

**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. R12-AC-60020,  
Technical and Administrative Support to the Governance Committee and Executive  
Director for the Platte River Recovery Implementation Program

Request No.       #418       Date:       September 4, 2014      

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 #148	\$160,633.63

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 July 27 to August 23, 2014.

Approval(s)

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Grants and Cooperative Agreements Officer's  
Technical Representative

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Date

## HEADWATERS CORPORATION

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Kearney, NE 68845

**INVOICE** To: Nebraska Community Foundation  
 Attention: Diane Wilson  
 3833 South 14th Street, PO Box 83107  
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Number 148

Date: 9/4/2014

Period Covered: July 27, 2014 to August 23, 2014

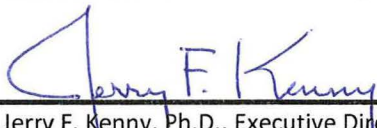
**Professional Services:**

Name	Title	Hours		Rate	Charge
Jerry Kenny	Executive Director	136.0	\$	126.43	\$ 17,194.48
Bridget Barron	Communications	136.0	\$	76.17	\$ 10,359.12
Chad Smith	Adaptive Management	147.0	\$	95.45	\$ 14,031.15
Bruce Sackett	Land Specialist	133.0	\$	76.60	\$ 10,187.80
Jason Farnsworth	Natural Resources	132.0	\$	83.53	\$ 11,025.96
Justin Brei	BioSystems Engineer	162.0	\$	47.90	\$ 7,759.80
Julie Liakos	Admin. Ass't	128.0	\$	30.03	\$ 3,843.84
Tim Tunnell	Land Manager	164.5	\$	51.04	\$ 8,396.08
Dave Zorn	Wild Life Biologist	125.0	\$	29.78	\$ 3,722.50
Dave Baasch	Ecologist	167.0	\$	55.13	\$ 9,206.71
Scott Griebing	Water Resources Engineer	154.5	\$	55.33	\$ 8,548.49
Staci Cahis	Wild Life Biologist	144.5	\$	27.26	\$ 3,939.07
Sira Sartori	Hydrologist	139.0	\$	53.73	\$ 7,468.47
Janice Rainwater	Technician	148.0	\$	25.28	\$ 3,741.44
Kevin Werbylo	Water Resources Engineer	153.0	\$	44.56	\$ 6,817.68
Trevor Hefley	Statistician	155.5	\$	60.78	\$ 9,451.29
<b>Total Labor:</b>		<b>2325.0</b>			<b>\$ 135,693.88</b>

**Reimbursable Expenses:**

Travel:	\$6,966.35
Meetings:	\$10.80
Supplies:	\$774.34
Space:	\$10,693.11
Utilities:	\$3,294.65
Equipment:	\$658.33
Shipping:	\$316.41
Services:	\$2,015.76
Professional/Civic:	\$210.00
<b>Total Reimbursable Expenses</b>	<b>\$24,939.75</b>
<b>Total This Invoice</b>	<b>\$160,633.63</b>

**Note:** See attached detail. Further records, including receipts, as appropriate, are available in our office.

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

Date: 09/04/14

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Kearney, Nebraska 68845  
Platte River Recovery Implementation Program  
Work Plan Item: ED-1, Program Executive Director Office  
Period Covered: July 27, 2014 to August 23, 2014

Professional Services Detail:

NAME	PAY PERIOD	HOURS	RATE	CHARGE
Jerry Kenny	July 27, 2014 to August 9, 2014	64.0	\$ 126.43	\$ 8,091.52
	August 10, 2014 to August 23, 2014	72.0	\$ 126.43	\$ 9,102.96
			\$ 126.43	\$ -
Month Subtotal:		136.0		\$ 17,194.48
Bridget Barron	July 27, 2014 to August 9, 2014	66.0	\$ 76.17	\$ 5,027.22
	August 10, 2014 to August 23, 2014	70.0	\$ 76.17	\$ 5,331.90
			\$ 76.17	\$ -
Month Subtotal:		136.0		\$ 10,359.12
Chad Smith	July 27, 2014 to August 9, 2014	75.0	\$ 95.45	\$ 7,158.75
	August 10, 2014 to August 23, 2014	72.0	\$ 95.45	\$ 6,872.40
			\$ 95.45	\$ -
Month Subtotal:		147.0		\$ 14,031.15
Bruce Sackett	July 27, 2014 to August 9, 2014	53.0	\$ 76.60	\$ 4,059.80
	August 10, 2014 to August 23, 2014	80.0	\$ 76.60	\$ 6,128.00
			\$ 76.60	\$ -
Month Subtotal:		133.0		\$ 10,187.80
Jason Farnsworth	July 27, 2014 to August 9, 2014	47.0	\$ 83.53	\$ 3,925.91
	August 10, 2014 to August 23, 2014	85.0	\$ 83.53	\$ 7,100.05
			\$ 83.53	\$ -
Month Subtotal:		132.0		\$ 11,025.96
Justin Brel	July 27, 2014 to August 9, 2014	78.0	\$ 47.90	\$ 3,736.20
	August 10, 2014 to August 23, 2014	84.0	\$ 47.90	\$ 4,023.60
			\$ 47.90	\$ -
Month Subtotal:		162.0		\$ 7,759.80
Julie Liakos	July 27, 2014 to August 9, 2014	64.0	\$ 30.03	\$ 1,921.92
	August 10, 2014 to August 23, 2014	64.0	\$ 30.03	\$ 1,921.92
			\$ 30.03	\$ -
Month Subtotal:		128.0		\$ 3,843.84
Tim Tunnell	July 27, 2014 to August 9, 2014	81.5	\$ 51.04	\$ 4,159.76
	August 10, 2014 to August 23, 2014	83.0	\$ 51.04	\$ 4,236.32
			\$ 51.04	\$ -
Month Subtotal:		164.5		\$ 8,396.08
Dave Zorn	July 27, 2014 to August 9, 2014	83.0	\$ 29.78	\$ 2,471.74
	August 10, 2014 to August 23, 2014	42.0	\$ 29.78	\$ 1,250.76
			\$ 29.78	\$ -
Month Subtotal:		125.0		\$ 3,722.50
Dave Baasch	July 27, 2014 to August 9, 2014	75.0	\$ 55.13	\$ 4,134.75
	August 10, 2014 to August 23, 2014	92.0	\$ 55.13	\$ 5,071.96
			\$ 55.13	\$ -
Month Subtotal:		167.0		\$ 9,206.71
Scott Griebing	July 27, 2014 to August 9, 2014	74.5	\$ 55.33	\$ 4,122.09
	August 10, 2014 to August 23, 2014	80.0	\$ 55.33	\$ 4,426.40
			\$ 55.33	\$ -
Month Subtotal:		154.5		\$ 8,548.49
Staci Cahis	July 27, 2014 to August 9, 2014	68.5	\$ 27.26	\$ 1,867.31
	August 10, 2014 to August 23, 2014	76.0	\$ 27.26	\$ 2,071.76
			\$ 27.26	\$ -
Month Subtotal:		144.5		\$ 3,939.07
Sira Sartori	July 27, 2014 to August 9, 2014	75.0	\$ 53.73	\$ 4,029.75
	August 10, 2014 to August 23, 2014	64.0	\$ 53.73	\$ 3,438.72
			\$ 53.73	\$ -
Month Subtotal:		139		\$ 7,468.47
Janice Rainwater	July 27, 2014 to August 9, 2014	80.0	\$ 25.28	\$ 2,022.40
	August 10, 2014 to August 23, 2014	68.0	\$ 25.28	\$ 1,719.04
			\$ 25.28	\$ -
Month Subtotal:		148		\$ 3,741.44
Kevin Werbylo	July 27, 2014 to August 9, 2014	73.0	\$ 44.56	\$ 3,252.88
	August 10, 2014 to August 23, 2014	80.0	\$ 44.56	\$ 3,564.80
			\$ 44.56	\$ -
Month Subtotal:		153.0		\$ 6,817.68
Trevor Hefley	July 27, 2014 to August 9, 2014	75.0	\$ 60.78	\$ 4,558.50
	August 10, 2014 to August 23, 2014	80.5	\$ 60.78	\$ 4,892.79
			\$ 60.78	\$ -
Month Subtotal:				\$ -
Total		155.5		\$ 9,451.29
		2325.0		\$ 135,693.88

# **Headwaters Corporation**

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

**Platte River Recovery Implementation Program**

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

**July 26 to August 23, 2014**

### **Land Plan Implementation**

Land Plan management activities were focused on oversight of contractor work on summer season activities. Land Plan acquisition activities were focused on multi-party holding consolidation, disposal of excess properties, and acquisition of OCSW and Palustrine wetlands. Specific activities include:

Focus of real estate acquisitions/disposal for this period was a continuation of several long-term activities:

- Discussions for excess property disposal included on-going discussions of these tracts
  - Broadfoot-Newark property including a land swap with NGPC for a parcel land-locked by the Elm Creek Complex and sale of remaining acres. NGPC non-responsive, deal may not happen.
  - A series of land swaps among PRRIF, TNC, and WTC to consolidate ownership in three bridge segments – progress slow with final approval at December GC.
  - Discussions with BELF regarding acquiring lands in the Kearney to Odessa reach through a land trade of PRIF Property (with a no build easement) in Fort Kearny Complex (Blessing Tract) and cropland at John's tract in Elm Creek Complex. Likely an auction format will be required to complete transaction. Progress slow, but hoping for resolution by end of 2014.
  - Coordination with NDOR regarding land in Kearney to Odessa reach showing little progress.
- Pursuit of a property in Kearney –Odessa segment back on table following land owner contact, discussions advancing.
- Search for palustrine wetland tracts and OCSW sites producing limited potential.

Focus of land management activities for this period was:

- Extensive effort involved in noxious weed control activities due to wet, cool spring and summer that caused proliferation of thistle and other noxious weeds on all complex properties. Efforts include coordination and oversight of spraying contractors and staff time for spot spraying follow up actions.
- Oversight of fencing contractor wrap-up on several complexes (Leaman West and Binfield tracts in Shoemaker Island Complex and John's tract in Elm Creek Complex).
- Routine and on-going discussion with neighboring land-owners in conformance with Good Neighbor Policy for all properties.
- Construction and signage for new parking lots and boundary demarcations to accommodate introduction of additional properties into PRRA program initiated.

## **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 implementation) and maintaining momentum on on-going activities related to water Action Plan Projects. Specific activities in each of these categories include:

AMP oriented efforts include:

- Equipment upkeep and stage-discharge curve development efforts at both locations for wet meadows on-going.
- GW Modeling Report nearing completion.
- Coordination with UNL soil moisture measurement researchers on large scale measurement approaches proceeding, with rover survey performed at Binfield site on August 13.
- Assessment of monitoring data for SDMF and Fall 2013 flood waters on South Platte on-going and draft of Fall 2013 Flood Hydrology report initiated.
- Design of waste way improvement for Platte Valley and Suburban canals to improve NP to SP conveyance capability underway. Surveys completed, flow data being collected, and hydraulic modeling underway.

Water Action Plan oriented efforts include:

- Development and posting of hydrologic conditions.
- On-going discussions with surface water right holders interested in selling water yields to Program. Discussions between NPPD, DNR, and CPNRD with the Program concerning such water transfers occurring for Dawson County Canal water.
- Discussions on-going with CNPPID on a variable term water leasing program and storage water leasing program.
- Discussions ongoing with NPNRD on water leasing through land retirement program.
- Scoring analysis for CPNRD leased water underway in coordination with NRD staff in progress.
- Evaluation of enhanced recharge recovery from Phelps Canal recharge using wells under investigation.
- Evaluation of yields and costs associated with inclusion of Elwood recharge in lease arrangements with CNPPID receiving further analysis.
- On-going coordination regarding STELLA model modifications underway with HDR. Specific operations to be included for J2 Reservoir and Phelps Canal Recharge operations developed for implementation into model.
- Investigation of North Platte River above Lake McConaughy underway for evaluation of hydrology and water rights in NPNRD.
- Attendance and participation in WAC meeting in Ogallala, NE on August 12<sup>th</sup>.

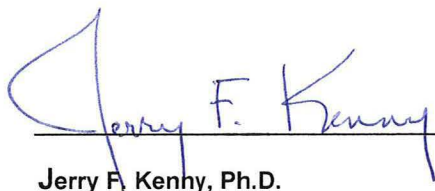
## Adaptive Management Plan Implementation

Efforts during this period for AMP activities were focused on oversight of monitoring contractors, specific WC and T&P data analysis, development of materials for publication and/or peer review, and conducting summer field activities. Specific activities include:

- Coordination and oversight of annual whooping crane monitoring data compilation and analysis.
- Collaboration with WC Telemetry Project and Stop Over study on-going.
- Coordination of USGS contractors and participation in T&P monitoring efforts completed for 2014 season. Staff time includes oversight, land surveys, and river surveys. Significant staff time required for this activity.
- Oversight of website and database management system development and maintenance activities.
- Coordination with RWBJV for data development and analysis of habitat suitability parameters at TAC's request on-going.
- Compilation of T&P and Whooping Crane data virtually complete of comprehensive, uniform data sets, in final QA/QC process.
- Analysis of T&P and Whooping Crane data in intensive phase. Significant staff time being dedicated to this activity.
- Coordination of proposed peer review/publication subjects and timeline with various parties with very different opinions, leading to scope of work for third-party, neutral contractor.
- Data collected in association with check structures to create water retention capability in Morse tract wetlands compiled and analyzed, memo developed, path forward options being explored.
- Discussions regarding moving forward with Target Flow analysis on-going initiated with TAC and GC.
- Revision of EDO authored papers on FSM in response to comments from ISAC and TAC completed and distributed for review. Comments on revised draft addressed. Considerable staff time has gone into this effort.
- Forage fish analysis and draft article nearing completion.
- Design at DeBore and Lehis wetlands underway.
- Award of river tillage and island building contracts completed, work on both projects initiated.
- Coordination with TNC and RWBJV for development of an organizational framework and grant application to deal with in-channel vegetation management finalized and submitted.
- Attendance and participation in CEER meeting in New Orleans from July 29<sup>th</sup> to August 1 by Chad Smith, Bridget Barron, and Jerry Kenny,

## 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.
- Coordination and participation in FC meeting on August 18<sup>th</sup>.



Jerry F. Kenny, Ph.D.

09/04/14

Date