

Projects Committee Meeting
Thursday, August 2, 2018 8:00 AM
Lower Platte North NRD Office
P.O. Box 126
Wahoo, NE 68066

1. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business to address at this time.

2. SWCP

Elliott reviewed the status of the SWCP fund as attached.

2.A. SWCP Application Approvals

18-B-2 RICHARD J. VOBORIL - \$12,500.00 (WASCB)
18-B-3 THOMAS J. SAMEK - \$12,500.00 (TOT/WASCB)
18-B-4 DOROTHY HLADKY - \$12,500.00 (WASCB)
18-B-5 MARCELLA DIVIS - \$12,500.00 (TOT/GWW)
18-B-6 LAZY J CATTLE - \$12,500.00 (TOT/WASCB)
18-B-7 DWAYNE LANE - \$12,500.00 (TOT/WASCB)
18-D-1 DUANE PEDERSON - \$8,271.24 (GWW)
18-S-7 RON SLEGL - \$12,500.00 (TOT/WASCB)
18-S-8 ECG CORPORATION - \$12,500.00 (GWW)
18-S-9 DONALD FUJAN - \$5,075.64 (WASCB)
18-S-10 ERNEST OSMERA - \$6,346.91 (GWW)
18-S-11 CHARLES PROSKOVEC - \$12,500.00 (WASCB)
18-S-12 JOHN KASPAR - \$12,500.00 (WASCB)
18-S-13 SHANAHAN TRUST - \$12,500.00

2.B. SWCP Payments

2.C. SWCP Cancellations

18-S-3 JON SWANSON - \$10,000.00 (TOT/WASCB)

2.D. Wahoo Creek Cost Share Approvals

3. WATERSHEDS

3.A. Shell Creek

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

There are two invoices totaling \$186.48 for food and koozies purchased by Jill Bailey for the Shell Creek Delisitng celebration held on June 15, 2018.

There is an invoice totaling \$685.00 for food, tables, and trolley purchased by Mark Horejsi for the celebration as well.

3.A.1.a. Hamata Shell Creek Bank Stabilization Project

The Hamata project (Change order No. 1. to the Kramer/Shell Creek Bank Stabilization Project has been completed.

3.A.1.b. Vavircek Shell Creek Bank Stabilization Project

The Board previously approved moving forward with a future change order No. 2 (Vavircek) to the Kramer/Shell Creek Bank Stabilization Project. After the Committee met we received a detailed change order (No. 2) (Vavircek) from Kohl Construction \$ and will request a board motion to approve and authorize Chair Birkel to sign as attached to the Project Committee Minutes.

3.A.1.c. Tom Spunk Grade Stabilization/Wetland Enhancement Project Update

Ken Kotera has completed the project design and Mr. Sprunk is working with the USACE to obtain a permit.

3.B. Wahoo Creek Watershed

3.B.1. Wahoo Creek Dam Site Planning Update & FYRA Invoices

1. Meeting with Saunders County - Update

Gottschalk, Elliott and Mountford along with Director Veskerna met with the Saunders County Supervisors on July 17 to give an update on the Wahoo Creek planning and to discuss the 11 selected sites for the plan. The primary focus was to request financial participation with sites 26a, 26b and 27. A map of downstream county bridges was discussed that could receive protection from the three dams when constructed. The county will review potential downstream benefits with their engineer and discuss potential contributions to these dams.

2. Cultural Resource Investigations on Eight Added Dam Sites

As part of the Wahoo Creek planning process, we will need to send out RFQs/RFP's for hiring a private firm to conduct cultural Resource Investigations after fall harvest on the additional eight selected dam sites. NRCS was able to conduct investigations for Sites 26a., 26b. and 27 this past spring, but has informed us that they will not have the resources to investigate the other eight selected sites. The committee is asked to recommend beginning the RFQ/RFP process with the intent to approve the selected firm at the October 8, 2018, board meeting. Staff will work on the timeline for advertising and receiving proposals. Attached is a draft RFP letter that will be used after details are determined.

3. Wetlands Delineations Underway

FYRA has been conducting wetland delineations at several Wahoo Creek dam sites as required by NRCS in the planning process. Attached is an example letter of what has been sent to landowners involved with the selected sites.

3. Future Payment of FYRA Invoices

FYRA will be sending future invoices for work accomplished at the beginning of each

month, but will be providing more detail as requested at the last Board meeting. Since future invoices will generally arrive just after Projects Committee Meetings for review, they will be paid a month later than normal.

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

We have had conversations with Saunders County about partnering on grade stabilization structures to reduce channel erosion and improve water quality in Wahoo Creek. We have approved grant funding from NET and NDEQ that was planned to be used for these structures. We have had discussions with Saunders County Road Superintendent Steve Mika and County Engineer, Mark Mainelli on moving forward with this effort.

JEO is proposing services for building a couple of retention structures with landowner cooperation. This effort originally was to be structures on the road with the county providing the engineering, but they have moved away from this for now. No action is requested at this time.

4. LOWER PLATTE RIVER CORRIDOR ALLIANCE

4.A. LPRCA Reimbursement

While we are still partnering to complete prior approved projects, the LPNNRD dropped out as a member of the LPRCA in 2017. LPSNRD who administers Alliance business, has sent a \$5,486.41 reimbursement, which is 24.38% of \$22,503.73 that remains in the administrative fund. Attached is an explanation letter outlining the reimbursement.

5. EROSION AND SEDIMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS

6. Review of FY 2019 Projects Budget

7. OTHER

7.A. Hazard Mitigation Plan Grant Approval

The Nebraska Emergency Management Agency has notified us that FEMA has approved up to a \$200,038.50 grant (75%) for updating our District-Wide Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) and for working with Fremont and Schuyler for non-structural flood risk planning (letter attached). Our HMP update was estimated at \$75,000 and additional funds were requested for flood risk planning for Fremont and Schuyler. District costs for the plan update is estimated at \$18,750. If Fremont and Schuyler wishes to proceed with flood risk planning, the intention would be for each community to reimburse LPNNRD for their 25% of the costs.

Attached is the NEMA grant agreement for proceeding. The next step after approval will be to send out RFPs to qualified Engineering for completing this work. Committee action is requested.

7.B. Sponsorship for Grazing/Soil Health

We have been contacted by the NRCS in Fullerton requesting a contribution toward a grazing for soil health. Attached is the sponsorship request.

8. ADJOURNMENT