

## Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council Laws of Minnesota 2014 Final Report



**Date:** November 18, 2019

**Program or Project Title:** Living Shallow Lakes & Wetlands Initiative Phase IV

**Funds Recommended:** \$4,910,000

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**Appropriation Language:** \$4,910,000 in the second year is to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Ducks Unlimited to assess, enhance, and restore shallow lakes and wetlands, including bioengineering, technical assistance, feasibility investigation, survey, and design to develop new enhancement and restoration projects for future implementation. A list of proposed enhancements and restorations to be constructed through this appropriation must be provided as part of the required accomplishment plan.

**County Locations:** Becker, Cottonwood, Douglas, Freeborn, Grant, Jackson, Kandiyohi, Lac qui Parle, Mahnommen, Otter Tail, Stevens, and Wright.

### **Eco regions in which work was completed:**

- Forest / Prairie Transition
- Prairie
- Metro / Urban

### **Activity types:**

- Restore
- Enhance

### **Priority resources addressed by activity:**

- Wetlands

## **Summary of Accomplishments:**

In this Phase 4 of our ongoing "Living Lakes" program to enhance shallow lakes and restore wetlands, DU successfully enhanced 5,952 acres of shallow lakes and wetlands and restored 59 acres of wetlands by completing 16 separate projects for waterfowl and other wildlife in the Prairie, Transition, and Metro Sections in partnership with Minnesota DNR, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, and private landowners. These accomplishments significantly exceeded our goal of 4,000 acres, and included \$731,000 in non-state funds as leverage, far exceeding our pledge of providing at least \$110,000 in non-state leverage funds.

## **Process & Methods:**

Minnesota has lost approximately 90% of Prairie wetlands, and many wetlands in other parts of the state, to drainage. The prairie shallow lakes and wetland that remain are often those that were too deep to drain years ago, and they now function as the core of Minnesota's remaining waterfowl habitat complexes. However, these remaining wetlands now receive excessive water and nutrient

runoff from a highly interconnected, drained landscape through which invasive fish have easy access. As a result, most of our remaining wetland and shallow lake basins are turbid and degraded due to high, stable water levels in which nutrients collect, carp and other invasive fish proliferate. Natural water level fluctuations no longer occur, fish winterkill events are rare, and aquatic ecology functions stagnate. The result is a lack of aquatic plants and invertebrates required to sustain migrating and breeding waterfowl and other wetland-dependent birds, especially those species such as diving ducks that exclusively rely on aquatic plant and invertebrate foods within wetlands and shallow lakes to survive. Nongame wildlife such as shorebirds and wading birds suffer too. As a result, ducks migrating through Minnesota on their way north in spring find sparse aquatic food resources, much to their detriment when they stop to breed further north due to the importance of nutrient reserves required for egg laying. Those waterfowl that remain here to breed encounter poor brood-rearing habitat, as few shallow lakes and marshes here have high quality wetland habitat with abundant aquatic plants and invertebrate food resources on which young ducks rely. These factors have contributed to a decline in Minnesota's diverse waterfowl resources and, unfortunately, a decline in Minnesota's rich waterfowling traditions.

To remedy this situation, this grant helped fund the ongoing delivery of Ducks Unlimited's "Living Lakes Initiative" conservation program to provide bio-engineering services to assist the Minnesota DNR, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (FWS), and private landowner partners to enhance, restore, and protect Minnesota's shallow lakes and wetlands. This Phase 4 program funded Ducks Unlimited bio-engineering staff that assessed, designed, and constructed water control structures and fish barriers to improve wetlands on public land. DU biologists worked closely with Minnesota DNR Shallow Lakes Program biologists to assess wetland conditions and identify possible management solutions, and assisted DNR in garnering private landowner and public stakeholder support for project implementation, including permits and easements. DU surveyed, designed, and constructed the infrastructure necessary to actively manage public water wetland water levels. This grant also supported ongoing shallow lake technical assistance from DU staff and consultant biologists and engineers to assess, survey, and design future projects for implementation under future OHF appropriations for this ongoing, programmatic conservation initiative once permits and easements are acquired by DNR and FWS. Finally, this grant also paid for DU costs to administer this grant.

Most wetland enhancements and restorations occurred in the Prairie Section and supported the state's Prairie Conservation Plan, along with a couple projects in the Metro and Transition Sections too. Water control structures will be used by agency managers to simulate natural temporary drought cycles in shallow lakes and wetlands that rejuvenate the aquatic ecological process that produce abundant aquatic plants and invertebrates for waterfowl and other wetland wildlife. These structures last for 30 or more years and are generally used by agency staff every 5-7 years to conduct periodic temporary draw-downs that are key to enhancing and maintaining highly productive wetlands. During draw-downs, mudflat conditions will provide critical habitat for migrating shorebirds, and shallow emergent marshes resulting from draw-downs will benefit many wading bird and tern species too. DU may also survey, design and restore smaller wetlands on public and other protected land near shallow lakes when opportunities to do so arise. Shallow lakes were selected for enhancement by DNR and FWS managers in consultation with DU field biologists, and generally enjoy strong support from the public for improvement. Minnesota DNR held public meetings to share information on current conditions and management plans for shallow lakes designated for wildlife management purposes.

Every statewide conservation plan recognizes the need for improving and protecting Minnesota's shallow lakes and associated wetlands for optimal wildlife habitat. The Minnesota DNR's Duck Recovery Plan is the most specific, calling for the active management of 1,800 shallow lakes and adding 64,000 wetlands to Minnesota's landscape. DU's Living Lakes Initiative supports this plan through a goal of improving 300 Minnesota shallow lakes in 10 years. Shallow lakes and wetlands are identified as critical habitat for several "Species of Greatest Conservation Need" listed in Minnesota's "Tomorrow's Habitat for the Wild & Rare: An Action Plan for Minnesota Wildlife", including lesser scaup, northern pintail, and trumpeter swan. Ducks Unlimited's Living Lakes Initiative directly addresses Minnesota's Statewide Conservation & Preservation Plan Habitat Recommendations #4 and #5 on pages 78 and 80, respectively, which calls for the restoration and protection of shallow lakes (page 78) and the restoration of land, wetlands, and watersheds (page 80).

Finally, the North American Waterfowl Management Plan's Prairie Pothole Joint Venture prioritizes the restoration and management of wetlands and shallow lakes through goals and objectives for improved brood-rearing and migration habitat for ducks. Many shallow lakes and wetlands prioritized for enhancement by DU are located within wetland habitat complexes identified by the US Fish & Wildlife Service's Strategic Habitat Conservation model and are high priority basins for both FWS and Minnesota DNR wildlife managers. Shallow lakes and wetlands which undergo temporary water level draw-downs will provide excellent mudflat habitat for shorebirds and excellent shallow water and emergent marsh habitat for non-game wading birds and terns as called for by national and regional shore and wading bird conservation plans, in addition to improving waterfowl habitat. DU shallow lake and wetland enhancement work is performed in close coordination and collaborative partnership with the Minnesota DNR, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, other government agencies, and private landowners.

## **Explain Partners, Supporters, & Opposition:**

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## Additional Comments:

*Exceptional challenges, expectations, failures, opportunities, or unique aspects of program*

The 6,011 acres of DU accomplishments achieved through this OHF grant significantly exceeded our goal of 4,000 acres, and included \$731,000 in non-state funds as leverage, far exceeding our pledge of providing at least \$110,000 in non-state leverage funds. Leverage funds included a combination of private DU funds and federal North American Wetland Conservation Act grant funds that were secured after this state OHF appropriation was made and using this state appropriation as non-federal match in partnership with other NGOs.

## Other Funds Received:

- Not Listed

## How were the funds used to advanced the program:

Not Listed

## What is the plan to sustain and/or maintain this work after the Outdoor Heritage Funds are expended:

All shallow lake enhancement and wetland restoration projects are managed in perpetuity by the Minnesota DNR or U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, and will be sustained and maintained by them.

## Outcomes:

*The original accomplishment plan stated the program would*

### Programs in forest-prairie transition region:

- Improved aquatic habitat vegetation
- Protected, restored, and enhanced nesting and migratory habitat for waterfowl, upland birds, and species of greatest conservation need
- Wetland and upland complexes will consist of native prairies, restored prairies, quality grasslands, and restored shallow lakes and wetlands

### How will the outcomes be measured and evaluated?

This grant funded the restoration of 5 wetland acres in the Forest-Prairie Transition region to improve a wetland complex near Lake Christina comprised of private land under permanent easement and public state Wildlife Management Areas and federal Waterfowl Production Areas for migratory birds and other wildlife. The Minnesota DNR's Shallow Lakes Program and both DNR and USFWS field staff will monitor and evaluate the wetland habitat and migratory bird response of each project in the future.

### Programs in metropolitan urbanizing region:

- A network of natural land and riparian habitats will connect corridors for wildlife and species in greatest conservation need
- Improved aquatic habitat indicators
- Game lakes are significant contributors of waterfowl, due to efforts to protect uplands adjacent to game lakes

### How will the outcomes be measured and evaluated?

This grant funded the enhancement of 664 wetland acres in the Metrol-Urbanizing region on Woodland WMA near Montrose and Victor WPA near Howard Lake to improve large "game lakes" (shallow lakes) on public state Wildlife Management Areas and federal Waterfowl Production Areas for migratory birds and other wildlife. The Minnesota DNR's Shallow Lakes Program and both DNR and USFWS field staff will monitor and evaluate the wetland habitat and migratory bird response of each project in the future.

### Programs in prairie region:

- Improved condition of habitat on public lands
- Protected, restored, and enhanced shallow lakes and wetlands
- Improve aquatic vegetation
- Enhanced shallow lake productivity
- Protected, restored, and enhanced habitat for migratory and unique Minnesota species

**How will the outcomes be measured and evaluated?**

This grant funded the restoration of 54 wetland acres and the enhancement of 5,288 shallow lake wetland acres in the Prairie Region comprised of large "game lakes" (shallow lakes) and smaller wetlands on public state Wildlife Management Areas and federal Waterfowl Production Areas for migratory birds and other wildlife. The Minnesota DNR's Shallow Lakes Program and both DNR and USFWS field staff will monitor and evaluate the wetland habitat and migratory bird response of each project in the future.

# Budget Spreadsheet

Final Budget line item reallocations are allowed up to 10% and do not need require an amendment to the Accomplishment Plan

Total Amount: \$4,910,000

## Budget and Cash Leverage

| BudgetName                 | Request            | Spent              | Cash Leverage (anticipated) | Cash Leverage (received) | Leverage Source              | Total (original)   | Total (final)      |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Personnel                  | \$690,000          | \$921,500          | \$0                         | \$310,800                | Federal NAWCA and DU Private | \$690,000          | \$1,232,300        |
| Contracts                  | \$4,000,000        | \$3,699,700        | \$0                         | \$324,500                | Federal NAWCA and DU Private | \$4,000,000        | \$4,024,200        |
| Fee Acquisition w/ PILT    | \$0                | \$0                | \$0                         | \$0                      |                              | \$0                | \$0                |
| Fee Acquisition w/o PILT   | \$0                | \$0                | \$0                         | \$0                      |                              | \$0                | \$0                |
| Easement Acquisition       | \$0                | \$0                | \$0                         | \$0                      |                              | \$0                | \$0                |
| Easement Stewardship       | \$0                | \$0                | \$0                         | \$0                      |                              | \$0                | \$0                |
| Travel                     | \$70,000           | \$93,500           | \$10,000                    | \$88,500                 | Federal NAWCA and DU Private | \$80,000           | \$182,000          |
| Professional Services      | \$30,000           | \$53,900           | \$0                         | \$1,500                  | Federal NAWCA and DU Private | \$30,000           | \$55,400           |
| Direct Support Services    | \$70,000           | \$88,400           | \$100,000                   | \$0                      |                              | \$170,000          | \$88,400           |
| DNR Land Acquisition Costs | \$0                | \$0                | \$0                         | \$0                      |                              | \$0                | \$0                |
| Capital Equipment          | \$0                | \$0                | \$0                         | \$0                      |                              | \$0                | \$0                |
| Other Equipment/Tools      | \$10,000           | \$12,600           | \$0                         | \$0                      |                              | \$10,000           | \$12,600           |
| Supplies/Materials         | \$40,000           | \$18,700           | \$0                         | \$5,700                  | Federal NAWCA and DU Private | \$40,000           | \$24,400           |
| DNR IDP                    | \$0                | \$0                | \$0                         | \$0                      |                              | \$0                | \$0                |
| <b>Total</b>               | <b>\$4,910,000</b> | <b>\$4,888,300</b> | <b>\$110,000</b>            | <b>\$731,000</b>         |                              | <b>\$5,020,000</b> | <b>\$5,619,300</b> |

## Personnel

| Position              | FTE         | Over # of years | Spent            | Cash Leverage    | Leverage Source              | Total              |
|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|
| Program Manager       | 0.50        | 3.00            | \$48,900         | \$0              |                              | \$48,900           |
| Bio-Engineering Staff | 3.50        | 3.00            | \$872,600        | \$310,800        | Federal NAWCA and DU Private | \$1,183,400        |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>4.00</b> | <b>6.00</b>     | <b>\$921,500</b> | <b>\$310,800</b> |                              | <b>\$1,232,300</b> |

## Explain any budget challenges or successes:

DU spent nearly all of this 2014 OHF appropriation except for approximately \$21,800, and provided \$731,000 in non-state leverage via federal NAWCA grant funds and DU private funds, which is significantly more than the \$110,000 pledged by DU originally. This successful provision of leverage was due to strong effort by DU to use our OHF wetland projects and work with partners such as PF to leverage federal NAWCA grants, and strong philanthropic support from individuals, foundations, and corporations for DU's Living Lakes Initiative.

## All revenues received by the recipient that have been generated from activities on land with money from the OHF:

Total Revenue: \$0  
 Revenue Spent: \$0  
 Revenue Balance: \$0

- E. This is not applicable as there was no revenue generated.

## Output Tables

**Table 1a. Acres by Resource Type**

| Type                                     | Wetlands (original) | Wetlands (final) | Prairies (original) | Prairies (final) | Forest (original) | Forest (final) | Habitats (original) | Habitats (final) | Total (original) | Total (final) |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Restore                                  | 0                   | 59               | 0                   | 0                | 0                 | 0              | 0                   | 0                | 0                | 59            |
| Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability | 0                   | 0                | 0                   | 0                | 0                 | 0              | 0                   | 0                | 0                | 0             |
| Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability  | 0                   | 0                | 0                   | 0                | 0                 | 0              | 0                   | 0                | 0                | 0             |
| Protect in Easement                      | 0                   | 0                | 0                   | 0                | 0                 | 0              | 0                   | 0                | 0                | 0             |
| Enhance                                  | 4,000               | 5,952            | 0                   | 0                | 0                 | 0              | 0                   | 0                | 4,000            | 5,952         |
| <b>Total</b>                             | <b>4,000</b>        | <b>6,011</b>     | <b>0</b>            | <b>0</b>         | <b>0</b>          | <b>0</b>       | <b>0</b>            | <b>0</b>         | <b>4,000</b>     | <b>6,011</b>  |

**Table 2. Total Funding by Resource Type**

| Type                                     | Wetlands (original) | Wetlands (final)   | Prairies (original) | Prairies (final) | Forest (original) | Forest (final) | Habitats (original) | Habitats (final) | Total (original)   | Total (final)      |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Restore                                  | \$0                 | \$240,200          | \$0                 | \$0              | \$0               | \$0            | \$0                 | \$0              | \$0                | \$240,200          |
| Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability | \$0                 | \$0                | \$0                 | \$0              | \$0               | \$0            | \$0                 | \$0              | \$0                | \$0                |
| Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability  | \$0                 | \$0                | \$0                 | \$0              | \$0               | \$0            | \$0                 | \$0              | \$0                | \$0                |
| Protect in Easement                      | \$0                 | \$0                | \$0                 | \$0              | \$0               | \$0            | \$0                 | \$0              | \$0                | \$0                |
| Enhance                                  | \$4,910,000         | \$4,648,100        | \$0                 | \$0              | \$0               | \$0            | \$0                 | \$0              | \$4,910,000        | \$4,648,100        |
| <b>Total</b>                             | <b>\$4,910,000</b>  | <b>\$4,888,300</b> | <b>\$0</b>          | <b>\$0</b>       | <b>\$0</b>        | <b>\$0</b>     | <b>\$0</b>          | <b>\$0</b>       | <b>\$4,910,000</b> | <b>\$4,888,300</b> |

**Table 3. Acres within each Ecological Section**

| Type                                     | Metro Urban (original) | Metro Urban (final) | ForestPrairie (original) | Forest Prairie (final) | SE Forest (original) | SE Forest (final) | Prairie (original) | Prairie (final) | N Forest (original) | N Forest (final) | Total (original) | Total (final) |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Restore                                  | 0                      | 0                   | 0                        | 5                      | 0                    | 0                 | 0                  | 54              | 0                   | 0                | 0                | 59            |
| Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability | 0                      | 0                   | 0                        | 0                      | 0                    | 0                 | 0                  | 0               | 0                   | 0                | 0                | 0             |
| Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability  | 0                      | 0                   | 0                        | 0                      | 0                    | 0                 | 0                  | 0               | 0                   | 0                | 0                | 0             |
| Protect in Easement                      | 0                      | 0                   | 0                        | 0                      | 0                    | 0                 | 0                  | 0               | 0                   | 0                | 0                | 0             |
| Enhance                                  | 50                     | 664                 | 240                      | 0                      | 0                    | 0                 | 3,710              | 5,288           | 0                   | 0                | 4,000            | 5,952         |
| <b>Total</b>                             | <b>50</b>              | <b>664</b>          | <b>240</b>               | <b>5</b>               | <b>0</b>             | <b>0</b>          | <b>3,710</b>       | <b>5,342</b>    | <b>0</b>            | <b>0</b>         | <b>4,000</b>     | <b>6,011</b>  |

**Table 4. Total Funding within each Ecological Section**

| Type                                     | Metro Urban (original) | Metro Urban (final) | Forest Prairie (original) | Forest Prairie (final) | SE Forest (original) | SE Forest (final) | Prairie (original) | Prairie (final)    | N Forest (original) | N Forest (final) | Total (original)   | Total (final)      |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Restore                                  | \$0                    | \$0                 | \$0                       | \$17,200               | \$0                  | \$0               | \$0                | \$223,000          | \$0                 | \$0              | \$0                | \$240,200          |
| Protect in Fee with State PILT Liability | \$0                    | \$0                 | \$0                       | \$0                    | \$0                  | \$0               | \$0                | \$0                | \$0                 | \$0              | \$0                | \$0                |
| Protect in Fee W/O State PILT Liability  | \$0                    | \$0                 | \$0                       | \$0                    | \$0                  | \$0               | \$0                | \$0                | \$0                 | \$0              | \$0                | \$0                |
| Protect in Easement                      | \$0                    | \$0                 | \$0                       | \$0                    | \$0                  | \$0               | \$0                | \$0                | \$0                 | \$0              | \$0                | \$0                |
| Enhance                                  | \$210,000              | \$292,500           | \$150,000                 | \$0                    | \$0                  | \$0               | \$4,550,000        | \$4,355,600        | \$0                 | \$0              | \$4,910,000        | \$4,648,100        |
| <b>Total</b>                             | <b>\$210,000</b>       | <b>\$292,500</b>    | <b>\$150,000</b>          | <b>\$17,200</b>        | <b>\$0</b>           | <b>\$0</b>        | <b>\$4,550,000</b> | <b>\$4,578,600</b> | <b>\$0</b>          | <b>\$0</b>       | <b>\$4,910,000</b> | <b>\$4,888,300</b> |

Automatic system calculation / not entered by managers

**Target Lake/Stream/River Feet or Miles (original)**

0

**Target Lake/Stream/River Feet or Miles (final)**

0

**Explain the success/shortage of acre goals:**

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# Parcel List

## Section 1 - Restore / Enhance Parcel List

### Becker

| Name       | TRDS     | Acres | Total Cost | Existing Protection? | Description |
|------------|----------|-------|------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Kruger WPA | 14141205 | 35    | \$116,294  | Yes                  | Wetlands    |

### Cottonwood

| Name          | TRDS     | Acres | Total Cost | Existing Protection? | Description            |
|---------------|----------|-------|------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Long Lake WPA | 10638223 | 6     | \$78,633   | Yes                  | Restore Small Wetlands |

### Douglas

| Name                                    | TRDS     | Acres | Total Cost | Existing Protection? | Description            |
|-----------------------------------------|----------|-------|------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| DU Conservation Easement - Carlson-Cunz | 13040217 | 5     | \$17,211   | Yes                  | Restore Small Wetlands |
| DU Conservation Easement - Lang         | 12940207 | 13    | \$28,105   | Yes                  | Restore Small Wetlands |

### Freeborn

| Name          | TRDS     | Acres | Total Cost | Existing Protection? | Description  |
|---------------|----------|-------|------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Freeborn Lake | 10323203 | 2,222 | \$676,447  | Yes                  | Shallow Lake |

### Grant

| Name                         | TRDS     | Acres | Total Cost | Existing Protection? | Description |
|------------------------------|----------|-------|------------|----------------------|-------------|
| DeLong WPA                   | 12743234 | 15    | \$114,695  | Yes                  | Wetland     |
| USFWS PL Easement - Ronhovde | 12841205 | 27    | \$102,462  | Yes                  | Wetland     |

### Jackson

| Name              | TRDS     | Acres | Total Cost | Existing Protection? | Description  |
|-------------------|----------|-------|------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Sio ux Valley WMA | 10137226 | 135   | \$119,469  | Yes                  | Shallow Lake |

### Kandiyohi

| Name                          | TRDS     | Acres | Total Cost | Existing Protection? | Description       |
|-------------------------------|----------|-------|------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Hubbard-Schultz-Wheeler Lakes | 12033226 | 462   | \$770,507  | Yes                  | Shallow Lakes (3) |

### Lac qui Parle

| Name                        | TRDS     | Acres | Total Cost | Existing Protection? | Description   |
|-----------------------------|----------|-------|------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Big Stone NWR - West Pool 7 | 12146236 | 1,662 | \$576,579  | Yes                  | Large Wetland |

### Mahnomen

| Name          | TRDS     | Acres | Total Cost | Existing Protection? | Description  |
|---------------|----------|-------|------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Beaulieu Lake | 14641203 | 260   | \$207,331  | Yes                  | Shallow Lake |

### Otter Tail

| Name                   | TRDS     | Acres | Total Cost | Existing Protection? | Description  |
|------------------------|----------|-------|------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Erlandson WMA Mud Lake | 13143224 | 253   | \$112,991  | Yes                  | Shallow Lake |
| Upper Lightning Lake   | 13140236 | 720   | \$868,955  | Yes                  | Shallow Lake |

### Stevens

| Name                    | TRDS     | Acres | Total Cost | Existing Protection? | Description |
|-------------------------|----------|-------|------------|----------------------|-------------|
| Long Lake - Edwards WPA | 12441209 | 25    | \$229,958  | Yes                  | Wetland     |

### Wright

| Name         | TRDS     | Acres | Total Cost | Existing Protection? | Description  |
|--------------|----------|-------|------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Victor WPA   | 11827207 | 53    | \$118,357  | Yes                  | Shallow Lake |
| Woodland WMA | 11826201 | 610   | \$174,111  | Yes                  | Shallow Lake |

## Section 2 - Protect Parcel List

No parcels with an activity type protect.

### 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: Beaulieu Lake

|                                                 |           |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| # of Total Acres:                               | 260       |
| County:                                         | Mahnomen  |
| Township:                                       | 146       |
| Range:                                          | 41        |
| Direction:                                      | 2         |
| Section:                                        | 03        |
| # of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:                    | 260       |
| # of Acres: Forest:                             |           |
| # of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:                  |           |
| Amount of Shoreline:                            |           |
| Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable): |           |
| Has there been signage erected at the site:     | Yes       |
| Total cost of Restoration/Enhancement:          | \$207,331 |

## Completed Parcel: Big Stone NWR - West Pool 7

|                                                 |               |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| # of Total Acres:                               | 1662          |
| County:                                         | Lac qui Parle |
| Township:                                       | 121           |
| Range:                                          | 46            |
| Direction:                                      | 2             |
| Section:                                        | 36            |
| # of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:                    | 1662          |
| # of Acres: Forest:                             |               |
| # of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:                  |               |
| Amount of Shoreline:                            |               |
| Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable): |               |
| Has there been signage erected at the site:     | Yes           |
| Total cost of Restoration/Enhancement:          | \$576,579     |

## Completed Parcel: Delong WPA

|                                                 |           |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| # of Total Acres:                               | 15        |
| County:                                         | Grant     |
| Township:                                       | 127       |
| Range:                                          | 43        |
| Direction:                                      | 2         |
| Section:                                        | 34        |
| # of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:                    | 15        |
| # of Acres: Forest:                             |           |
| # of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:                  |           |
| Amount of Shoreline:                            |           |
| Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable): |           |
| Has there been signage erected at the site:     | Yes       |
| Total cost of Restoration/Enhancement:          | \$114,695 |

## Completed Parcel: DU Conservation Easement - Carlson-Cunz

|                                                 |          |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------|
| # of Total Acres:                               | 5        |
| County:                                         | Douglas  |
| Township:                                       | 130      |
| Range:                                          | 40       |
| Direction:                                      | 2        |
| Section:                                        | 17       |
| # of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:                    | 5        |
| # of Acres: Forest:                             |          |
| # of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:                  |          |
| Amount of Shoreline:                            |          |
| Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable): |          |
| Has there been signage erected at the site:     | Yes      |
| Total cost of Restoration/Enhancement:          | \$17,211 |

## Completed Parcel: DU Conservation Easement - Lang

|                                                 |          |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------|
| # of Total Acres:                               | 13       |
| County:                                         | Douglas  |
| Township:                                       | 129      |
| Range:                                          | 40       |
| Direction:                                      | 2        |
| Section:                                        | 07       |
| # of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:                    | 13       |
| # of Acres: Forest:                             |          |
| # of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:                  |          |
| Amount of Shoreline:                            |          |
| Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable): |          |
| Has there been signage erected at the site:     | Yes      |
| Total cost of Restoration/Enhancement:          | \$28,105 |

## Completed Parcel: Erlandson WMA Mud Lake

|                                                 |            |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------|
| # of Total Acres:                               | 253        |
| County:                                         | Otter Tail |
| Township:                                       | 131        |
| Range:                                          | 43         |
| Direction:                                      | 2          |
| Section:                                        | 24         |
| # of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:                    | 253        |
| # of Acres: Forest:                             |            |
| # of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:                  |            |
| Amount of Shoreline:                            |            |
| Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable): |            |
| Has there been signage erected at the site:     | Yes        |
| Total cost of Restoration/Enhancement:          | \$112,991  |

## Completed Parcel: Freeborn Lake

|                                                 |           |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| # of Total Acres:                               | 2222      |
| County:                                         | Freeborn  |
| Township:                                       | 103       |
| Range:                                          | 23        |
| Direction:                                      | 2         |
| Section:                                        | 03        |
| # of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:                    | 2222      |
| # of Acres: Forest:                             |           |
| # of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:                  |           |
| Amount of Shoreline:                            |           |
| Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable): |           |
| Has there been signage erected at the site:     | Yes       |
| Total cost of Restoration/Enhancement:          | \$676,447 |

## Completed Parcel: Hubbard-Schultz-Wheeler Lakes

|                                                 |           |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| # of Total Acres:                               | 462       |
| County:                                         | Kandiyohi |
| Township:                                       | 120       |
| Range:                                          | 33        |
| Direction:                                      | 2         |
| Section:                                        | 26        |
| # of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:                    | 462       |
| # of Acres: Forest:                             |           |
| # of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:                  |           |
| Amount of Shoreline:                            |           |
| Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable): |           |
| Has there been signage erected at the site:     | Yes       |
| Total cost of Restoration/Enhancement:          | \$770,507 |



## Completed Parcel: Kruger WPA

|                                                 |           |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| # of Total Acres:                               | 35        |
| County:                                         | Becker    |
| Township:                                       | 141       |
| Range:                                          | 41        |
| Direction:                                      | 2         |
| Section:                                        | 05        |
| # of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:                    | 35        |
| # of Acres: Forest:                             |           |
| # of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:                  |           |
| Amount of Shoreline:                            |           |
| Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable): |           |
| Has there been signage erected at the site:     | Yes       |
| Total cost of Restoration/Enhancement:          | \$116,294 |

## Completed Parcel: Long Lake - Edwards WPA

|                                                 |           |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| # of Total Acres:                               | 25        |
| County:                                         | Stevens   |
| Township:                                       | 124       |
| Range:                                          | 41        |
| Direction:                                      | 2         |
| Section:                                        | 09        |
| # of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:                    | 25        |
| # of Acres: Forest:                             |           |
| # of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:                  |           |
| Amount of Shoreline:                            |           |
| Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable): |           |
| Has there been signage erected at the site:     | Yes       |
| Total cost of Restoration/Enhancement:          | \$229,958 |

## Completed Parcel: Long Lake WPA

|                                                 |            |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------|
| # of Total Acres:                               | 6          |
| County:                                         | Cottonwood |
| Township:                                       | 106        |
| Range:                                          | 38         |
| Direction:                                      | 2          |
| Section:                                        | 23         |
| # of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:                    | 6          |
| # of Acres: Forest:                             |            |
| # of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:                  |            |
| Amount of Shoreline:                            |            |
| Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable): |            |
| Has there been signage erected at the site:     | Yes        |
| Total cost of Restoration/Enhancement:          | \$78,633   |

## Completed Parcel: Sioux Valley WMA

|                                                 |           |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| # of Total Acres:                               | 135       |
| County:                                         | Jackson   |
| Township:                                       | 101       |
| Range:                                          | 37        |
| Direction:                                      | 2         |
| Section:                                        | 26        |
| # of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:                    | 135       |
| # of Acres: Forest:                             |           |
| # of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:                  |           |
| Amount of Shoreline:                            |           |
| Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable): |           |
| Has there been signage erected at the site:     | Yes       |
| Total cost of Restoration/Enhancement:          | \$119,469 |

## Completed Parcel: Upper Lightning Lake

|                                                 |            |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------|
| # of Total Acres:                               | 720        |
| County:                                         | Otter Tail |
| Township:                                       | 131        |
| Range:                                          | 40         |
| Direction:                                      | 2          |
| Section:                                        | 36         |
| # of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:                    | 720        |
| # of Acres: Forest:                             |            |
| # of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:                  |            |
| Amount of Shoreline:                            |            |
| Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable): |            |
| Has there been signage erected at the site:     | Yes        |
| Total cost of Restoration/Enhancement:          | \$868,955  |

## Completed Parcel: USFWS PL Easement - Ronhovde

|                                                        |                                                                                                                        |
|--------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b># of Total Acres:</b>                               | 27                                                                                                                     |
| <b>County:</b>                                         | Grant                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Township:</b>                                       | 128                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Range:</b>                                          | 41                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Direction:</b>                                      | 2                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Section:</b>                                        | 05                                                                                                                     |
| <b># of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:</b>                    | 27                                                                                                                     |
| <b># of Acres: Forest:</b>                             |                                                                                                                        |
| <b># of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:</b>                  |                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Amount of Shoreline:</b>                            |                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable):</b> |                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Has there been signage erected at the site:</b>     | No - This project is a wetland on private land under USFWS easement, and the landowner prefers no signage at the site. |
| <b>Total cost of Restoration/Enhancement:</b>          | \$102,462                                                                                                              |

## Completed Parcel: Victor WPA

|                                                 |           |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| # of Total Acres:                               | 53        |
| County:                                         | Wright    |
| Township:                                       | 118       |
| Range:                                          | 27        |
| Direction:                                      | 2         |
| Section:                                        | 07        |
| # of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:                    | 53        |
| # of Acres: Forest:                             |           |
| # of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:                  |           |
| Amount of Shoreline:                            |           |
| Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable): |           |
| Has there been signage erected at the site:     | Yes       |
| Total cost of Restoration/Enhancement:          | \$118,357 |

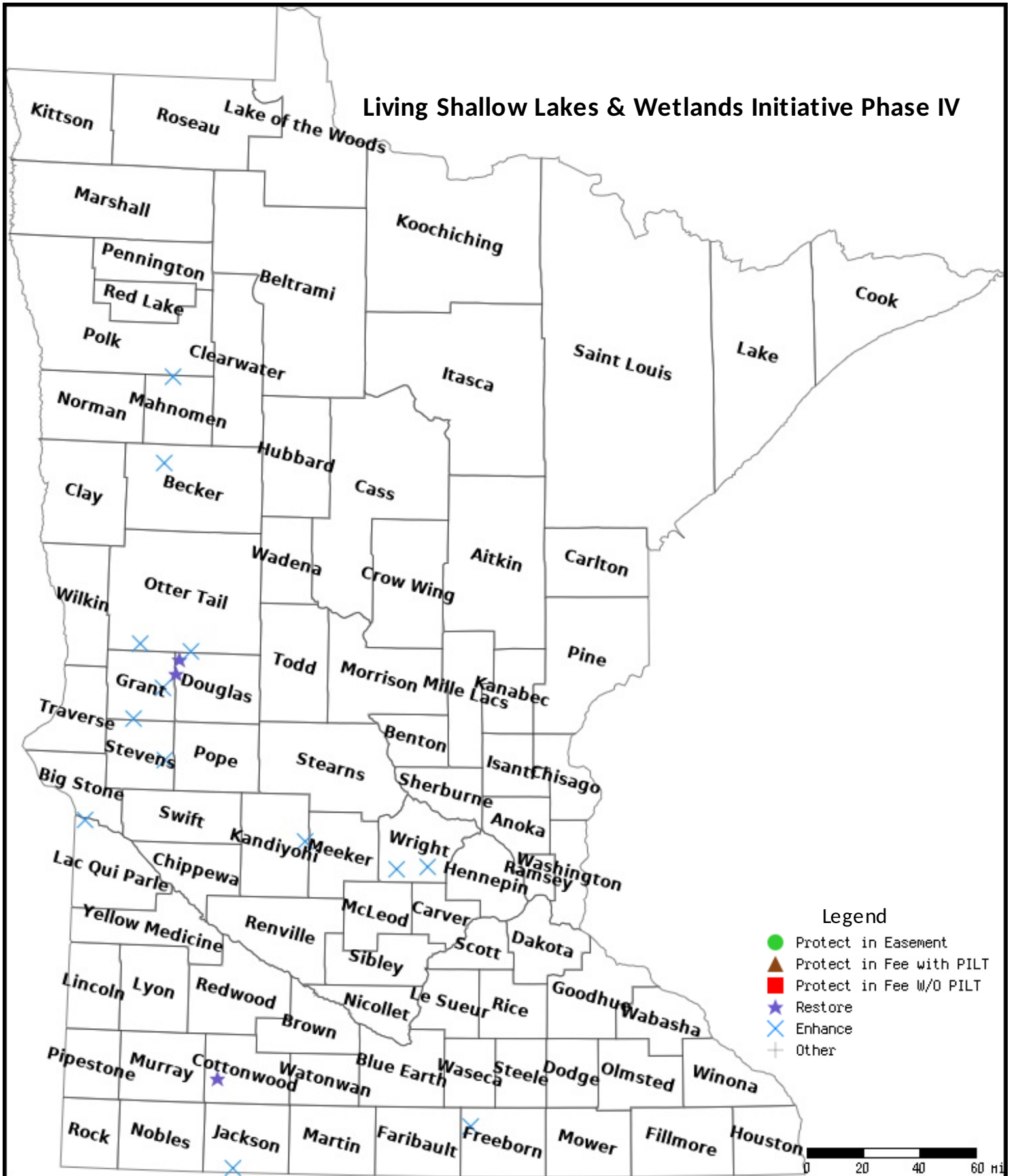
## Completed Parcel: Woodland WMA

|                                                 |           |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| # of Total Acres:                               | 610       |
| County:                                         | Wright    |
| Township:                                       | 118       |
| Range:                                          | 26        |
| Direction:                                      | 2         |
| Section:                                        | 01        |
| # of Acres: Wetlands/Upland:                    | 610       |
| # of Acres: Forest:                             |           |
| # of Acres: Prairie/Grassland:                  |           |
| Amount of Shoreline:                            |           |
| Name of Adjacent Body of Water (if applicable): |           |
| Has there been signage erected at the site:     | Yes       |
| Total cost of Restoration/Enhancement:          | \$174,111 |



# Parcel Map

## Living Shallow Lakes & Wetlands Initiative Phase IV



### Legend

- Protect in Easement
- ▲ Protect in Fee with PILT
- Protect in Fee W/O PILT
- ★ Restore
- × Enhance
- + Other

