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## Project Summary

### Project Name and Contact

Project Name:	<b>Seminary Fen Restoration</b>	Project Manager:	<b>Bill Monk</b>
Organization Name:	<b>City of Chaska</b>	Title:	<b>City Engineer</b>
Organization Type:	<b>Government</b>	Phone:	<b>952-448-9200</b>
Mailing Address 1:	<b>One City Hall Plaza</b>	Email:	<b>BMonk@chaskamn.com</b>
Mailing Address 2:			
City:	<b>Chaska</b>		
State:	<b>MN</b>		
Zip Code:	<b>55318</b>		

### Project Location Summary

Primary County:	<b>Carver</b>	Secondary Land
Nearest City:	<b>Chaska</b>	Ownerships:
Project Site Name:	<b>Seminary Fen</b>	
Primary Land Ownership:	<b>Local</b>	

### Project Activity Summary

Primary Activity:	<b>Restoration</b>	Primary Habitat Type:	<b>Wetland</b>
Additional Activities:		Additional Habitats:	<b>Fish, Game or Wildlife Habitat</b>
Total Project Sites:	<b>1</b>		
Total Project Acres:	<b>6</b>		

### Project Funding Summary

Total Grant Amount Requested:	<b>\$51,040</b>
Total Match Amount Pledged:	<b>\$6,380</b>
Additional Funding:	
Total Project Cost:	<b>\$57,420</b>
Estimated Project Completion Date:	<b>2013-09-27</b>

## Summary

**Seminary Fen, located on the slopes above the Minnesota River in Chaska and Chanhassen, is a high quality wetland complex that includes a rare calcareous fen, a DNR trout stream, and is home to a number of rare species. The portion of the Seminary Fen targeted for this project is a formerly farmed wetland that has been ditched and tiled. This project proposes to restore the natural hydrologic regime by rendering the tile and ditch ineffective. The project will restore the native plant community by controlling reed canary grass and re-introducing native plant species as well as restore the groundwater feeding Assumption Creek. Once completed it is expected to improve the conditions for Brook Trout in Assumption Creek which is adjacent to the propose restoration as well as Species in Greatest Conservation Need including Sedge Wren, Marsh Wren and Least Flycatcher.**

## Problem Statement

**Development along the bluffs above the fen and trout stream, degradation of adjacent plant communities, thermal impacts, and changing land uses within the watershed threaten the long**

term viability of these features. The Carver County Water Management Plan, the Lower Minnesota River Watershed District's 2004 document, "Guidance to Implementation", and the Chaska Surface Water Management Plan all support the need for this project. The project site is surrounded by sites of Outstanding Biodiversity Significance. The area has been left fallow and reed canary grass has become the dominate species. If work to remove the reed canary grass and restore this site to native vegetation is not completed the reed canary grass has the potential to spread into the adjacent areas of Outstanding Biodiversity Significance. This project is being completed to protect Assumption Creek from thermal impacts and protect the biodiversity of the adjacent high quality resource which will help support species of Greatest Conservation Need such as the Sedge Wren, Marsh Wren and Least Flycatcher.

### **Project Objectives**

Six acres of the Seminary Fen will be restored and the project will also result in mitigating thermal impacts to Assumption Creek. The portion of the Seminary Fen targeted for this project is a formerly farmed wetland that has been ditched and tiled. Currently, the ditch system receives runoff from the tiled wetland, routing water away from the Seminary Fen and directly into a main tributary to the headwaters of Assumption Creek. This project proposes to restore the natural hydrologic regime by rendering the tile and ditch ineffective in draining the wetland by partial removal and blocking of tile and ditch modifications to eliminate the man made hydrologic scope and affect on the wetland. In addition to an altered hydrologic system, the natural plant community in this wetland has been choked out by the invasive species reed canary grass. The project will restore the native plant community by controlling reed canary grass and re-introducing native plant species. Collection of seed for this project will be from City owned land adjacent to the project site to insure local ecotype seed is utilized. Restoring native vegetaion will offer further vegetative buffering protection to the Seminary Fen, protecting the Fen's native plant diversity.

### **Methods**

1. The proposed wetland restoration has been reviewed by the MNDNR staff and received preliminary approvals (see Additional Information). We will submit the necessary documentation to get final approvals from the DNR. 2. Activity: Mowing of Invasive Species Why: 1st Step to control reed canary grass. Methods and Materials: Tractor and mower. Who will complete the work: Bonestroo 3. Activity: First spray of Rodeo. Why: Necessary site prep to remove reed canary grass. Methods and Materials: Rodeo and four wheeler with boom sprayer. Who will complete the work: Bonestroo. 4. Activity: Prescribed burn or mowing. Why: Site prep for seeding. Methods and Materials: Tractor and mower, water tank, fire control equipment. Who will complete the work: Bonestroo. City Fire department. 5. Activity: Rodeo treatments. Why: Reed canary grass and invasive species control. Methods and Materials: Four wheeler with boom sprayer. Who will complete the work: Bonestroo. 6. Activity: Native Seed Installation. Why: Native seed establishment. Methods and Materials: Tractor and native seed drill. Who will complete the work: Bonestroo. 7. Activity: Tile removal/blocking and ditch grading. Why: Restore hydrology to this portion of the Seminary Fen. Methods and Materials: Grading equipment Who will complete the work: TBD. 8. Activity: Spot herbicide treatment. Why: Native seed establishment, removal of invasive species. Methods and Materials: Backpack sprayers. Who will complete the work: Bonestroo.

### **Project Timeline**

<b>Time Frame</b>	<b>Goal</b>
<b>February 2011</b>	<b>Recieved prelinary DNR approval on plan. Submit for final approval.</b>
<b>Spring 2011</b>	<b>Complete Site Survey and Construction Documents</b>
<b>Summer 2011</b>	<b>Mowing for invasive species removal and to prepare site for herbicide treatment</b>
<b>Summer 2011</b>	<b>Herbicide application to remove invasive species (primarily reed canary grass)</b>
<b>Fall 2011</b>	<b>Herbicide application to remove invasive species (primarily reed canary grass)</b>
<b>Spring 2012</b>	<b>Prescribe burn or mowing to prepare site</b>

<b>Spring/Summer 2012</b>	<b>for seeding Herbicide application for regrowth of invasive species</b>
<b>Spring/Summer 2012</b>	<b>Native seed installation for establishment</b>
<b>Spring 2013</b>	<b>Mowing Maintenance</b>
<b>Summer 2013</b>	<b>Tile removal/blocking and ditch grading - Restore Hydrology to wetland</b>
<b>Summer/Fall 2013</b>	<b>Spot herbicide treatments to control invasive species during native vegetation development</b>

Identify short and long term maintenance and management work required to sustain this project and source(s) of funding

Work needed	Who is responsible	Funding source
<b>Short Term: Mowing maintenance and spot spraying</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Grant/City</b>
<b>Long Term: Spot spraying for invasive species control</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>City</b>

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## Project Information

Answer each of the following questions in 1000 characters or less; descriptions/definitions are available in the [Criteria and Scoring Table](#).

**1. Describe the local support for this project.**

There is no opposition to this project. The Lower Minnesota Watershed District, Carver County, Carver County SWCD, MN DNR have met and are supportive of this project.

**2. Describe the degree of collaboration for this project.**

We have had meetings with the MN DNR and Lower Minnesota Watershed District and all have agreed to collaborate with the City on this project (see additional information).

**3. Describe any urgency associated with this project.**

Work to remove the reed canary grass and restore this site to native vegetation is necessary to protect the adjacent areas of Outstanding Biodiversity Significance from reed canary grass.

**4. Discuss if there are multiple benefits resulting from your project, identifying those species, habitats, etc.**

This project is expected to improve the conditions for Brook Trout in Assumption Creek which is adjacent to the proposed restoration as well as Species in Greatest Conservation Need including the Sedge Wren, Marsh Wren and Least Flycatcher. This project will also improve the overall hydrology of the Seminary Fen wetland complex.

**5. Discuss the habitat benefits resulting from your project.**

The work proposed will benefit wetland habitat by restoring hydrology and vegetation to a partially drained wetland. There will be a positive impact to the plant community by the removal of the invasive species reed canary grass and development of native vegetation.

**6. Describe how your project is consistent with sound conservation science.**

The project is supported by technical experts of the MN DNR and is consistent with sound conservation science (see additional information).

**7. Indicate if your project is adjacent to protected lands, describing those lands (ownership, public access, etc.)**

75 % of the property surrounding the project site is owned by the City of Chaska and will be protected. In addition, the MN DNR owns substantial portions of Seminary Fen (SNA) to the east and the Raguet WMA (311 acres) approximately one half mile to the east. All of these areas are adjacent to one another.

**8. Discuss if there is full funding secured for this project and the sources of funding.**

All projects have been identified and full funding has been secured for this project.

**9. Discuss if CPL Grant funds will supplement or supplant existing funding. Discuss how these CPL funds will impact your organization's current budget.**

The CPL Grant funds will supplement funding from the City. If CPL Grant Funds are not provided the project will not be possible.

**10. Describe public access at project site for hunting and fishing, identifying all open seasons.**

The project site has public access. The city owned site does not allow for hunting due to proximity to residential areas. However, the project site is at the west end of a complex of habitats that includes Raguet WMA (311 acres) that is open to public hunting. The project area is open to fishing and may provide opportunities for trout associated with Assumption Creek.

**11. Describe the sustainability of your project.**

The proposed hydrologic restoration is permanent. There will be short term maintenance of vegetation to reduce invasive weed competition with native vegetation seeded.

**12. Discuss use of native vegetation (if applicable).**

At least 25 species will be included in the seed mix. The seed will be obtained from as close to the restoration site as possible. There is the ability to collect seed for this project from City owned land adjacent to the project site to insure local ecotype seed is utilized.

**13. Discuss your budget and why it is cost effective.**

The budget is complete and appropriate. The cost per unit is reasonable when you consider how rare fen communities are in Minnesota.

**14. Describe your organization's ability to successfully complete this work, including experience in the area of interest and ability to successfully implement the proposed project. Include descriptions of your most recent grant experience and if the expected outcomes were achieved.**

The City of Chaska, with technical support from Bonestroo, has completed over 100 acres of wetland restoration that include hydrologic and vegetative restoration components similar to the Seminary Fen Project. The City has shown the ability to manage grants in the past. They have managed grants from Metropolitan Council Livable Community Program. The most recent grant was for \$240,636 and was called Block 53 (The Landing). The City was successful in providing expenditures for affordable and lifecycle housing opportunities identified within their Comprehensive Plan.

**15. Discuss how your project supports landscape level plans. Use additional sources for information if needed or available.**

Seminary Fen is one of the highest priority sites for protection and management within the Twin Cities region, and the state of Minnesota. It is a high priority for protection and management by the MN DNR SNA program, is listed as a high priority site on the Regionally Significant Ecological Areas map developed by the MN DNR. Seminary Fen supports calcareous fen and a total of 21 MCBS-mapped high quality plant communities (MCBS), 10 rare plant and animal populations, as well as the DNR trout stream, Assumption Creek. The Lower Minnesota River Watershed District (LMRWD) identifies the seminary as a "Unique Resource" and warrants special management. The 1999 Watershed Management Plan states "The LMRWD will work with the DNR and other governmental agencies to ensure that projects within the tributary watersheds of Unique Resource water resources (such as trout streams and calcareous fens) maintain the unique characteristics of the unique resource."

**16. Discuss how your project supports species plans. Use additional sources for information if needed or available.**

There are no species-specific plans currently available for individual species of wildlife or plants identified at this site.

**17. Discuss how your project conforms to the Statewide Conservation and Preservation Plan.**

The Seminary Fen wetland complex is mapped as an area of "high vulnerability" (Table H16, pg. 53) and falls within an area called out in the SCPP as: "Focus protection on the critical lands the SCPP has identified by township (Figure H16)" (Pg. 66). This proposed project also conforms with and is supported by the SCPP Habitat Recommendation 5 (pg. 80): "Restore land, wetlands, and wetland-associated watersheds" with the following "Description of recommended action. Minnesota must invest in prioritized areas to restore degraded and rare land features, wetlands (especially many that have been drained and converted), and watersheds associated with wetlands. This will provide benefits for wildlife, SGCN, water quality, and important ecological processes."

**18. Discuss how your project conforms to the State Wildlife Action Plan (if applicable).**

This project would be considered restoration of a non-forested wetland within the Big Woods ECS Subsection according to the framework established in the SWG. It provides probable habitat for a minimum of a minimum of 10 wildlife species listed as SGCN. Within the Big Woods region, non-forested wetlands ranked the highest for providing

habitat for specialist species (Figure A/B, pg. 75) and therefore high priority for management and restoration.

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## Budget Information

### Organization's Fiscal Contact Information

Name:	<b>Bill Monk</b>	Street Address 1:	<b>One City Hall Plaza</b>
Title:	<b>City Engineer</b>	Street Address 2:	
Email:	<b>bmonk@chaska.net</b>	City:	<b>Chaska</b>
Phone:	<b>(952) 227-7525</b>	State:	<b>MN</b>
		Zip Code:	<b>55318</b>

### Budget Subtotals

Budget Item	Grant	Match	Total		
Personnel					
Contracts	\$40,560	\$6,380	\$46,940		
Fee Acquisition with PILT					
Fee Acquisition without PILT					
Easement Acquisition					
Easement Stewardship				In-kind Total	Cash Total
Travel (in-state)				\$0	\$7,880
Professional Services					
DNR Land Acquisition Cost					
Equipment/Tools/Supplies	\$10,480		\$10,480		
Additional Budget Items					
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$51,040</b>	<b>\$6,380</b>	<b>\$57,420</b>		

### Details

#### Contracts

Contractor Name	Contracted Work	Amount	Grant/Match	In-kind/Cash
<b>Bonestroo</b>	<b>DNR Approval/ Fen Plan</b>	<b>\$2,500</b>	<b>Grant</b>	
<b>TBD</b>	<b>Tile blocking and grading</b>	<b>\$16,560</b>	<b>Grant</b>	
<b>Bonestroo</b>	<b>Invasive removal- site prep</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>	<b>Grant</b>	<b>Cash</b>
<b>Bonestroo</b>	<b>site Prep- mowing</b>	<b>\$1,800</b>	<b>Grant</b>	
<b>Bonestroo</b>	<b>Rx burn</b>	<b>\$4,500</b>	<b>Grant</b>	
<b>Bonestroo</b>	<b>Herbicide application x3</b>	<b>\$3,600</b>	<b>Grant</b>	
<b>Bonestroo</b>	<b>Native seeding</b>	<b>\$1,800</b>	<b>Grant</b>	
<b>Bonestroo</b>	<b>Construction oversight</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>	<b>Grant</b>	
<b>Bonestroo</b>	<b>Mowing x3- maintenance</b>	<b>\$3,600</b>	<b>Grant</b>	
<b>Bonestroo</b>	<b>Spot spray x3- maintenance</b>	<b>\$2,700</b>	<b>Grant</b>	
<b>City of Chaska</b>	<b>Tile Blocking and grading</b>	<b>\$6,380</b>	<b>Match</b>	<b>Cash</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>Grant: \$40,560 Match: \$6,380</b>	<b>Total: \$46,940</b>		

#### Equipment/Tools/Supplies

Item	Purpose	Amount	Grant/Match	In-kind/Cash
<b>Local ecotype seed</b>	<b>Restoration</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>Grant</b>	
<b>Herbicide</b>	<b>Site prep/ maintenance</b>	<b>\$480</b>	<b>Grant</b>	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>Grant: \$10,480 Match: \$0</b>	<b>Total: \$10,480</b>		





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## Site Information

\*you may group your project sites together as long as land ownership, activity and habitat information is the same for the land manager

### Land Manager

Name:

**Bill Monk**

Phone:

**(952) 227-7525**

Organization:

**City of Chaska**

Email:

**BMonk@chaskamn.com**

Title:

**City Engineer**

### Site Information

Land Ownership:

**Local**

Acres:

**6**

Site Name(s):

**Seminary Fen**

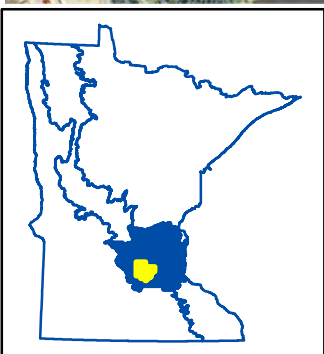
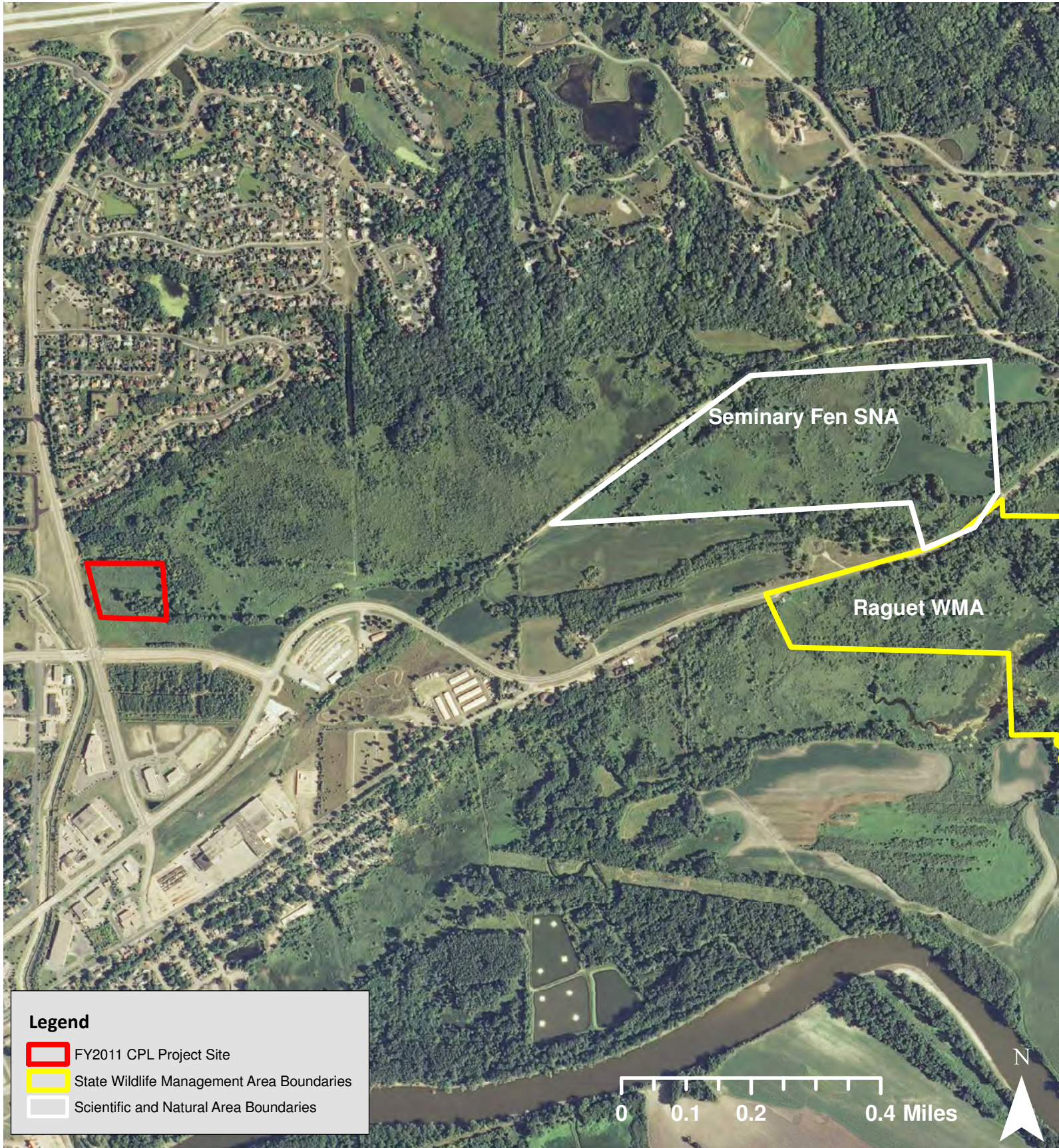
Click here to [View Site Map](#)

Activity:

**Restoration**

Habitat:

**Wetland**



**CPL FY11-051  
 Seminary Fen Restoration  
 City of Chaska  
 Carver County  
 LSOHC Metro Urbanizing  
 Area Planning Section**



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## Project Review and Approval

A Project Review and Approval Form must be completed by each Land Manager named within the Site Info tab and Land Managers only need to complete one form for all sites they manage. Submitting this form fulfills the following requirements:

- Provides the results of the Natural Heritage Database Review,
- Allows for technical review of the project by the Land Manager, and
- Verifies that the public agency approves the work to be done (or acquisition) on land they manage.

You, as the applicant, are responsible for meeting with the Land Manager and receiving a completed Project Review and Approval Form. This form must contain an original signature from the Land Manager and you must upload it below as a PDF.

Each project will require at least one Project Review and Approval form. You may attach up to 4 forms on this page, but if you need more room you may attach up to three more on the "Additional Info" tab. If your project is working under 3 Land Managers, you must receive and submit a form from each manager.

No late Project Review and Approval Forms will be accepted. Applications lacking any necessary approval forms will be deemed incomplete and not considered for funding.

**Answer the following questions, then attach the form(s)**

No **Natural Heritage** elements were found within my project site(s):

**Project Review and Approval Forms**

Uploaded Form 1

# CPL Project Review and Approval Form

## REVIEWER INFORMATION:

Land manager/ easement holder name:	Matt Podhradsky
Agency:	City of Chaska
Title:	City Administrator
Phone:	952-448-9200
Email:	matt@chaska.mn.com

## PROJECT INFORMATION:

Project Name:	Seminary Fen Restoration
Contact Person:	Bill Monk
Organization:	City of Chaska
Email:	bmonk@chaska.mn.com

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 listed the features below and recommended the following minimization strategy:

Bonestroo (assisting city with application) holds a data license agreement with the MN DNR for Natural Heritage Database data. Bonestroo performed a search for features within [REDACTED] of the site and found the following rare species and high quality natural communities. If multiple occurrences were recorded for a species, it is noted in parentheses behind the particular species or plant community type. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] The project site is drained (tiled and ditched) wetland dominated by nonnative vegetation in an area that was historically likely part of the larger Seminary Fen complex. This project supports increasing the buffer quality and available habitat for species and high quality plant communities listed above. Restoration of hydrology within the project area is likely to restore historic hydrologic conditions and therefore those [REDACTED] by MCBS, and therefore likely to improve the long-term stability of plant communities and wildlife habitat found within immediately adjacent MCBS sites.

- 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.

## CPL Project Review and Approval Form

I do not have access to the Natural Features database and will forward this completed form to DNR by Friday, August 27<sup>th</sup> 2010 to CPL Staff at LSCPLGrants.DNR@state.mn.us to complete the Natural Heritage 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.

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.

## CPL Project Review and Approval Form

**For Acquisitions Only:**

- This project is for an acquisition to be transferred to a public agency by applicant:
- I have discussed any required Initial Development (facilities, habitat, etc.) work that is required before the transfer with the applicant.
  - I have discussed all applicable costs of those developments and what party is responsible for those costs.

**Complete the following cost tables (required work to bring to agency standards).**

Habitat Development	# Acres	Cost/ Acre	Total	Funding Source	Applicant is responsible for:
Prairie Grassland					Choose
Forest/ Woody Cover					Choose
Wetland					Choose
<b>Totals</b>					

Facility Development	Cost	Funding Source	Applicant is responsible for:
Boundary Survey			Choose
Posting/ Fencing			Choose
Wood Routed Sign			Choose
Access Roads and Trails			Choose
User Facilities, Access, Parking Lots			Choose
Well Sealing/ Site Clean-up			Choose
<b>Total</b>			

**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:	Matt Podhradsky	Phone:	952-448-9200
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By checking this box and signing 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. I understand I must provide this document as a PDF with my original signature on it to the applicant to submit a complete application.

Name: 

Date: 9-14-10

Comments:

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## Additional Information

**List any additional details about your project here. Include your organization's history or charter to receive private contributions for local conservation or habitat projects. This is not required.**

On August 18, 2010 the City of Chaska met with the Doug Norris, Ellen Fuge, Hannah Texler of the MN DNR and Terry Schwalbe of the Lower MN Watershed District regarding the City of Chaska restoration project within the Seminary Fen. The above referenced MN DNR staff is supportive of the effort to restore the historic ecological and hydrologic function of the Seminary Fen at this location. They indicated that they would be a partner on this project with the City and other governmental entities and provided preliminary approval. Final approval will be received after grant is secured. This project was reviewed with the Area Hydrologist and found not to be a protect water (see attached e-mails).

## Supplemental Documents

If you / your project does not need to upload any of these documents, you may leave these upload boxes empty.

Upload additional information here, limited to Partner Commitment Letters, Letters of Support, Easement information, etc. You may email easement information only if it exceeds size limit while trying to submit the application; all other supporting documentation must be uploaded. Reference CPL Application # and name when emailing (provided upon application submission) or your email will be returned. Send emails to [LSCPLGrants.DNR@state.mn.us](mailto:LSCPLGrants.DNR@state.mn.us)

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## Smyth, John R

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**From:** Gleason, John (DNR) [John.Gleason@state.mn.us]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 09, 2010 2:17 PM  
**To:** Smyth, John R  
**Subject:** RE: Seminary Fen Restoration Chaska

John,

Thanks for the information. I have reviewed the proposed project information and no DNR Public Waters Work permit is needed as no direct impact to a Public Water is proposed, so therefore DNR Waters does not have jurisdiction for the project.

Regards,  
Jack

John (Jack) Gleason  
DNR Waters Area Hydrologist - West Metro  
1200 Warner Road St. Paul, MN 55106  
651-259-5754  
Note new email address [John.Gleason@state.mn.us](mailto:John.Gleason@state.mn.us)

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**From:** Smyth, John R [mailto:John.Smyth@bonestroo.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 09, 2010 1:50 PM  
**To:** Gleason, John (DNR)  
**Subject:** FW: Seminary Fen Restoration Chaska

### John Smyth

Associate  
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[john.smyth@bonestroo.com](mailto:john.smyth@bonestroo.com)



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**From:** Smyth, John R  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 09, 2010 1:48 PM  
**To:** 'Jack.gleason@dnr.state.mn.us'  
**Cc:** bmonk@chaskamn.com  
**Subject:** Seminary Fen Restoration Chaska

Jack,

We are working on a wetland restoration in a portion of a wetland that is part of the Seminary Fen complex. There is a ditch that extends from our proposed wetland restoration to Assumption Creek. We will be blocking tile and putting in ditch blocks to restore the hydrology of the 6 acre wetland as shown on the attached exhibit. We will be applying for a grant to do this work. If this work is considered to be done in a protect water or wetland we will need you to fill out and sign the attached project review form.



Please give me a call or respond by e-mail when you get a chance.

Thanks,

John

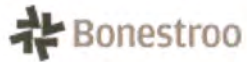
**John Smyth**

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# Conservation Partners Legacy Grants - Online Applications

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## Final Application Submission

This completes your CPL Grant Application. Please take the time to revisit the previous sections and make sure you have entered everything completely and correctly. Once you hit the submit button below, you will not be able to return to this application to make changes.

**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 certify 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 certify this organization to have the financial capability to compete this project and that it will comply with all applicable laws and regulations.**

**I certify that all of the information contained in the application is correct as of the time of the submission. If anything should change, I will contact CPL Grant Staff immediately to make corrections.**

**I certify that if funded I will give consideration to and make timely written contact to Minnesota Conservation Corps or its successor for consideration of possible use of their services to contract for restoration and enhancement services. I will provide CPL staff a copy of that written contact within 10 days after the execution of my grant, should I be awarded.**

**I certify that I am aware at least one Project Review and Approval form is required for every application and I must submit all completed forms by uploading them into this application. I have attached one form as necessary for each different Land Manager within my project.**

**I am aware that by typing my name in the box below, I am applying my signature to this online document.**

Signature:

**Bill Monk**

Organization / Agency:

**City of Chaska**

Title:

**City Engineer**

Date:

**2010-09-15**

Conservation Partners Legacy Grant Program  
 FY2011 Technical Review Comments and Scoring, Regional and Divisional Directors Comments

Proj ID	Organization Name	Project Name	Technical Review Committee Scoring Comments	Amount Requested	Score	Technical Review Committee Final Rank Comments	Regional Comments	Meets Regional Plan?	Rank	Region	Division Director's Comments
51	City of Chaska	Seminary Fen Restoration	Calcareous fens rare--restore, acquire any time! Brook trout are native-good. Well written grant. Has lots favorable components. Controlling reed canary is tough, time consuming, long-term project. Cost/acre high? Tough to calculate here with activities, pretty reasonable. This work will enhance other features not being worked on. Is large, one fen in state, also in metro. Public land.	\$51,040	150	#5 recommended, wetland committee	Plan developed for maintenance of Fen area, has DNR preliminary approval for project, good local partnership working in collaboration with SNA staff to further buffer and improve quality of SNA. Rank #1/12	Y	H	3	Good project, high priority work.

	1)Amount of Habitat	2)Local Support	3)Degree of Collaboration	4)Urgency	5)Multiple Benefits	6)Habitat Benefits	7)Sound Conservation Science	8)Adjacent to Protected Lands	9)Full Funding of Project	10)Supplants Existing Funding	11)Public Access for Hunting and Fishing	12)Sustainability
	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.00	10.00
	7.00	7.00	8.00	5.00	7.00	9.00	4.00	9.00	6.00	7.00	5.00	8.00
	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	8.00	7.00	9.00	8.00	9.00	7.00	7.00	6.00
	5.00	10.00	8.00	3.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	4.00	7.00	10.00	1.00	8.00
	8.00	8.00	9.00	8.00	9.00	9.00	8.00	10.00	9.00	8.00	8.00	7.00
<b>AVERAGES</b>	<b>7.00</b>	<b>8.00</b>	<b>8.20</b>	<b>6.40</b>	<b>8.20</b>	<b>8.40</b>	<b>7.60</b>	<b>8.20</b>	<b>8.20</b>	<b>8.40</b>	<b>5.80</b>	<b>7.80</b>

**TOTAL SCORE 149.60**

<b>13)Use of Native Plant Materials</b>	<b>14)Budget and Cost Effectiveness</b>	<b>15)Capacity to Successfully Complete Work</b>	<b>16)Supports Existing Landscape Level Plans</b>	<b>17)Supports Species Plans</b>	<b>18)Conforms to Statewide Conservation and Preservation Plan</b>	<b>19)Conforms to State Wildlife Action Plan</b>
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7.00	7.00	7.00	8.00	7.00	6.00	5.00
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9.00	8.00	9.00	10.00	10.00	9.00	8.00
<b>8.00</b>	<b>7.60</b>	<b>8.40</b>	<b>8.80</b>	<b>8.60</b>	<b>8.20</b>	<b>7.80</b>