

**CPL Applications**  
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## Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Application

**CPL1000040**

### Spreadsheet

#### Name and Contact

Project Identifier:	CPL1000040	Street Address 1:	901 First St NE
		Street Address 2:	
Project Name:	Regal Meadows WMA Prairie Grass harvest/seeding project	City:	Hopkins
		State:	MN
Organization Name:	Minnesota Waterfowl Association	Zip Code:	55343
Organization Website:	www.mnwaterfowl.com		
Organization Contact Person:	Adam Benker/Brad Nylin		
Contact Email:	adam.benker@mnwaterfowl.com		
Contact Phone:	952-767-0320		

#### Location

Primary County: Kandiyohi

Nearest City:

Township:

Project Site Name: Regal Meadows WMA

Project Site Land Ownership: State

Other Land Ownership:

#### Project Information

Primary Activity: Enhancement

Primary Habitat Type: Prairie

Total Project Acres: 16

Total Project Sites: 1

Total Grant Amount Requested: \$5500

Total Match Amount: \$550

Total Project Cost: \$5550

Project Completion Date: 06/2012 (MM/YYYY)

Project Summary and Outcomes: To harvest local genotype prairie grass seed so that it is compatible with remnant native prairie in the area. The Nature Conservancy has Preserve property immediately adjacent to the NE side of the Regal Meadows WMA that is also open to public hunting. There is also some remnant native prairie on the north end of the WMA as well as native prairie on the private land north and northwest of the existing WMA which extends into the Stearns Prairie Heritage WMA to the northwest. the DNR Approved this project.

#### Attachments

- [Project Site Information Form](#)
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- Partner Commitment Letter
- Financial Documentation
- Conservation Easement
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## Project Site Information

### Contact information

Project name:	Regal Meadows WMA Prairie Grass harvest/seeding project
Organization:	Minnesota Waterfowl Association
Organization contact person (Project Manager):	Brad Nylin

### Project information

Project site:	Regal Meadows WMA Prairie Grass harvest/seeding project WMA				
Project site land manager	Legal :	T122N	R33W	S6	Q
or easement holder:	LeRoy Dahlke				
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: 16 ☒ 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
Summer 2010	Harvest Seed and plant 16 acre field		
Summer 2010 thru summer 2012	clipping of the seeded site for 2 years with up to 2 clippings each year		

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

Purpose of the project: To harvest local genotype prairie grass seed so that it is compatible with remnant native prairie in the area. The Nature Conservancy has Preserve property immediately adjacent to the NE side of the Regal Meadows WMA that is also open to public hunting. There is also some remnant native prairie on the north end of the WMA as well as native prairie on the private land north and northwest of the existing WMA which extends into the Stearns Prairie Heritage WMA to the northwest.

The harvested native prairie seed will be used to seed down 16 acres of cropland on the Regal Meadows WMA so that it will provide quality wildlife habitat for a wide variety of grassland species. The New London DNR Wildlife office is working with an organic farmer on and adjacent to the WMA so the plans are to mow the site at least twice the first year following the seeding and 1-2 times the second year to aid in the establishment of the prairie plants.

**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?

Minnesota Department of Natural Resources New London Wildlife Office

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

Short Term - hire contractors for planting and maintaining

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

DNR Area office - routine maintenance and management activities

- 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](mailto: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 Associatio
Title: Executive Director	Date: 11/02/09

**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:	LeRoy Dahlke/MnDNR-Wildlife		
Title:	Area Wildlife Supv.	Date of meeting:	9-22-09
Phone:	320-354-2154	Proposal ID #:	
Email:	LeRoy.Dahlke@state.mn.us	(assigned by agency, optional )	

### PROJECT INFORMATION:

Project Name:	Regal Meadows WMA Prairie Grass Seeding	Organization:	MWA Prairie Pothole Chapter
Contact Person:	David Larson		
Email:	dwl Larsonmba@msn.com	Daytime Phone:	320-214-1497

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@LSCPLGrants.DNR@dnr.state.mn.us) at [LSCPLGrants.DNR@dnr.state.mn.us](mailto: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:		Phone:	
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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:	LeRoy Dahlke
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Comments: **The proposed project is to harvest native prairie seed via contract from a local native prairie genotype seed source, preferably off of a nearby TNC Preserve. The site will be farmed with soybeans in 2010 to prepare it for seeding. Once the native prairie seed is harvested, the seed will be spread and worked into the soil as soon after harvest as possible. The plan is to harvest the seed in the fall of 2010 if the seed source site is burned in the spring of 2010. If it doesn't get burned next spring, the project will be delayed to 2011. The purpose of seeding this 16 acre site to native prairie is to make it compatible with the remnant native prairie found in the area. Benefits to various species of wildlife will occur by establishing quality native prairie plants on the former cropland. The seeding will provide loafing, roosting, nesting, feeding and escape cover for many wildlife species. The proposed seeding site on the Regal Meadows WMA is located in T.122N., R.33W., S.6 SW1/4 SW1/4.**

Name:		Phone:	
Title:		Email:	

Additional  
necessary):

Comments( including approval or denial, reasoning):

review (if



## Conservation Partners Legacy Grant

### Project Budget and Match Worksheet, Application Requirement

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Project name:	Regal Meadows WMA Prairie Grass harvest/seeding project
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 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009 it would be FY2010; December 3<sup>rd</sup> 2010= FY2011; May 2012= FY2012

Budget Item	Fiscal Year 2010	Fiscal Year 2011	Fiscal Year 2012	Total
Personnel				
Contracts	\$5,500.00			\$5,500.00
Grant Administration				
Administration/ Environmental Compliance				
Fee Acquisition				
Easement Acquisition				
Easement Stewardship				
Equipment/Tools/Supplies				
Travel				
Additional Budget items				
Total	\$5,500.00			\$5,500.00

**DETAILS:** detail the amounts listed in the above table.

**Personnel Details:**

Name	Title	Amount

**Contract Details:**

Contractor Name	Contracted Work	Amount
TBD	Seed harvest and replanting and clipping over 2 year period	\$5,500.00

**Grant Administration:**

Administrative Activity	Description/ Amount	Amount

**Administration/ Environmental Compliance**

Activity	Description	Amount

**Fee Acquisition/ Easement Acquisition/ Easement Stewardship Details:**

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**Equipment/Tools/Supplies Details:**

Item	Use	Amount

**Travel Details:**

Miles	Purpose	Amount

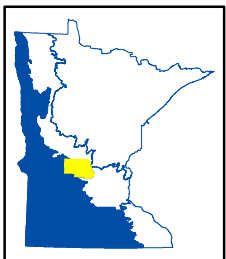
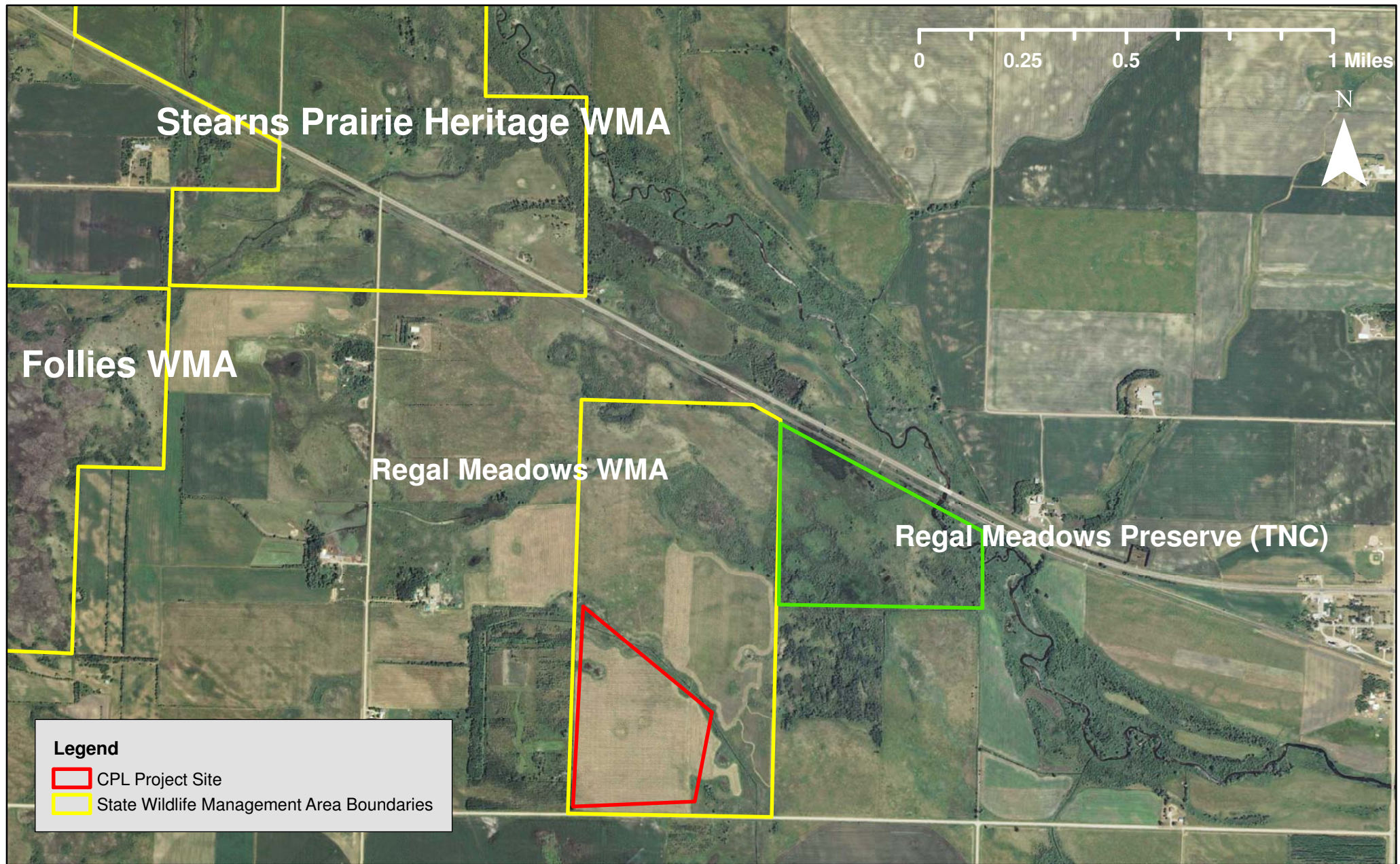
**Additional Budget Items Details:**

**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
Prairie Pothole Chapter of MWA	10% match			\$550.00

**Matching description/ comments:** if needed

The chapter is donating 10% match that will go to over all cost of project



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Regal Meadows WMA Prairie Grass harvest/seeding project

Stearns County LSOHC Prairie Planning Section

