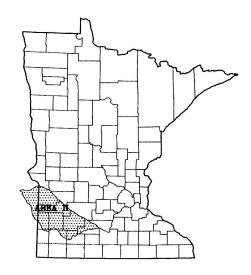
BIENNIAL PLAN – FY 2016 & 2017

JULY 1, 2015 – JUNE 30, 2017





Member Counties

Brown ● Cottonwood ● Lac qui Parle
Lincoln ● Lyon ● Murray ● Pipestone
Redwood ● Yellow Medicine

AREA II MINNESOTA RIVER BASIN PROJECTS, INC.

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2015 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

BIENNIAL PLAN - FY 2016 & 2017

BROWN COUNTY

DENNIS POTTER – VICE CHAIR
DEAN SIMONSEN (ALTERNATE)

COTTONWOOD COUNTY

NORMAN HOLMEN
JIM SCHMIDT (ALTERNATE)

LAC QUI PARLE COUNTY

ROY MARIHART TODD PATZER (ALTERNATE)

LINCOLN COUNTY

JOE DRIETZ
DON EVERS (ALTERNATE)

LYON COUNTY

Rodney Stensrud - **Secretary/Treasurer** Rick Anderson (alternate)

MURRAY COUNTY

ROBERT MOLINE
GERALD MAGNUS (ALTERNATE)

PIPESTONE COUNTY

Luke Johnson – Chair Bruce Kooiman (alternate)

REDWOOD COUNTY

LON WALLING
SHARON HOLLATZ (ALTERNATE)

YELLOW MEDICINE COUNTY

LOUIS SHERLIN
RON ANTONY (ALTERNATE)

WORK PLAN NARRATIVE

BIENNIAL PLAN – FY 2016 & 2017

Area II, formed in 1978 as a non-profit organization, works to alleviate the recurrent flood problems which plague this area of southwestern Minnesota. This organization is recognized as a leader in flood damage reduction by the installation of

dams, reservoirs, grade stabilizations and road retentions. Area II assists it's member counties with the engineering design, hydrologic and hydraulic modeling, construction and inspection, and finance of flood damage reduction projects. Due the unique landforms of this region, particularly the Coteau de Prairies (the Buffalo Ridge), Area II receives a 75/25 cost-share rate for office administration and project implementation. Oversight of this grant-in-aid program is provided by the Minnesota Board of Water & Soil Resources.

This Biennial Plan provides direction for a 2-year period while the Technical Office Budget serves one fiscal year. By May 30, 2016, updates to the Biennial Plan as well as to the Technical Office Budget for FY 2017 will be provided for BWSR staff review.

1) Initiative: FY 2016 – ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Description: Provide administrative and coordination oversight for the AREA II Minnesota River Basin Projects, Inc. Board of Directors. Provide financial reports and records that meet State accounting and auditing standards, prepare budgets, provide supervision and management of staff, evaluate employee job performance, draft agenda and minutes of monthly board meetings. Conduct local government and citizen outreach and education.

Actions:

- Maintain a complete Board of Directors of nine (9) delegates and nine (9) alternates.
- Maintain adequate staffing to address the goals of AREA II. Evaluate job performance of all employees yearly.
- Conduct 12 monthly board meetings and an Annual Legislative Gathering.
- Utilize engineering consultant services to assist with engineering, hydrologic and planning/prioritization issues.
- Maintain policies and procedures. Review Operating Policies, Joint Powers Agreement and Articles of Incorporation annually.
- Maintain a public outreach and information program. Accomplish by maintaining the AREA II web site; conduct tours as necessary
 to highlight projects completed; prepare an annual report. Complete website reporting requirements by March 15 of each year.
- Strive for fiscal accountability. Accomplish by preparing and adopting an annual budget; reviewing monthly financial reports, conducting an annual audit of the financial records.
- Actively pursue new funding sources with local partners through Clean Water Fund and federal programs.
- Continue administrative/operational efficiency discussions with RCRCA. Schedule board meetings for the same day and same location to lessen per diems and expenses paid to board members. Future discussions may include sharing technical resources.
- Meet and communicate with member county commissioners, engineers, water planners, watershed districts, SWCD, NRCS, watershed project staff regarding technical services and potential projects.
- Serve on technical committees (as requested) for watershed projects, TMDL project assessment and implementation efforts. Provide input to USDA Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP) local work group committees.

2) Initiative: FY 2016 - ENGINEERING SERVICES

Description: Employ a senior engineering technician and a consultant registered engineer to provide design services which include planning, hydrologic and hydraulic design, construction and inspection of flood damage reduction projects to the member counties of AREA II. Provide engineering services for projects funded through outside sources involving USDA Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP), Clean Water Funds acquired by SWCDs, RCRCA and counties.

Actions:

- Continue contracting professional engineering services through Bolton & Menk, Inc.
- Schedule and complete annual inspections and reports for nine (9) existing reservoirs.
- Ensure annual inspection of road retention projects by owners and keep inspection reports on file. Follow up on noted concerns.
- Provide wetland monitoring and annual reporting for mitigation sites associated with constructed project.
- Provide project management and coordination with local/state/federal permitting authorities.
- Coordinate with local/State/Federal agencies for early project review and coordination regarding wetland impacts.
- Process payment requests in a timely manner and provide as-built plans and construction documentation.
- Assist in securing the local matching funds for projects which may include: owner(s), township(s), counties, watershed district, or special interest groups (Ducks Unlimited, Minnesota Waterfowl Association, Wild Turkey Federation and others).

3) Initiative: FY 2016 – OPERATIONAL & SUPPORT EXPENSES

Description: Use funding for operational and support expenses of AREA II Minnesota River Basin Projects Inc., for such things as: payroll, consultant engineering fees, field and office supplies, telephone / internet and computer services, training and certification, vehicle and equipment expenses, liability / business / auto insurance, and general business expenses.

4) Initiative: FY 2016 – PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION VIA ADMINISTRATIVE GRANT Description: See Potential Project List for FY2016 & FY2017 – Page 6 of this document.

5) Initiative: FY 2012 BONDING APPROPRIATION

Description: Provide project management and engineering services to construct flood damage reduction structures to meet the 3:1 match requirement and provide the most floodwater storage as practicable. Highest priority will be given to Road Retention structures which lack other funding resources which dams and grade stabilizations can secure.

Actions:

- Administer the \$1,000,000 appropriation and report project outcomes annually to BWSR Board.
- Complete fiscal expenditure report due at end of grant period listing total costs and cost-sharing by all partners.
- Facilitate wetland mitigation/creation if required for proposed projects.
- Provide project management and coordination with local/state/federal permitting authorities.
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OTHER PROJECT ENDEAVORS

BIENNIAL PLAN - FY 2016 & 2017

• ONE WATERSHED, ONE PLAN (Yellow Medicine River Watershed)

<u>ISSUE</u>: The Yellow Medicine River watershed was awarded one of the five **One Watershed**, **One Plan** pilot projects. A pilot plan with a regional approach was desirable as: 1) many commonalities of the Area II watersheds exist due to the Buffalo Ridge, and 2) the established and active joint powers board. Although the watersheds have unique issues of their own, topography and flooding bind these southwestern watersheds together. Area II agreed to be the umbrella organization which would oversee this regional **One Watershed**, **One Plan** approach.

<u>ACTION</u>: Following a Memorandum of Agreement between the 10 water planning partners (Lac qui Parle County and SWCD, Lincoln County and SWCD, Lyon County and SWCD, Yellow Medicine County and SWCD, Yellow Medicine River Watershed District, and Area II) a Work Plan was developed. Upon approval of this Work Plan, Area II entered into a grant agreement with BWSR on November 25, 2014 for \$191,610 with 10% of the grant for administration, coordination and reporting.

<u>STATUS</u>: To date, public notice has been issued of the planning effort and three Kick-Off meetings were held. The combined audience of 147 people was informed of the water planning effort and public comments were solicited using the facilitation skills of the U of M Extension Watershed Educators. RESPEC has been contracted to provide plan writing and modeling services with Emily Javens, PE serving as Project Manager and Julie Blackburn as Principal-In-Charge. The completion of the Yellow Medicine Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategies (WRAPS) is expected June 2015. With the WRAPS results, stressors will be identified and scenarios developed to help target the implementation of conservation efforts by the partners.

<u>PLAN</u>: Over the next several months, the Advisory and Policy Committees will be working diligently to prioritize resource concerns, target implementation strategies, and develop realistic methods to measure results. An aggressive timeline has been established where a final plan is to be submitted to BWSR by December 2015. With the necessary approvals, public hearing, and local adoption, it is anticipated to have completed the planning process by July 1, 2016.

• SHARED ADMINISTRATION WITH RCRCA

ISSUE: Beginning January 1, 2014, RCRCA and Area II have shared administration of both joint powers organizations. By the end of 2014, payroll savings were realized of \$18,111.82 by RCRCA and \$18,968.70 by Area II.

ACTION: Both entities have co-located into one office location in Marshall, MN.

<u>PLAN</u>: Cost savings are continuing to be realized. Both Boards of Directors meet on the same day and at the same location to reduce administrative costs. Consideration is being given to other ways to more closely tie the organizations together without losing current funding and capacity.



POTENTIAL PROJECTS

BIENNIAL PLAN - FY 2016 & 2017

KEY: FY 2016 Construction Planned

COTI	TONWOOD COUNTY		
•	Stately 11 Grade Stabilization		Storden 10 Grade Stabilization Repairs (3)
•	Storden 21 Grade Stabilization		
LINC	OLN COUNTY		
•	Verdi 1 Grade Stabilization Repair		Limestone 26 Grade Stabilization Repair
•	Lake Stay 3 Grade Stabilization		·
LYON	COUNTY		
•	Amiret 33 Grade Stabilization Repair		Custer 10 NE Grade Stabilization
•	Custer 10 SE Grade Stabilization		Lynd 33 Grade Stabilization Repair
•	Monroe 17 Road Retention		Monroe 19 Grade Stabilization Repair
•	Nordland 6 Road Retention		Nordland 34 Grade Stabilization Repair
•	Sodus 21 Grade Stabilization Repair		Sodus 22 Grade Stabilization
•	Sodus 24 Grade Stabilization		Sodus 36 Grade Stabilization (permit pending)
<u>MURI</u>	RAY COUNTY		
•	Holly 22 Road Retention		Holly 10 Grade Stabilization
RED\	WOOD COUNTY		
•	Charlestown 28 Grade Stabilization (permit pending)	•	Charlestown 30 Grade Stabilization
•	Gales 15 Grade Stabilization	•	Lamberton 19 Grade Stabilization Repair (in construction)
•	Lamberton 25 Grade Stabilization Repair (in construction)		Lamberton 29 Grade Stabilization (in construction)
•	North Hero 7 Grade Stabilization		North Hero 34 Road Retention
•	Redwood Falls 17 Grade Stabilization	•	Redwood Falls 19 Grade Stabilization
•	Sheridan 23 Grade Stabilization Repair (in construction)	•	Sherman 9 Grade Stabilization
•	Springdale 21 Road Retention (in construction)		Springdale 22 Grade Stabilization (permit pending)
•	Springdale 28 Grade Stabilization	•	Swede's Forest 35 Grade Stabilization Repair (in construction)
•	Swede's Forest 35 Grade Stabilization		
<u>YELL</u>	OW MEDICINE COUNTY		
•	Norman 7 Grade Stabilization Repair	•	Norman 10 Grade Stabilization



OFFICE OPED ATIONS

FY 2016 TECHNICAL OFFICE BUDGET

BIENNIAL PLAN - FY 2016 & 2017

\$ 249,281.00

5,427.00*

OFFICE OPERATIONS			
PERSONAL SERVICES:		OTHER SERVICES AND COSTS:	
Directors' Compensation\$	2,250.00	*Directors' Expenses	\$ 1,000.00*
Directors' FICA	172.00	Employees' Expenses	2,000.00
Employees' Salaries 1	26,000.00	Contract Services	10,000.00
Employees' FICA	8,900.00	Professional Services	30,000.00
Employees' Medical Insurance	23,275.00	Maintenance & Repairs	3,000.00
Employees' Retirement	9,375.00	Telephone	250.00
Employee' FlexPlan	420.00	Postage	1,000.00
Total Personal Services\$1	70,392.00	Vehicle Expense	3,550.00
		Director's Insurance	2,005.00
SUPPLIES:		Other Insurance	10,540.00
Office\$	2,000.00	Rent	10,044.00
Field	500.00	Utility Expenses	1,000.00
Capital Outlay	0.00	Miscellaneous Expenses	2,000.00
Total Supplies\$	2,500.00	Total Other Services and Costs	\$ 76,389.00

Total Ineligible for Cost-Share by the State..... Total Eligible for Cost-Share by the State......\$ 243,854.00

TOTAL OFFICE OPERATIONS.....

* These items not cost-shared by the State

STATE SHARE OF ELIGIBLE OFFICE COSTS..... \$ 140,000.00 Local Share of Eligible Office Costs.....\$ 56,354.00 Income from Other Sources\$ 47,500.00

AREA II MINNESOTA RIVER BASIN PROJECTS, INC.

ATTACHMENTS

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ATTACHMENT A

$SUMMARY\ OF\ FY\ 2012\ BONDING\ APPROPRIATION\ (\textit{as of June 15, 2015})$

AMIRET 18/19 ROAD RETENTION – Lyon County	\$ 94,490.81
AMIRET 32/33 ROAD RETENTION – Lyon County	\$ 71,605.55
AMIRET 32/33 ROAD RETENTION – Lyon County LYND 17 GRADE STABILIZATION – Lyon County	\$ 22,995.07
HOLLY 4 DAM REPAIR Murray County	\$ 4,547.38
GERMANTOWN 1 DAM REPAIR – Cottonwood County	\$ 690.00
HOLLY 4 DAM REPAIR Murray County GERMANTOWN 1 DAM REPAIR - Cottonwood County SPRINGDALE 29 DAM REPAIR - Redwood County	\$ 25,815.08
STORDEN 4 GRADE STABILIZATION – Cottonwood County LAMBERTON 18 DAM REPAIR – Redwood County LIMESTONE 1 ROAD RETENTION – Lincoln County LAKE MARSHALL 31 DAM REPAIR – Lyon County	\$ 1,981.88
LAMBERTON 18 DAM REPAIR – Redwood County	\$ 1,421.25
LIMESTONE 1 ROAD RETENTION – Lincoln County	\$117,118.93
LAKE MARSHALL 31 DAM REPAIR – Lyon County	\$ 6,790.51
LYND 8 GRADE STABILIZATION – Lyon County	\$ 24,390.29
LYND 8 GRADE STABILIZATION – Lyon County NORDLAND 15 GRADE STABILIZATION – Lyon County COON CREEK 11 DAM REPAIR – Lyon County	\$ 18,402.11
COON CREEK 11 DAM REPAIR – Lyon County	\$ 35,528.63
ISLAND LAKE 4 DAM Lyon County	\$ 994.24
AMIRET 27 DAM REPAIR – Lyon County NORTH HERO 25 DAM REPAIR – Redwood County	\$ 15,837.42
NORTH HERO 25 DAM REPAIR – Redwood County	\$ 393.09
MONROE 2 DAM REPAIR – Lyon County HONNER 32 GRADE STABILIZATION – Redwood County ROYAL 10 ROAD RETENTION – Lincoln County REDWOOD FALLS 7 DAM REPAIR – Redwood County CHARLESTOWN 29 STABILIZATION – Redwood County SIOUX AGENCY 3 DAM REPAIR – Yellow Medicine County	\$ 21,344.63
HONNER 32 GRADE STABILIZATION – Redwood County	\$ 740.62
ROYAL 10 ROAD RETENTION – Lincoln County	\$ 9,120.13
REDWOOD FALLS 7 DAM REPAIR – Redwood County	\$ 20,947.73
CHARLESTOWN 29 STABILIZATION – Redwood County	\$ 18,432.60
SIOUX AGENCY 3 DAM REPAIR – Yellow Medicine County	\$ 26,948.40
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MONROE 17 DAM REPAIR – Lyon County	\$ 14,943.90
LIMESTONE 11 DAM REPAIR – Lincoln County	\$ 41,564.32
LAMBERTON 16SW GRADE REPAIR – Redwood County	\$ 8,317.71
MONROE 17 DAM REPAIR – Lyon County LIMESTONE 11 DAM REPAIR – Lincoln County LAMBERTON 16SW GRADE REPAIR – Redwood County SHERMAN 17 GRADE STABILIZATION REPAIR Redwood	\$ 4,617.00
SHERMAN 18 GRADE STABILIZATION REPAIR – Redwood	\$ 18,432.60 \$ 26,948.40 \$ 13,550.81 \$ 14,943.90 \$ 41,564.32 \$ 8,317.71 \$ 4,617.00 \$ 7,748.85 \$ 7,810.50
SPRINGDALE 21 ROAD RETENTION—Redwood County	\$ 7,810.50

NOTE: \$1,000,000 grant extended to 12/31/2015 TOTAL \$639,089.44

APPROPRIATION SUMMARY

(as of June 15, 2015)

Total Project Costs = \$1,400,295.32 Local Match Provided = \$314,162.25

Other State Funds = \$175,176.66 Federal Funds = \$271.866.98

State/Local Cost-Share Ratio = 1:2.03

(\$314,162.25 / \$639,089.44)

Acre-Feet of storage created = 429.0 Total Acre-Feet of storage = 543.3

ATTACHMENT B

FY2015 COMPLETED PROJECTS (AS OF JUNE 15, 2015)

Limestone 11 Repair – Lincoln 2012 Bonding Funds Landowner YM Watershed District Area II Counties	\$ 56,236.59 \$ 41,564.32 \$ 10,354.77 \$ 3,500.00 \$ 817.50	Gales 17 Grade Stabilization RW RCRCA Landowner Area II Counties	\$ 10,980.75 \$ 7,920.56 \$ 2,640.19 \$ 420.00
Amiret 32 Grade Stab. Repair – Lyon 2012 Bonding Funds Lyon SWCD Area II Counties	\$ 21,597.91 \$ 13,550.81 \$ 7,837.10 \$ 210.00	Monroe 17 Grade Stab. Repair - Lyon 2012 Bonding Funds Lyon SWCD Area II Counties	\$ 23,061.63 \$ 14,943.90 \$ 7,837.10 \$ 280.63
Lowville 36 Repair – Murray Murray SWCD Murray Co. Water Plan Landowner Area II Counties	\$ 19,972.70 \$ 6,800.00 \$ 2,500.00 \$ 10,517.70 \$ 155.00	Shaokatan 32 Dam Repairs – Lincoln Clean Water Funds Landowner Area II Counties	\$ 15,660.27 \$ 11,464.00 \$ 3,821.27 \$ 375.00
Lamberton 16SW Repair - Redwood 2012 Bonding Funds Landowner RCRCA Redwood SWCD Area II Counties	\$ 36,876.95 \$ 8,317.71 \$ 8,349.24 \$ 13,000.00 \$ 7,000.00 \$ 210.00	Redwood Falls 18 Grade Stab. – RW RCRCA Landowner Area II Counties	\$ 64,741.52 \$ 47,874.11 \$ 15,958.03 \$ 909.38
Sherman 17 Grade Stab. Repair – RW 2012 Bonding Funds Landowner Redwood SWCD Area II Counties	\$ 10,846.00 \$ 4,617.00 \$ 2,539.00 \$ 3,000.00 \$ 690.00	Sherman 18 Repair – Redwood 2012 Bonding Funds Landowner EQIP Federal Funds Area II Counties	\$ 25,786.80 \$ 7,748.85 \$ 6,414.95 \$ 11,496.00 \$ 127.00
Johnsonville 19 Grade Stab. – RW EQIP Federal Funds Landowner RCRCA Area II Counties	\$ 60,767.31 \$ 23,630.20 \$ 14,967.83 \$ 21,273.28 \$ 896.00	Redwood Falls 10 Grade Stab. – RW RCRCA Landowner EQIP Federal Funds Area II Counties	\$ 15,399.90 \$ 5,761.59 \$ 2,689.31 \$ 6,514.00 \$ 451.88
Wergeland 5 Streambank – YM LQP-YB Clean Water Funds YMRWD	\$ 16,103.00 \$ 12,077.25 \$ 4,025.75	Underwood 17 Grade Stab – RW EQIP Federal Funds Area II Counties	\$ 30,110.03 \$ 29,486.40 \$ 674.26
Sheridan 13 Grade Repair - Redwood Redwood SWCD Flood Recovery	\$ 19,803.48 \$ 19,449.10	FY2015 COMPLETED PROJ	IECTS

Sheridan 13 Grade Repair - Redwood	\$ 19,803.48
Redwood SWCD Flood Recovery	\$ 19,449.10
Area II Counties	\$ 354.38

2012 Bonding Funds \$ 90,742.59 EQIP Federal Funds \$ 71,126.60 11,464.00 Clean Water Funds \$ RCRCA 95,829.54 **SWCDs** 51,923.30 Watershed Districts \$ 19,603.00 \$ County Water Plan 2,500.00 Area II Counties 6,571.03 Landowners 78,252.29 TOTAL \$ 428,012.35

ATTACHMENT C

AREA II MINNESOTA RIVER BASIN PROJECTS, INC.

Project Title: FY'14 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES GRANT CONTRACT NO. P14-9020 \$120,000.00



GRANT PERIOD:

(incl. extensions)

From: July 1, 2013 To: June 30, 2014

AREA II STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

MN Statutes, Sections 103F.171-103F.187

Administrative Services Grant Expenditures

NOTE: Totals from Audited Financial Report for Year Ended June 30, 2014 Richard W. Holmberg, Ltd.

Personal Services	\$156,686
Other Services	\$ 89,763
Supplies	\$ 2,127
Investigation & Testing	\$ 32,250
Capitol Outlay	\$ 4,725
TOTAL FISCAL YEAR EXPENDITURE	\$285,551

PROJECT CONTACT:

Kerry Netzke, Executive Director (507) 537-6369 area2@starpoint.net



Member Counties:

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Brown
Cottonwood
Lac qui Parle
Lincoln
Lyon
Murray
Pipestone
Redwood
Yellow Medicine

Area II Minnesota River Basin Watershed Boundary

Overall Project Description

Minnesota Statutes establish a grant-in-aid program administered by BWSR for providing financial and technical assistance to local government units (counties, SWCDS, and watershed districts) located in Area II for project and construction costs of floodwater retarding and retention structures within a general plan for floodplain management.

Nine counties within Area II have entered into a Joint Powers Agreement since 1978 to coordinate the implementation of such floodwater retarding and retention projects, and for this purpose, established Area II Minnesota River Basin Projects, Inc.

Statute authorizes BWSR to supervise the program and provide individual project grants not to exceed 75% of total project costs where federal funds are not utilized, or 50% of the nonfederal costs where federal funds are utilized.

Area II has an established office which houses Area II personnel and equipment to provide the engineering and other technical services of projects cost-shared through this program.

Costs eligible for cost-sharing under this Grant Agreement include technical office costs and associated costs, but do not include Area II Directors' compensation, expenses, insurance and bonding costs. The combination of the nine member counties provide \$87,000.00 to the Administrative Services Grant of \$120,000. This is well beyond the required 25% local match.

ATTACHMENT D

AREA II MINNESOTA RIVER BASIN PROJECTS, INC.

Project Title: FY'15 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES GRANT CONTRACT NO. P15-0961 \$120,000.00



GRANT PERIOD:

(incl. extensions) From: July 1, 2014 From: June 30, 2015 To:

AREA II STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

MN Statutes, Sections 103F.171-103F.187

Administrative Services Grant Expenditures

NOTE: Totals from Area II Treasurer's Report for the 11 months ended May 31, 2015

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Personal Services	\$150,794.24
Other Services	\$140,421.45
Supplies	\$1,590.82
Investigation & Testing	\$0
Capitol Outlay	\$11,840.00
TOTAL FISCAL YEAR EXPENDITURE	\$304,646.51

PROJECT CONTACT:

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