

CPL Applications
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Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Application
CPL1000113
Spreadsheet
Name and Contact

Project Identifier:	CPL1000113	Street Address 1:	1100 Hamline Avenue North
Project Name:	Saint Paul Oak Woodland Enhancement	Street Address 2:	
Organization Name:	City of Saint Paul, Dept of Parks and Recreation	City:	Saint Paul
Organization Website:	www.stpaul.gov	State:	MN
Organization Contact Person:	Adam Robbins	Zip Code:	55108
Contact Email:	adam.robbins@ci.stpaul.mn.us		
Contact Phone:	6516322457		

Location

Primary County: Ramsey

Nearest City:

Township:

Project Site Name: Saint Paul

Project Site Land Ownership: Local

Other Land Ownership:

Project Information

Primary Activity: Enhancement

Primary Habitat Type: Forest

Total Project Acres: 110

Total Project Sites: 6

Total Grant Amount Requested: \$277000

Total Match Amount: \$126700

Total Project Cost: \$403700

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

Project Summary and Outcomes: This program will enhance and manage approximately 110 acres of native oak woodland and oak savanna in the City of Saint Paul, within the MNRRA corridor, through invasive species removal and control, prescribed burning, and reforestation efforts. These projects will return fire to thirty or more acres of fire-adapted habitat, increase connectedness of high-quality forests, increase the probability of a self-sustaining forest community, reduce sedimentation of impaired waterbodies, and improve habitat for fish and wildlife. Project work will occur in or adjacent to fire-adapted native woodland habitat identified by the MCBS as having a high significance of biodiversity.

Attachments

- [Project Site Information Form](#)
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Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program

Project Site Information

Contact information

Project name:	Saint Paul Oak Woodland Enhancement
Organization:	City of Saint Paul, Department of Parks and Recreation
Organization contact person (Project Manager):	Adam Robbins

Project information

Project site:	Mississippi River Boulevard				
Project site land manager	Legal :	T29N	R23W	S32	QSW
or easement holder:	City of Saint Paul				
Private land owner	County:	Ramsey			
(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: 24 ☒ Acres ☐ Miles ☐ Feet ☐ Structures ☐ Wetlands

Project Site #2, if needed.

Project site:	Hidden Falls Regional Park				
Project site land manager	Legal :	T28N	R23W	S17	QSE
or easement holder:	City of Saint Paul				
Private land owner	County:	Ramsey			
(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: 4 ☒ Acres ☐ Miles ☐ Feet ☐ Structures ☐ Wetlands

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

Project site:	Crosby Farm Regional Park				
Project site land manager	Legal :	T28N	R23W	S22	QNW
or easement holder:	City of Saint Paul				
Private land owner	County:	Ramsey			
(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: 26.5 ☒ Acres ☐ Miles ☐ Feet ☐ Structures ☐ Wetlands

Project timeline:

Time frame	Goal	Time frame	Goal
FY2010	Install 8,000 native tree seedlings.	FY2012	Install 6,500 native bareroot trees and shrubs.
FY2010	23 acres invasive herbaceous species control initiated.	FY2012	110 acres invasive herbaceous species control completed.
FY2010	17 acres invasive woody species removal initiated.	FY2012	110 acres invasive woody species removal completed.
FY2010	10 acres prescribed burning completed.	FY2012	10 acres prescribed burning completed (30 acres total).
FY2011	Install 6,500 native bareroot trees and shrubs.		
FY2011	110 acres invasive herbaceous species control initiated.		
FY2011	60 acres invasive woody species removal completed.		
FY2011	10 acres prescribed burning completed.		

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

This program will enhance and manage approximately 110 acres of native oak woodland and oak savanna in the City of Saint Paul through invasive species removal and control, prescribed burning, and reforestation efforts. These projects will return fire to 30 or more acres of fire-adapted habitat, increase connectedness of high-quality forests, increase the probability of a self-sustaining forest community, reduce sedimentation of impaired waterbodies, and improve habitat for fish and wildlife.

This program will focus on significant land parcels within the Mississippi River Critical Area, all of which are within the Mississippi National River and Recreation Area (MNRRA) and the Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife Refuge Important Bird Area. Project work will occur in fire-adapted native woodland habitat identified by the Minnesota County Biological Survey (MCBS) as having a high significance of biodiversity, within adjacent woodlands, or within areas where unique forest restoration opportunities are identified by site-specific management plans.

Specifically, projects will occur on City of Saint Paul parkland along Mississippi River Boulevard; at Hidden Falls, Crosby Farm, Cherokee, and Indian Mounds Regional Parks; and at Highwood Nature Preserve. Management plans exist for this parkland, with the exception of a four acre parcel of oak woodland at Hidden Falls Regional Park. These plans identify well-timed maintenance, site monitoring activities, and overall ecological goals and objectives. Attached are excerpts from five management plans for sites identified in this proposal.

Forest restoration opportunities were identified by comparing site specific management plans to the Minnesota Land Cover Classification System (MLCCS) and MCBS data. Field surveys and site records helped to narrow our project focus to lands with significant populations of diverse native plant material that may be lost without immediate action.

Site Specific Goals:

- Mississippi River Boulevard – Enhance upper 30 – 50 feet of oak woodland at bluff edge, working down to the Mississippi River where practical. Generally, the western two-thirds of parkland along this stretch is inaccessible to contractors without utilization of climbing equipment. As this activity would be cost-prohibitive, project work will occur almost exclusively on accessible property. Project work will address erosion prone areas, protecting water quality of the Mississippi River. To minimize the risk of damage to [REDACTED] an endangered species in Minnesota, activities will be timed to work in the reported area when the plant is dormant.
- Hidden Falls Regional Park – A dense population of spring ephemerals has been identified, and previously managed for by volunteers, at this location. These herbs include [REDACTED] The oak woodland surrounding this population has not been managed for invasive species. Our proposed activities will enhance this woodland and return fire to the area to protect and buffer this spring ephemerals area.
- Crosby Farm Regional Park – An extensive management plan created for this location identifies 22 land cover units across 26 acres. Recommendations for these parcels will be followed per the management plan. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] been recorded within Crosby Farm Regional Park. Care will be exercised to avoid [REDACTED] if seen.
- Cherokee Regional Park – Two management plans exist for this location. A site-specific plan for the Dry Sand Gravel Prairie at this location will be followed when working within or around the prairie. Care will be taken to minimize disturbance to this site and management activities will be planned accordingly. [REDACTED] recorded within Cherokee Regional Park is outside of the boundaries of the project site and should be unaffected by our activities.
- Indian Mounds Regional Park – Parks and Recreation has completed a significant amount of invasive species removal, approximately twenty acres, as a result of a 2008 biomass removal grant and during savanna protection efforts over the last five years. Continued maintenance activities will follow the Natural Resource Inventory and Management Plan of Indian Mounds Park. A [REDACTED] was recorded in Indian Mounds Regional Park in 1992. Activities taking place within the vicinity of the record will be planned accordingly. To minimize potential impact, no foliar application of herbicide will be used unless it is used when this species is dormant. Activities that could disrupt this species will be delayed until the plant is dormant.
- Highwood Nature Preserve – Several activities listed within the Highwood Park Nature Preserve Management

Recommendations plan have been partially completed. This funding will allow Parks to fast-track the remaining activities to protect a small remnant prairie and [REDACTED] on site. [REDACTED] has been recorded within the Highwood Nature Preserve. Care will be taken when using herbicide to hit target plants only. To minimize potential impact, no foliar application of herbicide will be used unless it is when this species is dormant. Activities that could disrupt this species will be delayed until the plant is dormant.

[REDACTED] within the area of our project sites. Our activities should be located far enough away from these locations to reduce potential impacts.

Under this proposal, contractors will prepare these lands for sustainability through invasive species removal, fuel load reduction, burn break identification, and assistance with initial prescribed burning. Within a majority of the program area, completion of individual projects under this proposal will tie together existing and past project work, providing non-fragmented, contiguous management areas. Following the grant period, Parks will modify the management activities already occurring within adjacent land parcels to include new acreage created under this program.

Reforestation efforts will include local ecotype acorn collection, direct seeding, and sowing; installation of MN DNR Nursery seedlings using a dibble bar; and installation of bareroot whips and lightly branched trees and shrubs to provide forest stratification in areas of low diversity. Seedlings and whips will be planted at a density of around 200 trees per acre to encourage the survival and ultimate maturation of 25 to 70 trees per acre. This planting density will mimic the planting program established by Three Rivers Park District.

Through an existing partnership with the Minnesota Conservation Corps (MCC), funding this proposal would allow Saint Paul Parks to not only engage the MCC Young Adult Program with meaningful natural resources-based job training opportunities, but to also involve MCC's Youth Outdoors (YO!) Program – a joint City of Saint Paul/MCC partnership – within these same projects. The Young Adult program members would work half-time on project work directly related to this proposal, and during the other half of their work week provide service learning and environmental education opportunities to YO! youth (funded through outside city, federal and state sources). We anticipate that over one half of YO! crew time will be spent on the Saint Paul Oak Woodland Enhancement program.

Tree Trust Young Adult crews will be provided an opportunity to work side-by-side with MCC Young Adults and with professional City of Saint Paul, natural resources staff. This cross-linkage will provide an incredible opportunity for all three organizations to share experiences and resources to meet program goals.

Saint Paul Parks and Recreation has previously, or is in the process of, restoring parkland adjacent to the proposed project locations. We have completed much of this work utilizing volunteer labor. We will solicit volunteers from the surrounding neighborhood and the greater Saint Paul community through press releases, on-site publicity, postcard mailings, and through partnering agencies. The Saint Paul City Council, affected district councils, and district council committees will be notified and encouraged to participate in the marketing of this program.

Minnesota Statewide Conservation and Preservation Plan habitat recommendations fulfilled by this program:

Habitat 1 – Protect priority land habitats. – Cherokee Park and Indian Mounds Regional Park remnant prairie and oak savanna enhancement.

Habitat 2 - Protect critical shorelands of streams and lakes. – Mississippi River, Pig's Eye Lake, and Lake Crosby.

Habitat 4 – Restore and protect shallow lakes. – Lake Crosby & Pickerel Lake.

Habitat 5 – Restore land, wetlands and wetland-associated watersheds. – All program sites.

Habitat 7 – Keep water on the landscape. – All program sites.

Habitat 13 – Habitat and landscape conservation and training programs for all citizens. – Utilization of the Minnesota Conservation Corps and Tree Trust in project work, community volunteer involvement in enhancement efforts.

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?

City of Saint Paul, Department of Parks and Recreation.

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

After the grant period has expired, Parks and Recreation staff will continue to maintain these sites utilizing integrated pest management practices. Physical removal of invasive plant material, utilizing volunteers when possible, coupled with targeted pesticide application and prescribed burning will allow Parks to sustainably maintain native species and control invasive species.

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

Saint Paul Parks and Recreation volunteers, together with the National Park Service, Friends of the Mississippi River, and Great River Greening volunteers have logged over 6,000 volunteer hours within the MNRRA corridor working on Saint Paul parkland annually for the last three years. With the addition of a Volunteer Coordinator to Saint Paul Parks and Recreation's Environmental Services staff in early 2010, we anticipate an annual increase in volunteerism. Funding for maintenance activities will be provided in-kind by community volunteers and technical work will be completed by Saint Paul Parks staff, funded through the city's 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: Adam Robbins	Organization/ Agency: City of Saint Paul, Department of Parks and Recreation
Title: Environmental Coordinator	Date: November 3, 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.

CPL Project Application Review and Approval Form

REVIEWER INFORMATION

Land manager/ easement holder name:	City of Saint Paul, Department of Parks and Recreation		
Title:	Michael Hahm, Director	Date of meeting:	October 22, 2009
Phone:	651.266.6409	Proposal ID #:	
Email:	michael.hahm@ci.stpaul.mn.us	(assigned by agency, optional)	

PROJECT INFORMATION:

Project Name:	Saint Paul Woodland Enhancement	Organization:	Department of Parks and Recreation
Contact Person:	Adam Robbins		
Email:	adam.robbins@ci.stpaul.mn.us	Daytime Phone:	651.632.2457

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](#) 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:	Michael Hahm	Phone:	651.266.6409
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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:	Michael Hahm
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Comments:

Comments:

Name:		Phone:	
Title:		Email:	

Additional
necessary):

Comments(including approval or denial, reasoning):

review (if



Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program
Natural Heritage Database Review
October 27, 2009

Adam Robbins, City of Saint Paul Parks and Recreation,

We have received your request for a Natural Heritage Database Review specific to your Conservation Partners Legacy Grant application, titled Saint Paul Woodland Enhancement. The following information is the result of that review, completed for the project location(s) within your proposed project.

Being along the Mississippi River corridor, all of the proposed project sites are within one mile of many features, but most of those aquatic. As described, your project will be working within the woodland along the river and not within aquatic habitats so there should be no impact to those species. Care should be taken during projects if impacts to aquatic habitats arise.

The following is a list of features with potential impacts:

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

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Natural Heritage Database Review, continued

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Please note:

- This review only applies to the Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program application referenced above.
- This information has no bearing on any related permits or projects not covered under the request for review.
- This information will not be valid after March 1, 2010. The only use of this data is to record potential impacts and minimization or avoidance techniques for any Natural Heritage Database records found in or within 1 mile of the listed project site(s).

Please contact CPL Grant staff at LSCPLGrants@state.mn.us with any questions. Thank you for your interest in the CPL Grant Program.

Conservation Partners Legacy Grant

Project Budget and Match Worksheet, Application Requirement

Project name:	Saint Paul Oak Woodland Enhancement	
Organization:	City of Saint Paul, Department of Parks and Recreation	
Organization contact person (Project Manager):	Adam Robbins	

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	\$3,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$15,000.00
Contracts	\$43,500.00	\$98,500.00	\$95,000.00	\$237,000.00
Grant Administration				
Administration/ Environmental Compliance				
Fee Acquisition				
Easement Acquisition				
Easement Stewardship				
Equipment/Tools/Supplies	\$8,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$25,000.00
Travel				
Additional Budget items				
Total	\$54,500.00	\$115,500.00	\$107,000.00	\$277,000.00

DETAILS: detail the amounts listed in the above table.

Personnel Details:

Name	Title	Amount
Varies	Tree Worker, Heavy Equipment Operator, and Park Worker III (~520 hours) - technical tree work, brush removal and transport.	\$15,000.00

Contract Details:

Contractor Name	Contracted Work	Amount
Minnesota Conservation Corps	Chainsaw operation, herbicide application, prescribed burning, brush hauling, planting activities, volunteer supervision.	\$94,000.00
Tree Trust	Tree planting, acorn collection and planting.	\$17,000.00

Native Plant Community Restoration contractor(s) (will be selected from master contract list)	Chainsaw operation, herbicide application, prescribed burning, brush hauling.	\$121,000.00
Great River Greening	Consultation services.	\$5,000.00

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
Herbicide	Cut-stump and foliar treatment.	\$6,000.00
Plant material	20,000 seedlings, 500 bareroot trees and shrubs.	\$11,000.00
Erosion control materials & seed	Erosion control materials & native seed.	\$5,000.00
Chainsaw supplies & herbicide application equipment	Two chainsaws for MCC crew use, two sets chainsaw PPE, backpack and hand-held sprayers, herbicide application PPE, replacement parts.	\$3,000.00

Travel Details:

Miles	Purpose	Amount

Additional Budget Items Details:

Program deliverables:
110 acres oak woodland enhancement
30+ acres prescribed burning
20,500 native trees and shrubs installed
100,000 local ecotype acorns collected and planted or sowed

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.

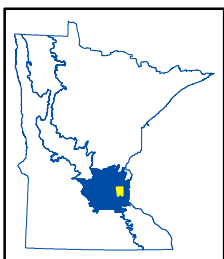
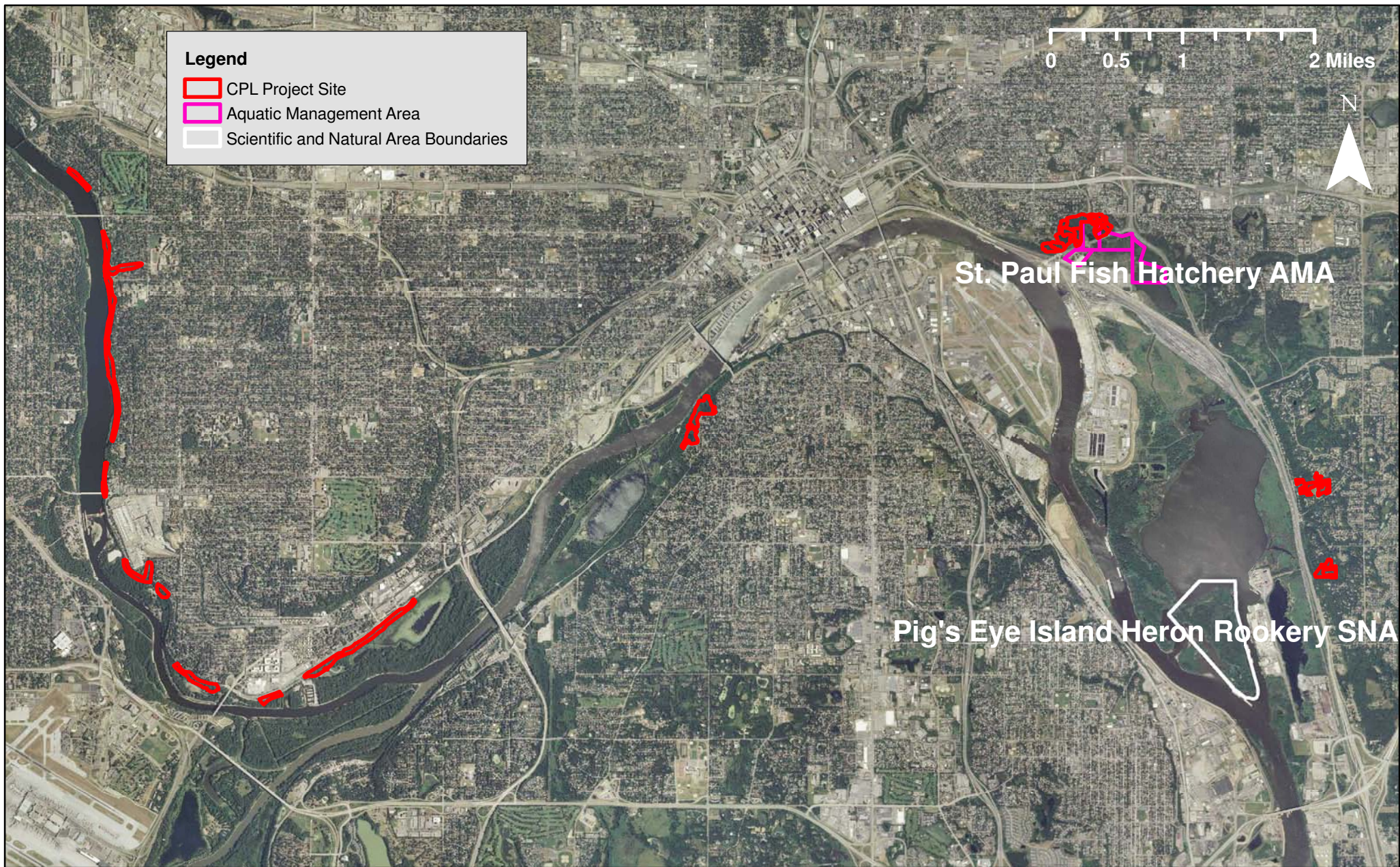
Source	Description	Units	Unit Rate	Total Value
City of Saint Paul	Staff time: Environmental Coordinator (\$5K), Natural Resource Technicians (\$25K), Youth Job Corps (\$20K), Tree Worker, Heavy Equipment Operator & Park Worker III (TBD), Volunteer Coordinator & Education Coordinator.	EC ~140 hours. NRT ~980 hours. YJC ~60 days. TW, HEO, PWIII TBD. VC & EC TBD.	EC = \$36.17/hr. NRT = ~\$25.50/hr. YJC = \$336/day. TW, HEO, PWIII = ~\$28.85/hr. VC & ED = ~\$24.00/hr.	\$50,000.00
National Park Service	Community volunteer labor.	4000 volunteer hours.	\$13/hr volunteers.	\$50,000.00
Friends of the Mississippi River	Staff support, volunteer labor, and materials.	300 volunteer hours. Staff support.	\$13.00/hr volunteers. \$8,000 staff support.	\$11,900.00
Great River Greening	Staff support, volunteer labor, and materials.	100 volunteer hours. Staff support.	\$13.00/hr volunteers. \$2,000 staff support.	\$3,300.00
City of Saint Paul	Paid equipment use: aerial truck, clam truck, tandem dump.	~415 hours.	~\$12.00/hr.	\$5,000.00
City of Saint Paul	Community volunteer labor.	500 hours.	\$13.00/hr volunteers.	\$6,500.00

Matching description/ comments: if needed

City of Saint Paul match \$61,500 (22% match)

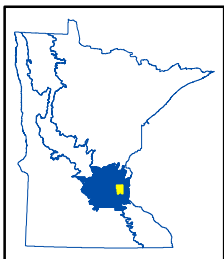
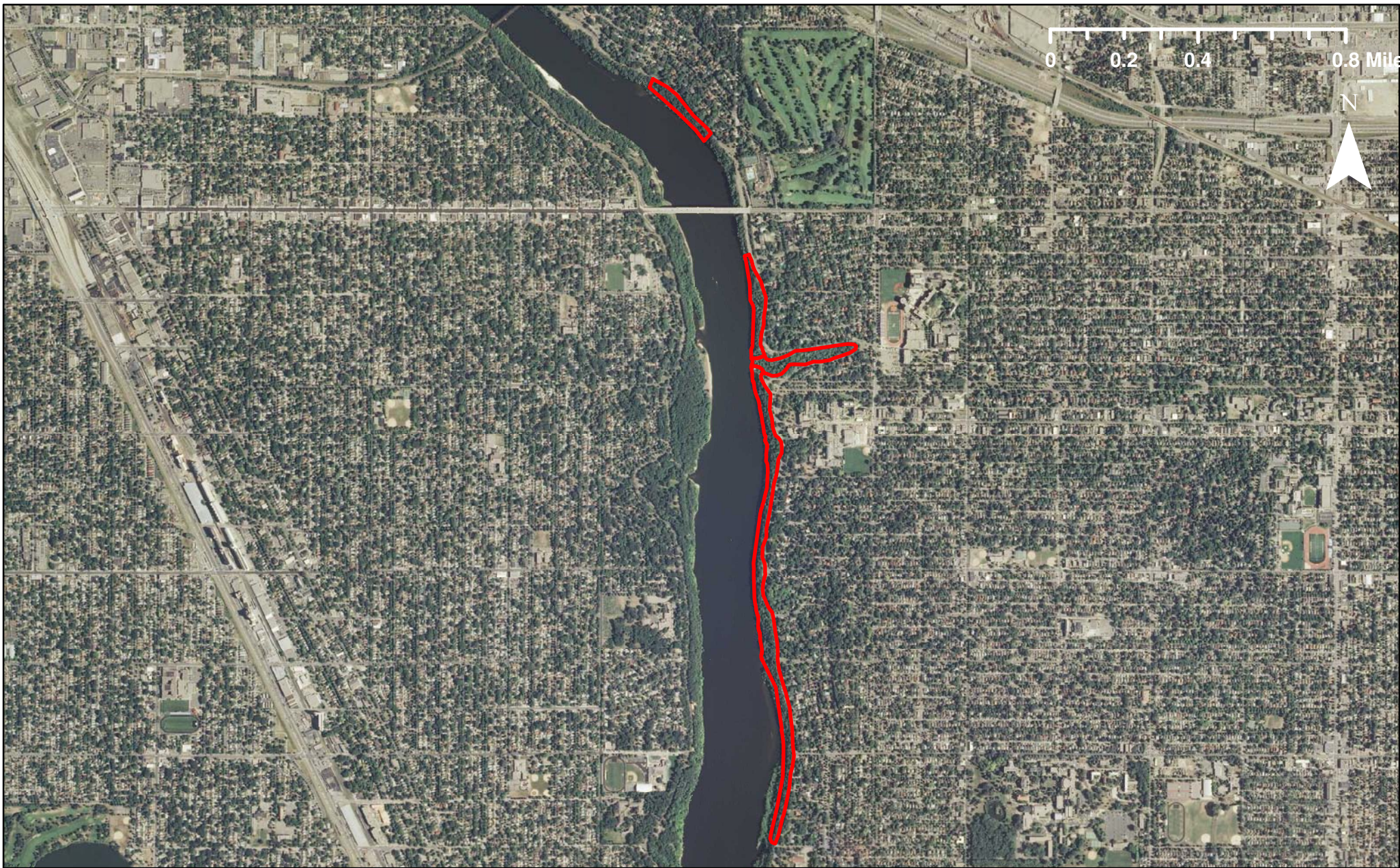
Total City of Saint Paul match including partner commitments = \$126,700 (46% match)

Minnesota Conservation Corps, Youth Outdoors (YO!) Program will be a project partner, but may not be able to contribute a non-state match. Non-state match as a part of the YO! program is captured under City of Saint Paul, Youth Job Corps in-kind match.



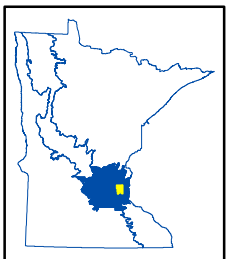
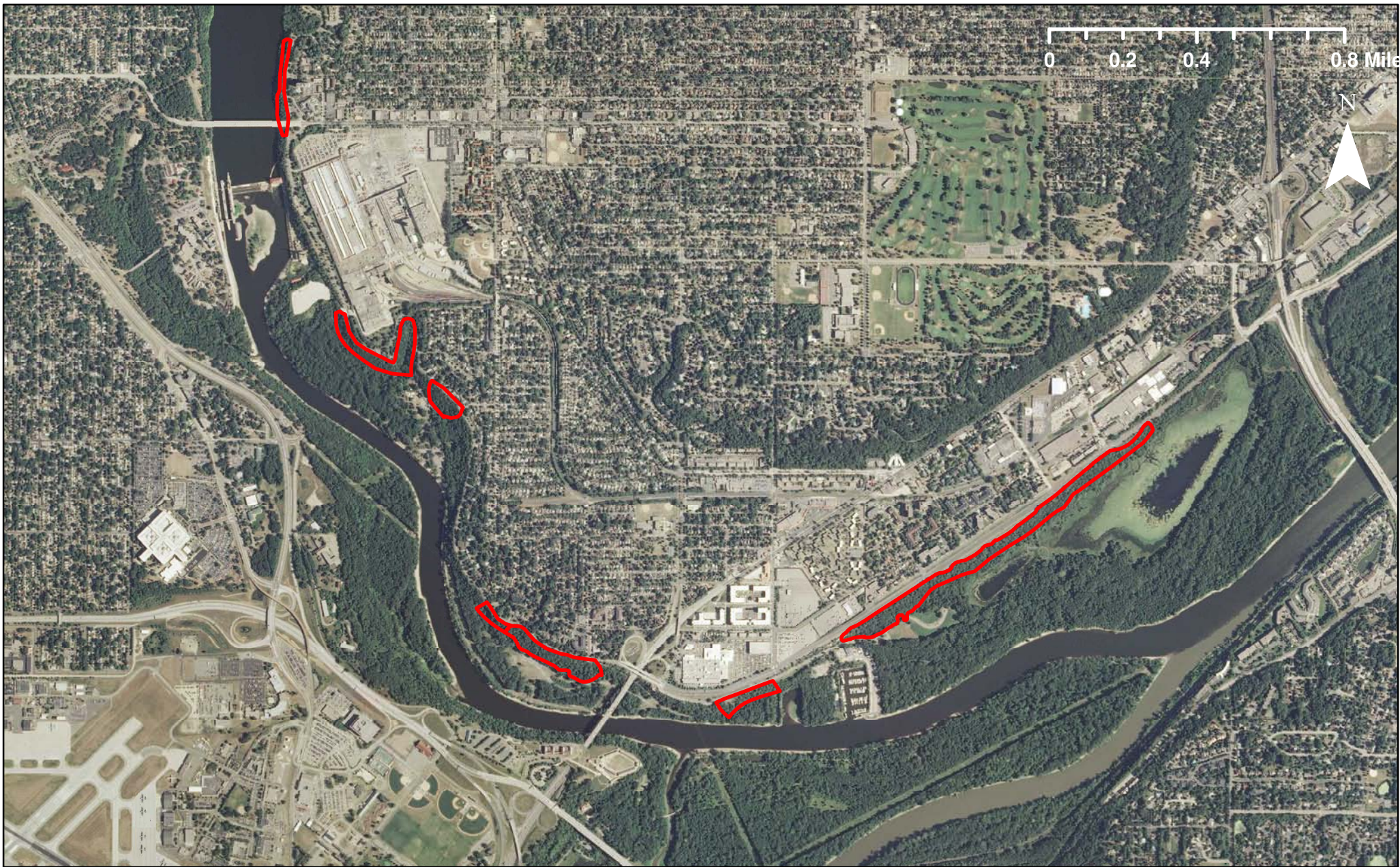
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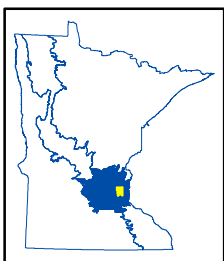
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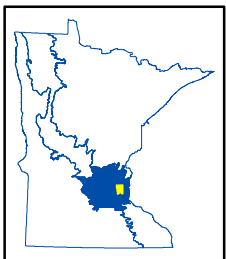


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Pig's Eye Island Heron Rookery SNA



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Ramsey County, LSOHC Metropolitan Urbanizing Area Planning Section



RESOLUTION
CITY OF SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA

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Presented by *[Signature]*

- 1 WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has released a Request For Proposals (RFP) for
2 the Lessard-Sams Conservation Partners Legacy (CPL) grant program; and;
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4 WHEREAS, the City of Saint Paul, Department of Parks and Recreation is eligible to receive up to \$400,000 in
5 grant funds through the CPL program, and;
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7 WHEREAS, it is the intention of Parks and Recreation to submit a proposal to restore, enhance, and manage 125
8 acres of native woodland through non-native woody species removal and reforestation, and;
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10 WHEREAS, project work will occur within native woodland habitat identified by the Minnesota County Biological
11 Survey as having a high significance of biodiversity, or within unique forest restoration opportunities identified
12 within site-specific management plans, and;
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14 WHEREAS, removal of non-native invasive species will increase connectedness of high-quality forests, increase the
15 probability of a self-sustaining forest community, reduce sedimentation of impaired waterbodies, and improve
16 habitat for wildlife, and;
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18 WHEREAS, this project will focus on significant land parcels identified within the Mississippi River Critical Area,
19 the Mississippi National River and Recreation Area (MNRRA), and the Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife
20 Refuge Important Bird Area, and;
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22 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that designated Parks and Recreation staff be given permission to seek CPL
23 funding on behalf of the City.
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	Yeas	Nays	Absent
Bostrom	✓		
Carter	✓		
Harris			✓
Helgen	✓		
Lantry	✓		
Stark	✓		
Thune	✓		
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Adopted by Council: Date 10/28/09

Adoption Certified by Council Secretary

By: *[Signature]*

Approved by Mayor: Date 10/29/09

By: *[Signature]*

Requested by Department of:
Parks and Recreation

By: *[Signature]*

Approved by the Office of Financial Services

By: *[Signature]*

Approved by City Attorney

By: *[Signature]*

Approved by Mayor for Submission to Council

By: *[Signature]*



IN REPLY REFER TO:

United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
Mississippi National River and Recreation Area
111 E. Kellogg Blvd., Ste. 105
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-1256

CONSERVATION PARTNERS LEGACY GRANT PROGRAM PARTNER COMMITMENT LETTER

What is the name of the project that you are contributing to, and who is the applicant?

Saint Paul Oak Woodland Enhancement: City of Saint Paul, Department of Parks and Recreation

What is the name of your organization (private landowners use "Private Landowner")?

Mississippi National River and Recreation Area (MNRRA), National Park Service

When will you make the contribution? From the date of grant execution through June 2012.

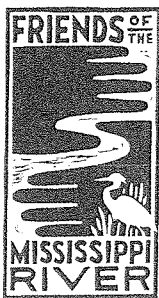
What is the value of your contribution and how did you determine the value? Does the contribution have a non-state origin? Founded on recent volunteer involvement in the MNRRA corridor, through our existing partnership with Parks and Recreation, the NPS anticipates providing approximately 4,000 in-kind, community volunteer hours. Based on the CPL grant in-kind rate sheet, these general labor volunteer services would be valued at \$13.00 per hour, for a total of approximately \$50,000 in non-state, in-kind labor.

Signature:

Printed Name, Title, and Affiliation:

Paul Labovitz, Superintendent
Mississippi National River and Recreation Area
National Park Service
Suite 105, 111 Kellogg Blvd East
Saint Paul, MN 55101-1256

Date Signed: 10/27/09



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CONSERVATION PARTNERS LEGACY GRANT PROGRAM PARTNER COMMITMENT LETTER

What is the name of the project that you are contributing to, and who is the applicant?

Saint Paul Oak Woodland Enhancement: City of Saint Paul, Department of Parks and Recreation

What is the name of your organization (private landowners use "Private Landowner")?
Friends of the Mississippi River

When will you make the contribution? From the date of grant execution through June 2012.

What is the value of your contribution and how did you determine the value? Does the contribution have a non-state origin?

FMR will contribute \$8,000 in non-state, in-kind staff support and materials. These funds come from local watershed organizations and private sources, and will be used to coordinate volunteer restoration activities within the identified oak woodland sites in partnership with St. Paul Parks and Rec.

FMR anticipates providing approximately 300 in-kind, community volunteer hours. Based on the CPL grant in-kind rate sheet, these general labor volunteer services would be valued at \$13.00 per hour, for a total of approximately \$3,900 in non-state, in-kind labor.

Signature:

Printed Name, Title, and Affiliation:

Whitney Clark, Executive Director
Friends of the Mississippi River
Suite 400
360 North Robert Street
Saint Paul, MN 55101

Date Signed:

10/30/09

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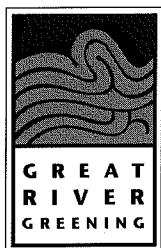
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**CONSERVATION PARTNERS LEGACY GRANT PROGRAM
PARTNER COMMITMENT LETTER**

What is the name of the project that you are contributing to, and who is the applicant? Saint Paul Oak Woodland Enhancement: City of Saint Paul, Department of Parks and Recreation

What is the name of your organization (private landowners use "Private Landowner")? Great River Greening

When will you make the contribution? From the date of grant execution through June 2012.



What is the value of your contribution and how did you determine the value? Does the contribution have a non-state origin? Founded on recent volunteer involvement in the MNRRA corridor, through our existing partnership with Parks and Recreation, Great River Greening anticipates providing approximately 100 in-kind, community volunteer hours. Based on the CPL grant in-kind rate sheet, these general labor volunteer services would be valued at \$13.00 per hour, for a total of approximately \$1,300 in non-state, in-kind labor. In addition, we anticipate an in-kind contribution of staff time valued at \$2,000, funded with non-state money. Great River Greening's total in-kind contribution should approach \$3,300.

Signature: *Deborah Karasov*

Printed Name, Title, and Affiliation:

Deborah Karasov
Executive Director
Great River Greening
35 West Water Street
Suite 201
Saint Paul, MN 55107

Date Signed: *November 2, 2009*

*restoring the land,
renewing communities*

Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Application

Additional Project Sites Form

Project name: Saint Paul Oak Woodland Enhancement

Organization: City of Saint Paul, Department of Parks and Recreation

Organization contact person (Project Manager): Adam Robbins

Project Site #4, if needed

Project site: Cherokee Regional Park

Project site land manager Legal : T28N R23W S12 QSE

or easement holder: City of Saint Paul

Private land owner County: Ramsey

(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: 18.5 ☒ Acres ☐ Miles ☐ Feet ☐ Structures ☐ Wetlands

Project Site #5, if needed.

Project site: Indian Mounds Regional Park

Project site land manager Legal : T28N R22W S3 QNW

or easement holder: City of Saint Paul

Private land owner County: Ramsey

(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: 25 ☒ Acres ☐ Miles ☐ Feet ☐ Structures ☐ Wetlands

Project Site #6, if needed

Project site: Highwood Nature Preserve

Project site land manager Legal : T28N R22W S14 QNE

or easement holder: City of Saint Paul

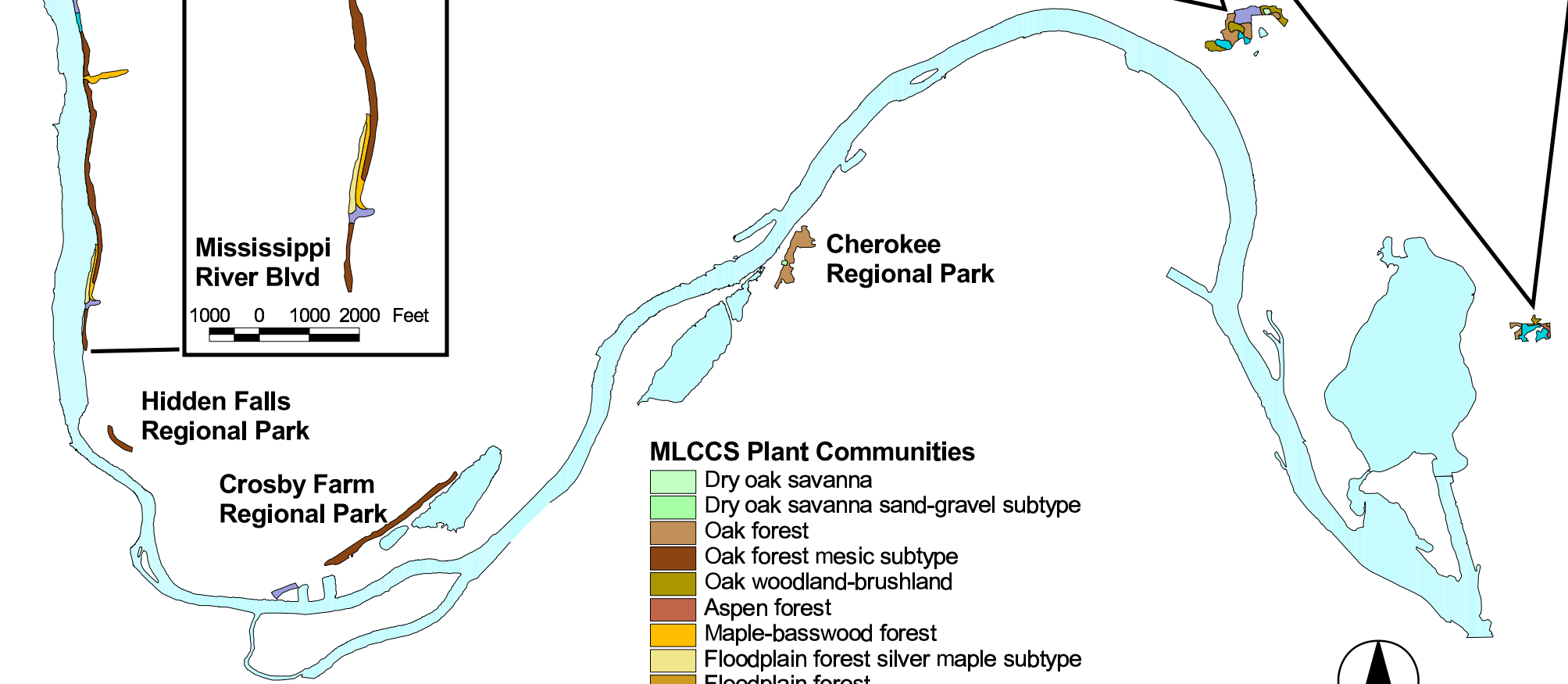
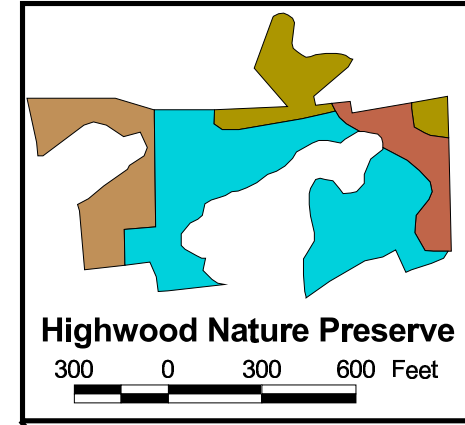
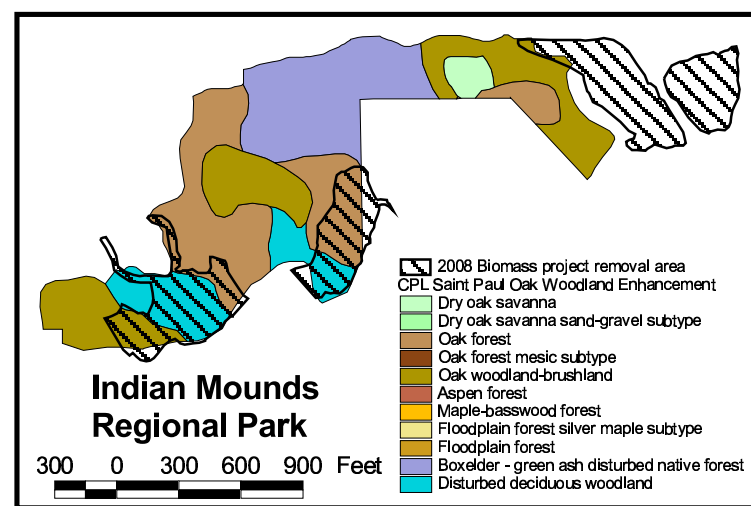
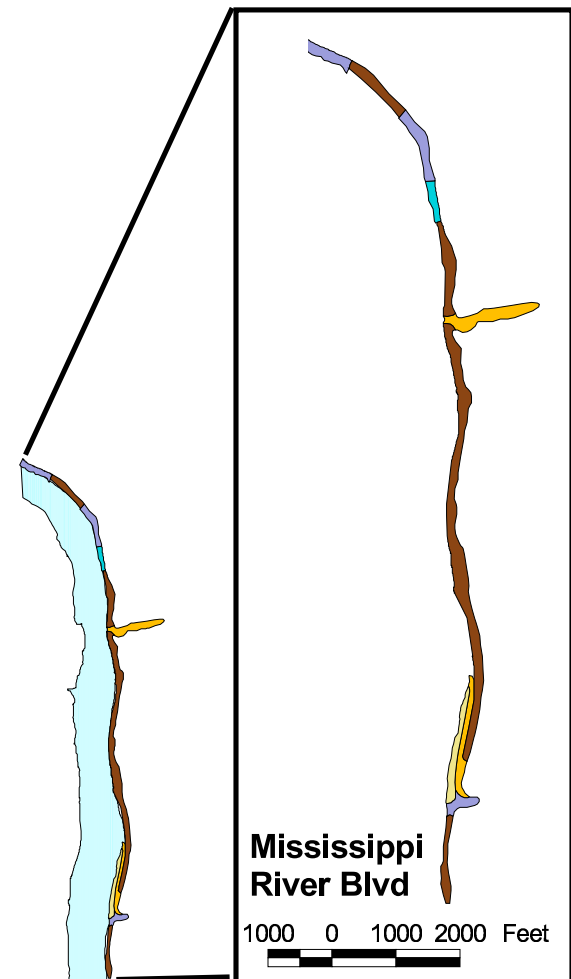
Private land owner County: Ramsey

(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: 12 ☒ Acres ☐ Miles ☐ Feet ☐ Structures ☐ Wetlands



- MLCCS Plant Communities**
- Dry oak savanna
 - Dry oak savanna sand-gravel subtype
 - Oak forest
 - Oak forest mesic subtype
 - Oak woodland-brushland
 - Aspen forest
 - Maple-basswood forest
 - Floodplain forest silver maple subtype
 - Floodplain forest
 - Boxelder - green ash disturbed native forest
 - Disturbed deciduous woodland
 - Water

Saint Paul Oak Woodland Enhancement
 City of Saint Paul Department of Parks and Recreation
 November 3, 2009

