Final Abstract

Final Report Approved on November 2, 2026

M.L. 2023 Project Abstract

For the Period Ending June 30, 2026

Project Title: Pollinator Enhancement and Mississippi River Shoreline Restoration

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Funding Source:

Fiscal Year:

Legal Citation: M.L. 2023, Chp. 60, Art. 2, Sec. 2, Subd. 08j

Appropriation Amount: $187,000

Amount Spent: $187,000

Amount Remaining: -

Sound bite of Project Outcomes and Results

This project restored an eroding section of riverbank along the Mississippi River preventing sedimentation and restoring native vegetation. This supports cultural and environmental outcomes by protecting a site listed on the National Historic Register and enhancing foraging habitat for five pollinator Species of Greatest Conservation Need.

Summary of Project and Outcomes

This project restored an eroding section of riverbank along the Mississippi River with an emphasis on native flowering vegetation to support pollinators. It further protected the historic Fort Ripley, a site listed on the National Register of Historic places, from further damage. In addition, the project enhanced foraging opportunities for a wide array of pollinator species by planting nearly 2,000 native forb plugs on the 25 acre site. More than 30 volunteers where enagaged with the planting along with support from MNDNR, BWSR, and the Morrison SWCD.

Project Results Use and Dissemination

This project restored an eroding section of riverbank along the Mississippi River with an emphasis on native flowering vegetation. It further protected the historic Fort Ripley. In addition, the project enhanced foraging opportunities for a

wide array of pollinator species by planting nearly 2,000 native forb plugs.

Monitoring data are published in the Camp Ripley Environmental program annual Conservation Program Report and carried out in coordination with MNDNR Ecological and Water Resources staff. This project was highlighted in a July 2025 snapshots article by MNBWSR and at the National Military Fish and Wildlife Conference.

Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund

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General Information

Date: November 2, 2026

ID Number: 2023-136

Staff Lead: Michael Varien

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Project Budget: $187,000

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Project Reporting

Final Report Approved: November 2, 2026

Reporting Status: Project Completed

Date of Last Action: November 2, 2026

Project Completion: December 31, 2025

Legal Information

Legal Citation: M.L. 2023, Chp. 60, Art. 2, Sec. 2, Subd. 08j

Appropriation Language: $187,000 the first year is from the trust fund to the adjutant general of the Department of Military Affairs to restore native prairie, support pollinator plantings, and stabilize a large section of stream bank along the Mississippi River within Camp Ripley.

Appropriation End Date: June 30, 2026

Narrative

Project Summary: This restoration project will restore native prairie, support pollinator plantings, and stabilize a large section of streambank along the Mississippi River.

Describe the opportunity or problem your proposal seeks to address. Include any relevant background information.

There have been many reports of significant declines in populations of native pollinating insects. Numerous causes of pollinator declines have been identified, including: loss of habitat, poor diet due to limited diversity and abundance of floral resources (nectar and pollen). The riverbank along the Mississippi River is an incredible habitat for many terrestrial and aquatic species. This project will restore habitat along the river banks and in high visibility areas with educational opportunities that seek to encourage additional support and habitat development. This project will support living landscapes beneficial to pollinator and other wildlife species and demonstrate leadership in changing a culture from manicured lawns to establishing pollinator habitat that sustain ecological systems.

What is your proposed solution to the problem or opportunity discussed above? Introduce us to the work you are seeking funding to do. You will be asked to expand on this proposed solution in Activities & Milestones.

This project seeks to restore an eroding section of riverbank along the Mississippi River with an emphasis on native flowering vegetation to support pollinators. In addition, turf grass and evergreen shrubs will be replaced in high visibility areas within Camp Ripley with native flowering shrubs and forbs. Educational outreach and signage will occur as in-kind match to support changing a culture to enhance habitat for pollinators.

What are the specific project outcomes as they relate to the public purpose of protection, conservation, preservation, and enhancement of the state's natural resources?

This restoration has a direct benefit to several species of pollinators and increases water quality along the Upper Mississippi River. Pollinator species that this project will support include the dusted skipper, monarch butterfly, two-spotted skipper, Leonard's skipper, yellow-banded bumble bee, golden northern bumble bee, and American bumble bee. This is in direct support of goals identified in Minnesota's Wildlife Action Plan 2015-2025 to ensure the long-term health and viability of species that are rare, declining, or vulnerable to decline by maintaining and enhancing resilient habitats that species in greatest conservation need depend on.

Project Location

What is the best scale for describing where your work will take place?

Region(s): Central

What is the best scale to describe the area impacted by your work?

Region(s): Central

When will the work impact occur?

During the Project

Activities and Milestones

Activity 1: River bank Restoration

Activity Budget: $115,000

Activity Description:
A professional service contract for construction of riverbank stabilization project will be bid using State contracting mechanisms in order to prevent further erosion of the site. Native flowering forb and grass seed mixes along with flowering shrubs will be stipulated for use on the project site and extra plant seed will be ordered to be broadcast into the grassland directly adjacent to the riverbank site to enhance this grassland as part of ongoing pollinator enhancement efforts.

Activity Milestones:

Description	Approximate Completion Date
Procure on site materials for wood bench and root wad placement.	August 31, 2023
Award technical service contract for stream bank stabilization and plantings	September 30, 2023
Plant native forbs, grasses and shrubs on site	October 31, 2023

Activity 2: Prairie restoration site preparation, planting and maintenance.

Activity Budget: $70,000

Activity Description:
Site preparation for three grassland sites will be conducted by Department of Military Affairs conservation program staff using currently owned equipment. Activities will include spraying with a glyphosate product to remove current non-native vegetation; prescribed fire to remove thatch; soil scarification to encourage seed contact. Planting of native shrubs and forbs will also be carried out by camp Ripley grounds staff with assistance from Camp Ripley conservation staff and volunteers during earth day and national public lands day events. Only seed and plants will be purchased for this project.

Activity Milestones:

Description	Approximate Completion Date
Conduct site preparations	September 30, 2023
Conduct pollinator garden site prep	May 31, 2024
Broadcast sites with native seed mix	May 31, 2024
Plant shrubs and forbs in polinator gardens	May 31, 2025
monitor grassland enhancements using prairie reconstruction imitative protocols	July 31, 2025
Maintain vegetation height at ,12" by mowing to encourage germination of native forbs	August 31, 2025
Continue mowing to encourage forb germination through 2025	September 30, 2025
site monitoring to continue indefinitely	September 30, 2025

Activity 3: Outreach and public engagement

Activity Budget: $2,000

Activity Description:
Camp Ripley Environmental staff will develop and place educational signage to be placed in high traffic areas to educate users of Camp Ripley about the benefits of pollinator habitat enhancements. Signage will include ENRTF graphics. Some areas of the overall project are included in educational tours for our current outreach efforts to school groups.

Approximately 2500 people per year take part in these outreach efforts. ENRTF will be highlighted as funding source for projects in all presentations and outreach materials.

Activity Milestones:

Description	Approximate Completion Date
Use partnerships with local schools and colleges along with volunteers for plantings	September 30, 2023
Place educational signage	June 30, 2024
Incorporate new pollinator gardens and prairie plantings into current outreach programs	June 30, 2024

Project Partners and Collaborators

Name	Organization	Role	Receiving Funds
Morrison Soil and Water Conservation District	SWCD	Coordination and project support	No
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources	Division of Forestry, Fisheries and Wildlife	Design and collaboration	No
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources	Division of Ecological and Water Resources	Collaborator	No

Dissemination

Describe your plans for dissemination, presentation, documentation, or sharing of data, results, samples, physical collections, and other products and how they will follow ENRTF Acknowledgement Requirements and Guidelines.
All volunteer planting opportunities are advertised on the National Public Lands Day website and are coordinated through the U of M. Other volunteer efforts associated with the planting projects are advertised to Camp Ripley staff and are reported in the Camp Ripley Environmental program annual Conservation Program Report. ENRTF will be acknowledged in the printed annual report.

Long term monitoring data are published in the Camp Ripley Environmental program annual Conservation Program Report and carried out in coordination with MNDNR Ecological and Water Resources staff.

The stream bank restoration is being carried in coordination with the Morrison SWCD and will be captured in their reporting and will be published in the Camp Ripley Environmental program annual Conservation Program Report. ENRTF will be acknowledged in the printed annual report.

Interpretative signage placed on grassland restorations and stream bank stabilization will be updated to include ENRTF logo.

Long-Term Implementation and Funding

Describe how the results will be implemented and how any ongoing effort will be funded. If not already addressed as part of the project, how will findings, results, and products developed be implemented after project completion? If additional work is needed, how will this work be funded?
Results will be monitored by the Camp Ripley environmental staff. Monitoring reports will be included in then annual updates to the Integrated Natural Resource Management Plan. Any additional work will be carried out by the Camp Ripley environmental staff in coordination with the Camp Ripley grounds department.

Budget Summary

Category / Name	Subcategory or Type	Description	Purpose	Gen. Ineligible	% Benefits	# FTE	Classified Staff?	$ Amount	$ Amount Spent	$ Amount Remaining
Personnel										
							Sub Total	**-**	**-**	**-**
Contracts and Services										
Houle Excavating	Service Contract	Streambank Stabilization				0		$137,000	$137,000	-
Morrison Soil and Water Conservation District	Service Contract	Engineering Technical Support was provided throughout the project				0.04		$5,000	$5,000	-
DC lawncare	Service Contract	Planting shrubs/trees on river bank project site				0		$42,000	$42,000	-
							Sub Total	**$184,000**	**$184,000**	**-**
Equipment, Tools, and Supplies										
	Tools and Supplies	Plugs for streambank stabilization	Pollinator specific plugs (acquired by Camp Ripley) will be planted after streambank stabilization project occurs.					$3,000	$3,000	-
							Sub Total	**$3,000**	**$3,000**	**-**
Capital Equipment										
							Sub Total	**-**	**-**	**-**
Acquisitions and Stewardship										
							Sub Total	**-**	**-**	**-**
Travel In Minnesota										

							Sub Total	**-**	**-**	**-**
Travel Outside Minnesota										
							Sub Total	**-**	**-**	**-**
Printing and Publication										
							Sub Total	**-**	**-**	**-**
Other Expenses										
							Sub Total	**-**	**-**	**-**
							Grand Total	**$187,000**	**$187,000**	**-**

Classified Staff or Generally Ineligible Expenses

Category/Name	Subcategory or Type	Description	Justification Ineligible Expense or Classified Staff Request

Non ENRTF Funds

Category	Specific Source	Use	Status	$ Amount	$ Amount Spent	$ Amount Remaining
State						
			State Sub Total	**-**	**-**	**-**
Non-State						
In-Kind	National Guard Bureau-Special Cooperative Agreement	Labor	Secured	$15,000	-	$15,000
Cash	National Guard Bureau-Special Cooperative Agreement	Equipment and Supplies	Secured	$10,000	$10,000	-
In-Kind	Morrison Soil and Water Conservation District	Engineering design of streambank stabilization	Secured	$10,000	$10,000	-
Cash	Camp Ripley	Materials needed for toe wood bench and rock boulders for streambank stabilization	Secured	$56,000	$56,000	-
In-Kind	National Guard Bureau	Prairie plantings; monitoring and educational outreach.	Secured	$25,000	-	$25,000
In-Kind	Morrison SWCD	Engineering technical assistance	Secured	$2,500	-	$2,500
			Non State Sub Total	**$118,500**	**$76,000**	**$42,500**
			Funds Total	**$118,500**	**$76,000**	**$42,500**

Acquisition and Restoration

Parcel List

Name	County	Site Significance	Activity	Acres	Miles	Estimated Cost	Type of Landowner	Easement or Title Holder	Status of Work
Camp Ripley river bank	Morrison	State Game Refuge	Restoration	4	1	$187,000	Public		In Progress
Totals				**4**	**1**	**$187,000**			

Restoration

1. Provide a statement confirming that all restoration activities completed with these funds will occur on land permanently protected by a conservation easement or public ownership.
All activities will occur on State-owned Land. Camp Ripley is a Statutory designated State Game Refuge.

2. Summarize the components and expected outcomes of restoration and management plans for the parcels to be restored by your organization, how these plans are kept on file by your organization, and overall strategies for long-term plan implementation.
Restoration and management plans, as well as monitoring an education outreach will be conducted by the Camp Ripley environmental staff. These staff members are state employees funded through a special cooperative agreement. All files will be maintained on the Camp Ripley environmental office network files and available through the annual report to the Integrated Natural Resource Management Plan.

3. Describe how restoration efforts will utilize and follow the Board of Soil and Water Resources "Native Vegetation Establishment and Enhancement Guidelines" in order to ensure ecological integrity and pollinator enhancement.
Native insect pollinators require two basic habitat requirements: places that provide forage for food and areas for nesting. Camp Ripley is State owned land and follows Minnesota Governor's Executive Order 19-28: Restoring Healthy, Diverse Pollinator Populations that Sustain and Enhance Minnesota's Environment, Economy, and Way of Life. In response to this directive, the Minnesota Board of Soil and Water Resources has developed a biodiversity toolbox (http://bwsr.state.mn.us/pollinator-toolbox) to more effectively support living landscapes beneficial to pollinator and other wildlife species that sustain ecological systems, and maximize soil and water conservation benefits that build landscape resiliency. Step-by-step guidelines from the biodiversity toolbox for establishing residential pollinator gardens through planning, installation, and management will be used for the project planned at Camp Ripley.

4. Describe how the long-term maintenance and management needs of the parcel being restored with these funds will be met and financed into the future.
The National Guard allocates funding to a special cooperative agreement with the Minnesota Department of Military Affairs for natural resource management. Three natural resource employees work on Camp Ripley and will conduct monitoring and future management to these sites.

5. Describe how consideration will be given to contracting with Conservation Corps of Minnesota for any restoration activities.
All technical/professional service contracts will be operated through the Minnesota Management and Budget contractual process.

6. Provide a statement indicating that evaluations will be completed on parcels where activities were implemented both 1) initially after activity completion and 2) three years later as a follow-up. Evaluations should analyze improvements to the parcel and whether goals have been met, identify any problems with the implementation, and identify any findings that can be used to improve implementation of future restoration efforts at the site or elsewhere.
Monitoring of restoration sites will be conducted by Camp Ripley environmental office staff. Camp Ripley uses the National protocol framework for monitoring vegetation in prairie reconstructions. The Prairie Reconstruction Initiative (PRI) has developed a monitoring protocol framework with two complementary floristic monitoring methods for assessing outcomes of reconstructions: a meandering walk and nested frequency plots. The meandering walk allows users to generate a more complete species list and have a relatively quick overview of the floristic community. The nested frequency plots allow users to generate quantitative data to compare among sites and over time. These methods were developed in response to the prairie reconstruction and monitoring needs in the Midwest and Great Plains

Attachments

Required Attachments

Map

File: 516d9223-db3.pdf

Alternate Text for Map

Map and summary of the project area...

Supplemental Attachments

Capital Project Questionnaire, Budget Supplements, Support Letter, Photos, Media, Other

Title	File
Streambank Stabilization Design	3d30807c-bcb.pdf
Streambank Stabilization Final Estimate	9fd2754f-d31.pdf
Background check	0f19932d-d2b.pdf
Before stabilization	31d92eab-5db.jpe
After stabilization (tree planting not complete)	6694d15b-dcf.jpe
Stabilization in progress	e55740f4-379.jpe
Aerial photo of River bank and adjacent grasslands	abdc4b66-2ed.png
Article	90f90973-bf7.pdf
Article 2	48a6ec86-864.docx
Presentation for National Military Fish and Wildlife Association	842f21c9-64b.pptx
Construction Plans with aerial images	03964c3a-6c9.pdf

Media Links

Title	Link
Facebook post	https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1KRe2L41pJ/
BWSR Newsletter	https://bwsr.state.mn.us/sites/default/files/2025-06/snapshots_story_3_july_2025_camp_ripley.pdf
Camp Ripley Celebrates Stewardship Day and Community	https://www.dvidshub.net/news/500804/camp-ripley-celebrates-stewardship-day-and-community
Camp Ripley celebrates Stewardship Day and community Hometown Source	https://www.hometownsource.com/morrison_county_record/free/camp-ripley-celebrates-stewardship-day-and-community/article_777a6ae6-b842-4af4-b2eb-9925906cbfa0.html

Difference between Proposal and Work Plan

Describe changes from Proposal to Work Plan Stage

The timeline of contract bidding and planting has been amended to better reflect time necessary to go through State procurement processes.

Additional Acknowledgements and Conditions:

The following are acknowledgements and conditions beyond those already included in the above workplan:

Do you understand and acknowledge the ENRTF repayment requirements if the use of capital equipment changes?

N/A

Do you understand that travel expenses are only approved if they follow the "Commissioner's Plan" promulgated by the Commissioner of Management of Budget or, for University of Minnesota projects, the University of Minnesota plan?

N/A

Does your project have potential for royalties, copyrights, patents, sale of products and assets, or revenue generation?

No

Do you understand and acknowledge IP and revenue-return and sharing requirements in 116P.10?

N/A

Do you wish to request reinvestment of any revenues into your project instead of returning revenue to the ENRTF?

N/A

Does your project include original, hypothesis-driven research?

No

Does the organization have a fiscal agent for this project?

No

Do you understand that a named service contract does not constitute a funder-designated subrecipient or approval of a sole-source contract? In other words, a service contract entity is only approved if it has been selected according to the contracting rules identified in state law and policy for organizations that receive ENRTF funds through direct appropriations, or in the DNR's reimbursement manual for non-state organizations. These rules may include competitive bidding and prevailing wage requirements

Yes, I understand

Work Plan Amendments

Amendment ID	Request Type	Changes made on the following pages	Justification For Amendment Request (word limit 75)	Date Submitted	Approved	Date of LCCMR Action
1	Completion Date	Previous Completion Date: 09/30/2024 New Completion Date: 12/31/2025	There was a delay in getting the stream bank stabilization phase through our contracting office and under contract. It is now under contract with the pre-construction meeting taking place on Wednesday of this week. This will put us on track to complete the pollinator habitat projects next year.	October 21, 2024	Yes	October 29, 2024
2	Amendment Request	• Other • Budget - Professional / Technical Contracts • Budget - Capital, Equipment, Tools, and Supplies • Budget - Printing and Publication • Activities and Milestones • Budget - Non-ENRTF Funds Contributed • Attachments • Acquisition and Restoration - Parcel List	We were unaware of the cost of the engineering technical assistance provided by WC technical Service Area 4 through the Morrison SWCD prior to project execution. MSWCD support was vital to project completion and we would like to ensure their costs are covered as much as possible. This amendment will cover 50% of the cost total cost to MSWCD, the other 50% has been listed as in-kind match.	June 17, 2025	Yes	June 20, 2025

Status Update Reporting

Final Status Update February 14, 2026

Date Submitted: October 2, 2026

Date Approved: October 15, 2026

Overall Update
All activities are complete

Activity 1
This activity was previously marked complete.
(This activity marked as complete as of this status update)

Activity 2
This activity was previously marked complete.
(This activity marked as complete as of this status update)

Activity 3
This activity was previously marked complete.
(This activity marked as complete as of this status update)

Dissemination
All activities were reported in the Camp Ripley Annual Report. Articles and presentation were produced, see tab 7.

Status Update Reporting

Status Update October 1, 2025

Date Submitted: September 23, 2025

Date Approved: February 16, 2026

Overall Update
All outcomes have been completed at this time and all funding for this project has been encumbered.

Activity 1
This activity was previously marked complete.
(This activity marked as complete as of this status update)

Activity 2
This activity was previously marked complete.
(This activity marked as complete as of this status update)

Activity 3
This activity was previously marked complete.
(This activity marked as complete as of this status update)

Dissemination
Press releases highlighting the 22 May event and the project as a whole have been published in several areas and on social media. https://bwsr.state.mn.us/sites/default/files/2025-06/snapshots_story_3_july_2025_camp_ripley.pdf; https://www.dvidshub.net/news/500804/camp-ripley-celebrates-stewardship-day-and-community; https://www.hometownsource.com/morrison_county_record/free/camp-ripley-celebrates-stewardship-day-and-community/article_777a6ae6-b842-4af4-b2eb-9925906cbfa0.html; https://m.facebook.com/MNBWSR/photos/camp-ripleys-stewardship-day-brought-together-about-80-volunteers-to-plant-1900-/1153027590190593/; https://x.com/mncampripley/status/1935032818410967478; https://x.com/MNBWSR/status/1951026357862826113

Additional Status Update Reporting

Additional Status Update June 17, 2025

Date Submitted: June 17, 2025

Date Approved: June 20, 2025

Overall Update
The $1000 for educational signage was removed and reallocated to Morrison SWCD. The signage is no longer being used given that the grassland projects were completed outside the scope of the LCCMR grant prior to receiving grant funds.

Activity 1
This activity was previously marked complete.

Our records indicate there is current $4,694 left to be incumbered, from the grant. The budget was updated with a request to reimburse Morrison SWCD $5,000 for engineering support provided throughout project. This would encumber all remaining funds.
(This activity marked as complete as of this status update)

Activity 2
Much of the grassland enhancement/pollinator gardens planned in the original grant were internally funded and completed by Camp Ripely staff before funding for the river bank project was acquired from LCCMR. Activity 2 is being amended to shift funding to the river bank stabilization since costs increased form the time of the original estimate. DC lawn care sub award is being used to focus restoration activities onto the streambank stabilization site planting native trees and shrubs. $42k budget item added.

The four acres listed in the parcel list is simply an estimate of the whole project including the grassland restorations and the riverbank stabilization.
(This activity marked as complete as of this status update)

Activity 3
A variety of native flowering forbs were planted on the riverbank site and in the grassland (historic Fort Ripley) west of the river by volunteers at the Camp Ripley earth day event on 22 May. Budget updated to $3k
(This activity marked as complete as of this status update)

Dissemination
Media is currently being produced for release regarding the 22 May planting event.

Status Update Reporting

Status Update April 1, 2025

Date Submitted: June 17, 2025

Date Approved: June 20, 2025

Overall Update
We are focusing the restoration onto the bank stabilization itself using contracted support form DC lawncare to complete much of the tree, shrub, and forb planting on the stream bank site.

Activity 1
Complete. The original estimate for this project came from the engineer during initial project design and was not a bid from a company. This combined with the multiyear time lag from initial design to the project being bid lead to inflation of cost of the project. $4K MSWCD service contract added to budget to reimburse 50% of engineering technical assistance provided to support installation of river bank stabilization.
(This activity marked as complete as of this status update)

Activity 2
Much of the grassland enhancement/pollinator gardens planned in the original grant were internally funded and completed by Camp Ripely staff before funding for the river bank project was acquired from LCCMR. Activity 2 is being amended much of the grassland work was completed by CRE staff prior to implementation of stream bank stabilization. DC lawn care sub award is being used to focus restoration activities onto the streambank stabilization site planting native trees and shrubs. $42k budget item added.
(This activity marked as complete as of this status update)

Activity 3
a variety of native flowering forbs will be planted on the riverbank site by volunteers at the Camp Ripley earth day event planned for 22 May. Budget updated to $3k
(This activity marked as complete as of this status update)

Dissemination
This project is being presented at the National Military Fish and Wildlife Association meeting on 11 March. Acknowledgement to LCCMR is inserted into the presentation. Av volunteer event to conduct fob planting on the site is panned for 22 May

Additional Status Update Reporting

Additional Status Update February 6, 2025

Date Submitted: June 17, 2025

Date Approved: June 20, 2025

Overall Update
We are focusing the restoration onto the bank stabilization itself using contracted support form DC lawncare to complete much of the tree, shrub, and forb planting on the stream bank site.

Activity 1
Complete. The original estimate for this project came from the engineer during initial project design and was not a bid from a company. This combined with the multiyear time lag from initial design to the project being bid lead to inflation of cost of the project.
(This activity marked as complete as of this status update)

Activity 2
Activity 2 is being amended much of the grassland work was completed by CRE staff prior to implementation of stream bank stabilization. DC lawn care sub award is being used to focus restoration activities onto the streambank stabilization site. Planting native trees, shrubs, and forbs

Activity 3
Activity is in progress. Volunteer pollinator planting event planned for May 2025.

Dissemination
Project has been noted in Camp Ripley annual report which will be printed soon

Additional Status Update Reporting

Additional Status Update November 14, 2024

Date Submitted: September 16, 2024

Date Approved: November 1, 2024

Overall Update
The project has been delayed due to staffing turn over in our contracting office. The project is now currently out for bid. Bidding will close 9/24/2024.

Activity 1
The project has been delayed due to staffing turn over in our contracting office. The project is now currently out for bid on the quest website. Bidding will close 9/24/2024. The job site has been staked in advance of the project and 8 contractors where at the pre bid meeting. It is anticipated that work will begin on milestone 1 in Oct/Nov 2024. https://qcpi.questcdn.com/cdn/posting/?projType=all&provider=6506969&group=6506969 Quest number: 9299949

Activity 2
milestones 1 and 2 will begin once stream bank stabilization is complete in Oct/Nov 2024. Milestones 3-8 will proceed as listed but one year later than listed in the project outline due to the delay in bidding of the activity one contract.

Activity 3
Milestones 1-3 of this activity will occur once activity 1 is complete.

Dissemination
Long term monitoring data will be published in the Camp Ripley Environmental program annual Conservation Program Report and carried out in coordination with MNDNR Ecological and Water Resources staff.

The stream bank restoration is being carried in coordination with the Morrison SWCD and will be captured in their reporting and will be published in the Camp Ripley Environmental program annual Conservation Program Report. ENRTF will be acknowledged in the printed annual report.

Interpretative signage placed on grassland restorations and stream bank stabilization will be marked with ENRTF sign.

Status Update Reporting

Status Update April 1, 2024

Date Submitted: March 19, 2024

Date Approved: June 21, 2024

Overall Update
Due to turn over in the contracting office of Dept. of Military Affairs, this project has not yet gone out for bid. It is anticipated that this will happen in Summer, 2024.

Activity 1
Activity 1, Milestone 1: Incomplete, due to turn over in the contracting office of Dept. of Military Affairs, this project has not yet gone out for bid. It is anticipated that this will happen in Summer, 2024. Activity 1 , Milestone 2: Complete, DMA supplied materials (Logs, root wads, rip rap) for toe wood bench have been hauled to staging area adjacent to project site. Site has been surveyed and staked in preparation for contractor. Milestone 3: Incomplete, will be conducted once bank stabilization is complete.

Activity 2
Incomplete, will be conducted after bank stabilization is complete.

Activity 3
Ongoing: School groups and professional organizations have visited the site and have been given briefings about the benefits of stream bank stabilization and associated pollinator habitat improvements.

Dissemination
Incomplete: these activities will be conducted after Activity 1, Milestone 1 is completed.