## **LCCMR Work Program Final Report**

# Restoring Minnesota's Fish and Wildlife Habitat Corridors Phase 3 Habitat Conservation Partnership

2E3: Wild Rice Habitat Restoration - Fond du Lac Band of Chippewa Indians

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Ch. 1, Art. 2, Sec. 11 Subd. 5a

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## **Total Biennial Project Budget**

Result	Environmental Trust Fund	Environmental Trust Funds Spent	Environmental Trust Balance	Other Funds Proposed	Other Funds Spent	
Restoration	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$42,750.00	\$0.00	
Total	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$42,750.00	\$0.00	

<sup>\*\* \$25,250</sup> in 2E3 funds were moved to 4H via an approved Work Program Ammendment Dated 04/17/08

# **Work Program Summary**

#### **Overall Project Outcome and Results**

As of April 9, 2008 Fond du Lac Reservation has been unable to secure permits for the work described in this work plan. In partnership fashion, we requested that the full amount of this Fond du Lac allocation be reallocated to the Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge Trust Inc. to be used to acquire the Perch Lake WPA in Project Area #10. The Habitat Conservation Partnership endorsed the reallocation of funds to this specific project at their February 13, 2008 full partnership meeting. Fond du Lac plans to be on tract to complete work in all future phases of the Habitat Conservation Partnership.

### **Project Results Use and Dissemination**

The Fond du Lac Reservation and the Fond du Lac Natural Resources Program contacted State and federal agencies about wild rice lake restoration efforts and sought partners to help fund the cost of these efforts on the Fond du Lac Reservation and within the 1854 Ceded Territory. The Fond du Lac Natural Resources Program cooperated with the Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College and the Univ. of Minn./Duluth on a Wild Rice Ecology Study in order to understand the changes to the plant communities and lake sediments in the restored wild rice lakes. We have participated in wild rice conferences and meetings with state, federal, and tribal resource agencies to further the goals of proper wild rice lake management, harvest regulations, and to research wild rice ecology. Our Reservation has also cooperated with the media in the creation of a show about wild rice on Public Television, the filming of video stories about wild rice and newspaper articles about our wild rice restoration project.

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Attachment A: Budget Detail for 2005 Projects

Amendment Request - April 10, 2008

Project Title: Restoring Minnesota's Fish & Wildlife Habitat Corridors Phase III - Wild Rice Habitat Restoration (2e3)

Legal Citation: ML 2005 First Special Session, Chapter 1, Art. 2, Sec. 11 Subd. 5(a) - Phase III

Project Manager Name: Chris Berini

LCMR Requested Dollars: \$35,250 \$0

	Result 1 Budget:	Amount Spent	Balance	Result 2 Budget:	Amount Spent	Balance	
2005 LCMR Proposal Budget		5/30/06	5/30/06		5/30/06	5/30/06	
	Wild Rice Habitat			Wild Rice Seeding of			
	Restoration			Restored Habitat			
BUDGET ITEM							TOTAL FOR BUDGET ITEM
PERSONNEL: Staff Expenses, wages, salaries							
Natural Resources Technician, Terry P. Operates and repairs Sedge Mat Cutter	6,275	0	<del>6,275</del>				6,275
Natural Resources Technician, Charles N. Operates and repairs Aquatic Plant Harvester and airboats	<del>7,674</del>	0	<del>7,67</del> 4	•			<del>7,674</del>
Natural Resources Technician, Russel N. operates and repairs Aquatic Plant Harvester #2, and airboats	7,636	0	<del>7,636</del>				7,636
PERSONNEL: Staff benefits							
Nat. Res. Techn., Terry P. (Med. Dent. Life) Work Comp., EAP, SUTA, Soc. Sec., Medicare	1,725	0	1,725				1,725
Nat. Res. Techn., Charles N. (Med. Dent. Life) Work Comp., EAP, SUTA, Soc. Sec., Medicare	<del>2,326</del>	0	<del>2,326</del>				2,326
Nat. Res. Techn. Russ N. (Med. Dent. Life) Work Comp. EAP, SUTA, Soc. Sec. Medicare	<del>2,61</del> 4		<del>2,61</del> 4				<del>2,61</del> 4
Other Direct operating costs: diesel and gasoline for equipment, biodegradeable hydraulic fluid. lubricants	3,000	0	3,000				3,000
Other Supplies: wild rice seed for seeding restored wild rice habitat				4,000	9 0	4,000	4,000
COLUMN TOTAL	31,250	0	<del>31,250</del>	4,000	9 0	4,000	35,250
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