for completing designed Shell Creek bank stabilization projects in 2017 & 2018. Our required local match of \$200,000 will come from \$145,000 from the Nebraska Environmental Trust and the balance from the Bailey channel improvement project. Upon receiving a formal approved agreement from NDEQ, we will be advertising for bids on the Kramer Shell Creek Bank Stabilization project.

3.B. Wahoo Creek Watershed

3.B.1. Wahoo Creek RCPP Update

We continue working with NRCS on an eventual RCPP agreement for completing Wahoo Creek Dam Sites 26 and 27.

FYRA has submitted a \$23,632.01 invoice as attached for completed contact work to update the watershed plan requirements for these sites and work on our Water Sustainability Fund application. This is the first billing under our \$135,790 contract leaving \$112,157.99 after payment. Since this work falls under an approved contract, no motion for payment is needed.

3.B.2. Wahoo Creek Watershed Water Quality Plan Phase II

As reported last month, NDEQ has verbally approved our Project Implementation Plan for Wahoo Creek's next phase. We anticipate having the funding agreement available by the June Board Meeting. Saunders County has been preparing a list of priority bridge replacement locations with road dams and will be contacting engineering firms for bids to design a group of structures.

4. LOWER PLATTE RIVER CORRIDOR ALLIANCE

4.A. LPRCA Monthly Report

The May 25 LPRCA quarterly meeting agenda, as attached, included review of the draft FY2018 proposed budget, Watershed Water Quality Plan, and Watershed Restoration Study. Dave Potter, LPSNRD Assistant General Manager will be present to review the agreement and proposed budget items.

4.B. LPRCA Draft Interlocal Agreement

LPSNRD Assistant General Manager Dave Potter was present to review the attached LPRCA draft Interlocal Agreement for committee approval consideration. At the May Board Meeting, this item was not voted on until more Board members could be present. This draft outlines how LPSNRD, PMRNRD and LPNDRD would continue to work together as the primary local LPRCA partners. This agreement identifies details on how each NRD will be actively involved in providing direction and funding to the Alliance. Each NRD will be in control of

what projects and programs that they want or do not want to participate in. The committee recommended that the tabled May 8, 2017, Board motion to consider approval of the draft Interlocal Agreement be brought off the table for Board consideration.

4.C. LPRCA Planning Retreat Information

Attached is JEO's summary of the February 24, 2017, LPRCA planning retreat at Camp Ashland. Also included are minutes and notes from the quarterly meeting that was held in conjunction with the retreat.

5. OTHER

5.A. Platte Center Request for Elm Creek Bank Stabilization Project Assistance

LPNNRD has been assisting Platte Center over the years on stabilizing Elm Creek that cuts through the middle of the village. The village is ready to move into the next project phase to be completed in the fall of 2017 as attached. The estimated cost for reshaping and stabilizing the bank on the south side of main street to the first bank curve is \$23,825.20. We have been approving 50% cost-share so our requested assistance would be \$11,912.60. If approved, we would carry over \$2,580 of their unused FY 2017 project funds and add an additional \$9,332.60 for a total FY 2018 budget amount of \$11,912.60. Mark Borchers with Platte Center was present to discuss the proposed project.

5.B. Army COE Projects

This agenda heading will be handled by the O, E & RW Committee in the future.

5.B.1. Fremont GI Study

The update on the progress of the GI Study is outlined in the O, E, & RW Committee Minutes. Future agenda items for Fremont GI will be transferred entirely to that committee in the future.

5.B.2. Schuyler 205

Now that the Shell Creek Levee portion of the Schuyler 205 project is complete, future topics regarding the project's operation and maintenance will be handled by the O, E & RW committee.

5.B.2.a. Schuyler Shell Creek Levee Annual Payment Request

Attached is the City of Schuyler's annual assistance request for \$125,000. After this payment, LPNNRD will have contributed \$500,000 toward the completion of the Shell Creek Levee portion of the 205 effort. There will be one remaining assistance request to reach \$600,000 that the Board previously indicated as the maximum amount to be applied toward the Shell Creek Project efforts (not including study assistance).

5.B.2.b. Shell Creek Levee Operation and Maintenance Interlocal Agreement with City of Schuyler

Attached is the signed Operation and Maintenance Interlocal Agreement with the City of Schuyler outlining LPNNRD's intended future assistance payments for the completed Shell Creek Levee and Schuyler's responsibility for providing the local operation and maintenance needs for the levee.

5.C. Shell Creek Landowner Levee Project Update

5.D. First Draft FY 2018 Projects Budget

An early version of the FY 2017 Projects Committee Budget will be reviewed.

5.E. Sand Creek Annual Loan Payment and Semi-Annual Interest Payment to Union Bank

The committee is asked to approve our Sand Creek Annual Loan Payment of \$412,925 and the Semi-Annual Interest Payment on that note to Union Bank.

5.F. Hazard Mitigation Plan Update - FEMA Grant Application

As many of you recall, LPNNRD has been involving with leading a District-wide Hazard Mitigation Plan for our communities and three of our counties. While we are really a year away from needing to start the plan update process, JEO has learned that while there is upcoming grant money available to update plans this next fiscal year, there may not be in a year from now. What JEO is suggesting is that we apply for 75% assistance now to begin our HMP update process in Fiscal year 2019. As part of our application, there may be an opportunity to also apply for non-structural flood protection measures for interested communities at the same time (i.e. Fremont, Schuyler). JEO will be talking with Fremont and Schuyler before the next Projects Committee Meeting and will know how interested these communities are with moving toward a non-structural flood prevention approach. At that time, we will ask to possibly move forward with applying for FEMA grant funding to update our HMP plan in FY 2019 and potentially cooperate with Fremont, Schuyler or another committee on non-structural flood damage protection.

6. WESTERN SARPY/CLEAR CREEK LEVEE REPORT

No new information was presented.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The Projects Committee adjourned at 10:00 a.m.