

2008 Project Abstract

For the Period Ending June 30, 2010

PROJECT TITLE: 2A:Hides for Habitat – MDHA – Restoration

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FUNDING SOURCE: Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund

LEGAL CITATION: ML 2008 First Special Section, Ch.

367, Sec. 2 Subd. 3(c).

APPROPRIATION AMOUNT: \$ 30,000.00

Overall Project Outcome and Results

Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund funds were used to restore a total of two oak savannahs (grassland enhancement) consisting of 14.69 acres on the Winger Waterfowl Production Area (WPA). Federal WPA's are managed for waterfowl production and are open to public hunting and other recreation consistent with the National Wildlife Refuge System. This restoration to the oak savannahs will create suitable habitat for deer, turkey, ruffed grouse, and other cavity nesting birds.

Specifically, on the Winger WPA (Polk County Winger Township 147, Range 42, Section 2) we restored two oak savannahs for 14.69 acres by shearing and piling undesirable trees such as boxelder, cottonwood, willow, and aspen which opened the landscape to promote savannah habitat. Large and small oak trees were not cut and the seedlings were flagged to prevent accidental damage.

All work was done in partnership with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Detroit Lakes Wetland Management District and other funds were secured and provided by the Minnesota Deer Hunters Association Hides for Habitat funds.

Signs were purchased with a portion of the appropriation money and were placed on the Winger WPA in May of 2010. These signs state the nature of the oak savannah and the future management as well as the partners involved.

Project Results Use and Dissemination

MDHA has restored a total of 2 oak savannahs (14.69 acres total) on public land that is permanently protected and open to public hunting. These restored oak savannahs provide upland habitat for a variety of wildlife with a large scale benefit to hundreds of acres on the Winger WPA as well as the surrounding private land habitats. Future management of grasslands will be conducted by the USFWS Detroit Lakes Wetland Management District.

Since this initial project was submitted, MDHA changed project managers from Phase IV. In phase V our funds from matching came mostly from the Hides for Habitat funds through MDHA which is why there are less "other funds" contributed to this Phase V work plan. MDHA strives to identify projects that capitalize on our chapter system and will improve on this into the future.

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Total Biennial Project Budget

Result	ENTF Allocation	ENTF Funds Spent	ENTF Balance	Other Funds * Proposed	Other Funds * Spent
Restoration	\$30,000	\$29,928	\$72	\$25,000	\$15,000
Total	\$30,000	\$29,928	\$72	\$25,000	\$15,000

*Other Funds are classified as non-state, non-state leveraged dollars (if partner funds are leveraging State Funds (e.g. RIM) they are not eligible to be considered Other Funds). Please note, however, that this work program has spent the following amounts not shown in the above table:

Partners State Leveraged Funds:	\$9,889.71
Other:	\$7,467.00

See the tables and funding type definitions at the end of this report for further explanation.

Work Program Summary

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Restoration Activities

Project Area - 1 - Aspen Parklands

Project Name:	Winger WPA Township: 147, Range: 42, Section: 2			
Activity:	Grassland Enhancement			
Landtype:	Public - WMA			
Description:	Tree Removal - Shear & Pile All boxelder, cottonwood, willow, aspen, etc to restore scattered oak savannas. All smaller oaks flagged to prevent accidental damage.			
	<p>\$50,620.76 in the phase IV (2007 Appropriation) project was spent on the restoration of these areas. Being that the phase V (2008 Appropriation) work plan was accepted, we continued into the phase V (2008) funds in fall of 2008.</p>			
<i>Funding Type</i>	<i>Funds Use</i>	<i>Funding Amount</i>	<i>Prorated Acres</i>	<i>Prorated Shoreline</i>
ENTF	Restoration	\$29,329.88	14.69	0.00
ENTF	Site Development	\$598.18	0.00	0.00
Winger WPA Total		\$29,928.06	14.69	0.00

Restoration Project Totals (By Funding Type)

Funding Type	Funding Amount	Acres	Shoreline Feet
ENTF:	\$29,928.06	14.69	0.00
Total:	\$29,928.06	14.69	0.00

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Work Program Expenditures - Not Attributable to Specific Projects

<i>FundingType</i>	<i>Category</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Description</i>
Other	Personnel Expenditures	\$5,000.00	USFWS Staff Hours for overseeing the project.
Other	Admin	\$2,467.00	MDHA Project Management, fiscal responsibilities, and grants processing.
Other Funds	Equipment Costs	\$5,000.00	2009 - Tree removal on Tessman WPA located in Becker county Detroit township.
Other Funds	Equipment Costs	\$3,500.00	2009 - Tree removal on Tessman WPA located in Becker county Detroit township.
Other Funds	Equipment Costs	\$6,500.00	2009 - Tree removal on Tessman WPA located in Becker county Detroit township.
Partners State Leveraged Funds	Equipment Costs	\$9,889.71	2008 - Tree removal on Korell WPA and Mee WPA. Korell located in Clay county in Gooseberry township. Mee located in Polk county Sletten township.
Total:		\$32,356.71	

Work Program Expenditures (Not Attributable to Specific Projects) By Funding Type

Funding Type	Amount
Other Funds	\$15,000.00
State Funds	\$9,889.71
Other	\$7,467.00
Total	\$32,356.71

Work Program Expenditures Breakdown

Funding Type:	Restoration Projects	Not Attributable to Specific Projects	Total
ENTF	\$29,928.06	\$0.00	\$29,928.06
Other Funds	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
Other	\$0.00	\$7,467.00	\$0.00
Total	\$29,928.06	\$32,356.71	\$62,284.77

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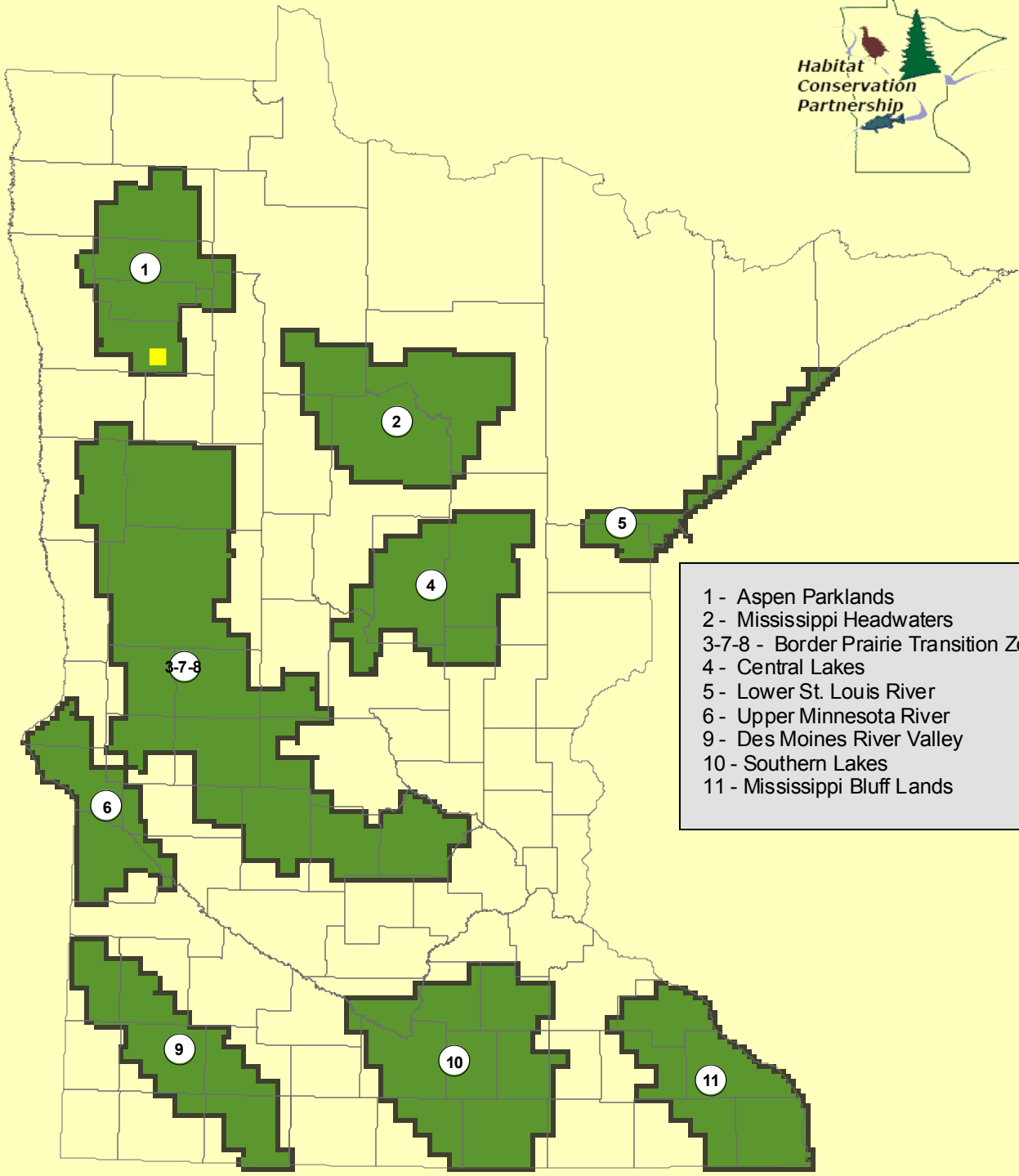
Funding Type Definitions

ENTF:	Grant dollars provided through the Minnesota Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund
Other Funds:	Non-state, non-state leveraged dollars (if partner funds are leveraging State Funds (e.g. RIM) they are not eligible to be considered Other Funds)
State Funds:	State Funds expended on HCP projects (not eligible for use as Other Funds commitment)
Partner's State Leveraged Funds:	Non State Funds that have leveraged State Funds as part of an HCP project (not eligible for use as Other Funds commitment)
Other:	Any other expenditures (e.g. grant income funds)

Attachment A: Budget Detail for 2008 Projects - Summary and a Budget page for each partner (if applicable)											
Project Title: <i>Winger WPA-Polk Cty - Savannas Rest</i>											
Project Manager Name: <i>Kim Hanson</i>											
Trust Fund Appropriation: \$ <i>30,000</i>											
2009 Trust Fund Budget	<u>Result 1 Budget:</u>	<u>Amount Spent</u> <i>(date)</i>	<u>Balance (date)</u>	<u>Result 2 Budget:</u>	<u>Amount Spent</u> <i>(date)</i>	<u>Balance (date)</u>	<u>Result 3 Budget:</u>	<u>Amount Spent</u> <i>(date)</i>	<u>Balance (date)</u>	TOTAL BUDGET	TOTAL BALANCE
	<i>Winger WPA Restoration</i>	29329.88	\$30,000.00		0					50,000	
BUDGET ITEM	Sign purchased for site.	598									
PERSONNEL: wages and benefits											
Contracts	30,000	\$29,329.88									
Professional/technical											
Other contracts - Strom Construction Inc.	TREE REMOVAL - SHEAR & PILE ALL BOXELDER, COTTONWOOD, WILLOW, ASPEN, ETC TO RESTORE SCATTERED OAK SAVANNAS. ALL SMALLER OAKS	Sign was created for placement at the WPA and knowledge of contributors and land									
COLUMN TOTAL	\$30,000	\$29,928	\$72	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Habitat Conservation Partnership Hides for Habitat

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- 1 - Aspen Parklands
- 2 - Mississippi Headwaters
- 3-7-8 - Border Prairie Transition Zone
- 4 - Central Lakes
- 5 - Lower St. Louis River
- 6 - Upper Minnesota River
- 9 - Des Moines River Valley
- 10 - Southern Lakes
- 11 - Mississippi Bluff Lands

Restorations Easements Acquisitions

