

CPL Applications
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Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Application

CPL1000032

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Name and Contact

Project Identifier:	CPL1000032	Street Address 1:	1008 West Lincoln Ave
Project Name:	Renville County Enhancement	Street Address 2:	
Organization Name:	Renville Soil and Water Conservation District	City:	Olivia
Organization Website:		State:	MN
Organization Contact Person:	Taralee Latozke	Zip Code:	56277
Contact Email:	tara.latozke@mn.nacdnet.net		
Contact Phone:	320-523-1553		

Location

Primary County: Renville
 Nearest City:
 Township:
 Project Site Name: Nelson WRP, Althoff WRP, Bakker CREP
 Project Site Land Ownership: Private
 Other Land Ownership:

Project Information

Primary Activity: Enhancement
 Primary Habitat Type: Prairie
 Total Project Acres: 665
 Total Project Sites: 3
 Total Grant Amount Requested: \$65840
 Total Match Amount: \$15570
 Total Project Cost: \$81410
 Project Completion Date: 11/2011 (MM/YYYY)

Project Summary and Outcomes: These easements were restored from agricultural production back to native prairie and wetlands were restored. Despite our attempts to manage these sites as prairie habitat, invasive trees have established in the wetlands and scattered areas of the upland, resulting in an altered successional state. By removing the trees from these easements the habitat will be improved for nesting and brood rearing pheasants and waterfowl. This will also improve habitat for migratory species of non-game birds.

Attachments

- [Project Site Information Form](#)
- [Project Budget and Match Description](#)
- [Partner Commitment Letter](#)
- [Financial Documentation](#)
- Conservation Easement
- Supplementary Attachment #1
- Supplementary Attachment #2

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Project Site Information

Contact information

Project name:

Organization:

Organization contact person (Project Manager):

Project information

Project site:

Project site land manager or easement holder: Legal :

Private land owner County:

(if applicable):

Activity (may choose more than one): Enhancement Restoration Acquisition

Predominant Habitat (choose one): Forest Prairie Wetland Fish, Game and Wildlife Habitat

Activity quantity: Acres Miles Feet Structures Wetlands

Project Site #2, if needed.

Project site:

Project site land manager or easement holder: Legal :

Private land owner County:

(if applicable):

Activity (may choose more than one): Enhancement Restoration Acquisition

Predominant Habitat (choose one): Forest Prairie Wetland Fish, Game and Wildlife Habitat

Activity quantity: Acres Miles Feet Structures Wetlands

Project Site #3, if needed. Use Additional Project Sites form if needed.

Project site:

Project site land manager or easement holder: Legal :

Private land owner County:

(if applicable):

Activity (may choose more than one): Enhancement Restoration Acquisition

Predominant Habitat (choose one): Forest Prairie Wetland Fish, Game and Wildlife Habitat

Activity quantity: Acres Miles Feet Structures Wetlands

Project timeline:

Time frame	Goal	Time frame	Goal
Fall/Winter 2010	Mechanically remove invasive trees		
Spring 2011	Controlled burn to kill small trees		
Spring 2011	Spray invasive trees		

Project description and benefits (box will expand as typed into, not to be longer than 2 pages):

These easements were restored from agricultural production back to native prairie a minimum of 15 species of native forbs and grasses were planted, and wetlands were restored. The Nelson site was restored in 2004 under a USDA Wetland Reserve Program easement. The Althoff site was also restored under the Wetland Reserve Program in 2003. The Bakker site was restored under CREP I a joint program between USDA CRP and BWSR RIM. These sites have established and regular maintenance has been conducted in the form of controlled burns and weed control on these sites. Despite our attempts to manage these sites as prairie habitat, invasive trees have established in the wetlands and scattered areas of the upland, resulting in an altered successional state. Invasive trees reduce the quality of habitat for nesting and brood rearing pheasants and waterfowl. Studies have shown that migratory species of non-game birds are negatively impacted by invasive trees in prairie habitat. In an attempt to maintain these sites as prairie to benefit migratory birds and resident pheasant populations the invasive trees must be removed. The process for removing the trees will be to mechanically remove the trees using specialized equipment that will shred/chip whole trees. This equipment is commonly used by wildlife managers on public land to removed dense stands of small invasive trees. The mechanical removal will be conducted during the fall or winter of 2010 after freeze up to reduce damage to the established surrounding vegetation and allow access to dense tree stands in the wetland areas. A controlled burn will be conducted in the spring of 2011 to prevent the small invasive trees from establishing in the upland and areas that of the wetland that are able to be burned. Garlon 3A or 4 will be applied to the stumps of the cut trees and basil application will be conducted on the small trees and sprouting regrowth.

Please provide the answers to the following questions. Boxes will expand as typed into.

1. For lands acquired in fee title that will be turned over to a public agency for long-term management:

- a. Provide a description of the work necessary to bring the land up to agency standards and an estimate of the associated cost.

NA

- b. What short- and long-term work is required to manage the land you acquire?

NA

2. For enhancement/ restoration projects on public lands:

- a. Who is/will be the long-term manager for the project site?

NA

- b. What short- and long-term maintenance work is required to sustain the habitat work you will do?

NA

- c. Who will complete this maintenance work, and how will it be funded?

NA

- d. Will the CPL funds supplant any existing funds?

NA

As required by 2009 MN Session Law, Chapter 172 subd. 10 (8), “any agency or entity receiving an appropriation must, for any project funded in whole or in part with funds from the appropriation, give consideration to and **make timely written contact with the Minnesota Conservation Corps** for consideration of possible use of their services to contract for restoration and enhancement services”. Contact MCC at cplg@conservationcorps.org, or email a copy of this form to the same address. For more information on costs, crew capabilities, etc., visit MCC’s website at <http://www.conservationcorps.org/useacrew.html>.

Signature:

I certify that I have read the Conservation Partners Legacy Grants Program **Request for Proposal, Program Manual** and other program documents, and have discussed this project with the appropriate public land manager, or private landowner and easement holder. I am authorized to apply for and manage these grant and match funds, and the project work by the organization or agency listed below. I have made timely written notification to MCC regarding my project.

Signature: Taralee Latozke	Organization/ Agency: Renville SWCD
Title: Tech	Date: 10/21/09

Please save this document to your computer or electronic storage device and attach this document as specified on the online submittal form when ready to apply. Contact [CPL Grant Staff](#) with any questions.

CPL Project Application Review and Approval Form

REVIEWER INFORMATION

Land manager/ easement holder name:	NRCS		
Title:	District Conservationist	Date of meeting:	10/21/09
Phone:	320-523-1553 ext 3	Proposal ID #:	
Email:	jeff.kjorness@mn.usda.gov	(assigned by agency, optional)	

PROJECT INFORMATION:

Project Name:	Renville County Enhancement	Organization:	Renville SWCD
Contact Person:	Taralee Latozke		
Email:	tara.latozke@mn.nacdnet.net	Daytime Phone:	320-523-1553 ext 3

Please check the appropriate boxes:

- I have read the application and discussed this proposed project with the above listed Organization Contact Person.
- For work on easements, the private landowner has been contacted and has given support and approval for this project.

I have performed a Natural Heritage Database review and found:

- this project to have no features within one mile.
- this project to have features within one mile, but project is not likely to adversely affect those features. I have recommended the following minimization strategy:

- this project is likely to adversely affect Natural Heritage features. I feel that this project is important and should be forwarded to DNR Ecological Resources staff for further review.

I do not have access to the Natural Features database and will forward this completed form to DNR within 3 business days to [CPL Staff](mailto:CPLStaff@dnr.state.mn.us) at LSCPLGrants.DNR@dnr.state.mn.us for review.

I have discussed what role my office will be expected to have in this project and find that the project, as described will require:

- minimal or no involvement from my office for completion.
- a commitment of involvement by staff that is reasonable and can be accomplished with current staffing levels and workload.

- an amount of staff involvement that cannot be committed during the project time period with current staffing levels. Unless additional staffing can be committed from other offices, Divisions or appropriate partners, I feel this project cannot be completed within the project timeline to our desired standards.

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- I have discussed permits and applications that the applicant may be responsible for using the Working on DNR Lands and Working on Public Lands, or Working on Private Lands documents.

Upon final review of this project:

- I find this project to be consistent with sound conservation science. This work will benefit area fish, game and wildlife by restoring, enhancing or protecting forests, wetlands, prairies and habitat and is consistent with the management or stewardship plan for this land. (APPROVAL)
- I find that this project does not follow the management or stewardship plan for this land and does not fit within the long range goals for this land at this time on the local level. (DECLINE)
- I find that this project should be sent up to a higher level within the agency for further review and decision. I have forwarded the Project Planning Form and this Review and Approval Form for further review to:

Name:	Jeff Kjorness	Phone:	320-523-1553 ext 3
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- By checking this box and typing my name below I certify that I have met with the above applicant and discussed the proposed project and have provided feedback to the applicant.**

Name:	Jeff Kjorness
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Comments:

Name:		Phone:	
Title:		Email:	

Additional
necessary):

Comments(including approval or denial, reasoning):

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Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Project Budget and Match Worksheet, Application Requirement

Project name:	Renville County Enhancement	
Organization:	Renville Soil and Water Conservation District	
Organization contact person (Project Manager):	Taralee Latozke	

Please complete all sections and be as detailed as possible for all descriptions under the Details sections. Limit entries in large tables to numbers only, **round to the nearest dollar**. Do not edit table categories, only enter values or text into the table. The tables will adjust to accommodate additional text in each box. If all categories are not needed, please leave those fields blank.

BUDGET: amounts being requested **Note: FY refers to State Fiscal Year: July 1- June 30, with the year reflecting the year that June falls in. For example: if today were September 3rd, 2009 it would be FY2010; December 3rd 2010= FY2011; May 2012= FY2012

Budget Item	Fiscal Year 2010	Fiscal Year 2011	Fiscal Year 2012	Total
Personnel	\$8,512.50	\$3,562.50		\$12,075.00
Contracts	\$11,340.00	\$4,230.00		\$15,570.00
Grant Administration	\$360.00	\$360.00	\$240.00	\$960.00
Administration/ Environmental Compliance				\$0.00
Fee Acquisition				\$0.00
Easement Acquisition				\$0.00
Easement Stewardship				\$0.00
Equipment/Tools/Supplies	\$40,915.00	\$11,890.00		\$52,805.00
Travel				\$0.00
Additional Budget items				\$0.00
Total				\$81,410.00

DETAILS: detail the amounts listed in the above table.

Personnel Details:

Name	Title	Amount
Taralee Latozke	Renville SWCD Tech	\$600.00
Steven Nelson	Landowner operate mechanical equipment	\$5,850.00
David Bakker	Landowner Cutting Trees & completing burn	\$5,225.00
Bill Althoff	Landowner Spraying Chemical	\$400.00

Contract Details:

Contractor Name	Contracted Work	Amount
Habitat Forever	Complete Controlled burn	\$15,570.00

Grant Administration:

Administrative Activity	Description/ Amount	Amount
Submitting Payment	Submitting Payments 16 hours	\$480.00
Project Yearly Reports	Complete reports 8 hours	\$240.00
Project Final Report	Complete report 8 hours	\$240.00

Administration/ Environmental Compliance

Activity	Description	Amount
		0.00

Fee Acquisition/ Easement Acquisition/ Easement Stewardship Details:

NONE

Equipment/Tools/Supplies Details:

Item	Use	Amount
Tree Chopper/Shredder	Remove dense tree stands by chopping and mowing @ \$150/hr	\$35,100.00
Garlon	To spray invasive trees	\$11,170.00
Chain Saw	To cut invasive trees 187 hrs @31.10/hr	\$5,815.00
Tractor and Sprayer/Mower	To spray invasive trees and cutting burn breaks for controlled burn	\$720.00

Travel Details:

Miles	Purpose	Amount

Additional Budget Items Details:

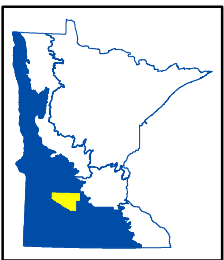
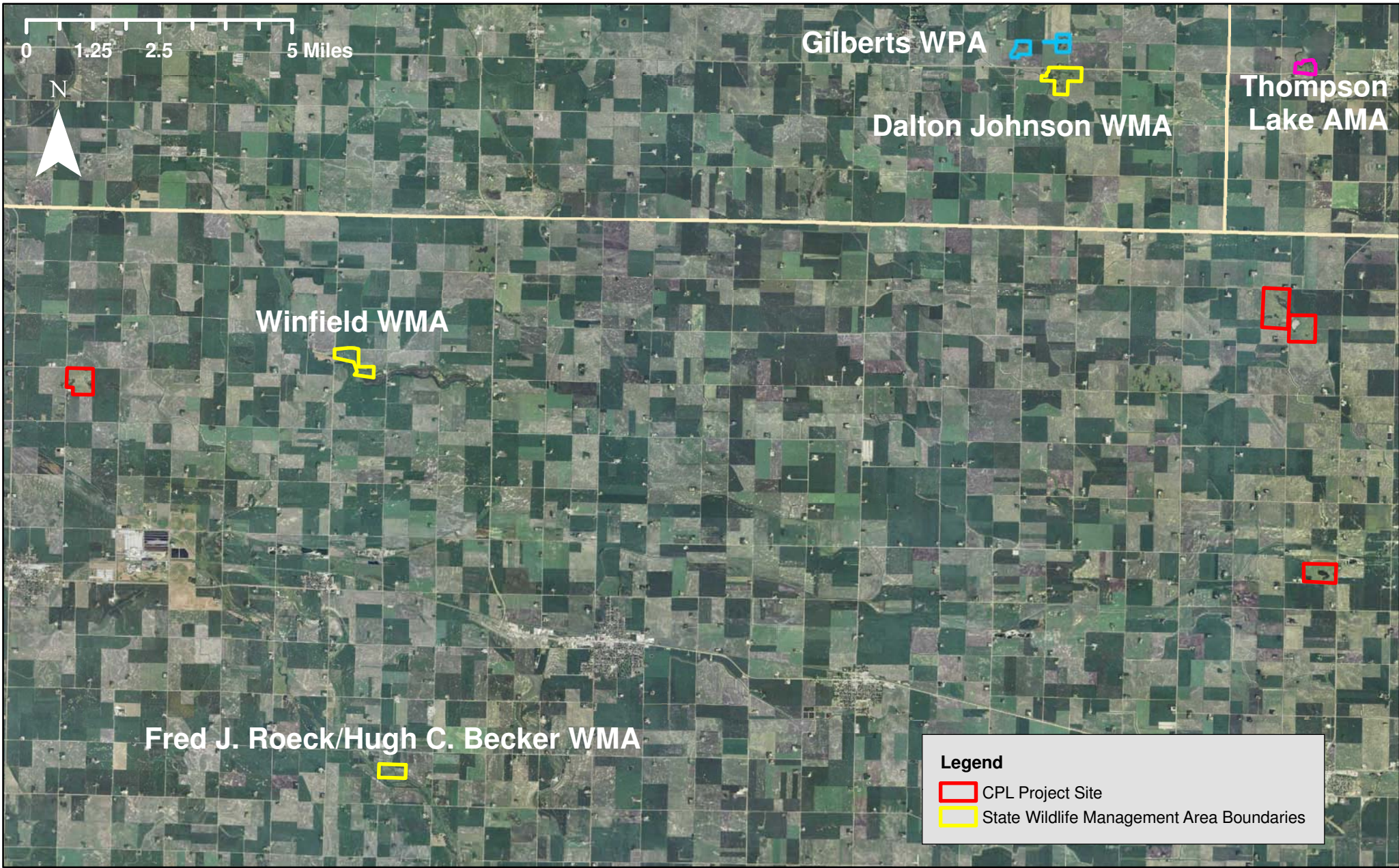
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MATCH: Required 10% of total project funds, to be fulfilled by end of Fiscal Year 2012. Use provided rate sheet to determine unit rate and total value of in-kind services to be used as matching funds if applicable.

Source	Description	Units	Unit Rate	Total Value
NRCS	Controlled Burn Cost Share	519	30	\$15,570.00

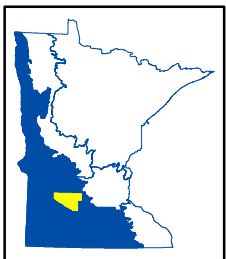
Matching description/ comments: if needed

NRCS will be paying for the controlled burn to kill the invasive trees.



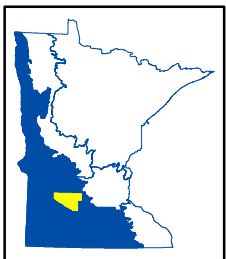
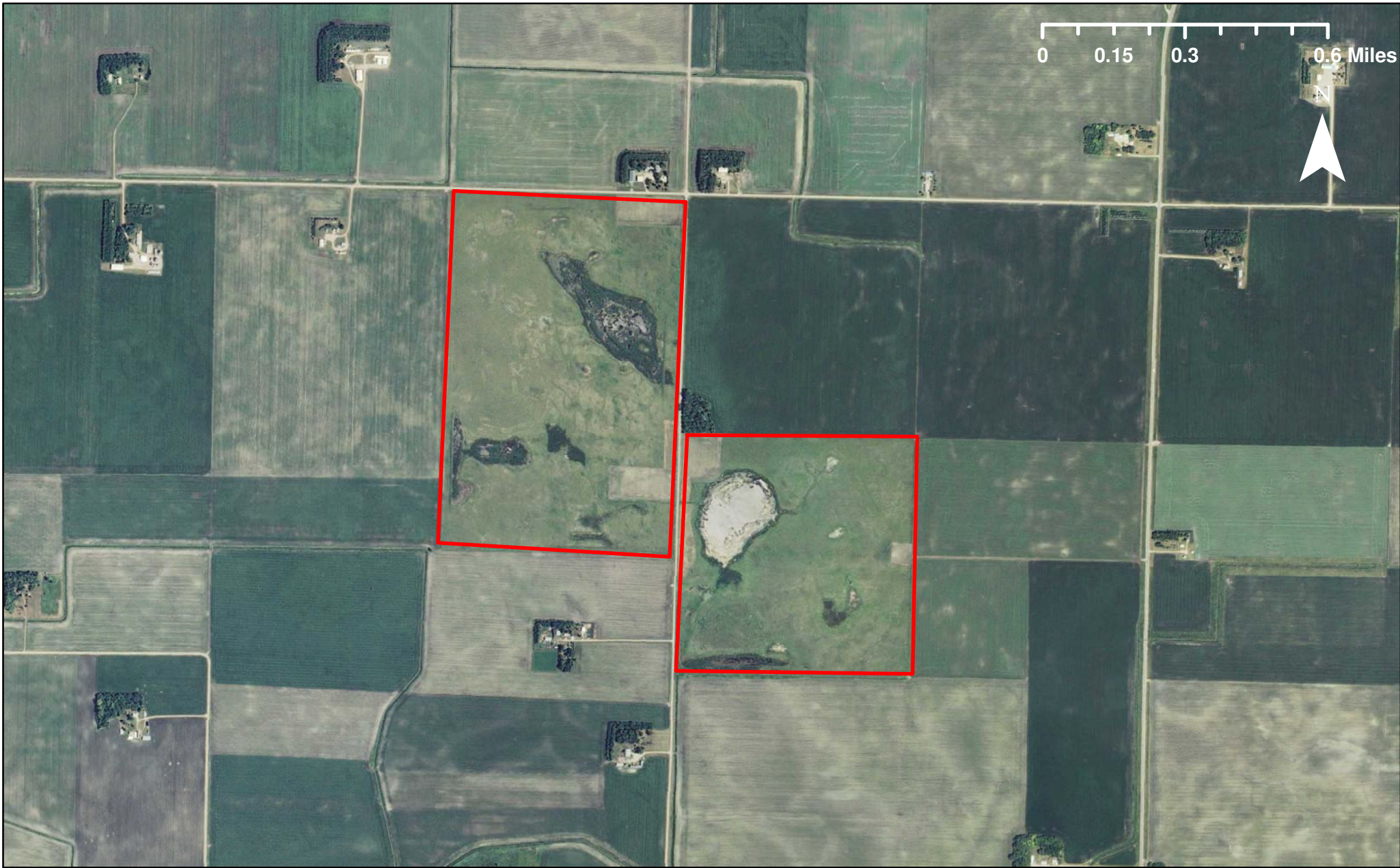
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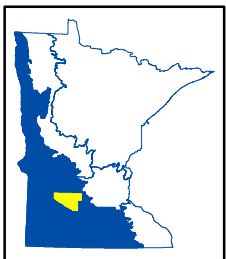
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Land manager/ easement holder name:	MN Board of Water and Soil Resources		
Title:	Tabor Hoek, BWSR	Date of meeting:	10-28-09
Phone:	507-537-7260	Proposal ID #:	
Email:	tabor.hoek@state.mn.us	(assigned by agency, optional)	

PROJECT INFORMATION:

Project Name:	Renville County Perpetual Easements	Organization:	Renville County SWCD
Contact Person:	Jason Beckler		
Email:	jbeckler@pheasantsforever.org	Daytime Phone:	320-523-1550 ext.3

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Joe Stangel MN DNR PLS completed the heritage review for this project site and found no features for the proposed sites.

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Name:	Tabor Hoek
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Comments:

Name:		Phone:	
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October 21, 2009

This letter is in support of providing 100% cost share for the controlled burn as part of the Renville County Enhancement projects. NRCS will pay for the burn completed in the Spring of 2011. A modification has been completed allocating \$30.00/acre the total WRP acres being enhanced are 519 acres providing a total match of \$15,570.00. NRCS cost share is federal funds under the US Dept of Agriculture.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Kjorness", written over a horizontal line.

Jeff Kjorness
District Conservationist

Cc: Soil and Water Conservation District