

CPL Applications

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Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Application**CPL1000123****Spreadsheet****Name and Contact**

Project Identifier:	CPL1000123	Street Address 1:	P.O. Box 202
Project Name:	Maple River WMA	Street Address 2:	
Organization Name:	MN Pheasants Inc.	City:	Good Thunder
Organization Website:		State:	MN
Organization Contact Person:	Scott Anderson	Zip Code:	56037
Contact Email:	scott@hickorytech.net		
Contact Phone:	507.549.3151		

Location

Primary County:	Blue Earth
Nearest City:	
Township:	
Project Site Name:	Maple River WMA
Project Site Land Ownership:	State
Other Land Ownership:	

Project Information

Primary Activity:	Restoration
Primary Habitat Type:	Prairie
Total Project Acres:	25
Total Project Sites:	1
Total Grant Amount Requested:	\$6250
Total Match Amount:	\$2900
Total Project Cost:	\$9150
Project Completion Date:	12/2011 (MM/YYYY)
Project Summary and Outcomes:	Project will remove woody vegetation and convert cool season non-native vegetation to native grass and forbs.

Attachments

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

Contact information

Project name:	Maple River WMA Native Grass/Forb Restoration
Organization:	Minnesota Pheasants Inc. - Blue Earth County Chapter
Organization contact person (Project Manager):	Scott Anderson

Project information

Project site:	Maple River Wildlife Management Area				
Project site land manager	Legal :	T106N	R27W	S23	QSE1/4
or easement holder:	Stein Innvaer-Asst. Area Wildlife Manager, MN DNR				
Private land owner	County:	Blue Earth			
(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 #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

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

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

This project seeks to enhance 25 acres of grassland on the Maple River WMA. This site is currently vegetated with cool season non-native grasses with scattered trees and shrubs. There is a restored wetland adjacent to the project site and an additional 120 plus acres of restored native grasslands that were also planted by MN Pheasants Inc. of Blue Earth County. Our project plan is to apply Rodeo (glyphosate) herbicide in the spring following a prescribed fire carried out by MN DNR. We will then seed the area with a no-till warm season grass drill using local eco-type seed as prescribed by the enabling legislation for this grant program. The site will be mowed twice during the 2010 growing season to control weed growth and allow the native seed to germinate and become established. The warm season grass and forb seeding mix will provide ideal cover for ground nesting waterfowl and upland bird species. The seed mix includes 20 species of native forbs that will attract insects that young birds require. To further increase the attractiveness of this area for ground nesting species, our project will include the removal of trees and shrubs that serve as avian predator perches. Research has shown that several species of ground nesters will avoid or under-utilize grasslands with trees. We will contract tree removal through the Minnesota Conservation Corps (MCC). All hardwood trees and shrubs will be flush-cut using chain saws and the stubs will be treated with herbicide to control re-sprouting.

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 Dept. of Natural Resources

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

Following native grassland and forb establishment, periodic prescribed burning is required to maintain plant vigor, seed production, and control of woody encroachment.

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

DNR will accomplish this work as part of routine WMA management

- 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: Bob Kaul	Organization/ Agency: Minnesota Pheasants Inc.
Title: Board of Directors	Date: 11/3/09

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:	Stein H. Innvaer - Department of Natural Resources		
Title:	Assistant Area Wildlife Manager	Date of meeting:	10/28/09
Phone:	507.225.3572	Proposal ID #:	
Email:	stein.innvaer@dnr.state.mn.us	(assigned by agency, optional)	

PROJECT INFORMATION:

Project Name:	Maple River WMA Grassland Enhancement	Organization:	Minnesota Pheasants Inc. - Blue Earth County Chapter
Contact Person:	Bob Kaul		
Email:		Daytime Phone:	507.359.6067

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:		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:	Stein H. Innvaer
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Comments: **We were unable to meet in person on this project, but have discussed all aspects over the phone and via e-mail. MN Pheasants Inc. has a strong track record of accomplishing habitat projects in Blue Earth Co. and has worked with other grant programs (Heritage Enhancement), therefore I am confident they will be able to complete this project.**

Name:	Stein H. Innvaer	Phone:	507.225.3572
Title:	Assistant Area Wildlife Manager	Email:	stein.innvaer@dnr.state.mn.us

Additional
necessary):

Comments(including approval or denial, reasoning):

review (if

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Project Budget and Match Worksheet, Application Requirement

Project name:	Maple River WMA Native Grass/Forb Restoration		
Organization:	Minnesota Pheasants Inc. Blue Earth County Chapter		
Organization contact person (Project Manager):	Scott Anderson		

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	\$2,900.00			\$2,900.00
Grant Administration				
Administration/ Environmental Compliance				
Fee Acquisition				
Easement Acquisition				
Easement Stewardship				
Equipment/Tools/Supplies	\$6,250.00			\$6,250.00
Travel				
Additional Budget items				
Total				

DETAILS: detail the amounts listed in the above table.

Personnel Details:

Name	Title	Amount

Contract Details:

Contractor Name	Contracted Work	Amount
Minnesota Conservation Corps (MCC)	Tree removal	\$2,900.00

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
Native Grass/Forb Seed	Re-seed area following herbicide application	\$5,000.00
Seeding (\$30/acre)	Contract cost for seeding native grass and forb	\$750.00
Application of Rodeo	Kill all vegetation prior to seeding - cost includes application and cost of chemical.	\$500.00

Travel Details:

Miles	Purpose	Amount

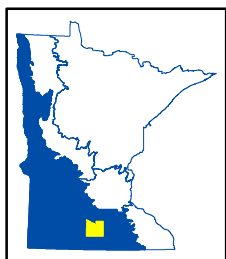
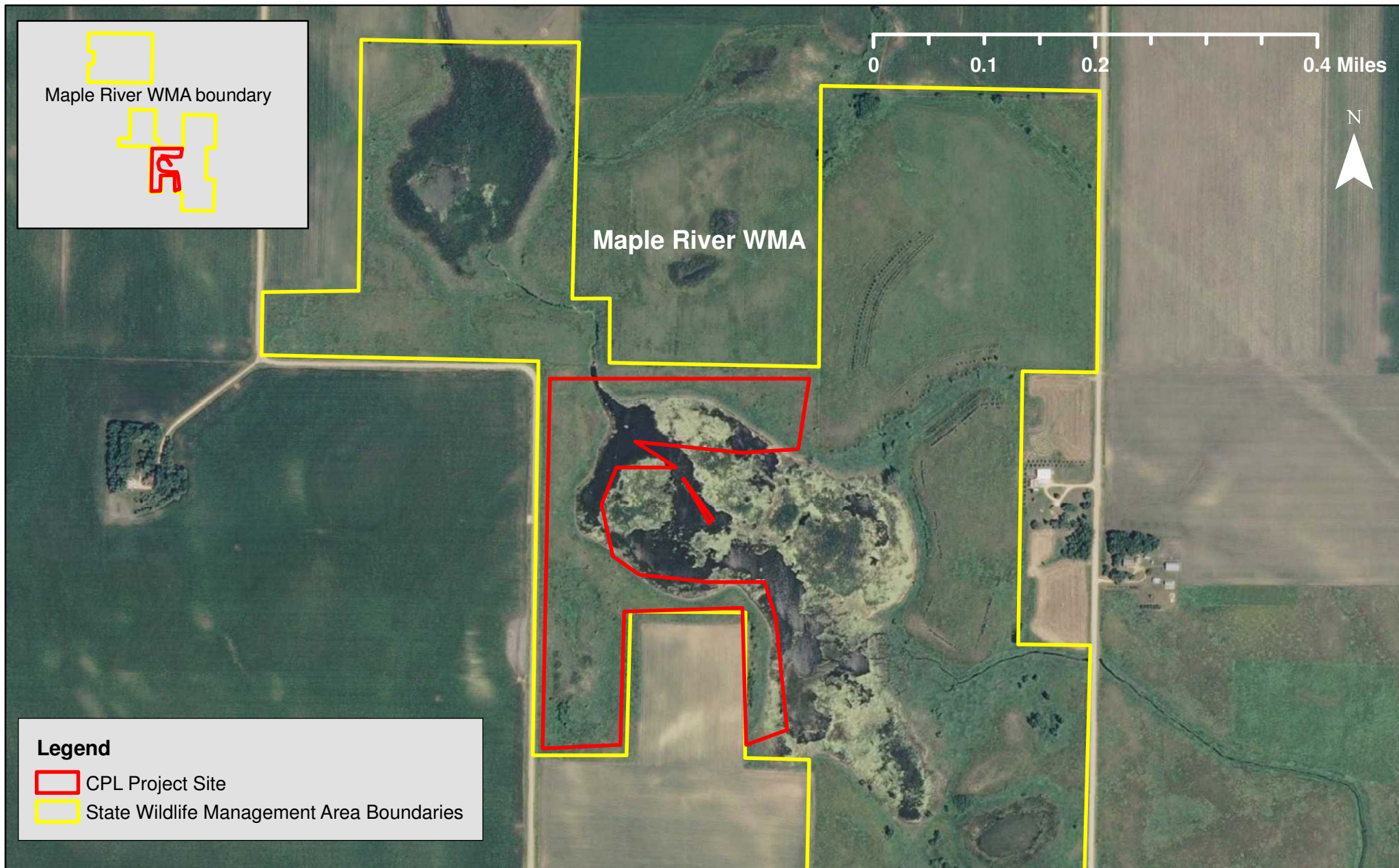
Additional Budget Items Details:

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 Pheasants Inc.	Cost of contracting 4 person MCC crew for 1 week to cut trees and shrubs on project area	\$2,900	week	\$2,900.00

Matching description/ comments: if needed

Listed MCC work for FY 2010, however this part of project can be accomplished anytime during the grant timeframe depending on availability of MCC crew.



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Blue Earth County, LSOHC Prairie Planning Section

