

Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council

Laws of Minnesota 2012 Accomplishment Plan



Date: April 20, 2015

Program or Project Title: Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife Refuge Land Acquisition , Phase IV

Funds Recommended: \$ 1,580,000

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Appropriation Language: \$1,580,000 in the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with The Nature Conservancy in cooperation with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to acquire land in fee or permanent conservation easements within the Northern Tallgrass Prairie Habitat Preservation Area in western Minnesota for addition to the Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife Refuge. A list of proposed land acquisitions must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan. The accomplishment plan must include an easement monitoring and enforcement plan.

County Locations: Big Stone, Brown, Chippewa, Clay, Kandiyohi, Kittson, Lac qui Parle, Lincoln, Lyon, Murray, Otter Tail, Pipestone, Pope, Renville, Rock, Swift, and Yellow Medicine.

Regions in which work will take place:

- Prairie

Activity types:

- Protect in Easement
- Protect in Fee

Priority resources addressed by activity:

- Prairie

Abstract:

The Nature Conservancy and the US Fish and Wildlife Service will protect native prairie and associated wetland complexes in western Minnesota by purchasing fee title properties and/or habitat easements.

Design and scope of work:

The Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) was established to preserve, restore, and manage a portion of the remaining critical northern tallgrass prairie habitat and associated habitats at widespread locations throughout the western Minnesota and northwestern Iowa historic range. Only 5 percent of the original tallgrass prairie remains for preservation consideration throughout the entire historic tallgrass prairie range. Native prairie declines of 99.9% and 98.7% have occurred in Iowa and Minnesota, respectively. Grassland dependent bird species have shown steeper, more consistent, and geographically more widespread declines than any other group of North American birds.

The number of acres purchased annually has been limited due to funding shortfalls since the establishment of this refuge. The current land acquisition budget cannot keep up with landowner interest. This funding will allow US Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) to better

meet refuge goals and objectives to protect this vanishing habitat.

The Nature Conservancy (TNC) will work closely with the US Fish and Wildlife Service to review potential properties within the Northern Tallgrass Prairie Habitat Preservation Area. These properties will be ranked by Service field staff who will work with TNC personnel to protect these tracts. Once ranked, TNC staff will work with LSOHC staff to review individual tracts and have them added to the Accomplishment Plan if approved.

Lands and easements purchased with this funding by The Nature Conservancy will be transferred to the US Fish and Wildlife Service and will become units of the Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife Refuge to be owned and managed by the Service. The majority of the lands protected will consist of native prairie, however, wetlands and grasslands will also be restored where needed.

Design and Scope of Work

Only 235,000 acres of the original tallgrass prairie remain in Minnesota. Of these 115,000 acres lack any form of legal protection. The decline of grassland dependent bird species is among the key indicators of the declining condition of these prairies. These birds have shown steeper, more consistent, and geographically widespread declines than any other group of North American birds.

TNC will utilize the funding for the protection of approximately 500 acres of native prairie in western Minnesota. Because of the nature of parcel ownership, some of this acreage will likely include smaller areas of converted lands in need of grassland or wetland restoration. Acquisition of fee title will be the top priority for the funding. The funding will be used for the purchase of permanent habitat easements if the funding cannot be used entirely on fee title acquisition.

Lands protected will eventually be transferred to the Service and will become units of the Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife Refuge. The purpose of the Northern Tallgrass Prairie NWR is to preserve, restore, and manage a portion of the remaining critical northern tallgrass prairie habitat and associated habitats at widespread locations throughout the western Minnesota and northwestern Iowa historic range.

If habitat easements are acquired, monitoring and enforcement will be done through the Service's Wetland Management District offices. These offices have extensive experience with monitoring and enforcing habitat easements. They currently monitor over 15,000 acres of permanent habitat easements. The Service's policies and procedures are described in detail in the manual, "U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service, Great Lakes Region (3) and Mountain-Prairie Region (6), Administrative and Enforcement Procedures for FWS Easements".

Planning

This project correlates well with the recommendations of The Minnesota Conservation and Preservation Plan. Habitat Protection 1 (pages 63-67) states "Protect priority land habitats, while Habitat Recommendation 5 (pages 80-81) states "Restore land, wetlands, and wetland-associated watersheds." This project will protect and restore priority native grasslands and their associated wetlands important to grassland dependent wildlife, especially grassland and wetland birds. This proposal will also implement the following habitat recommendations within the plan:

1. Habitat Recommendation 3 (pages 74-78) "Improve connectivity and access to outdoor recreation" - All fee title lands acquired and restored will be open to the public for hunting and other activities allowed under the National Wildlife Refuge System.
2. Habitat Recommendation 7 (pages 84-87) "Keep water on the landscape" - by protecting and restoring grasslands and wetlands, this proposal will help keep water on the landscape (permanent vegetation restoration).

This project is also fully in accord with the Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan. This plan was the result of a joint planning process that included all of the major prairie conservation agencies and organizations in the state. The Prairie Plan calls for the protection of all native prairie in Minnesota (totaling 31,400 acres in fee and 73,500 acres of easement) within the Prairie Region. The 500 +/- acres protected in this project will reduce the amount of unprotected native prairie by a significant amount. Priority will be given to tracts located within the 36 identified prairie core areas or within habitat complexes along corridors linking the core areas.

The need for this project is also outlined in the Northern Tallgrass Prairie Habitat Preservation Area (HPA) Final Environmental Impact Statement, US Fish and Wildlife Service 1998. The primary purpose of the Northern Tallgrass Prairie HPA is to preserve and enhance the remaining remnant tracts of northern tallgrass prairie and aspen parklands habitats within Iowa and Minnesota.

A secondary purpose is to link existing prairie tracts together (Federal, state, tribal, private organization, and private landowner ownerships) into larger blocks and to buffer remnant prairie. This will establish larger, more viable units of managed prairie and provide travel corridors for wildlife. Future prairie restoration efforts by the US Fish and Wildlife Service could help link existing prairies together.

The basic goals of the Service's Strategic Habitat Conservation are: 1) accomplish landscape level planning based on quantifiable objectives, 2) implement planned actions, then, 3) evaluate your actions to see if they are addressing the objectives. This is what the Service's HAPET (Habitat and Population Evaluation Team) office in Fergus Falls does for the Service and its partners in the prairies of Minnesota. The Service's HAPET office does landscape level planning to meet specific wildlife objectives and conducts evaluation

activities (i.e. 4 sq.mi. surveys), to see if Service/partners' activities are meeting Service objectives. The planned actions to be implemented through this grant application are the acquisition of native prairie remnants and the restoration of converted wetland and grassland habitats. Based on HAPET evaluation strategies, modeling predictions can be made on the numbers of nesting waterfowl, grassland nesting birds, and pheasants the acres affected by this grant application will produce. Besides the obvious wildlife benefits, once restored, the lands acquired through this grant will provide additional water quality, groundwater recharge, and flood abatement benefits.

By purchasing in fee title or through habitat easements 500 +/- acres, this project will meet the LSOHC Section Priorities 1. Protect, enhance, or restore existing wetland/upland complexes, or convert agricultural lands to new wetland/upland habitat complexes; and 2. Protect, enhance and restore remnant native prairie, Big Woods forests and oak savanna.

Although we will strive to acquire lands that already have healthy grassland and wetland complexes, in some cases, restoration and/or enhancement will be needed. Restoration and/or enhancement needs will be determined on a case by case basis. Funding for needed restoration work appears in Attachment A in the Budget and Cash Leverage table under contracts. In Attachment B, restoration is included in the acres and funding for fee acquisition. The funding for restoration in this program is solely for Northern Tallgrass Prairie National Wildlife Refuge properties acquired with Outdoor Heritage Fund funding in this or prior phases. Including the restoration accomplishments with fee acquisition avoids double counting these acres and funds.

If it is determined that restoration and/or enhancement are needed, the Conservancy will work with the US Fish and Wildlife Service land manager to determine which of the current techniques and technologies will be used when restoring the grassland and wetlands of these areas. Grasslands needing restoration will be seeded with local ecotype native grass seed mixtures. Restoration efforts will meet the LSOHC Sections Priority 3 – “Convert agricultural land to wetland/upland to protect, enhance, or restore existing habitat complexes.....”; Priority 6- “Protect expiring Conservations Reserve Program (CRP) lands”, if the CRP acres are planted to native grass mixture; and Priority 7 – “Protect, enhance and restore migratory habitat for waterfowl and related species, so as to increase migratory and breeding success.”

Amendment Requested October 15, 2014

At their October 7, 2014 meeting, the Council requested The Nature Conservancy to add the following language about salary and fringe benefit reimbursement to the Accomplishment Plan:

As provided under the subdivisions titled “Payment Conditions and Capital Equipment Expenditures” (ML 2010, Ch. 361, Art. 1, Sec. 2, Subd. 10; ML 2011, First Special Session, Ch. 6, Art. 1, Sec. 2, Subd. 10; ML 2012, Ch. 264, Art. 1, Sec. 2, Subd. 8; ML 2013, Ch. 137, Art. 1, Sec. 2, Subd. 8; ML 2014, Ch. 256, Art. 1, Sec. 2, Subd. 8) The Nature Conservancy (the Conservancy) may be reimbursed for salary and fringe benefits based on a provisional fringe benefits rate consistent with OMB Circular A-122 and negotiated annually with the Conservancy's cognizant agency. Within 120 days of the end of each Nature Conservancy fiscal year, the Conservancy will provide MN DNR with the actual fringe benefits rate for the prior year and reconcile any overpayment made by the State.

Crops:

Will there be planting of corn or any crop on OHF land purchased or restored in this program - **Not Listed**

Which sections of the Minnesota Statewide Conservation and Preservation Plan are applicable to this project:

- H1 Protect priority land habitats
- H3 Improve connectivity and access to recreation
- H5 Restore land, wetlands and wetland-associated watersheds
- H7 Keep water on the landscape

Which other plans are addressed in this proposal:

- Minnesota Prairie Conservation Plan
- Northern Tallgrass Prairie Habitat Preservation Area (HPA) Final Environmental Impact Statement
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Strategic Habitat Conservation Model

Which LSOHC state-wide priorities are addressed in this proposal:

- Not Listed

Which LSOHC section priorities are addressed in this proposal:

Prairie:

- Protect, enhance, or restore existing wetland/upland complexes, or convert agricultural lands to new wetland/upland habitat complexes
- Convert agricultural land to wetland/upland to protect, enhance, or restore existing habitat complexes, such as WMAs
- Protect expiring CRP lands
- Protect, enhance, and restore migratory habitat for waterfowl and related species, so as to increase migratory and breeding success

Relationship to other funds:

- Not Listed

How does this proposal accelerate or supplement your current efforts in this area:

This project will greatly accelerate conservation activities in prairie regions of Minnesota. Since 2000, the Service has typically received annual appropriations of approximately \$500,000 in federal Land and Water Conservation Funds. This annual funding has allowed the Service to purchase smaller sized tracts of prairie during the last 10 years. The addition of Outdoor Heritage Funds will greatly increase the Service's ability to protect larger tracts of native prairie throughout the 48 Minnesota Counties in the HPA.

OHF funds will be additive to The Nature Conservancy's budget.

How will you sustain and/or maintain this work after the Outdoor Heritage Funds are expended:

Outdoor Heritage Funds will be used to purchase the land in fee title or to purchase perpetual habitat easements. The land purchased will be transferred to the Service to become units of the Northern Tallgrass Prairie NWR. Initial habitat restoration and enhancement work may be accomplished with funds appropriated under this accomplishment plan. Long term costs for restoration, management, and wildlife and habitat monitoring will be funded through annual Service operations funding. Habitat easements, which will also be transferred to the Service, are perpetual and Service managers will work with landowners to maintain and, where needed, restore the native prairie on each tract of land.

Activity Details:

Will local government approval be sought prior to acquisition - **Not Listed**

Is the land you plan to acquire free of any other permanent protection - **Not Listed**

Is this land open for hunting and fishing - **Not Listed**

Will the eased land be open for public use - **Not Listed**

Is the land you plan to acquire free of any other permanent protection - **Not Listed**

Accomplishment Timeline:

Activity	Approximate Date Completed
Identify priority acquisitions (fee and easement) - 15 potential tracts	Ongoing
Appraisals ordered - 5 tracts	July 1, 2012 - April 15, 2015
Purchase agreements finalized - 4 tracts	July 1, 2013 - May 15, 2015
Acquisitions complete - 500 acres	June 30, 2015
Grassland Restoration/Enhancement completed - 2 tracts	June 30, 2015

Federal Funding:

Do you anticipate federal funds as a match for this program - **Not Listed**

Outcomes:

Programs in prairie region:

- Core areas protected with highly biologically diverse wetlands and plant communities, including native prairie, Big Woods, and oak savanna
- Expiring CRP lands are permanently protected
- Remnant native prairies and wetlands are permanently protected and are part of large complexes of restored prairie, grasslands, and large and small wetlands
- Water is kept on the land
- Existing complexes of protected native prairie are expanded and better connected, Greater coordination among agencies involved in native prairie protection

Budget Spreadsheet

Budget reallocations up to 10% do not require an amendment to the Accomplishment Plan

How will this program accommodate the reduced appropriation recommendation from the original proposed requested amount

Not Listed

Total Amount of Request: \$ 1580000

Budget and Cash Leverage

Budget Name	LSOHC Request	Anticipated Leverage	Leverage Source	Total
Personnel	\$80,000	\$11,700	TNC, TNC, TNC, TNC, TNC	\$91,700
Contracts	\$125,000	\$22,500	TNC	\$147,500
Fee Acquisition w/ PILT	\$0	\$0		\$0
Fee Acquisition w/o PILT	\$1,311,500	\$0		\$1,311,500
Easement Acquisition	\$0	\$0		\$0
Easement Stewardship	\$0	\$0		\$0
Travel	\$4,000	\$500	TNC	\$4,500
Professional Services	\$50,000	\$7,200	TNC	\$57,200
Direct Support Services	\$9,500	\$1,700	TNC	\$11,200
DNR Land Acquisition Costs	\$0	\$0		\$0
Capital Equipment	\$0	\$0		\$0
Other Equipment/Tools	\$0	\$0		\$0
Supplies/Materials	\$0	\$77,600	In-kind / Volunteer by US FWS	\$77,600
DNR IDP	\$0	\$0		\$0
Total	\$1,580,000	\$121,200		\$1,701,200

Personnel

Position	FTE	Over # of years	LSOHC Request	Anticipated Leverage	Leverage Source	Total
Data Manager/Technician	0.21	1.00	\$10,000	\$7,600	TNC	\$17,600
Field Steward	0.09	1.00	\$4,500	\$1,600	TNC	\$6,100
Land Steward	0.04	1.00	\$3,500	\$900	TNC	\$4,400
Grants Administration	0.10	1.00	\$4,500	\$800	TNC	\$5,300
Negotiators	0.60	1.00	\$57,000	\$800	TNC	\$57,800
TNC Science Staff	0.01	1.00	\$500	\$0		\$500
Total	1.05	6.00	\$80,000	\$11,700		\$91,700

Output Tables

Table 1a. Acres by Resource Type

Type	Wetlands	Prairies	Forest	Habitats	Total
Restore	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	0	500	0	0	500
Protect in Easement	0	0	0	0	0
Enhance	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	500	0	0	500

Table 1b. How many of these Prairie acres are Native Prairie?

Type	Native Prairie
Restore	0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	0
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	0
Protect in Easement	0
Enhance	0
Total	0

Table 2. Total Requested Funding by Resource Type

Type	Wetlands	Prairies	Forest	Habitats	Total
Restore	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	\$0	\$1,580,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,580,000
Protect in Easement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Enhance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$1,580,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,580,000

Table 3. Acres within each Ecological Section

Type	Metro Urban	ForestPrairie	SE Forest	Prairie	N Forest	Total
Restore	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	0	0	0	500	0	500
Protect in Easement	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enhance	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	500	0	500

Table 4. Total Requested Funding within each Ecological Section

Type	Metro Urban	ForestPrairie	SE Forest	Prairie	N Forest	Total
Restore	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,580,000	\$0	\$1,580,000
Protect in Easement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Enhance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,580,000	\$0	\$1,580,000

Target Lake/Stream/River Feet or Miles

0

Parcel List

For restoration and enhancement programs ONLY: Managers may add, delete, and substitute projects on this parcel list based upon need, readiness, cost, opportunity, and/or urgency so long as the substitute parcel/project forwards the constitutional objectives of this program in the Project Scope table of this accomplishment plan. The final accomplishment plan report will include the final parcel list.

Section 1 - Restore / Enhance Parcel List

No parcels with an activity type restore or enhance.

Section 2 - Protect Parcel List

Big Stone

Name	TRDS	Acres	Est Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?
Big Stone #1	12246235	59	\$64,900	No	No	No
Big Stone #2	12145206	40	\$30,500	No	No	No
Big Stone #3	12245227	83	\$125,000	No	No	No
Big Stone #4	12044210	59	\$144,300	No	No	No

Brown

Name	TRDS	Acres	Est Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?
Brown #1	10835229	110	\$311,500	No	No	No

Chippewa

Name	TRDS	Acres	Est Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?
Chippewa #1	11942218	100	\$195,300	No	No	No

Clay

Name	TRDS	Acres	Est Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?
Clay #2	13946202	80	\$153,800	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Clay #4	13946202	80	\$0	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

Kandiyohi

Name	TRDS	Acres	Est Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?
Kandiyohi #2	12236210	155	\$434,000	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Kandiyohi #4	12235207	76	\$190,000	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Kandiyohi County #3	12236210	196	\$316,300	No	No	No

Kittson

Name	TRDS	Acres	Est Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?
Kittson #1	16245214	200	\$100,100	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Kittson #3	16045235	224	\$149,500	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Kittson #4	15946202	307	\$0	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

Lac qui Parle

Name	TRDS	Acres	Est Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?
Lac qui Parle #1	11742201	47	\$55,100	No	No	No
Lac qui Parle #2	11746213	245	\$486,400	No	No	No

Lincoln

Name	TRDS	Acres	Est Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?
Lincoln #1	10946209	162	\$343,100	No	No	No
Lincoln #4	11345210	40	\$84,000	No	No	No
Lincoln County #3	11346223	71	\$175,300	No	No	No

Lyon

Name	TRDS	Acres	Est Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?
Lyon #2	10942222	32	\$73,000	No	No	No
Lyon #3	10943222	74	\$96,600	No	No	No
Lyon #4	10942211	145	\$370,600	No	No	No

Murray

Name	TRDS	Acres	Est Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?
Murray #1	10839212	60	\$246,100	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Murray #3	10541225	187	\$849,400	No	No	No
Murray #4	10543217	71	\$183,600	No	No	No
Murray #5	10543209	69	\$155,300	No	No	No
Murray #6	10643232	75	\$227,600	No	No	No

Otter Tail

Name	TRDS	Acres	Est Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?
Otter Tail #1	13244205	58	\$93,900	No	No	No

Pipestone

Name	TRDS	Acres	Est Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?
Pipestone #1	10546223	174	\$360,500	No	No	No
Pipestone #2	10544210	62	\$166,300	No	No	No
Pipestone #3	10846201	79	\$155,200	No	No	No
Pipestone #4	10846211	80	\$157,300	No	No	No

Pope

Name	TRDS	Acres	Est Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?
Pope #2	12640233	56	\$93,000	No	No	No
Pope #3	12640233	74	\$95,000	No	No	No
Pope #4	12337236	195	\$241,900	No	No	No
Pope #5	12337226	21	\$29,700	No	No	No
Pope #7	12438229	447	\$594,200	No	No	No
Pope #8	12439215	107	\$117,900	No	No	No
Pope #9	12337226	31	\$34,300	No	No	No
Pope County #6	12640234	124	\$277,600	No	No	No

Renville

Name	TRDS	Acres	Est Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?
Renville #1	11335207	257	\$0	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

Rock

Name	TRDS	Acres	Est Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?
Rock #1	10545218	77	\$0	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Rock #2	10345218	5	\$0	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Rock #4	10345213	11	\$0	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Rock #5	10345218	21	\$0	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

Swift

Name	TRDS	Acres	Est Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?
Swift #1	12238217	189	\$0	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

Yellow Medicine

Name	TRDS	Acres	Est Cost	Existing Protection?	Hunting?	Fishing?
Yellow Medicine #1	11546229	302	\$393,400	No	No	No
Yellow Medicine #2	11546231	87	\$189,900	No	No	No

Section 2a - Protect Parcel with Bldgs

No parcels with an activity type protect and has buildings.

Section 3 - Other Parcel Activity

No parcels with an other activity type.

Completed Parcel: Kandiyohi County #3

# of Total Acres:	196
County:	Kandiyohi
Township:	122
Range:	36
Direction:	2
Section:	10
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	44
# of Acres: Forest:	20
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	132
Amount of Shoreline:	(Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	
Has there been signage erected at the site:	No - We are currently in the process of verifying that signs have been placed on all easement properties protected with this appropriation. This field will be updated following that verification.
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	The Nature Conservancy
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Richard Johnson
Annual Reporting Address:	1101 W. River Parkway
Annual Reporting City:	Minneapolis
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55415
Annual Reporting Email:	rich_johnson@tnc.org
Annual Reporting Phone:	612-331-0790
Purchase Date:	August 12, 2014
Purchase Price:	\$316,275
Professional Service Costs:	\$11,443
Assessed Value:	\$417,140
Total Project Cost:	\$327,718
Easement Holder Organization Name:	The Nature Conservancy
Easement Holder Manager Name:	Marya Johnson-McIntosh
Easement Holder Address:	1101 W. River Parkway
Easement Holder City:	Minneapolis
Easement Holder State:	MN
Easement Holder Zip:	55415
Easement Holder Email:	mjohnston-mcintosh@TNC.ORG
Easement Holder Phone:	612-331-0760
Responsible Organization Name:	The Nature Conservancy
Responsible Manager Name:	Marya Johnson-McIntosh
Responsible Address:	1101 W. River Parkway
Responsible City:	Minneapolis
Responsible State:	MN
Responsible Zip:	55415
Responsible Email:	mjohnston-mcintosh@TNC.ORG
Responsible Phone:	612-331-0760
Underlying Fee Owner:	Steven Harms & Robin Freese

Completed Parcel: Lincoln County #3

# of Total Acres:	71
County:	Lincoln
Township:	113
Range:	46
Direction:	2
Section:	23
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	1
# of Acres: Forest:	
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	69
Amount of Shoreline:	7800 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	Lac qui Parle River
Has there been signage erected at the site:	No - We are currently in the process of verifying that signs have been placed on all easement properties protected with this appropriation. This field will be updated following that verification.
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	The Nature Conservancy
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Richard Johnson
Annual Reporting Address:	1101 W. River Parkway
Annual Reporting City:	Minneapolis
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55415
Annual Reporting Email:	rich_johnson@tnc.org
Annual Reporting Phone:	612-331-0790
Purchase Date:	February 07, 2014
Purchase Price:	\$167,475
Professional Service Costs:	\$10,088
Assessed Value:	\$556,400
Total Project Cost:	\$177,563
Easement Holder Organization Name:	The Nature Conservancy
Easement Holder Manager Name:	Sandi Edmunds
Easement Holder Address:	1101 W. River Parkway
Easement Holder City:	Minneapolis
Easement Holder State:	MN
Easement Holder Zip:	55415
Easement Holder Email:	sedmunds@tnc.org
Easement Holder Phone:	612-331-0768
Responsible Organization Name:	The Nature Conservancy
Responsible Manager Name:	Sandi Edmunds
Responsible Address:	1101 W. River Parkway
Responsible City:	Minneapolis
Responsible State:	MN
Responsible Zip:	55415
Responsible Email:	sedmunds@tnc.org
Responsible Phone:	612-331-0768
Underlying Fee Owner:	Richard & Glenda Olsen

Completed Parcel: Pope County #6

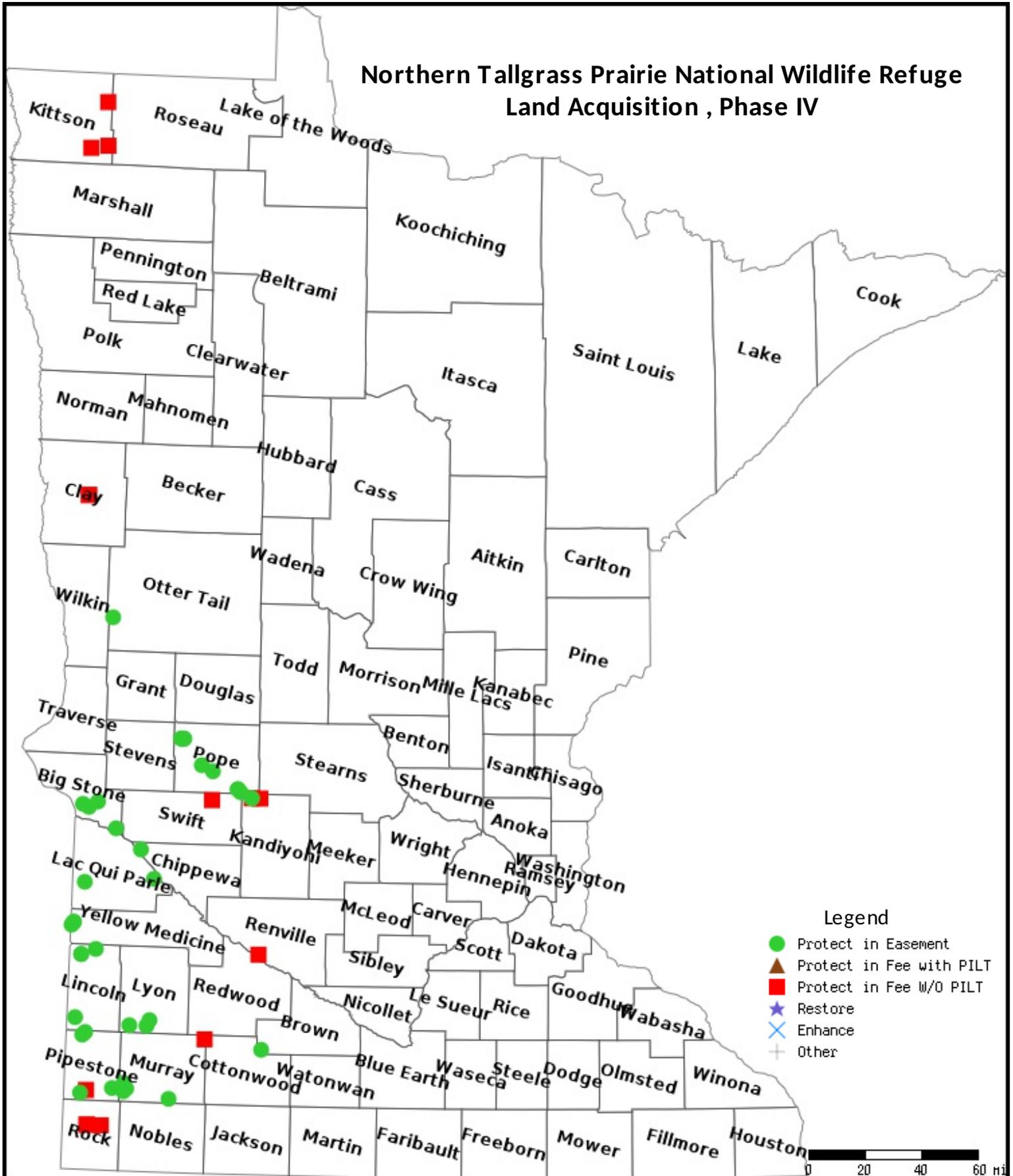
# of Total Acres:	124
County:	Pope
Township:	126
Range:	40
Direction:	2
Section:	34
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	19.16
# of Acres: Forest:	0
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	104.4
Amount of Shoreline:	(Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	
Has there been signage erected at the site:	Yes
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	The Nature Conservancy
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Richard Johnson
Annual Reporting Address:	1101 West River Parkway
Annual Reporting City:	Minneapolis
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55415
Annual Reporting Email:	rich_johnson@tnc.org
Annual Reporting Phone:	612-331-0790
Purchase Date:	February 14, 2014
Purchase Price:	\$268,725
Professional Service Costs:	\$8,095
Assessed Value:	\$657,500
Total Project Cost:	\$276,820
Easement Holder Organization Name:	The Nature Conservancy
Easement Holder Manager Name:	Marya Johnson-McIntosh
Easement Holder Address:	1101 West River Parkway
Easement Holder City:	Minneapolis
Easement Holder State:	MN
Easement Holder Zip:	55415
Easement Holder Email:	mjohnston-mcintosh@TNC.ORG
Easement Holder Phone:	612-331-0768
Responsible Organization Name:	The Nature Conservancy
Responsible Manager Name:	Marya Johnson-McIntosh
Responsible Address:	1101 West River Parkway
Responsible City:	Minneapolis
Responsible State:	MN
Responsible Zip:	55415
Responsible Email:	mjohnston-mcintosh@TNC.ORG
Responsible Phone:	612-331-0768
Underlying Fee Owner:	David & Lori Wrolson

Completed Parcel: Yellow Medicine #1

# of Total Acres:	302
County:	Yellow Medicine
Township:	115
Range:	46
Direction:	2
Section:	29
# of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:	13
# of Acres: Forest:	140
# of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:	140
Amount of Shoreline:	11700 (Linear Feet)
Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):	Florida Creek
Has there been signage erected at the site:	No - We are currently verifying that signage on this property is completed.
Annual Reporting Organization Name:	The Nature Conservancy
Annual Reporting Manager Name:	Marya Johnston-McIntosh
Annual Reporting Address:	1101 W. River Parkway
Annual Reporting City:	Minneapolis
Annual Reporting State:	MN
Annual Reporting Zip:	55415
Annual Reporting Email:	mjohnston-mcintosh@TNC.ORG
Annual Reporting Phone:	612-331-0760
Purchase Date:	November 17, 2014
Purchase Price:	\$390,100
Professional Service Costs:	\$12,593
Assessed Value:	\$894,600
Total Project Cost:	\$402,693
Easement Holder Organization Name:	The Nature Conservancy
Easement Holder Manager Name:	Marya Johnston-McIntosh
Easement Holder Address:	1101 W. River Parkway
Easement Holder City:	Minneapolis
Easement Holder State:	MN
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Easement Holder Phone:	612-331-0760
Responsible Organization Name:	The Nature Conservancy
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Responsible Phone:	612-331-0760
Underlying Fee Owner:	Marty & Mary Anne Grawbow

Parcel Map

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