

Semi-annual Report Information

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Watershed Semi-Annual Report for Reporting Year 2017

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Please complete and submit to your project manager. ☐ July 1 through December 31 (Due February 1) All information is required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA). Do not leave blanks (unless otherwise noted). This report form can be typed using your computer. Use the "tab" key to move through the fields of this form. Enter responses using text and check boxes as indicated. Keep a copy for your records. **General Report Information** Project title: Lac qui Parle River WRAPS Project Phase II Project sponsor (Grantee): Lac qui Parle - Yellow Bank Watershed District 2. Contact name: Mitch Enderson 3. E-mail address: mitch.enderson@lqpco.com Funding: 319 CWP CWP Loan Clean Water Fund Other: Contract number: 100258 6. 7. MPCA Project Manager: Katherine Pekarek - Scott Effective date (mm/dd/yyyy): 10/19/2015 Expiration date (mm/dd/yyyy): 6/30/2019

Project activities completed during last six (6) months according to the program objectives or tasks (please be specific):

Objective 1: Community Outreach: Task A. TEAM Coordination. TEAM meeting was held on March 14, 2017. TEAM discussed current data inventory/needs along with preliminary ACPF (Agricultural Conservation Planning Framework) modeling results. Also discussed at meeting was plan to have consultant author Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategies report and who TEAM would prefer to do it. TEAM was also informed of upcoming Professional Judgement Group meeting with watershed assessments and asked for their preferred meeting format.

Task B. Public Participation and Education. Rain barrel installation events involved local students and citizens in opportunities to learn about ways to reduce treated water use while conserving rainwater and providing a healthier option for gardens. The events also allowed for decoration of the barrels and photos were posted to the watershed Facebook page. Three running rain barrels were installed in the community, and a drawing for a free rain barrel for a citizen was part of each event.

A watershed sponsored canoe/kayak trip was held on June 29. The group paddled upstream from Veterans' Park in Dawson, MN on the West Branch of the LqP River before coming back downstream followed by a grilled lunch and ice cream cooked by the watershed. The trip was a little over 2.5 river miles and drew around a dozen participants.

Watershed coordinator attended multiple public meetings including annual corn & soybean growers' meeting, annual joint township meeting, and Kiwannis club meeting. Coordinator spoke about watershed and current WRAPS status at joint township meeting and Kiwannis club meeting.

Coordinator has been on local radio program 3 times in 2017 to discuss upcoming events and current happenings.

Objective 2: Data Collection and Analysis: Task A. Watershed Inventories. Coordinator and local partners have worked on modeling potential conservation practices through the use of ACPF tool. Coodinator also spent time accumulating data watershed currently has into one GIS map to help watershed with multiple office duties.

Task B. Stressor Identification. Coordinator met with MPCA to develop plan for stressor identification monitoring. Coordinator began monitoring in May. MPCA staff completed June monitoring, and coordinator will continue in July. Monitoring pictures and data sheets were submitted to stressor identification lead staff.

Objective 3: Project Coordination: Quarterly invoices submitted. Watershed Coordinator met with Houston Engineering and project manager to discuss plans for having Houston author WRAPS report. Coordinator worked with project manager to complete two small change orders related to new stressor identification monitoring plans.

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	Wate	ershed Facebook page created.					
	ACP	ACPF modeling results.					
	Rain Barrel Informational Pamphlets for installation events.						
	Yello	ow Medicine County Terrain Ana	lysis.				
3.	Chal	Challenges faced (optional):					
	Keeping partnering agencies involved and engaged in public participation efforts. Majority of Education committee retired and a lack of staff at partnering agencies willing to replace them for outreach activities has been a problem.						
4.	Summary of monitoring data collected (if applicable):						
	Stressor Identification monitoring started in first half of 2016. Data will be used to determine problem areas and sources of potential pollution to assist in developing Restoration and Protection Strategies.						
	4a.	Have all monitoring stations	been established in EQ	QuIS? ☐ Yes ☐ No ⊠ N/A			
	4b.	Are the data being routinely s	ubmitted for storage int	to EQuIS?			
		If yes, last submittal date (mm/d	d/yyyy):				
5.	Are	he Best Management Practices data being annually entered into eLINK)? Yes No N/A					
		If yes, date last entered (mm/dd/yyyy):					
6.	Describe specific (quantifiable, if possible) results achieved during this period: NA						
		Phosphorus Load Reduction:	NA	lbs./year			
		Nitrogen Load Reduction:	NA	lbs./year			
		Sediment Load Reduction:	NA	lbs./year			
7.	Did	I the MPCA execute a change of	order or amendment for	r this project during this reporting period? No \Box Yes $oxtimes$]		
	If y	If yes, summarize those changes:					
				n intern were moved to Objective 2 Task B for shipping ation monitoring in early February.			
		\$40 of funds listed for shipping c creased and monitoring probe ma		order transferred to SID supplies as number of shipments we eneeded.	re		
8	Lis	t anticipated program objectiv	es or tasks to be comp	eleted during the next six (6) months please be specific):			
	-	Objective 1: Community Outreach:					
	disc	cuss upcoming PTMAPP (Prioriti	ze, Target, and Measure	e a TEAM meeting to update on completed ACPF modeling and splication) modeling being performed for the watershed. WaPS report and what is expected of local partners from Housto	√ill		
	Task B: Public Participation: Coordinator will continue to explore potential community events to hold in fall and winter. He is planning to participate in environmental fair in Marshall, MN in September. Coordinator will also continue with radio show and updates on Facebook page to stay engaged with public. Will also attend any additional public meetings as requested to share information. Coordinator would also like to spend time in fall developing and installing interpretive signs throughout watershed.						
	Cor			lize, coordinator will attempt to redevelop a core for Education inities for outreach as well as ideas for improvement and more			
	Objective 2: Data Collection and Analysis:						
	Eng		ed to perform PTMAPP m	s to finish ACPF modeling. He will also assist Houston nodeling. Coordinator is also working to develop GIS ditch lay	/er		

2. List all products (documents, pamphlets, videos, maps, etc.) produced in this reporting period:

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SID MPCA staff as monitoring is completed.

Objective 3: Project Coordination:

Task B: Stressor Identification: Coordinator will continue to monitor for stressor identification purposes and send results to

Task A: Project Management: Coordinator will assist with needs of Houston Engineering to develop WRAPS report. Coordinator will continue to submit reimbursement quarterly requests and additional semi annual report for second half of 2017.

III. Expenditure Information for this Period

Provide a copy of your work plan budget showing cumulative expenditures and budget balances by work plan objective and task. Also, fill out the summary below.

Complete the table below:	Amount
Total Grant Amount	\$155,060.00
Total Match Amount (if applicable)	\$0.00
Total Project Amount	\$155,060.00
Grant Expenditures this period	\$3,654.83
Match Expenditures this period (if applicable)	\$0.00
Cumulative Grant Expenditures to date	\$12,283.33
Cumulative Match Expenditures to date (if applicable)	\$0.00
Total Cumulative Expenditures to date	\$12,283.33

Date form completed (mm/dd/yyyy): 7/28/2017

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