

Projects Committee Meeting  
Thursday, October 29, 2015 8:00 AM  
Lower Platte North NRD Office  
P.O. Box 126  
Wahoo, NE 68066

1. SWCP

Gottschalk reviewed the status of our SWCP funds as attached to the Projects Committee Minutes.

1.A. SWCP Application Approvals

**None**

1.B. SWCP Payments

**None**

1.C. SWCP Cancellations

**None**

1.D. Cottonwood Creek Payments

**None**

1.E. Sand/Duck Creek Approvals

**None**

1.F. Sand/Duck Cost Share Payment

**None**

1.G. Wahoo Creek Cost Share Approvals

**None**

1.H. Wahoo Creek - Lands for Conservation & Cost Share Payments

<b>Darrell Kubik</b>	<b>Lands for Cons. payment only (3 projects):</b>	<b>\$ 8,140.00</b>
37 acres		
<b>Norm Lindgren</b>	<b>Lands for Cons. payment only:</b>	<b>\$ 3,938.00</b>
17.9 acres		
<b>Arthur Lamprecht</b>	<b>Lands for Cons. payment only:</b>	
\$ 11,484.00	52.2 acres	
<b>Jerome Urban</b>	<b>Lands for Cons. and Construction</b>	
\$ 4,562.09	11 acres	

**Bob Furasek**  
**\$ 1,444.21**

**Conservation payment (no LFC)**

**\$ 29,568.30**

#### 1.I. Lands For Conservation (LFC) Update/Requests

The Lands For Conservation (LCF) has proved to be a successful program in the Wahoo Creek Watershed where we paid landowners in certain areas to plant wheat or oats on crop acres where terrace/tile outlet projects were to be constructed this past summer. This allowed a larger window for NRCS & contractors to get jobs completed. However, on a few projects some problems emerged that didn't allow the projects to be completed within the established time-frame or other problems arose. Mark Walkenhorst and Jami Thoene, Saunders County NRCS, were present to review various situations which should all be completed within a reasonable time frame.

They also discussed a project completed by K.Y. Jurgens/Ann Crockett, where the landowners completed their project within all preamaters, but somehow the paperwork for LFC did not get signed. The landowner set-a-side 50 acres for their summer construction with the belief that they had the approval for the LFC as well. The Committee felt that this was a situation that was no direct fault of the landowner and the fact we have available funding for this LFC payment due to 56 acres of previous contract cancellations, we should approve this contract.

#### 1.J. 2015 Nebraska Buffer Strip Payments

Attached is the current listing for 2015 Nebraska Buffer Strip payments.

### 2. WATERSHEDS

#### 2.A. Shell Creek

##### 2.A.1. Shell Creek Environmental Enhancement Plan (10-161-3) Grant Payments

We have been working with SCWIG to expend their old NET Grant (10-161-3) by the end of this year. We accepted the administration of this grant as the Praireland RC&D decided to disband and SCWIG became our advisory group. All invoices listed below will be reimbursed 100% from NET funds (as this grant has already provided the necessary local match). The committee is asked to review and recommend payment of the following invoices as listed and attached:

##### **Cover Crop Payments**

Donald Gasper	Cover Crop Payment - Platte County	\$2,850.00
Daniel Gehring	Cover Crop payment - Platte County:	\$1,501.00
Reed Goering	Cover Crop Payment - Platte County	\$ 806.00
Phillip Goering	Cover Crop Payment - Platte County	\$ 451.00
Laura Brandl	Cover Crop Payment - Platte County	\$1548.00
(Contract under Melvin Brandl)		
William Fischer	Cover Crop Payment - Platte County	\$1472.00
Jon Gehring	Cover Crop Payment - Platte County	\$3,200.00

##### **Other Shell Creek Invoices:**

Penne Screen Printing and Signs- Water Quality Team Shirts	\$153.42	
Applied Connective Technologies - Website Hosting fee		\$48.00
Schieffer Signs- Watershed Signs		<u>\$6,338.00</u>
<b>GRAND TOTAL:</b>		<b>\$18,367.42</b>

2.A.2. Shell Creek Payment - Mark Mainelli

Attached is a \$6,456.08 invoice received from Mark Mainelli for engineering services performed for designing a bank stabilization in Colfax County as attached. We have approved an interlocal agreement with Colfax County to provide \$15,000 toward engineering services to design this project. Colfax County is providing \$10,000 for this design. Our \$15,000 commitment will be reimbursed from Nebraska Environmental Trust funds.

There is \$8,543.92 remaining to be paid on our agreement.

2.B. Wahoo Creek Watershed - Water Quality Plan (PIP) Phase I

No new update presented. New information, if any, will be presented at the November 9th Board Meeting.

3. LOWER PLATTE RIVER CORRIDOR ALLIANCE

3.A. LPRCA Monthly Report

Meghan will give a summary of her recent activities and review the very successful pier removal project near Two Rivers State Park.

3.B. Payment on Project Invoices

Meghan will be present to review the attached invoice totaling \$58,046 for LPRCA project items as approved in our 2016 budget. The committee is asked for a recommendation to approve payment.

4. OTHER

4.A. Army COE 205 Projects

4.A.1. Fremont 205

As reported to the I, E and RW committee, a meeting was held Monday, October 8th between NDOR, COE and LPN NRD. Discussion was to coordinate efforts in regard to Hwy 30 Expressway alignment, elevation and hydraulic modeling in coordination with the design and alignment with the Fremont Levee.

A meeting also took place on Tuesday, October 27th between the COE and the Partners to discuss alignment. This was very beneficial not only to the Corps but also helped Dodge County and the City. The meeting detailed land use, other obstacles and new ideas. This information also assist the City and County when planning with NDOR.

4.A.2. Schuyler 205

The Army COE is working with contractor TCW to complete a few remaining landowner project needs, The primary contractor, TJC, have completed their required contracted work and have moved out of the area.

#### 4.B. Shell Creek Landowner Levee Project Update

No new information was presented.

#### 4.C. All Hazard Mitigation Plan Update- JEO Progress Report and Invoice

If we receive an HMP invoice and progress report from JEO, it will be included in the minutes by the November 9th Board meeting,

#### 4.D. Review of Projects Financial Statement

#### 4.E. Off Site Water Table near Sand Creek Wetland

For three years we have received comments on impacts to neighbors next to the Sand Creek Wetland. Recently board members, staff and a tiling contractor visited the site with the feeling we should wait until after harvest and then hire a professional to make an independent assessment. This is likely not a large expenditure that would require bidding. The committee discussed how we wish to proceed.

#### 4.F. November 9th Board Meeting Schedule @ Newman Grove

As you know, the November 9th LPNNRD Board Meeting will be held at the Newman Grove High School. Mark Seir and his wife have been gracious to line up the meal for everyone. To ensure that there is enough food for the students and Directors before the general public is served. There may be enough food for everyone, but then again it depends on who all attends.

4:45 p.m. Dinner for Students, LPNNRD Directors & Staff (The general public will be served @ 5:00 p.m.)

5:30 p.m. Presentation from High School Students

6:00 p.m. LPNNRD Board Meeting

#### 4.G. Next Projects Committee Meeting Location/Time

Mat Bailey offered to host the next Projects Committee Meeting on December 3rd at his parents farm near Schuyler. Doing this will allow combining a tour of the Shell Creek Levee, the Kramer project and other potential project points of interest. The committee instructed staff to arrange this meeting with the Baileys.

### 5. WESTERN SARPY/CLEAR CREEK LEVEE REPORT

Segment 4-B is complete and waiting for a final Army COE inspection.

Segment 5-B is mostly complete with the Army COE working with Big Sandy Development to complete some additional work requested by the Developments (the Development's expense for completing this work is \$44,300). Items remaining on the punch list are fence corner resetting and Right of Way markers.

Meetings with Saunders County have been underway to discuss the Army COE's requirements to replace the project fuse plug on Camp Ashland property.

## 6. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the Projects Committee Adjourned at 9:45 a.m.