



Greenprint Wetland Management Plan

Progress Report
2013

2012 CLEAN WATER FUND ACCELERATED IMPLEMENTATION GRANT

DETAILS SUMMARY

Comprehensive Wetland Protection and Management

Identifying, assessing and prioritizing wetlands for protection and restoration is a priority in the local water management plan. A Clean Water Fund grant is being used to develop a *Comprehensive Wetland Protection and Management Plan* in accordance with Minnesota Rules 8420.0830 .

project partners are the WCA LGUs (Blue Earth County and City of Mankato) and the SWCD. Technical partners include the BWSR, DNR, MPCA, US Fish & Wildlife Service, and ACE. Stakeholder partners include local representatives from agriculture, land development, recreation groups, and interested citizens.

Project Outcomes

- ⇒ Select and prioritize wetland restoration and replacement sites.
- ⇒ Prioritize existing wetlands for protection.
- ⇒ Involve representatives of broad interests in public participation process.
- ⇒ Complete draft plan by end of 2014.
- ⇒ Incorporate results into 2015 local water management plan update.

Wetland Plan Steps

- ⇒ Classify wetlands based on an inventory, assessment of functions, landscape position, and public value.
- ⇒ Inventory and prioritize replacement sites based on analysis of types and location to provide desired functions and benefit the watershed from a landscape perspective.

Wetland Plan Partners

The plan can be used by any organization or individual. The main

Project Coordinator

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Grant - \$136,000

\$32,206.02 spent through December 31, 2013
Consultant completed 75 MnRAM assessments

Local Match - \$28,000

\$24,774.00 spent through December 31, 2013
Local staff time



Results 2013

- ⇒ 75 MnRam Assessments completed
- ⇒ 2 Technical Committee workshops
- ⇒ 2 meetings with BWSR wetland staff
- ⇒ 20 project planning committee meetings