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Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Application

CPL1000023

Name and Contact

Project Identifier:	CPL1000023	Street Address 1:	901 First St NE
Project Name:	Ella Lake WPA Water Control Structure	Street Address 2:	
Organization Name:	Minnesota Waterfowl Association	City:	Hopkins
Organization Website:	www.mnwaterfowl.com	State:	MN
Organization Contact Person:	Adam Benker/Brad Nylin	Zip Code:	55343
Contact Email:	adam.benker@mnwaterfowl.com		
Contact Phone:	952-767-0320		

Location

Primary County:	Kandiyohi
Nearest City:	
Township:	
Project Site Name:	Ella Lake WPA
Project Site Land Ownership:	Federal
Other Land Ownership:	

Project Information

Primary Activity:	Enhancement
Primary Habitat Type:	Wetland
Total Project Acres:	10
Total Project Sites:	1
Total Grant Amount Requested:	$7380
Total Match Amount:	$800
Total Project Cost:	$8180
Project Completion Date:	07/2010 (MM/YYYY)
Project Summary and Outcomes:	Under this CPL project proposal, MWA is applying for funds to install a similar water control structure in the lower basin. This basin, approximately 9.5 acres in size, was restored several years ago, as well, but the (improperly) installed water control structure was a fixed crest sheet-pile type of structure and provided no means for managing water levels. This existing structure is currently failing and the timing is right for MWA to once again partner with the Service to install a new water control structure. The USFWS approves this project

Attachments

- Project Site Information Form
- Project Budget and Match Description
- Partner Committment Letter
- Financial Documentation
- Conservation Easement
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Project Site Information

Contact information

Project name:	Ella Lake WPA Water Control Structure
Organization:	Minnesota Waterfowl Association
Organization contact person (Project Manager):	Brad Nylin

Project information

Project site:	Ella Lake Waterfowl Production Area				
Project site land manager	Legal :	T119N	R33W	S21	QSW
or easement holder:	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service				
Private land owner	County:	Kandiyohi			
(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: 1, 9.5 ☒ Acres ☐ Miles ☐ Feet ☒ Structures ☒ Wetlands

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Project Site #2, if needed.

Project site:					
Project site land manager	Legal :	T	R	S	Q
or easement holder:					
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

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

Project site:					
Project site land manager	Legal :	T	R	S	Q
or easement holder:					
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
June 2010	purchase materials		
July 2010	hire contractor, install, complete		

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

Ella Lake Waterfowl Production Area (WPA) is located in east-central Kandiyohi County and is owned and managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service). This 418 acre WPA hosts an excellent complex of wetlands, grasslands, and small groves of native burr oak. The northwestern extension of the WPA, comprising 160 acres, features two prominent and highly visible wetland areas that are critical components of the entire complex. The upper basin is approximately thirty acres in size and extends beyond the WPA onto private property. Several years ago Minnesota Waterfowl Association (MWA) partnered with the Service and installed a variable crest water control structure at the outlet of this upper basin. The project provided the means to manage the basin's water levels for the benefit of waterfowl, other migratory birds, and resident wildlife. Of greatest importance, the control structure provides the means to control infestations of carp and other rough fish which migrate from Lake Minnetaga, located just one mile downstream. This project has provided very positive and dramatic results for improving emergent and submergent vegetation / habitat.

Under this CPL project proposal, MWA is applying for funds to install a similar water control structure in the lower basin. This basin, approximately 9.5 acres in size, was restored several years ago, as well, but the (improperly) installed water control structure was a fixed crest sheet-pile type of structure and provided no means for managing water levels. This existing structure is currently failing and the timing is right for MWA to once again partner with the Service to install a new water control structure. Similar to the upper structure, a newly designed and installed water control structure on this lower basin will provide the means to manipulate water levels to control rough fish, enhance wetland vegetation, and provide ideal habitat for a host of migratory birds and resident wildlife.

The project area is entirely within Ella Lake WPA and is highly visible from Kandiyohi County Road #23.

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.

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

2. **For enhancement/ restoration projects on public lands:**

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

   U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

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

   Water level manipulation by means of removing and adding "stoplogs" will be conducted periodically by FWS staff to control invasive fish, promote growth of wetland vegetation and improve waterfowl / wildlife habitat. Structural materials will be purchased as "poly-coated" to minimize corrosion and greatly extend the lifespan of the project.

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

   USFWS will perform manipulation and maintenance out of their operational budget.

   d. Will the CPL funds supplant any existing funds?

   no

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 restoration or enhancement project.

Signature: Brad Nylin	Organization/ Agency: Minnesota Waterfowl Assoc
Title: Executive Director	Date: Nov 2, 2009

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.

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

Project name:	Ella Lake WPA Water Control Structure
Organization:	Minnesota Waterfowl Association
Organization contact person (Project Manager):	Brad Nylin

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				
Contracts	**$6,000.00**			**$6,000.00**
Grant Administration	**$180.00**			**$180.00**
Administration/ Environmental Compliance				
Fee Acquisition				
Easement Acquisition				
Easement Stewardship				
Equipment/Tools/Supplies	**$1,200.00**			**$1,200.00**
Travel				
Additional Budget items				
Total	**$7,380.00**			**$7,380.00**

DETAILS: detail the amounts listed in the above table.

Personnel Details:

Name	Title	Amount

Contract Details:

Contractor Name	Contracted Work	Amount
to be selected	**earthwork / install water control structure**	**$6,000.00**

Grant Administration:

Administrative Activity	Description/ Amount	Amount
staff	travel and staff project management	$180.00

Administration/ Environmental Compliance

Activity	Description	Amount

Fee Acquisition/ Easement Acquisition/ Easement Stewardship Details:

Equipment/Tools/Supplies Details:

Item	Use	Amount
poly-coated materials for water control structure	water control structure	$1,200.00

Travel Details:

Miles	Purpose	Amount

Additional Budget Items Details:

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
Minnesota Waterfowl Association	**Share of required funds to purchase poly-coated materials for water control structure**	**1**	**$800**	**$800.00**

Matching description/ comments: if needed

Total estimated cost for this project is $8,000 ($2,000 for materials for the w.c. structure and $6,000 for contractor installation costs). MWA proposes that its 10% match for this project ($800) will be used for purchase of said materials.