

**CPL Applications**

(Total to date: 129)

**Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Application****CPL1000013****Spreadsheet****Name and Contact**

Project Identifier:	CPL1000013	Street Address 1:	901 First St NE
Project Name:	MWA Pelican Lake SE WPA Restoration	Street Address 2:	
Organization Name:	Minnesota Waterfowl Association	City:	Hopkins
Organization Website:	www.mnwaterfowl.com	State:	MN
Organization Contact Person:	Adam Benker	Zip Code:	55376
Contact Email:	adam.benker@mnwaterfowl.com		
Contact Phone:	952-767-0320		

**Location**

Primary County: Wright  
 Nearest City: Buffalo  
 Township:  
 Project Site Name: Pelican Lake SE WPA  
 Project Site Land Ownership: Federal  
 Other Land Ownership:

**Project Information**

Primary Activity: Enhancement  
 Primary Habitat Type: Fish, Game or Wildlife Habitat  
 Total Project Acres: 5  
 Total Project Sites: 10  
 Total Grant Amount Requested: \$9225  
 Total Match Amount: \$1025  
 Total Project Cost: \$10250  
 Project Completion Date: 08/2010 (MM/YYYY)

Project Summary and Outcomes: We will be restoring a 4.5 acre wetland on the newly aquired WPA. We will be breaking old drain tile and replacing will perforated tile. 2 300' dikes will be built to help retain run offwater. We will be restoring an old wetland that has been drained and enhance both waterfowl habitat and other species as well.

**Attachments**

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

## Project Site Information

**Contact information**

Project name: 

MWA Pelican Lake SE WPA Restoration
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Organization: 

Minnesota Waterfowl Association
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Organization contact person (Project Manager): 

Brad Nylin
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**Project information**

Project site: 

Pelican Lake SE
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Project site land manager or easement holder: 

Legal :	T120	R24	S8	QSE
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Private land owner (if applicable): 

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County: 

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

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

Activity quantity: 

4.5
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 Acres  Miles  Feet  Structures  Wetlands

Project Site #2, if needed.

Project site: 

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Project site land manager or easement holder: 

Legal :	T	R	S	Q
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Private land owner (if applicable): 

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County: 

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

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

Activity quantity: 

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 Acres  Miles  Feet  Structures  Wetlands

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

Project site: 

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Project site land manager or easement holder: 

Legal :	T	R	S	Q
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Private land owner (if applicable): 

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County: 

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

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

Activity quantity: 

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 Acres  Miles  Feet  Structures  Wetlands

**Project timeline:**

Time frame	Goal	Time frame	Goal
Winter 2009	Planning and Preperation		
Summer 2010	Tile Replacement Build earthen dikes break old tile		

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

Description: The 3500 acre Pelican Lake has a rich history of waterfowl and waterbird use. Due to the importance of this lake to waterfowl and waterbirds the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Minnesota DNR, Ducks Unlimited, Pheasants Forever, Minnesota Waterfowl Association, and Wright County Commissioners have teamed up to take measures to protect the shoreline and improve water quality. In recent years land acquisition has been prioritized in an effort to protect the shoreline. The FWS currently owns approximately 1150 acres on the lake and DNR owns approximately 80 acres. Approximately 50% of the shoreline is now protected as public land devoted to wildlife and open to public use. Acquisition efforts continue with appraisals being completed on 3 additional tracts. Offers have been made to these landowners recently.

This large shallow lake has experienced historically high water levels in recent years which has resulted in a viable fishery. The use of this fishery has had negative impacts on many of the waterbirds and waterfowl using the lake. There are a variety of reasons the lake level has increased. There are a number of tiles and ditches that drain wetlands into the lake which has increased the amount of un-natural drainage into the lake. Additionally, the lake is nutrient rich resulting in poor water quality and increased turbidity which combined with the high water levels has had negative impacts on the submergent vegetation that is so important to waterfowl.

The proposed project will help to address these negative impacts by replacing a perforated tile with a non-perforated tile. This tile drains water through the WPA from adjacent private lands. This tile is in disrepair and has several blowouts in it. These blowouts result in additional silt loading into the lake and the perforated tile through the WPA drains water from the WPA.

After the tile is replaced, two dikes will be built that will allow storage of additional 4 acres of water on the WPA. This will result in several improvements to the lake and wildlife habitat. These include: A. Additional breeding pair habitat for waterfowl to compliment the brood habitat provided by the lake, B. Runoff into the lake will be reduced, and C. Water quality of the water draining through the tile should be improved with repair of the blowouts.

The Pelican project is located between the cities of Buffalo, Monitcello, Otsego, St. Michael, and Albertville. Due to the many natural resources offered by Pelican Lake and its proximately to the above named cities and the metro area, it gets a tremendous amount of public use. Because of this, it also recieves a great deal of public support as well as support from the County and Conservation organizations. Interest in Pelican Lake continues to grow and this will ultimately result in a large complex of public lands that will provide high quality wildlife habitat and public use oppourtunities.

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?

USFWS

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

Short Term - Replace tile, build dikes, and reseed disturbed areas.

Long term - Routine maintenance and management activities including prescribed fire and control of noxious and woody invasive plants.

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

USFWS Area office will conduct maintenance work with partners and funding will be provided by the FWS or in some cases, private funds through partners.

- 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.**

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

Project name:	MWA Pelican Lake SE WPA Restoration	
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
<b>Personnel</b>				
<b>Contracts</b>	<b>\$8,000.00</b>			<b>\$8,000.00</b>
<b>Grant Administration</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>			<b>\$250.00</b>
<b>Administration/ Environmental Compliance</b>				
<b>Fee Acquisition</b>				
<b>Easement Acquisition</b>				
<b>Easement Stewardship</b>				
<b>Equipment/Tools/Supplies</b>	<b>\$2,000.00</b>			<b>\$2,000.00</b>
<b>Travel</b>				
<b>Additional Budget items</b>				
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,250.00</b>			<b>\$10,250.00</b>

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

**Personnel Details:**

Name	Title	Amount

**Contract Details:**

Contractor Name	Contracted Work	Amount
Yet to be determined	1000' tiled layed	\$5,000.00
yet to be determined	2 earthen dikes built	\$3,000.00

**Grant Administration:**

Administrative Activity	Description/ Amount	Amount
salary	project oversight and travel	\$250.00

**Administration/ Environmental Compliance**

Activity	Description	Amount

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

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**Equipment/Tools/Supplies Details:**

Item	Use	Amount
1000' 8" HP tile	Drain Tile	\$1,500.00
culvert	tile outlet	\$100.00
Fabric	spillway	\$200.00
seed	dikes and disturbances	\$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
MWA Pelican Lake Wright County Chapter	10% cash match			\$1,025.00

**Matching description/ comments:** if needed

**The local MWA chapter will be covering the 10% match cost in cash on this project.**