

**Request for Disbursement of Contributions**  
**Platte River Recovery Implementation Program**  
**General Fund**

To: Nebraska Community Foundation

From: The Governance Committee through the Executive Director

Subject: Disbursement of Contributions, Cooperative Agreement No. R99-AC-60001,  
Technical and Administrative Support to the Governance Committee and Executive  
Director for the Platte River Recovery Implementation Program

Request No.       #337       Date:       May 6, 2013      

Please disburse contributions held for the Platte River Recovery Implementation Program, **Platte River General Fund** in the amount(s) shown below to the indicated parties:

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1. Headwaters Corporation, Invoice #116	\$209,504.29

for the following purpose(s)/reason(s):

1. As per Program Item Executive Director's Office, Task Item: ED-1 – Executive Director's Office, Professional Services for the period March 24 to May 4, 2013.

Approval(s)

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Grants and Cooperative Agreements Officer's  
Technical Representative

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Date

## HEADWATERS CORPORATION

4111 4th Avenue Suite 6

Kearney, NE 68845

**INVOICE** To: Nebraska Community Foundation  
 Attention: Diane Wilson  
 650 J Street, Suite 305, PO Box 83107  
 Lincoln, NE 68501-3107

Number 116

Date: 5/6/2013

Services for the period: March 24, 2013 to May 4, 2013

**Professional Services:**

Name	Title	Hours	Rate	Charge
Jerry Kenny	Executive Director	232.0	\$125.18	\$29,041.76
Bridget Barron	Communications	196.0	\$72.88	\$14,284.48
Chad Smith	Adaptive Mngmnt	240.0	\$92.67	\$22,240.80
Beorn Courtney	Water Resources	93.5	\$95.38	\$8,918.03
Bruce Sackett	Land Specialist	211.0	\$77.41	\$16,333.51
Jason Farnsworth	Natural Resources	246.0	\$79.52	\$19,561.92
Justin Brei	BioSystems Engineer	258.0	\$46.50	\$11,997.00
Julie Liakos	Admin. Ass't	164.0	\$29.45	\$4,829.80
Pat Doyle	Admin. Ass't	88.5	\$58.32	\$5,161.32
Tim Tunnell	Land Manager	241.0	\$49.80	\$12,001.80
Dave Zorn	Wild Life Biologist	281.0	\$28.63	\$8,045.03
Dave Baasch	Ecologist	252.0	\$52.51	\$13,232.52
Scott Griebeling	Water Engineer	224.0	\$53.72	\$12,033.28
Matt Welsh	Hydrologist	67.5	\$53.59	\$3,617.33
Riley Pennington	Intern	34.5	\$19.35	\$667.58
Sira Sartori	Hydrologist	146.0	\$45.15	\$6,591.90
<b>Reimbursable Expenses:</b>		<b>Total Labor:</b>	2975.0	\$188,558.06

Travel: \$7,737.64

Meetings: \$10.80

Supplies: \$23.98

Space: \$9,535.38

Utilities: \$1,737.46

Equipment: \$228.76

Shipping: \$357.06

Services: \$1,065.15

Professional/Civic: \$250.00

**Total Reimbursable Expenses** \$20,946.23**Total This Invoice** \$209,504.29**Note:** See attached detail. Further records, including receipts, as appropriate, are available in our office.

Signature:

Jerry F. Kenny, Ph.D., Executive Director

Date:

05/06/13

HEADWATERS CORPORATION  
4111 4th Avenue Suite 6  
Kearney, Nebraska 68845  
Platte River Recovery Implementation Program  
Work Plan Item: ED-1, Program Executive Director Office  
Period Covered: March 24, 2013 to May 4, 2013

Professional Services Detail:				
NAME	PAY PERIOD	HOURS	RATE	CHARGE
Jerry Kenny	3/24/13 to 4/6/13	72.0	\$ 125.18	\$ 9,012.96
	4/7/13 to 4/20/13	80.0	\$ 125.18	\$ 10,014.40
	4/21/13 to 5/4/13	80.0	\$ 125.18	\$ 10,014.40
	Month Subtotal:	232.0		\$ 29,041.76
Bridget Barron	3/24/13 to 4/6/13	60.0	\$ 72.88	\$ 4,372.80
	4/7/13 to 4/20/13	68.0	\$ 72.88	\$ 4,955.84
	4/21/13 to 5/4/13	68.0	\$ 72.88	\$ 4,955.84
	Month Subtotal:	196.0		\$ 14,284.48
Chad Smith	3/24/13 to 4/6/13	80.0	\$ 92.67	\$ 7,413.60
	4/7/13 to 4/20/13	80.0	\$ 92.67	\$ 7,413.60
	4/21/13 to 5/4/13	80.0	\$ 92.67	\$ 7,413.60
	Month Subtotal:	240.0		\$ 22,240.80
Beorn Courtney	3/24/13 to 4/6/13	39.0	\$ 95.38	\$ 3,719.82
	4/7/13 to 4/20/13	37.0	\$ 95.38	\$ 3,529.06
	4/21/13 to 5/4/13	17.5	\$ 95.38	\$ 1,669.15
	Month Subtotal:	93.5		\$ 8,918.03
Bruce Sackett	3/24/13 to 4/6/13	83.0	\$ 77.41	\$ 6,425.03
	4/7/13 to 4/20/13	83.0	\$ 77.41	\$ 6,425.03
	4/21/13 to 5/4/13	45.0	\$ 77.41	\$ 3,483.45
	Month Subtotal:	211.0		\$ 16,333.51
Jason Farnsworth	3/24/13 to 4/6/13	80.0	\$ 79.52	\$ 6,361.60
	4/7/13 to 4/20/13	80.0	\$ 79.52	\$ 6,361.60
	4/21/13 to 5/4/13	86.0	\$ 79.52	\$ 6,838.72
	Month Subtotal:	246.0		\$ 19,561.92
Justin Brei	3/24/13 to 4/6/13	84.0	\$ 46.50	\$ 3,906.00
	4/7/13 to 4/20/13	88.0	\$ 46.50	\$ 4,092.00
	4/21/13 to 5/4/13	86.0	\$ 46.50	\$ 3,999.00
	Month Subtotal:	258.0		\$ 11,997.00
Julie Liakos	3/24/13 to 4/6/13	48.0	\$ 29.45	\$ 1,413.60
	4/7/13 to 4/20/13	58.0	\$ 29.45	\$ 1,708.10
	4/21/13 to 5/4/13	58.0	\$ 29.45	\$ 1,708.10
	Month Subtotal:	164.0		\$ 4,829.80
Pat Doyle	3/24/13 to 4/6/13	25.5	\$ 58.32	\$ 1,487.16
	4/7/13 to 4/20/13	33.0	\$ 58.32	\$ 1,924.56
	4/21/13 to 5/4/13	30.0	\$ 58.32	\$ 1,749.60
	Month Subtotal:	88.5		\$ 5,161.32
Tim Tunnell	3/24/13 to 4/6/13	93.0	\$ 49.80	\$ 4,631.40
	4/7/13 to 4/20/13	68.0	\$ 49.80	\$ 3,386.40
	4/21/13 to 5/4/13	80.0	\$ 49.80	\$ 3,984.00
	Month Subtotal:	241.0		\$ 12,001.80
Dave Zorn	3/24/13 to 4/6/13	92.0	\$ 28.63	\$ 2,633.96
	4/7/13 to 4/20/13	92.0	\$ 28.63	\$ 2,633.96
	4/21/13 to 5/4/13	97.0	\$ 28.63	\$ 2,777.11
	Month Subtotal:	281.0		\$ 8,045.03
Dave Baasch	3/24/13 to 4/6/13	80.0	\$ 52.51	\$ 4,200.80
	4/7/13 to 4/20/13	80.0	\$ 52.51	\$ 4,200.80
	4/21/13 to 5/4/13	92.0	\$ 52.51	\$ 4,830.92
	Month Subtotal:	252.0		\$ 13,232.52
Scott Griebeling	3/24/13 to 4/6/13	80.0	\$ 53.72	\$ 4,297.60
	4/7/13 to 4/20/13	78.0	\$ 53.72	\$ 4,190.16
	4/21/13 to 5/4/13	66.0	\$ 53.72	\$ 3,545.52
	Month Subtotal:	224.0		\$ 12,033.28
Matt Welsh	3/24/13 to 4/6/13	27.5	\$ 53.59	\$ 1,473.73
	4/7/13 to 4/20/13	9.5	\$ 53.59	\$ 509.11
	4/21/13 to 5/4/13	30.5	\$ 53.59	\$ 1,634.50
	Month Subtotal:	67.5		\$ 3,617.33
Riley Pennington	3/24/13 to 4/6/13	0.0	\$ 19.35	\$ -
	4/7/13 to 4/20/13	13.5	\$ 19.35	\$ 261.23
	4/21/13 to 5/4/13	21.0	\$ 19.35	\$ 406.35
	Month Subtotal:	34.5		\$ 667.58
Sira Sartori	3/24/13 to 4/6/13	71.0	\$ 45.15	\$ 3,205.65
	4/7/13 to 4/20/13	36.0	\$ 45.15	\$ 1,625.40
	4/21/13 to 5/4/13	39.0	\$ 45.15	\$ 1,760.85
	Month Subtotal:	146.0		\$ 6,591.90
Total		2975.0		\$ 188,558.06

Memorandum

To: Nancy Martin

From: Jerry Kenny

Date: 5/6/13

Re: Back-up Materials for Invoice

Nancy per our policy of providing specific documentation for invoice over \$1,000.00, included are the following invoices.

None this month

Thank you for your prompt handling of these matters. If you have any questions please call me for clarification – Jerry

# **Headwaters Corporation**

**Providing Services as Office of the Executive Director for**

**Platte River Recovery Implementation Program**

## **Summary of Significant Activity for the Period**

**March 24 to May 4, 2013**

These monthly summaries typically cover a four week period, but every year two of the summaries cover six weeks – usually the April or May and the November summaries. This April summary covers March 24 to May 4, one of the six week editions. In addition, these six weeks were a period of intense activity on all fronts as cranes were migrating, preparations for the imminent arrival of the summer birds began, spring management activities were initiated, extensive hydrologic instrumentation was installed, SDMFs were launched and monitored, meetings were held, and a variety of other activities. Consequently, there is a lot of activity to cover in this summary and the associated invoice is larger than usual.

### **Land Plan Implementation**

Land Plan management activities were focused on recreation access, routine spring maintenance activities, logistics coordination with Program and tenant spring activities, oversight of contractors working toward completion of management actions prior to the onset of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act window, and prescribed burn activities. Land Plan acquisition activities were focused on closing the acquisition of a palustrine wetland property and disposal of excess properties. Specific activities include:

Focus of real estate acquisitions for this period were on:

- Completing negotiation for a palustrine wetland property and closing on the property.
- Discussions for excess property disposal (tracts include Broadfoot-Newark property including a land swap for a parcel land-locked by the Elm Creek Complex, east portion of Leaman East, cropland at Johns, discussions with BELF regarding acquiring lands in the Kearney to Odessa reach through an exchange or a land trade of Program a current holding.
- Three way discussions with TNC and WTC regarding property consolidation), and pursuit of non-complex palustrine wetland and Off Channel Sand and Water properties.
- Coordinated and participated in LAC Meeting in Kearney, NE on March 26.

Focus of land management activities for this period were on:

- Tree clearing and fencing on Elm Creek, Fort Kearney, and Shoemaker Island Complexes.
- Follow-up meetings with subcommittee to process public listening session input for Public Access to develop recommendations for lands and activities to be allowed. Recommendation forwarded to LAC which is forwarding to GC.
- Routine seasonal repair and maintenance activities for buildings, wells, and roads performed on all complexes.
- Oversight and assistance provided to prescribed burn crew. Spring burns completed without incident, but weather reduced amount of land burned to half what was planned. Crew may return in fall to complete.
- Routine and on-going discussion with neighboring land-owners in conformance with Good Neighbor Policy for all properties.

- Coordination on-going with Ducks Unlimited for replacement of check structures that occurred on John's Tract in the Elm Creek Complex from high flows in summer 2011. Permits not in hand, and must be before replacement of check structures can begin. Timetable remains highly uncertain.
- Coordination with tenants and agricultural management special advisors for on-going agricultural operations in preparation of spring activities, most agreements now in place. Emphasis on coordination of logistics of Program activities with tenant activities.

### **Water Plan Implementation**

The focus on Water activities during this period were split between activities related to Adaptive Management Plan activities (wet meadow hydrology study plan, flow summary, participation in planning and implementing a SDMF in April) and maintaining momentum on on-going activities related to water Action Plan Projects. Specific activities include:

AMP oriented efforts include:

- Flow summary of Platte River hydrology completed and advanced for final round of input from WAC and TAC.
- Extensive staff time involved in development of a wet meadow hydrology study plan, taken before TAC on January 14<sup>th</sup> and before WAC on February 12<sup>th</sup>. Much work remains to resolve conflicting objectives. Package for distribution to joint working subcommittee under development, but not yet distributed
- Extensive staff time devoted to Pathfinder and Ground Water Recharge scoring memos.
- Oversight of J2 Regulation Reservoir Feasibility Review consultant wrap-up of report.
- Oversight of consultants working on flood-protection projects in North Platte, NE.
- Extensive staff spent installing wet meadow monitoring equipment prior to SDMF.
- Extensive staff time spent on monitoring and documentation efforts of SDMF (before, during , and after) and in coordination of efforts with USFWS, monitoring contractors, bypass canal operators, and other parties during SDMF. Releases initiated April 2 and concluded @April 16.

Water Action Plan oriented efforts include:

- Work continuing on J2 Reregulating Reservoir Water Service Agreement.
- Continued coordination efforts with consultants, NRDs, DNR, and CNPPID associated with wrap-up of ground water recharge pilot demonstration project, year 2 monitoring and data compilation.
- On-going discussions with surface water right holders interested in selling water yields to Program. Discussions between NPPD, CNPPID, DNR, and CPNRD with the Program concerning such water transfers occurring. Calculation approaches to water yield vary amongst entities, and significant staff time dedicated to working with NPPD and CPNRD during this period on yield determination processes.
- Pathfinder water and Groundwater scoring methodology for recharge projects under development for consideration by the scoring subcommittee of the GC.
- On-going review and monitoring of COHYST model development and progress. Attendance and participation at Calibration Workshop in Lincoln, NE on April 15 and 16. Attendance at Sponsor's Meeting April 30 in Kearney, NE.

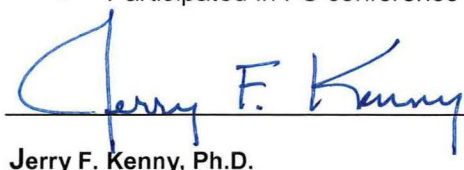
### **Adaptive Management Plan Implementation**

Efforts during this period for AMP activities were focused on coordination of AMP and Water staff, as mentioned above, oversight of monitoring contractors and related WC migration activities, data compilation and analysis, preparation for and leading the AMP Reporting session in Omaha, and preparation for the 2013 spring/summer field activities. Specific activities include:

- Coordination with sediment augmentation consultant on going. Initiation of Push-in and Pump-in efforts for this round started in early March. A significant amount of time is being expended by staff on this item in oversight of contractor activities.
- Coordination with contractors and consultants in compilation and analysis for geomorphology and in-channel vegetation monitoring and water quality monitoring data collected in 2012.
- Coordination and oversight of annual whooping crane monitoring data compilation and analysis together with initiation of spring migration activities. Extensive staff expended on decoy placement, oversight of contractors, and follow-up on public reports of sightings.
- Coordination and oversight of WC site selection data collection in central flyway initiated with Crane Trust and USGS.
- Collaboration with WC Telemetry Project on-going. Data sharing issues moving toward resolution.
- Oversight of whooping crane habitat and T&P habitat availability evaluation efforts contracted to RWBJV.
- Oversight of website and database management system development and maintenance activities.
- Compilation and analysis of T&P and Whooping Crane data on-going.
- Extensive staff time spent in coordination, planning, and data compilation/synthesis for AMP Reporting Session. Session held in Omaha, NE April 22 and 23.
- On-going effort in advancing experimental design criteria and development of specific site design layouts plans focusing on Cottonwood Ranch, Elm Creek, Ft. Kearny, and Shoemaker Island Complexes.
- Development of wet meadow hydrology investigation plan of study underway involving AMP and Water staff.
- Coordinated and participated in Wet Meadow workgroup office and field confirmation exercise in classification of wet meadows in associated habitat reach March 27 and 28.
- Attended UNL Senior Design Project presentations in Lincoln, NE on April 26. Two team's used PRRIP projects – a wetland design project and a T&P nesting site design project.

### **Outreach and Operations**

- Routine daily operations associated with management and support of EDO staff, acquisition of supplies and equipment, oversight of consultant and contractor contracts and payment, maintenance of property files, coordination of meeting logistics, and general administration of Program.
- Significant time spent on development and compilation of supplemental budget information for BOR internal justifications.
- Significant time spent on development and compilation of material for 2011-2012 Biannual Report, June debut at GC planned.
- Attended an IGERT PhD defense at UNL on April 2 concerning stakeholder perception of Nebraska institutions effectiveness in water management.
- Presented at CNPPID Board Retreat in Lincoln, NE on April 3.
- Presented at TriBasin NRD Board Meeting in Holdrege, NE on April 9.
- Participated in FC conference call on April 19.

  
Jerry F. Kenny, Ph.D.

05/06/13

Date