

Tentative Agenda

State Conservation Commission

Thursday, February 20, 2020

1:00 p.m. Central Time

This meeting will be held by teleconference. To access the teleconference, please use the following dial-in number: 866-410-8397. The conference code is 639-466-8372 followed by #

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conflict of Interest Disclosures 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introductions Call to Order/Election of Officers Approval of December Minutes Corrections/Approval of Past and Upcoming Travel Request for New Business to be Placed on the Agenda Code of Conduct Correspondence 	Division of Resource Conservation & Forestry Staff/Chair Commission
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Loan Report Revolving Loan Applications 	Bailey Gullikson
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grant Program/Updates/Changes/Amendments/Report 	Brian Scott
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2020 Docket 	Bill Smith
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spring Grant Round Dates (April) 	Commission
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordinated Plan for Natural Resources Conservation Update 	Bill Smith
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Division Report (if time permits) 	Bill Smith
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognition for Past Commissioners 	Bill Smith
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advisory Board Member Reports: (SD School & Public Lands, DENR, SD Game Fish & Parks, NRCS, SDSU Extension Service, SDSU Experiment Station) **Other Partners 	Advisory Board Members
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open Forum and Public Comment 	All
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Business Next Meeting location and place (March or April) Ending Remarks & Adjourn 	Chair

Additional Instructions:

**Advisory Board members are encouraged to submit a written report to Bill Smith (Bill.Smith@state.sd.us) one week prior to the meeting.

All grant amendments or loan applications need to be received by February 13.

To be included in the public record, written comments must include a full name, city of residence, and meeting the submission deadline of seventy-two hours before the public hearing (not including the day of the public hearing as per SDCL 1-26-4.6.

All commenters are required to state their name and address (city) BEFORE being allowed to speak.

This meeting is being held in a physically accessible place. Individuals needing assistance, pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, should contact the Division of Resource Conservation and Forestry (605.773.3623) at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

From 12/11/2019

State Conservation Commission Meeting Outline

December 11, 2019

Pierre, Ramkota

Call to Order: meeting called to order at 9:06 am by Chairman Doug Hansen.

Members Present:

Gerald Thaden, Bruce Haines, Doug Hansen, Gene Williams, Charlie Moe, Tom Glover, Aaron Kiesz. Mike Konechne arrived at 9:50 a.m.

Members Absent:

Wayne Bunge

Others present in person: See Attached.

Meeting Minutes:

Motion was made by Aaron Kiesz and seconded to approve the September 19, 2019 minutes as submitted. Roll call vote: Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye. **Motion carried.**

Corrections and or additions to the minutes: None

Request for new items to be placed on the agenda: None

Upcoming Travel:

Bill Smith presented a schedule of upcoming meetings to the commission.

Correspondence:

None.

Loan Review Report:

Bailey Gullikson gave the loan status report.

Loan Applications:

Butte No-Till Drill Loan- Butte requested a loan to purchase a no till drill. A motion was made by Charlie Moe seconded to approve a loan to Butte for \$40,000.00 to purchase a no till drill. Roll call vote: Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye. **Motion carried.**

Grant Deferral-Grant requested an eight-month deferral of the payment due date from November 2019 to July 2020 and subsequent payments will be due in July of future years. A motion was made by Gene Williams and seconded to approve the request. Roll call vote: Gerald Thaden-abstained; Bruce Haines-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz. **Motion carried.**

Grant No-Till Drill-Grant requested a loan to refinance their no-till drill. A motion was made by Charlie Moe and seconded to approve a loan for \$35,000 to refinance Grant's no-till drill. Roll call vote: Roll call vote: Gerald Thaden-abstained; Bruce Haines-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz. **Motion carried.**

Grant Updates Changes/Amendments/Extensions:

The Bennett Conservation District requests a one-year extension their tree planting grant (2019-CSW-003). A motion was made by Tom Glover and seconded to table this request until after the grant round. Roll call vote taken: Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz. **Motion carried.**

The Butte Conservation District requests a six-month Extension to the Open Ditch to Pipeline Grant (2019-CSW-007). A motion was made by Tom Glover and seconded to approve the six-month extension to Butte for the open ditch pipeline. Roll call vote was taken: Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye. **Motion carried.**

The Davison Conservation District requests a one-year extension to their Tree Planting Grant (2019-CSW-011) if their new tree grant is not approved. A motion was made by Charlie Moe and seconded to table this request until the grant round. Roll call vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-abstained Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye. **Motion carried**

The Hughes Conservation District requests a one-year extension on their Tree Planting Grant (2018-CSW-036). A motion was made by Charlie Moe and seconded to approve the one-year extension to Hughes. Roll call vote was taken: Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye. **Motion carried.**

The Grant Conservation District requests a six-month extension on their Cover Crop/Wind Erosion Grant (2019-CSW-043). A motion was made by Charlie and seconded to approve the six-month extension. Roll call vote was taken: Gerald Thaden-abstained Bruce Haines-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye. **Motion carried.**

The Lake Conservation District requests a one-year extension on their Soil Health Tree Planting Grant (2018-CSW-038). A motion was made by Aaron Kiesz and seconded to deny the extension request Lake Soil Health tree planting grant 2018-CSW-038. Roll call vote was taken: Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron-Kiesz-aye. **Motion carried.**

The Perkins Conservation District requests the addition of shelterbelt renovation budget category their Tree Planting Grant (2019-CSW-030). A motion was made by Gene Williams and seconded to deny this request. Roll call vote was taken; Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-

aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye. **Motion carried.**

Grant Reversions:

Motion by Charlie Moe and seconded to revert the following funds:

Clark Conservation District grant 2017-CSW-010 in the amount of \$3,039.70; Jackson Conservation District grant 2017-CSW-016 in the amount of \$18,121.44; Gregory Conservation District grant 2017-CSW-032 in the amount of \$9,556.69; Hyde Conservation District grant 2017-CSW-035 in the amount of \$257.59; Day Conservation District grant 2018-CSW-012 in the amount of \$8,558.56; Douglas Conservation District grant 2018-CSW-013 in the amount of \$5,420.59; Hanson Conservation District grant 2018-CSW-018 in the amount of \$140.75; Mellette Conservation District grant 2018-CSW-021 in the amount of \$0.01; Custer Conservation District grant 2018-CSW-031 in the amount of \$592.71; Davison Conservation District grant 2018-CSW-032 in the amount of \$10,193.13; Deuel Conservation District grant 2018-CSW-033 in the amount of \$2,500.00; and Hamlin Conservation District 2018-CSW-034 in the amount of \$18.19 for a total amount of \$58,399.36. Motion carried.

Grant Review:

2019 Fall Grant Round Review- (the following are in alphabetical order by district rather than chronologically as they were taken up)

A motion was made by Charlie Moe and seconded to deny the Beadle - Lake Osceola Improvements project. Roll call vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.** The reason for denying the grant was that the Commission would like more research done regarding the project.

A motion was made by Gene Williams and seconded to approve the Bennett-Badlands Tree planting project in the amount of \$14,044.00. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye. **Motion carried.** After the approval of the new grant, their extension requests for 2019-CSW-003 was removed from the table (by motion of Gene Williams and seconded by Mike Konechne) and denied (by motion of Gene Williams and seconded by Charlie Moe). A voice vote was taken with all voting aye. **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Aaron Kiesz and seconded to approve the Bon Homme - Trees, Renovation, and Grass project in the amount of \$20,000. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye. **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Gene Williams and seconded to approve the Butte Envirothon project in the amount of \$20,000.00. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Mike Konechne and seconded to approve the Charles Mix Brush Management project in the amount of \$30,000.00. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-abstained; Aaron Kiesz aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Mike Konechne and seconded to approve the Charles Mix Tree project in the amount of 35,000.00. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Charlie Moe and seconded to approve the Clark Cover Crop project in the amount of \$5,632. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Charlie Moe and seconded to approve the Clark Shelterbelts & Renovation project in the amount of \$15,845.64. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Gene Williams and seconded to approve the Clay Conservation Education project in the amount of \$3,000.00 Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Gerald Thaden and seconded to approve the Clay Tree-Fabric Expansion project in the amount of \$10,540.00 Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Gene Williams and seconded to approve the Davison Cover Crop Grazing project in the amount of \$40,000.00. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Charlie Moe and seconded to deny the Davison Tree Planting project in the amount of \$12,000. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-abstained; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.** The reason for the denial was because they submitted a grant extension so if the extension was approved, the new grant would be unnecessary. After the denial of the grant application, the extension request for 2019-CSW-011 was removed from the table (motion by Charlie Moe and seconded by Gene Williams) and approved. A voice vote was taken and voted aye except for Bruce Haines who abstained from voting. **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Tom Glover and seconded to approve the Day Northeast Glacial Lakes project of \$20,410. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-abstained; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike

Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-abstained; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Charlie Moe and seconded to approve the Douglas Tree Fabric Project in the amount of \$20,000. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Aaron Kiesz and seconded to approve the Hamlin SDACDE Conservation Promotion Project in the amount of \$6,200.00. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

Hamlin Tree Planting grant request in the amount of \$15,137.00 was withdrawn by the sponsor.

A motion was made by Aaron Kiesz and seconded to approve the Hanson Shelterbelts & Renovation project in the amount of \$20,000.00. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Charlie Moe and seconded to approve the Hyde-Hand Enhancement Phase #7 project in the amount of \$25,000.00. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Tom Glover and seconded to approve the Jackson Shelterbelt Establishment project in the amount of \$5,365.00. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-abstained; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Bruce Haines and seconded to approve the Jerauld Windbreak project in the amount of \$13,750.00. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Gerald Thaden and seconded to approve the Jones Shelterbelt project in the amount of \$12,891.43. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Mike Konechne and seconded to approve the Kingsbury Shelterbelts and Renovation project in the amount of \$15,000. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Aaron Kiesz and seconded to approve the McCook Shelterbelt Project in the amount of \$7,900.00. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Tom Glover and seconded to approve the McPherson Tree Project in the amount of \$20,000.00. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Gene Williams and seconded to approve the Mellette 2020 MC Tree Grant in the amount of \$8,000.00. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-abstained; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Aaron Kiesz and seconded to approve the Miner Conservation Education and Public Awareness grant in the amount of \$1,200.00. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Charlie Moe and seconded to approve the Miner Soil Health Improvements grant in the amount of \$24,721.00. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Aaron Kiesz and seconded to approve the Perkins 2020 Northwest Area Tree Planting project in the amount of \$17,390.62. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Gene Williams and seconded to approve the Todd 2020 Multi Practice Grant in the amount of \$25,000.00. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-abstained; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Gene Williams and seconded to approve the Union Conservation Education grant in the amount of \$3,000.00. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz-aye; **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Charlie Moe and seconded to approve the Union Trees and Fabric Expansion in the amount of \$10,540.00. Roll vote was taken. Gerald Thaden-aye; Bruce Haines-aye; Mike Konechne-aye; Doug Hansen-aye; Gene Williams-aye; Charlie Moe-aye; Tom Glover-aye; Aaron Kiesz; **Motion carried.**

2020 Guidelines and Priors:

No changes at this time

Coordinated Plan Update:

Bill Smith gave an update on the Coordinated Plan public meetings that have happened. A Steering committee will be put together after January 1. Gene Williams and Doug Hansen will be on this committee representing the Commission.

Locally-led Process:

Angela Ehlers gave a report on the locally led process.

SD Nutrient Research and Education Council (NREC) Nominations:

A motion was made by Charlie Moe and seconded to nominate Bruce Haines for the NREC committee. A Voice vote was taken. **Motion carried.**

SD Soil and Water Society:

Arlene Brandt-James gave a brief talk on the SD Soil and Water Society.

Reports:

Department Report - Secretary Vanneman thanked the Conservation Commission members for working so hard and being on this commission.

Bailey Gullikson gave an update on the 2020 Speech contest. The commission will get back to Bailey on who will represent the commission as a judge at the contest.

Advisory Board Member Reports: (SD School & Public Lands, DENR) SD GF&P, NRCS, SDSU Extension Service, SDSU, Other Partners, Experiment Station) ** Other Partners) If Time Allows. Handouts were given from Jeffrey Zimprich from NRCS.

New Business:

None.

Next meeting date and place: The next Conservation Commission meeting will be held in late January 2020 as a teleconference meeting.

Meeting ending time: 2:30 pm CT

CODE OF CONDUCT

Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest Policy for Use By State Authority, Board, Commission, and Committee Members

Purpose

The purpose of this code of conduct and conflict of interest policy (“Code”) is to establish a set of minimum ethical principles and guidelines for members of state authorities, boards, commissions, or committees when acting within their official public service capacity. This Code applies to all appointed and elected members of state authorities, boards, commissions, and committees (hereinafter “Boards” and “Board member(s)”). A Board may add provisions to, or modify the provisions of, the Code. However, any change that constitutes a substantive omission from the Code must be approved by the State Board of Internal Control.

Conflict of Interest for Board Members

Board members may be subject to statutory restrictions specific to their Boards found in state and federal laws, rules and regulations. Those restrictions are beyond the scope of this Code. Board members should contact their appointing authority or the attorney for the Board for information regarding restrictions specific to their Board.

General Restrictions on Participation in Board Actions

A conflict of interest exists when a Board member has an interest in a matter that is different from the interest of members of the general public. Examples of circumstances which may create a conflict of interest include a personal or pecuniary interest in the matter or an existing or potential employment relationship with a party involved in the proceeding.

Whether or not a conflict of interest requires a Board member to abstain from participation in an official action of the Board depends upon the type of action involved. A Board’s official actions are administrative, quasi-judicial or quasi-legislative.

A quasi-judicial official action is particular and immediate in effect, such as a review of an application for a license or permit. In order to participate in a quasi-judicial official action of the Board, a Board member must be disinterested and free from actual bias or an unacceptable risk of actual bias. A Board member must abstain from participation in the discussion and vote on a quasi-judicial official action of the Board if a reasonably-minded person could conclude that there is an unacceptable risk that the Board member has prejudged the matter or that the Board member’s interest or relationship creates a potential to influence the member’s impartiality.

A quasi-legislative official action, also referred to as a regulatory action, is general and future in effect. An example is rule-making. If the official action involved is quasi-legislative in nature, the Board member is not required to abstain from participation in the discussion and vote on the action unless it is clear that the member has an unalterably closed mind on matters critical to the disposition of the action.

Administrative actions involve the day-to-day activities of the Board and include personnel, financing, contracting and other management actions. Most of the administrative official actions of a Board are done through the Board's administrative staff. To the extent Board members are involved, the conflict of interest concern most frequently arises in the area of state contracting which is addressed in more detail below. If issues arise that are not directly addressed by this Code, the Board member should consult with the attorney for the Board.

"Official action" means a decision, recommendation, approval, disapproval or other action which involves discretionary authority. A Board member who violates any of these restrictions may be subject to removal from the Board to which the member is appointed.

Contract Restrictions

There are federal and state laws, rules and regulations that address conflict of interest for elected and appointed Board members in the area of contracts. As an initial matter, a Board member may not solicit or accept any gift, favor, reward, or promise of reward, including any promise of future employment, in exchange for recommending, influencing or attempting to influence the award of or the terms of a state contract. This prohibition is absolute and cannot be waived.

Members of certain Boards are required to comply with additional conflict of interest provisions found in SDCL Chapter 3-23 and are required to make an annual disclosure of any contract in which they have or may have an interest or from which they derive a direct benefit. The restrictions apply for one year following the end of the Board member's term. The Boards impacted by these laws are enumerated within SDCL 3-23-10. For more information on these provisions, see the State Authorities/Boards/Commissions page in the Legal Resources section of the Attorney General's website at: <http://atg.sd.gov/legal/opengovernment/authorityboardcommission.aspx>.

Absent a waiver, certain Board members are further prohibited from deriving a direct benefit from a contract with an outside entity if the Board member had substantial involvement in recommending, awarding, or administering the contract or if the Board member supervised another state officer or employee who approved, awarded or administered the contract. With the exception of employment contracts, the foregoing prohibition applies for one year following the end of the Board member's term. However, the foregoing prohibition does not apply to Board members who serve without compensation or who are only paid a per diem. See SDCL 5-18A-17 to 5-18A-17.6. For more information on these restrictions see the Conflict of Interest Waiver Instructions and Form on the South Dakota Bureau of Human Resources website at: <http://bhr.sd.gov/forms/>.

Other federal and state laws, rules and regulations may apply to specific Boards. For general questions regarding the applicability of SDCL Chapter 3-23 or other laws, a Board member may contact the attorney for the Board. However, because the attorney for the Board does not

represent the Board member in his or her individual capacity, a Board member should contact a private attorney if the member has questions as to how the conflict of interest laws apply to the Board member's own interests and contracts.

Consequences of Violations of Conflict of Interest Laws

A contract entered into in violation of conflict of interest laws is voidable and any benefit received by the Board member is subject to disgorgement. In addition, a Board member who violates conflict of interest laws may be removed from the Board and may be subject to criminal prosecution. For example, a Board member may be prosecuted for theft if the member knowingly uses funds or property entrusted to the member in violation of public trust and the use resulted in a direct financial benefit to the member. See SDCL 3-16-7, 5-18A-17.4, and 22-30A-46.

Retaliation for Reporting

A Board cannot dismiss, suspend, demote, decrease the compensation of, or take any other retaliatory action against an employee because the employee reports, in good faith, a violation or suspected violation of a law or rule, an abuse of funds or abuse of authority, a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety, or a direct criminal conflict of interest, unless the report is specifically prohibited by law. SDCL 3-16-9 & 3-16-10.

Board members will not engage in retaliatory treatment of an individual because the individual reports harassment, opposes discrimination, participates in the complaint process, or provides information related to a complaint. See SDCL 20-13-26.

Anti-Harassment/Discrimination Policy

While acting within their official capacity, Board members will not engage in harassment or discriminatory or offensive behavior based on race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, pregnancy, age, ancestry, genetic information, disability or any other legally protected status or characteristic.

Harassment includes conduct that creates a hostile work environment for an employee or another Board member. This prohibition against harassment and discrimination also encompasses sexual harassment. Sexual harassment includes unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexually harassing nature, when: (1) submission to or rejection of the harassment is made either explicitly or implicitly the basis of or a condition of employment, appointment, or a favorable or unfavorable action by the Board member; or (2) the harassment has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive working environment.

Harassment or discriminatory or offensive behavior may take different forms and may be verbal, nonverbal, or physical in nature. To aid Board members in identifying inappropriate conduct, the following examples of harassment or discriminatory or offensive behavior are provided:

- Unwelcome physical contact such as kissing, fondling, hugging, or touching;

- Demands for sexual favors; sexual innuendoes, suggestive comments, jokes of a sexual nature, sexist put-downs, or sexual remarks about a person's body; sexual propositions, or persistent unwanted courting;
- Swearing, offensive gestures, or graphic language made because of a person's race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age or disability;
- Slurs, jokes, or derogatory remarks, email, or other communications relating to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, or disability; or
- Calendars, posters, pictures, drawings, displays, cartoons, images, lists, e-mails, or computer activity that reflects disparagingly upon race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age or disability.

The above cited examples are not intended to be all-inclusive.

A Board member who is in violation of this policy may be subject to removal from the Board.

Confidential Information

Except as otherwise required by law, Board members shall not disclose confidential information acquired during the course of their official duties. In addition, members are prohibited from the use of confidential information for personal gain.

Reporting of Violations

Any violation of this Code should be reported to the appointing authority for the Board member who is alleged to have violated the Code.

This Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest Policy was adopted by the State Board of Internal Control pursuant to SDCL § 1-56-6.

UPCOMING TRAVEL

Upcoming Travel & Meetings

February

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March 2019

- SDACDE Leadership – March 2 – 4, Ramkota, Pierre.
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April 2019

- State Conservation Commission meeting – TBD, Pierre.
- Conservation Speech Contest – April 25 – State Capitol, Pierre (8:30 AM Central).
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LOAN REPORT

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS, CONSERVATION DISTRICT REVOLVING LOAN FUND
Scheduled Payments for Fiscal Year 2020
(July 1, 2019 through June 30 2020)

Accumulated Interest Since 1965

\$ 202,655.11

Accumulated Loans Since 1965

\$ 2,364,354.54

RCF LOAN NUMBER	AG DEV LOAN NUMBER	DATE OF LOAN	CONSERVAITON DISTRICT	PURPOSE OF LOAN	AMOUNT OF ORIGINAL LOAN	AMOUNT OUTSTANDING	PAYMENT DUE THIS FISCAL YEAR	MONTH DUE	MONTH PAID	PRINCIPAL PAID	INTEREST PAID	EXTRA PAID	TOTAL CURRENTLY OUTSTANDIN G
<i>New Loans This Fiscal Year</i>			Butte Grant	No Till Drill Drill	\$ 40,000.00 \$35,000.00	\$ 40,000.00 \$35,000.00	\$ 8,750.00 \$7,700.00	09/01/2020 02/01/2021					
1080	37-03-01	08/02/2017	Grant	Tractor	\$ 45,585.00	\$ 36,468.00	\$ 9,117.00	11/01/2019					\$ 36,468.00
1079	40-03-01	09/26/2016	Butte	No-till Drill	\$ 22,500.00	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	09/01/2019	09/13/2019	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 405.15	\$ -	\$ 4,500.00
1078	136-01-01	06/10/2016	Bennett	No-till Drill	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 1,438.33	\$ 684.54	03/01/2020					\$ 1,438.33
1077	38-03-01	02/18/2016	Deuel	Grass Drill	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 7,060.61	\$ 3,401.78	01/01/2020	01/21/2020	\$ 3,540.62	\$ 171.41		\$ 3,519.99
1075	130-01-01	09/17/2015	Day	Tree Spade	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 4,978.27	\$ 5,000.00	09/01/2019	10/02/2019	\$ 4,978.27	\$ 171.38		\$ -
1072	80-02-01	09/22/2014	Jones	No-till Drill	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 3,775.96	\$ 3,775.96	10/01/2019	09/27/2019	\$ 3,775.96	\$ 402.54	\$ -	\$ -
1071	39-02-01	09/22/2014	Clark	Grass Drill	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 2,994.00	\$ 3,000.00	12/01/2019	11/25/2019	\$ 2,994.00	\$ 97.25	\$ 2.75	\$ (2.75)
1081	74-04-01	11/15/2018	Hamlin	No-till Drill	\$ 39,890.00	\$ 31,912.00	\$ 8,712.72	07/01/2020	07/02/2019	\$ 7,978.00	\$ 734.72		\$ 23,934.00
1082	35-02-01	06/04/2019	Lincoln County	Purchase Drill	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 3,862.50	05/01/2020					\$ 15,000.00
COLUMN TOTALS					\$ 218,475.00	\$ 112,627.17	\$ 42,054.50			\$ 27,766.85	\$ 1,982.45	\$ 2.75	\$ 84,857.57

NEW LOANS THIS FISCAL YEAR

\$ 75,000.00

PAYMENTS DUE REMAINDER OF YEAR

\$ 14,287.65

CURRENT CASH BALANCE

\$ 106,635.12

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DATE	GRANT FUND DEPOSITS	PESTICIDE DEPOSITS	OTHER DEPOSITS	INTEREST	GRANTS AWARDED	DIVISION FUNDING	REVERTED FUNDS	DEOBLIGATED FUNDS	OTHER DEDUCTIONS	ACCOUNT BALANCE
FY 2020										\$ 0.00
07/01/2019	\$ 500,000.00									\$ 500,000.00
08/01/2019				\$ 30,217.58						\$ 530,217.58
12/11/2019								\$ 3,039.70		\$ 533,257.28
12/11/2019								\$ 18,121.44		\$ 551,378.72
12/11/2019								\$ 9,556.69		\$ 560,935.41
12/11/2019								\$ 257.59		\$ 561,193.00
12/11/2019								\$ 8,558.56		\$ 569,751.56
12/11/2019								\$ 5,420.59		\$ 575,172.15
12/11/2019								\$ 140.75		\$ 575,312.90
12/11/2019								\$ 0.01		\$ 575,312.91
12/11/2019								\$ 592.71		\$ 575,905.62
12/11/2019								\$ 10,193.13		\$ 586,098.75
12/11/2019								\$ 2,500.00		\$ 588,598.75
12/11/2019								\$ 18.19		\$ 588,616.94
12/11/2019					\$ 450,429.69					\$ 138,187.25
SUBTOTAL	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 30,217.58	\$ 450,429.69	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 58,399.36	\$ 0.00	

IVE	TOTALS									
	\$ 17,215,428.83	\$ 1,011,263.98	\$ 801,298.27	\$ 1,899,637.42	\$ 21,592,674.21	\$ 1,991,196.79	\$ 24,234.07	\$ 4,460,196.56	\$ 1,690,000.00	
		Total revenues FY	\$ 530,217.58						Plus reversions of	\$ 41,302.90
		Total revenues to date	\$ 20,927,628.50							

Tentative Spring FY2020 reversions				
District	Grant #	Amount	End date	
Marshall	201719	\$ 99.49	12/31/2019	File double checked
Davison	201809	\$ 203.16	12/31/2019	
Moody	201824	\$ 10,248.30	12/31/2019	
Brule-Buffalo	201828	\$ 465.01	12/31/2019	
Brule-Buffalo	201829	\$ 147.50	12/31/2019	
Charles Mix	201830	\$ 150.00	12/31/2019	
Lake	201838	\$ 15,000.00	12/31/2019	
Bennett	201903	\$ 5,122.47	12/31/2019	
Butte	201906	\$ 730.67	12/31/2019	
Hamlin	201916	\$ 56.99	12/31/2019	
Hanson	201918		12/31/2019	
McCook	201925	\$ 945.57	12/31/2019	
Miner	201929	\$ 1,400.00	12/31/2019	
Sanborn	201932	\$ 6,733.74		

\$ 41,302.90

These amounts are subject to change until all completed projects are closed out and final reimbursements are completed.

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201705	Bon Homme	Conservation Enhancement	01/01/2017	06/30/2020	\$26,450.00	\$72,800.00	\$26,450.00	\$44,608.48	\$1.69	\$0.00
201706	BRULE-BUFF	SHELTERBELT RENOVATION	01/01/2017	06/30/2018	\$32,700.00	\$70,500.00	\$32,700.00	\$41,854.86	\$1.28	\$0.00
201707	BUTTE	BELLE FOURCHE WEED REHAB #5	01/01/2017	12/31/2017	\$35,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$46,487.89	\$1.33	\$0.00
201708	BUTTE	ENVIROTHON	01/01/2017	12/31/2017	\$20,000.00	\$197,840.00	\$19,997.24	\$47,925.19	\$2.40	\$2.76
201709	BUTTE	OPEN DITCH IRRIGATION	01/01/2017	12/31/2017	\$25,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$21,892.60	\$37,035.70	\$1.69	\$3,107.40
201710	CLARK	SHELTERBELTS	01/01/2017	06/30/2019	\$22,000.00	\$42,000.00	\$18,960.30	\$22,456.42	\$1.18	\$3,039.70
201711	CODINGTON	TREE PLANTING	01/01/2017	06/30/2017	\$4,765.00	\$14,678.00	\$2,599.37	\$6,628.53	\$2.55	\$2,165.63
201712	DAVISON	TREE PLANTING	01/01/2017	12/31/2017	\$12,000.00	\$24,000.00	\$11,712.16	\$13,686.16	\$1.17	\$287.84
201713	DAY	NE GLACIAL LAKES	07/01/2017	06/30/2018	\$25,000.00	\$250,095.00	\$18,583.77	\$32,139.08	\$1.73	\$6,416.23
201714	EDMUNDS	NORTHERN COTEAU RANGELANDS	01/01/2017	12/31/2018	\$44,500.00	\$142,500.00	\$34,036.48	\$108,295.76	\$3.18	\$7,638.06
201715	HANSON	COVER CROPS	01/01/2017	12/31/2017	\$9,980.00	\$19,960.00	\$9,980.00	\$10,957.30	\$1.10	\$0.00
201716	JACKSON	2016 COTTONWOOD FIRE RECOVERY	01/01/2017	06/30/2019	\$25,000.00	\$46,750.00	\$6,878.56	\$14,325.13	\$2.08	\$18,121.44
201717	JERAULD	SHELTERBELT ESTABLISHMENT	01/01/2017	06/30/2018	\$20,000.00	\$37,391.00	\$13,914.45	\$13,222.65	\$0.95	\$6,085.55
201718	JONES	MULTI-PRACTICES	01/01/2017	12/31/2018	\$22,655.00	\$74,215.00	\$11,001.42	\$41,383.08	\$3.76	\$11,653.58
201719	Marshall	Technician	01/01/2017	12/31/2019	\$4,680.00	\$9,360.00	\$4,580.51	\$4,580.50	\$1.00	\$0.00
201720	MELLETTTE	2017 MC TREES	01/01/2017	06/30/2018	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$23,737.96	\$1.19	\$0.00
201721	MELLETTTE	COVER CROP	01/01/2017	06/30/2019	\$2,600.00	\$5,500.00	\$2,600.00	\$4,349.38	\$1.67	\$0.00
201722	MELLETTTE	RANCHERS WORKSHOP	01/01/2017	06/30/2017	\$1,000.00	\$3,250.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,250.00	\$1.25	\$0.00
201723	MINER	EAST CENTRAL RANGE STEWARDSHIP	01/01/2017	12/31/2018	\$52,500.00	\$162,500.00	\$48,993.86	\$133,254.54	\$2.72	\$3,506.14
201724	MINER	CONSERVATION EDUCATION	01/01/2017	12/31/2017	\$2,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$1,681.01	\$2,255.26	\$1.34	\$818.99
201725	MINNEHAHA	WILDLIFE HABITAT	01/01/2017	12/31/2018	\$12,480.00	\$44,027.00	\$3,043.56	\$7,038.21	\$2.31	\$9,436.44
201726	SANBORN	CONSERVATION PRACTICES	01/01/2017	12/31/2018	\$22,000.00	\$54,820.00	\$16,813.82	\$46,935.01	\$2.79	\$5,186.18
201727	TODD	2017 TC TREES	01/01/2017	06/30/2018	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$30,789.66	\$1.54	\$0.00
201728	TODD	MULTI-PRACTICES	01/01/2017	06/30/2018	\$40,000.00	\$118,025.00	\$39,152.32	\$96,223.18	\$2.46	\$847.68
201729	BRULE-BUFF	BRUSH MANAGEMENT IIII	07/01/2017	06/30/2018	\$15,000.00	\$29,000.00	\$9,745.00	\$14,195.00	\$1.46	\$5,255.00

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201730	CUSTER	THINNING FOR HEALTHIER FOREST	07/01/2017	06/30/2018	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$46,922.06	\$2.35	\$0.00
201731	DAVISON	MULTI-CO BRUSH MGMT	07/01/2017	06/30/2018	\$11,500.00	\$21,500.00	\$5,383.14	\$5,383.11	\$1.00	\$6,116.86
201732	GREGORY	SHELTERBELT RENOVATION	07/01/2017	06/30/2019	\$15,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$5,443.31	\$10,364.39	\$1.90	\$9,556.69
201733	HAMLIN	OUTREACH & PROMOTION	07/01/2017	12/31/2017	\$6,200.00	\$12,400.00	\$6,041.45	\$6,387.04	\$1.06	\$158.55
201734	HAMLIN	PASTURE PIPE FOR WQ #2	07/01/2017	06/30/2018	\$12,846.00	\$42,797.00	\$10,626.56	\$35,114.07	\$3.30	\$2,219.44
201735	HYDE	HYDE/HAND ENHANCEMENTS 5	07/01/2017	06/30/2019	\$25,000.00	\$48,980.00	\$24,742.41	\$34,976.72	\$1.41	\$257.59
201736	KINGSBURY	CONSERVATION EDUCATION	07/01/2017	06/30/2018	\$1,170.00	\$3,780.00	\$1,094.53	\$1,115.53	\$1.02	\$75.47
201737	KINGSBURY	SHELTERBELT RENOVATION	07/01/2017	06/30/2018	\$20,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$4,496.81	\$6,221.42	\$1.38	\$15,503.19
201738	MCCOOK	SHELTERBELTS	07/01/2017	06/30/2018	\$10,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$8,439.86	\$12,963.81	\$1.54	\$1,560.14
201739	MELLETTE	MULTI-PRACTICE	07/01/2017	12/31/2018	\$28,000.00	\$83,500.00	\$16,597.00	\$59,370.54	\$3.58	\$415.58
201740	PERKINS	NW AREA SPECIALIST	07/01/2017	06/30/2018	\$34,888.00	\$73,777.00	\$21,013.70	\$20,530.64	\$0.98	\$13,874.29
201741	UNION	TREE/FABRIC EXPANSION	07/01/2017	06/30/2018	\$5,589.44	\$13,876.92	\$0.00			\$5,589.44
201742	UNION	COVER CROPS DEVELOPMENT	07/01/2017	06/30/2018	\$10,000.00	\$18,695.65	\$0.00			\$10,000.00
201801	BEADLE	SHELTERBELTS	01/01/2018	12/31/2018	\$14,000.00	\$35,067.00	\$11,215.21	\$15,448.16	\$1.38	\$2,784.79
201802	BEADLE	WATER QUALITY FOR LIVESTOCK	01/01/2018	12/31/2018	\$22,000.00	\$79,839.00	\$21,852.50	\$55,408.83	\$2.54	\$147.50
201803	BEADLE	SOIL HEALTH	01/01/2018	12/31/2018	\$3,125.00	\$31,525.00	\$1,770.00	\$2,517.10	\$1.42	\$1,355.00
201804	BENNETT	BENNETT/BADLANDS TREE PLANTING	01/01/2018	12/31/2018	\$30,000.00	\$63,036.00	\$23,190.31	\$22,054.55	\$0.95	\$6,809.69
201805	BUTTE	BUTTE WEED REHAB 6	01/01/2018	12/31/2018	\$5,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$16,727.44	\$3.35	\$0.00
201806	BUTTE	ENVIROTHON	01/01/2018	12/31/2018	\$20,000.00	\$125,000.00	\$19,627.64	\$21,236.00	\$1.08	\$372.36
201807	BUTTE	LIVESTOCK WATER DEVELOPMENTS	01/01/2018	12/31/2018	\$20,000.00	\$76,500.00	\$20,000.00	\$64,123.96	\$3.21	\$0.00
201808	CHARLES MI	SHELTERBELTS	01/01/2018	12/31/2019	\$15,000.00	\$31,920.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$1.00	\$0.00
201809	DAVISON	COVER CROP/GRAZING	07/01/2018	12/31/2019	\$16,000.00	\$32,000.00	\$15,796.84	\$26,255.06	\$1.66	\$0.00
201810	Davison	Grazing Management	01/01/2018	12/31/2020	\$52,500.00	\$177,500.00	\$26,943.07	\$83,387.79	\$3.09	\$0.00
201811	DAVISON	TREE PLANTING	01/01/2018	12/31/2018	\$10,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$9,524.20	\$9,524.20	\$1.00	\$475.80
201812	DAY	NE GLACIAL LAKES	07/01/2018	06/30/2019	\$25,000.00	\$385,105.00	\$16,441.44	\$120,504.66	\$7.33	\$8,558.56
201813	DOUGLAS	TREE AND FABRIC PROJECT	01/01/2018	06/30/2019	\$12,319.98	\$24,639.96	\$6,899.39	\$8,434.55	\$1.22	\$5,420.59

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201814	GREGORY	COUNTY PROJECTS 4	01/01/2018	12/31/2018	\$55,000.00	\$110,000.00	\$35,708.36	\$54,301.77	\$1.52	\$19,291.64
201815	HAMLIN	SHELTERBELT RENOVATION	01/01/2018	06/30/2019	\$14,477.00	\$42,780.00	\$14,477.00	\$37,244.01	\$2.57	\$0.00
201816	HAMLIN	SDACDE CONS. PROMOTION	01/01/2018	12/31/2018	\$6,200.00	\$12,400.00	\$6,200.00	\$7,293.98	\$1.18	\$0.00
201817	Hamlin	Prairie Coteau Wshed Enhancemt	01/01/2018	12/31/2020	\$40,000.00	\$152,500.00	\$12,988.72	\$48,825.74	\$3.76	\$0.00
201818	HANSON	SHELTERBELTS	01/01/2018	06/30/2019	\$9,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$8,859.25	\$12,242.44	\$1.38	\$140.75
201819	Jones	Multi-Practice VI	01/01/2018	06/30/2020	\$20,000.00	\$72,667.00	\$2,029.90	\$5,500.96	\$2.71	\$0.00
201820	Marshall	Multi-purpose Conservation	01/01/2018	12/31/2020	\$75,000.00	\$245,315.00	\$69,438.77	\$126,192.27	\$1.82	\$0.00
201821	MELLETTTE	MC TREE GRANT	01/01/2018	06/30/2019	\$15,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$14,999.99	\$17,052.34	\$1.14	\$0.01
201822	MINER	CONSERVATION WORKSHOP & ED	01/01/2018	12/31/2018	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$3,924.90	\$3.92	\$0.00
201823	MINER	CONSERVATION PRACTICES	01/01/2018	12/31/2018	\$10,000.00	\$20,997.00	\$10,000.00	\$12,329.07	\$1.23	\$0.00
201824	MOODY	SHELTERBELT RENOVATION	01/01/2018	12/31/2019	\$14,875.00	\$44,497.00	\$4,626.70	\$8,444.57	\$1.83	\$0.00
201825	Perkins	NW Area Tree Planting	01/01/2018	12/31/2019	\$30,000.00	\$87,628.00	\$30,000.00	\$50,031.79	\$1.67	\$0.00
201826	ROBERTS	CONS. ED & PUBLIC AWARENESS	01/01/2018	12/31/2018	\$2,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$2,344.32	\$2,344.32	\$1.00	\$155.68
201827	SANBORN	CONSERVATION EDUCATION	01/01/2018	12/31/2018	\$2,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$650.83	\$650.83	\$1.00	\$1,349.17
201828	Brule-Buffalo	Shelterbelt Renovation	07/01/2018	12/31/2019	\$15,000.00	\$31,000.00	\$14,534.99	\$24,480.78	\$1.68	\$465.01
201829	Brule-Buffalo	Brush Management	07/01/2018	12/31/2019	\$7,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$6,852.50	\$7,440.00	\$1.09	\$147.50
201830	Charles Mix	Brush Management	07/01/2018	12/31/2019	\$15,000.00	\$31,000.00	\$14,850.00	\$14,850.00	\$1.00	\$0.00
201831	CUSTER	THINNING FOR HEALTHY FOREST	07/01/2018	06/30/2019	\$10,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$9,407.29	\$12,157.28	\$1.29	\$592.71
201832	DAVISON	MULTI-COUNTY BRUSH MGMT	07/01/2018	06/30/2019	\$11,500.00	\$21,500.00	\$1,306.87	\$1,306.88	\$1.00	\$10,193.13
201833	DEUEL	TREE PLANTING	01/01/2019	06/30/2019	\$2,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00			\$2,500.00
201834	HAMLIN	HAMLIN/CODINGTON TREES	07/01/2018	06/30/2019	\$11,459.00	\$25,172.00	\$11,440.81	\$13,045.53	\$1.14	\$18.19
201835	HANSON	COVER CROPS	07/01/2018	12/31/2018	\$10,000.00	\$21,800.00	\$10,000.00	\$15,209.89	\$1.52	\$0.00
201836	Hughes	Tree Initiative	07/01/2018	06/30/2020	\$15,000.00	\$33,937.00	\$12,319.57	\$20,218.25	\$1.64	\$0.00
201837	Hyde	Hyde/Hand Enhancement 6	07/01/2018	06/30/2020	\$10,000.00	\$20,428.00	\$4,703.27	\$4,703.27	\$1.00	\$0.00
201838	LAKE	SOIL HEALTH/TREE PLANTING	07/01/2018	12/31/2019	\$15,000.00	\$37,409.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
201839	Pennington	Thinning for Healthy Forest	07/01/2018	06/30/2020	\$12,299.00	\$24,598.00	\$6,987.50	\$16,362.50	\$2.34	\$0.00
201840	PERKINS	NW AREA SPECIALIST	07/01/2018	12/31/2018	\$15,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$10,650.14	\$15,963.76	\$1.50	\$0.00

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201901	Beadle	Water Quality	01/01/2019	12/31/2020	\$15,000.00	\$50,457.00	\$1,982.13	\$12,045.08	\$6.08	\$0.00
201902	Beadle	Shelterbelts	01/01/2019	12/31/2020	\$5,000.00	\$13,170.00	\$1,431.34	\$2,177.97	\$1.52	\$0.00
201903	Bennett	Tree Planting	01/01/2019	12/31/2019	\$10,000.00	\$22,105.00	\$4,877.53	\$5,187.66	\$1.06	\$5,122.47
201904	Brule-Buffalo	Central SD Grazing Mgmt	01/01/2019	12/31/2020	\$52,500.00	\$177,500.00	\$12,756.05	\$51,902.47	\$4.07	\$0.00
201905	Brule-Buffalo	Renovations	01/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$10,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$6,051.68	\$7,030.70	\$1.16	\$0.00
201906	Butte	Envirothon Outreach & Ed	01/01/2019	12/31/2019	\$20,000.00	\$135,000.00	\$19,269.33	\$14,576.96	\$0.76	\$730.67
201907	Butte	Open Irrigation ditch to pipe	01/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$15,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$10,640.00	\$28,132.99	\$2.64	\$0.00
201908	Charles Mix	Shelterbelts	01/01/2019	12/31/2020	\$15,000.00	\$34,000.00	\$10,377.16	\$10,377.16	\$1.00	\$0.00
201909	Clark	Tree Planting-Renovations	01/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$13,786.00	\$29,600.00	\$1,419.89	\$1,625.62	\$1.14	\$0.00
201910	Custer	Planting for Riparian Health	01/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$3,500.00	\$8,700.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
201911	Davison	Tree Planting	01/01/2019	12/31/2020	\$12,000.00	\$24,000.00	\$987.63	\$987.63	\$1.00	\$0.00
201912	Day	NE Glacial Lakes TA	01/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$26,290.00	\$197,990.00	\$8,002.65	\$57,507.57	\$7.19	\$0.00
201913	Edmunds	Northern Coteau Rangelands	01/01/2019	12/31/2020	\$20,000.00	\$112,000.00	\$5,823.22	\$25,033.39	\$4.30	
201914	Gregory	Gregory Co Projects 5	01/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$3,938.43	\$4,273.33	\$1.09	\$0.00
201915	Haakon	Shelterbelts	01/01/2019	12/31/2020	\$1,366.00	\$4,182.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
201916	Hamlin	SDACDE Conservation Promotion	01/01/2019	12/31/2019	\$6,200.00	\$12,400.00	\$6,143.01	\$25,096.38	\$4.09	\$0.00
201917	Hamlin	Tree Plantings	01/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$15,000.00	\$37,030.00	\$1,876.61	\$2,355.75	\$1.26	\$0.00
201918	Hanson	Cover Crop	01/01/2019	12/31/2019	\$10,500.00	\$22,800.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
201919	Hughes	Tree Initiative	07/01/2019	06/30/2021	\$15,000.00	\$33,937.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
201920	Jerauld	Windbreaks Establishment	01/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$15,000.00	\$28,000.00	\$6,593.96	\$11,447.09	\$1.74	\$0.00
201921	Jones	Shelterbelt Establishment	01/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$15,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$10,199.70	\$11,190.41	\$1.10	\$0.00
201922	Kingsbury	Conservation Practices	01/01/2019	12/31/2020	\$15,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$8,027.88	\$8,748.83	\$1.09	\$0.00
201923	Marshall	Multi-purpose Conservation	01/01/2019	12/31/2020	\$35,000.00	\$138,317.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
201924	McCook	Shelterbelts	01/01/2019	12/31/2019	\$6,809.00	\$14,000.00	\$6,758.29	\$7,319.34	\$1.08	\$0.00
201925	McCook	Cover Crops	01/01/2019	12/31/2019	\$2,500.00	\$5,500.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
201926	Mellette	2019 Multi-practice	01/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$39,000.00	\$114,000.00	\$7,815.20	\$27,377.72	\$3.50	\$0.00
201927	Mellette	2019 MC Trees	01/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$15,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$2,872.83	\$3,099.99	\$1.08	\$0.00

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201928	Miner	Soil Health Improvement	01/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$15,000.00	\$31,636.00	\$6,870.89	\$8,020.53	\$1.17	\$0.00
201929	Miner	Conservation Awareness	01/01/2019	12/31/2019	\$1,400.00	\$3,050.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
201930	Perkins	NW Area Tree Planting	01/01/2019	12/31/2020	\$36,000.00	\$91,885.64	\$17,770.94	\$28,059.06	\$1.58	\$0.00
201931	Perkins	NW Area Nat. Resource Spec	01/01/2019	12/31/2019	\$15,000.00	\$56,100.00	\$15,000.00	\$23,710.96	\$1.58	\$0.00
201932	Sanborn	Shelterbelts	01/01/2019	12/31/2019	\$8,673.00	\$16,346.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
201933	Todd	Tree Planting	01/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$12,500.00	\$25,000.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
201934	Beadle	Baum Demonstration Farm	07/01/2019	12/31/2020	\$13,500.00	\$30,180.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
201935	Brule-Buffalo	American Creek Reno	07/01/2019	12/31/2020	\$15,000.00	\$39,000.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
201936	Brule-Buffalo	Brush Management	07/01/2019	12/31/2020	\$10,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$2,868.75	\$3,168.37	\$1.10	\$0.00
201937	Brule-Buffalo	Burn Deferral Pilot	07/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
201938	Butte	Livestock Water Dev II	07/01/2019	06/30/2021	\$20,000.00	\$70,000.00	\$2,969.39	\$6,928.59	\$2.33	\$0.00
201939	Davison	Awareness & Outreach	07/01/2019	12/31/2020	\$2,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$175.00	\$175.00	\$1.00	\$0.00
201940	Davison	Multi-co Brush Management	07/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$10,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$3,900.00	\$3,900.00	\$1.00	\$0.00
201941	Edmunds	Conservation Education	07/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$1,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$740.06	\$1,640.06	\$2.22	\$0.00
201942	Edmunds	Conservation Practice	07/01/2019	06/30/2021	\$15,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
201943	Grant	Cover Crops-Wind-Soil Erosion	07/01/2019	12/31/2020	\$9,784.00	\$26,825.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
201944	Hamlin	2020 Tree Plantings	07/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$10,800.00	\$23,640.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
201945	Jackson	Shelterbelt Establishment	07/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$461.00	\$922.00	\$461.00	\$411.62	\$0.89	\$0.00
201946	Kingsbury	Conservation Education	07/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$3,000.00	\$5,500.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
201947	Miner	Pollinators & Rain Garden	07/01/2019	12/31/2020	\$12,250.00	\$25,350.00	\$346.79	\$311.78	\$0.90	\$0.00
201948	Pennington	Thinning for Forest Health	07/01/2019	06/30/2021	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
201949	Roberts	Conservation Ed & Awareness	07/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$2,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$965.42	\$965.42	\$1.00	\$0.00
201950	Roberts	Watershed Cover Crops	07/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$11,606.15	\$30,769.80	\$5,417.07	\$11,480.67	\$2.12	\$0.00
201951	Roberts	2019-20 Trees/Shrubs	07/01/2019	06/30/2020	\$5,784.00	\$13,459.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
201952	Spink	Regenerative Ag Demo Site	05/01/2019	06/30/2022	\$22,500.00	\$71,961.00	\$1,064.29	\$1,461.34	\$1.37	\$0.00
201953	Todd	2019 Cover Crop	07/01/2019	12/31/2020	\$10,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$4,594.20	\$11,124.68	\$2.42	\$0.00
202001	Bennett	Bennett/Badlands Tree Planting	01/01/2020	12/31/2020	\$14,044.00	\$30,499.00	\$0.00			\$0.00

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202002	Bon Homme	Conservation Enhancement Progr	01/01/2020	06/30/2021	\$20,000.00	\$53,750.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202003	Butte	Envirothon	01/01/2020	12/31/2020	\$20,000.00	\$122,000.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202004	Charles Mix	Brush Management	01/01/2020	12/21/2021	\$30,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202005	Charles Mix	Shelterbelts	01/01/2020	12/31/2021	\$35,000.00	\$73,000.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202006	Clark	Cover Crops	01/01/2020	06/30/2021	\$5,632.00	\$15,275.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202007	Clark	Shelterbelts	01/01/2020	06/30/2021	\$15,845.64	\$49,057.56	\$0.00			\$0.00
202008	Clay	Conservation Education	01/01/2020	12/31/2020	\$3,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202009	Clay	Trees/Fabric	01/01/2020	12/31/2020	\$10,540.00	\$26,800.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202010	Davison	Cover Crops/Grazing	07/01/2020	12/31/2020	\$40,000.00	\$87,174.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202011	Day	NE Glacial Lakes	07/01/2020	06/30/2021	\$20,410.00	\$284,253.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202012	Douglas	Tree & Fabric Project	01/01/2020	06/30/2021	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202013	Hamlin	2020 SDACDE Conservation Promo	01/01/2020	12/31/2020	\$6,200.00	\$12,400.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202014	Hanson	Shelterbelt/Renovation Project	01/01/2020	06/30/2021	\$20,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202015	Hyde	Hyde/Hand Enhancements 7	01/01/2020	06/30/2021	\$25,000.00	\$49,850.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202016	Jackson	Shelterbelt Establishment	01/01/2020	12/31/2021	\$5,365.00	\$10,730.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202017	Jerauld	Windbreaks	01/01/2020	12/31/2020	\$13,750.00	\$24,800.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202018	Jones	Shelterbelt Establishment	01/01/2020	06/30/2022	\$12,891.43	\$38,200.44	\$0.00			\$0.00
202019	Kingsbury	Conservation Practices	01/01/2020	06/30/2021	\$15,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202020	McCook	Shelterbelts	01/01/2020	12/31/2020	\$7,900.00	\$16,000.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202021	McPherson	2020 Tree Project	01/01/2020	12/31/2021	\$20,000.00	\$38,648.19	\$0.00			\$0.00
202022	Mellette	2020 Tree Grant	01/01/2020	06/30/2021	\$8,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202023	Miner	Conservation Awareness	01/01/2020	12/31/2020	\$1,200.00	\$2,500.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202024	Miner	Soil Health Improvement	01/01/2020	12/31/2020	\$24,721.00	\$52,533.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202025	Perkins	NW Area Tree Planting	01/01/2020	12/31/2020	\$17,390.62	\$62,750.12	\$0.00			\$0.00
202026	Todd	2020 Multi-Practice Grant	01/01/2020	06/30/2021	\$25,000.00	\$65,154.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202027	Union	Conservation Education	01/01/2020	12/31/2020	\$3,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$0.00			\$0.00
202028	Union	Trees/Fabric	01/01/2020	12/31/2020	\$10,540.00	\$26,800.00	\$0.00			\$0.00

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Grand Total:					\$22,325,064.52	\$99,202,834.42	\$16,506,125.56	\$51,633,952.77	\$3.13	\$4,715,514.16

Leverage is \$3.60 (NOT including Big Sioux Nursery Grants of \$1,097,350.18)

ALL CAPS indicates project is complete

Number in (1) indicates how many districts are active co-sponsors

FINAL REPORTS - 4

Bennett County Conservation District

Bennett/Badlands Tree Plantings

Grant #2019-CSW-003

January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

Summary of Accomplishments for Grant

This is the final report for the Bennett/Badlands Tree Plantings Grant #2019-CSW-003.

The Bennett and Badlands Conservation Districts approved cost-share to 2 producers, for 3 tree plantings, all in Bennett County. The plantings were livestock plantings which will also benefit soil health and wildlife in the area. The plantings totaled 3.4 acres (568.2 rds.). No grant dollars were used for the removal of any existing trees. One additional planting was approved under the grant, but it could not be completed due to the wet conditions.

The Districts provided news articles with information about the grant program to the local newspapers for publication. Information was included in the Districts' newsletters and annual report.



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Date: December 31, 2019

To: Conservation Commission

From: Brule-Buffalo Conservation District

Subject: Summary 2018-CSW-029 (Brush Management Grant)

The Brule-Buffalo Conservation District has completed the project to assist Landowners to open pastures for grazing systems. The grant was completed using all the dollars allocated.

Roger Campbell, Allan Renner, Carma Muldoon, Pam Reis, Gary Feltman, and Frank Bailey were participants for the project. I have seven more interested to do work for. There were 127 hours used in this grant.

The commitment of the Landowners shows good stewardship and preservation of conservation.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tina DeHaai", is written over a large, light-colored circular mark.

Tina DeHaai
Office Manager



SD Envirothon Grant Report

The following is a list of activities/deliverables that have been completed in order to develop and grow the SD Envirothon Program through the 2019 Grant Period of January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019:

- Attended Steering Committee/Task Force Meetings in Pierre and via conference call
- Attended BF Watershed Partnership Meetings
- Attended North American Envirothon Competition in Raleigh, North Carolina
- Ongoing email/phone communications to steering committee/task force
- Updated and maintained SD Envirothon Website
- Updated and Maintained SD Envirothon Facebook Page
- Emails to potential team advisors
- Wrote and submitted SD Conservation Commission Grant
- Worked with staff at Outdoor Campus West in Rapid City to set up State Competition for April/May 2019
- Emailed 220+ SD School Administrators about the Envirothon Opportunity—numerous times throughout the year
- Sent out over 300 “Save the Date” postcards to teachers and administrators across the state
- Emailed the state CTE/FFA Advisor from Dept of Ed all information on Envirothon to share with FFA Advisors statewide
- Held conference calls with SD DOE CTE/FFA State Representatives and regional representatives to discuss potential competition merger with Envirothon and FFA Natural Resources testing
- Created and distributed various surveys to gather information on SD Envirothon support and participation
- Completed Registration/Intent to Participate Form and distributed it to schools that showed interest, as well as to all FFA and Science teachers via DOE connections
- Made contact with outside agencies and talked to reps from SD Extension, both East and West River, and SD GF & P Outdoor Campus West
- Received Intent to Participate from 10 Schools/Organizations (Hosts 7 teams total)
- Continue Recruiting teams: Traveled to various schools and attended outreach events
- Judged at the Rushmore Leadership Roundup and presented Envirothon to participating students and teachers
- Made copies and Assembled Resource/Starter Kit Binders—delivered at various conferences and mailed others
- Created PowerPoint to promote the SD Envirothon Program
- Continued Resource Updates to Envirothon Website—will continue as more resources are shared
- Contacted Judges and Presenters for SD Envirothon
- Created schedule for SD Envirothon
- Created and Sent out volunteer forms to judges
- Emailed Judge Packet to Judges
- Copied tests for competition

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- Put together Current Issues Presentation Materials bags and materials/flash drives for new PowerPoint presentation option
 - Put together “prize collections” that represented each area of study for the state competition
 - Collected donations for the state competition prizes as well as swap meet items for the 2019 NCF Competition
 - Created and emailed teacher/adult/student media release forms
 - Funding from NRCS was secured for \$30,000
 - Grant through DENR 319 I & E was applied for with the extension for the Discovery Center I & E grant, Envirothon was awarded \$2500 through this grant.
 - Held State Competition at SD GF & P Outdoor Campus West—April 29-30, 2019
 - Email correspondence with teams, judges, and volunteers
 - Created and distributed post-event surveys to judges/volunteers and SD Ag and Science Teachers
 - Correspondence with winning team detailing registration and itinerary for North Carolina Competition
 - Correspondence with NCF Envirothon Office for direction on registering team
 - Developed seminars for coaches/teams for the 2019 competition preparation time billed as “Envirothon Road Show”—four were scheduled, two were held—Ft. Pierre, Community Youth Involvement Center; and Outdoor Campus West, Rapid city—great turnout and positive responses from participants and natural resource professionals that presented.
 - Weather took a toll on our winter/spring Road Shows. Watertown Road Show was rescheduled six times and finally cancelled. Sent Natural Resources personnel to the school districts interested, instead.
 - Secured location and date for the 2019 SD Envirothon Competition: SD Game Fish and Parks Outdoor Campus West on Monday/Tuesday, April 29-30, 2019
 - “Save the Date” postcards for 2019 Competition were ordered to be sent in January of 2019
 - Ongoing correspondence with registered teams, potential teams and sponsors.

Weather and scheduling took a hit on our registration, this year. Interest was up, but team commitment was down, with only 7 teams from 4 different schools participating. We are hoping to continue merger talks with the FFA Group, as they had approached us at the 2019 Envirothon to discuss merging the two competitions and using Envirothon as their qualifying event for their National FFA Natural Resources team. There is varied support through the FFA Teacher community and the merger was voted down in July of 2019. Of the seven regions, 2 voted against the merger, 2 voted in favor of a merger for this year, and 3 voted to merge, but felt we needed a year or two to work out the details.

We are also in the works of creating an Envirothon Board and will then proceed to file for 501c3 Non-Profit Status for SD Envirothon.

All funds allocated by the SD Conservation Commission, for the 2019 Grant Period, were used to grow, enhance, promote, and further enhance the SD Envirothon Competition.

NORTHWEST AREA NATURAL RESOURCE SPECIALIST 2019-CWS-031 FINAL REPORT

This is the final report for the South Dakota Conservation Commission grant 2019-CWS-031. The NRS, Shauna Kopren and later Tiffany Martin, has worked closely with the six northwest South Dakota Conservation Districts to promote tree planting, forest health, outreach, and conservation. The NRS has and continues to work with numerous organizations and entities including the US Forest Service, Ducks Unlimited, Pheasants Forever, South Dakota State University, US Fish and Wildlife Service, SD Game, Fish, and Parks, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Farm Service Agency, and the six northwest SD Conservation Districts.

Below is a list of the NW Area Forester activities and accomplishments.

CRP and EQIP Tree Planting

- Assist NRCS with the planning of five EQIP tree plantings in 2019
- Currently assisting four producers plan CRP tree planting for 2020

201-CWS-031 Tree Planting Grant

- Assist 15 producers plan shelterbelts on 43 acres of land with approximately 3,800 rod rows of trees, 1,300 rod rows of shrubs, 80,000 feet of fabric and 25,000 feet of fence

Education and Outreach

- Conduct presentations at area elementary schools for Arbor Day
- Help judge Arbor Day Essay Contests and present winners with prizes
- Presented at the Bison Home and Country Club
- Distributed biweekly news releases to local newspapers to promote tree facts.

Other Activities

- Assist eleven landowners in wildlife tree plans
- Answer over 20 public tree questions
- Complete tree survival inventories
- Worked with the counties on future Living Snow Fence sites
- Attend monthly Conservation District Board meetings in the area
- Attend County Board of Commissioners meetings when needed
- Has assisted NRCS offices as they have needed her uploading CStP, eQUIP and CRP contracts in order to meet deadlines.

In total the NRS assisted and planned 29 separate tree plantings for 21 producers, planting approximately 18,200 trees and shrubs on approximately 50 acres of land.

This grant has provided professional assistance to the area districts in a timely manner and hopefully can continue with it in the future.

We would like to thank the Conservation Commission and the Division for supporting the Northwest Area on the Forester project.

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SDACDE ANNUAL REPORT

SOUTH DAKOTA CONSERVATION DISTRICT EMPLOYEES

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2019

Vision Statement: *To promote the professional development of its members, creating leaders with the skills and knowledge to deliver our conservation message.*

A. GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Enjoyed our working relationship with NRCS, Department of Ag, and SDACD.
2. Updated and revised our Long Range Plan.
3. Created a new 'Vision' Statement.
4. Updated and revised the SDACDE By-Laws.
5. Updated and revised our Committees for SDACDE, and created a 'Duties' description.
6. Created a Legislative Committee to work with SDACD on legislative issues and work on funding ideas for Conservation Districts.
7. Created our first Annual Report.
8. Established official partner status with the S.D. Grassland Coalition and the S.D. Soil Health Coalition.
9. Represented SDACDE at the NACD Annual Convention in San Antonio Texas.
10. Represented SDACDE at Northern Plains Regional meetings and teleconferences, and attended the Northern Plains Regional Annual meeting in Gothenburg, NE.
11. Represented SDACDE at the NCDEA meetings and teleconferences.
12. Represented SDACDE at the SDACD meetings and teleconferences.
13. Represented SDACDE at the Conservation Commission meetings and teleconferences.
14. Represented SDACDE at the State Technical Committee meetings.
15. Sponsored a 50/50 drawing and Raffle for entertainment at the SDACD Convention and to raise funds for SDACDE Scholarships and activities.

B. PUBLIC AWARENESS OF CONSERVATION

1. Submitted and were awarded a grant for the SD Public Awareness through the Conservation Commission.
2. Participated at the S.D. State Fair in Huron, Central States Fair in Rapid City, and Dakota Fest in Mitchell with booths, information, and promotional items give away.
3. Created and maintain a SDACDE Face Book page for conservation promotion.
4. Awarded 3 \$500 scholarships to students pursuing careers in agriculture and/or conservation. The name was changed from the Karst Memorial Scholarship to the S.D. Conservation Districts Memorial Scholarship.
5. Started creating plans to address the Emerald Ash Borer issues.

C. EMPLOYEE DEVELOPMENT

1. Sponsored the Leadership Training Conference for S.D. Conservation District employees in March in Pierre.
2. Updated and revised the Employees Handbook. Binders with the handbook were provided to all Conservation Districts in S.D.
3. Provided 'New Employee Packets' to all new employees joining the Conservation Districts. Each Area Director welcomes new employees with the packets.
4. Created a 'Social Media' guideline for Employees.
5. Assisted the first Northern Plains / North Central Regional Leadership Conference for SD Conservation District employees in Sioux Falls in August.
6. Entered into a Contribution Agreement with NRCS to provide training and financial assistance to employees.
7. Working with the Department of Ag on updating and revising the Records and Retention Destruction Manual.
8. Provide points of contact throughout the state to help employees with Conservation District business questions and guidance.

D. CONSERVATION DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT

1. Promoted and provided training to assist each Conservation District with their own website page through the SDACD website.
2. Annually publish Contour Lines. Each district submits written reports of their year, these reports are compiled in the Contour Lines.
3. Each area creates Employee Surveys and District Services annually which include wages, supervisor per diem, benefits, services, costs, etc. These surveys are available to all districts.
4. Updated and revised the Accounting Handbook for S.D. Conservation Districts.
5. Created Conservation District brochure templates for each district to use and change for their own district.
6. Created brochure templates for each district to use to promote tree planting and proper tree planting care.
7. Created brochure templates for each district to use to promote grass seeding, and proper care after grass is seeded.
8. Created brochure templates for each district to use to promote perennial plantings.

SDACDE Officers: Tami Moore, President

Peggy Loomis, Vice-President

Yvette Kirkman, Secretary/Treasurer

SDACDE Board of Directors: Northwest Area: Bonnie Schmidt

Hills Area: Zindie Meyers

Prairie Area: Valarie Fedderson

North Missouri Area: Tonja Jessen

South James / Missouri Area: Wendy Mathers

Coteau Area: Jean Fagerland

Vermillion / Big Sioux Area: John Parker

BUDGET AMENDMENT - 1

MCCOOK CONSERVATION DISTRICT

To: Conservation Commission
Board and Brian Scott

DEAR COMMISSION BOARD,

I am writing you to ask for an amendment in my budget for the 2019 Commission Grant.

I need to Transfer \$1,100.00 from the information & Education category
\$1,103.00 from the Technical Assistance /Administration category

\$373.59 from Tree Tubes and place into the Tree, Shrubs and Fabric category. I was new to the process and didn't realize I would need more in the tree/shrub category. We held our monthly Board Meeting Jan. 7, 2020 and It was approved for me to ask you all for the transfer. I will send you the said approved Minutes when they are reviewed and approved at the next meeting if you need them before please let me know asap.

Thank you very much
Sincerely

Stephanie Albin
McCook Conservation District Manager
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EXTENSION REQUESTS - 1



Hamlin County Conservation District
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January 6, 2020

South Dakota Department of Agriculture, Division of Resource Conservation & Forestry

RE: Extension Request for Grant #2019-CSW-044

Dear Conservation Commission:

Hamlin Conservation District is continuously requesting and receiving tree planting grants, that have been fully utilized. As you may recall, we withdrew our most recent application with the fall grant round. This was due to lack of tree planting plans. To our dismay, at this time we do not anticipate using all of the current grants awarded, and those are expiring on 06/30/2020.

Due to the new Farm Bill rules regarding CRP acres; some of our plans were cancelled because they are now eligible for the CRP contracts (which is a good problem to have). Other plans were cancelled due to the farm economy situation.

We will make all possible efforts to obligate the remainder of the grant for tree plantings in the spring of 2021. We are hopeful that circumstances will improve and the tree plans will win out!

Thank you for the consideration of this request.

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2020 DOCKET



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Dear State Conservation Commission Members,

I am writing on behalf of the SD Conservation Districts and the South Dakota Employees Association. The Big Sioux Nursery made the decision on 08/03/2019, to increase the bare root cost by 5%. The Conservation districts will need to make adjustments as well. The Districts work hard to avoid increases to their planting prices; however, in order for us to maintain a profit, this is a measure most districts will need to take.

The Conservation Districts are requesting the Commission to increase the prices for tree/shrub planting and increase the cost share for tree removal from 25% to 50% with an addition that landowner can have the choice to do their own renovation work and receive payment, or custom hire the work done.

After gathering information on district pricing, some may be old prices, not all districts updated their websites and price page. We have also taken into account the EQIP prices through NRCS, keeping in mind that EQIP will give the landowner the option to do their own work and receive payment or hire out for renovation of trees.

Prices for District

- Trees are charged from \$2.60 up to \$8.40 average cost = \$5.20
- Shrubs are charged from \$3.80 up to \$10.66 average cost = \$6.20
- Producers
 - Renovation cost average \$3000 per acre up to \$5000 per acre
- EQIP prices are based on a Construction cost index
- \$1.65 per ft removal of trees
- Prep \$53.81 per acre
- .46 per ft for fabric = \$7.5 per rod
- .17 per foot for trees = \$2.7 per rod

The Docket does not reflect on fuel and stop charges.

With the 2018 finding of EAB, we will need to be more proactive with our landowners, encouraging them to replace old Ash shelterbelts. Adding an extra incentive to our Commission grant will help immensely. For those reasons, we would like the cost share on trees increased, increased renovation to 50% and producer renovation cost share introduced as an option.

The Conservation Districts would appreciate the commission to consider all 3 increases and added costshare for landowners.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Removals
Kingsbury

Sjolie Construction \$2000-3000/acre
Bode Construction \$6,000
John Fox \$3,500 with clean up
Vincent Constructic \$1200-\$1500 Land clearing only-trees are not cleaned up
National Average \$2,680

Hanson Local Contractor \$200/hr Operator and equipment
NRCS EQIP \$1.83/ft* With dozer
EQIP \$0.83/ft* Coppice greater 50% or greater
EQIP \$0.61 Coppice less 50% or greater
EQIP \$0.24 Thinning

*Note-EQIP payment rate is roughly 75% of the actual cost for implementing a practice. So in this case NRCS values the renovations with a dozer at \$2.44/ft and coppicing (greater than 50%) at \$1.11/ft

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2/6/2020

Dear Members of the Conservation Commission,

The Mellette and Todd County Conservation District would like to request changes for the 2020 Conservation Commission Cost-Share Docket in order to better assist our local producers with their conservation efforts.

We have noticed an increase in local producers putting in wells in the area. The Docket rate is \$22.00 per foot we would suggest it should be \$38 per foot for plastic cased. The Steel or copper for artesian wells we do not deal with as much. We anticipate it should increase also.

Pasture pumps may be in line with current costs, however pressurized pumping plants are more expensive and should be on case-by-case basis.

Finally, we suggest that the percentage for the cost share of fencing around tree belts be increased from 20% to 50%. This increase would help encourage producers to put fencing around their tree belts to protect young trees from livestock.

Thank you,



Laurie Chauncey
Mellette County Conservation District

Cost Share Practice	Unit	2019 Docket Unit Cost	Proposed Change for 2020 Docket	Source of Request	2019 Docket Cost-share rate	Proposed Cost-share rate for 2020 Docket	Source of Request
Grazing Management:							
Pipeline: Riparian protection/General livestock needs							
Plastic above ground	L.f.	\$1.80	No change		50% / 30%	No change	
HDPE (below ground)	L.f.	\$2.00	No change		50% / 30%	No change	
PVC up to 1 1/4" below ground	L.f.	\$2.70	No change			No change	
PVC 1 1/2" to 2" below ground	L.f.	\$3.10/\$3.60	No change		50% / 30%	No change	
PVC 3" below ground	L.f.	\$4.10	No change		50% / 30%	No change	
Tanks: Riparian protection/General livestock needs							
Freeze proof with base	Gal.	\$2.15	No change		50% / 30%	No change	
Steel rim w/flex bottom	Gal.	\$0.69	No change		50% / 30%	No change	
Standard tank installation with base	Gal.	\$1.60	No change		50% / 30%	No change	
Fountain type water tanks	Ea.	case-by-case	No change		50% / 30%	No change	
Pumps:							
Nose pumps	Ea.	\$670.00	No change		50% / 30%	No change	
Alternative Energy pumps	Ea.	case-by-case	No change		50% / 30%	No change	
Rural hook-ups	Ea.	\$3,500.00	No change		50% / 30%	No change	
Dugout construction or repair	Ea.	\$3,500.00	No change		50% / 30%	No change	
Dam construct or repair (embankment)	Surf Ac.	\$3,000.00	No change		50% / 30%	No change	
Wells:							
Well-Steel or copper/plastic	L.f.	\$36 / \$22	\$/ \$38	Mellette & Todd	50% / 30%	No change	
Fencing: Riparian protect/General livestock needs/Exclusion fencing for upland shelterbelt protect							
electric	L.f.	\$0.63	No change		50% / 30% / 20%	No change	
barbed wire	L.f.	\$1.06	No change		50% / 30% / 20%	No change	
Specialized protective fence	L.f.	\$0.15 additional	No change		50% / 30% / 20%	50%	Mellette & Todd
Temporary fence	L.f.	\$0.10	No change		50% / 30% / 20%	No change	
Seeding (see grass seeding rates)							
Tree Planting:							
	Rod	\$5.50	\$6.20	SDACDE (Kingsbury)	50%	No change	
	Rod	\$5.00	\$5.20	SDACDE (Kingsbury)	50%	No change	
Weed & pest control:							
Fabric weed barrier & installation	L.f.	\$0.61	No Change		50%	No change	
Soil Health:							
Cover Crop (inc. seedbed prep. & operation) per acre not to exceed 80 ac. per landowner (first time user) and for one time only per land unit	Ac	\$28.16 /acre not to exceed 160 (or 120)acres			50%	No change	
Shelterbelt Renovation:							
With dead tree removal (above ground)	Ac	\$2,800.00	See Below Note		40%	50%	SDACDE (Kingsbury)
With dead tree removal (incl. roots)	Ac	\$6,100.00	See Below Note		25%	50%	SDACDE (Kingsbury)
Add to the Note Section-Landowners would be eligible to be paid for their work at a rate up to \$25/hr.							SDACDE (Kingsbury)

Discussion Notes:

Red indicates comments received from Kingsbury on behalf of SDACDE on 8/12/19 and Mellette and Todd on 2/6/2020

Renovation note: At the December 11 Commission meeting, several districts asked if the renovation rate could be increased. At the time, division staff were directed to query targeted districts regarding cost. The following sheet from Hanson and Kingsbury conservation districts provide estimates from those districts.