

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. #442 Date: February 9, 2015

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 #158 | \$139,394.46 |

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 December 28, 2014 to January 24, 2015.

Approval(s)

Grants and Cooperative Agreements Officer's
Technical Representative

Date

HEADWATERS CORPORATION

4111 4th Avenue Suite 6

Kearney, NE 68845

INVOICE To: Nebraska Community Foundation
 Attention: Diane Wilson
 3833 South 14th Street, PO Box 83107
 Lincoln, NE 68501-3107

Number 158

Date: 2/9/2015

Period Covered: December 28, 2014 to January 24, 2015

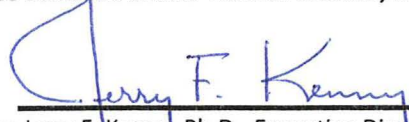
Professional Services:

| Name | Title | Hours | | Rate | Charge |
|---------------------|----------------------------|--------|----|--------|---------------|
| Jerry Kenny | Executive Director | 120.0 | \$ | 129.60 | \$ 15,552.00 |
| Bridget Barron | Communications | 96.0 | \$ | 79.98 | \$ 7,678.08 |
| Chad Smith | Adaptive Management | 112.0 | \$ | 98.31 | \$ 11,010.72 |
| Bruce Sackett | Land Specialist | 126.0 | \$ | 78.86 | \$ 9,936.36 |
| Jason Farnsworth | Natural Resources | 116.0 | \$ | 87.87 | \$ 10,192.92 |
| Justin Brei | BioSystems Engineer | 112.0 | \$ | 49.33 | \$ 5,524.96 |
| Julie Liakos | Admin. Ass't | 105.5 | \$ | 31.09 | \$ 3,280.00 |
| Tim Tunnell | Land Manager | 123.0 | \$ | 52.71 | \$ 6,483.33 |
| Dave Zorn | Wild Life Biologist | 112.0 | \$ | 31.43 | \$ 3,520.16 |
| Dave Baasch | Ecologist | 141.0 | \$ | 58.30 | \$ 8,220.30 |
| Scott Griebeling | Water Resources Engineer | 124.0 | \$ | 57.54 | \$ 7,134.96 |
| Staci Cahis | Wild Life Biologist | 134.0 | \$ | 28.75 | \$ 3,852.50 |
| Sira Sartori | Hydrologist | 64.5 | \$ | 56.56 | \$ 3,648.12 |
| Kevin Werbylo | Water Resources Engineer | 117.5 | \$ | 46.78 | \$ 5,496.65 |
| Seth Turner | Senior Water Resources Eng | 106.0 | \$ | 78.26 | \$ 8,295.56 |
| Trevor Hefley | Statistician | 97.5 | \$ | 63.82 | \$ 6,222.45 |
| Total Labor: | | 1807.0 | | | \$ 116,049.07 |

Reimbursable Expenses:

| | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Travel: | \$7,097.93 |
| Meetings: | |
| Supplies: | \$47.70 |
| Space: | \$11,168.11 |
| Utilities: | \$1,997.89 |
| Equipment: | \$279.46 |
| Shipping: | \$163.54 |
| Services: | \$2,440.76 |
| Professional/Civic: | \$150.00 |
| Total Reimbursable Expenses | \$23,345.39 |
| Total This Invoice | \$139,394.46 |

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


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

Date: 02/09/15

Headwaters Corporation

Providing Services as Office of the Executive Director for

Platte River Recovery Implementation Program

Summary of Significant Activity for the Period

December 28, 2014 to January 24, 2015

Land Plan Implementation

Land Plan management activities were focused on aggressively advancing acquisition/disposal items that have been lingering for some time and gearing up for 2015 land management activities. 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 has been put on a strict time line to either get NGPC actively engaged and closing or disposal by auction. Resolution by end of first quarter 2015 either way.
 - A series of land swaps among PRRIF, TNC, and WTC to consolidate ownership in three bridge segments – progress slow with final closing by March 2015 as probable resolution.
 - Discussions with BELF regarding acquiring lands in the Kearney to Odessa reach through a land trade of PRRIF Property (with a no build easement) in Fort Kearny Complex (Blessing Tract) and cropland at John's tract in Elm Creek Complex. Progress slow, and resolution by end of first quarter 2015 most probable.
 - Coordination with NDOR regarding land in Kearney to Odessa reach may receive greater impetus when other acquisitions in that reach completed.
- Search for palustrine wetland tracts and OCSW sites producing limited potential.

Focus of land management activities for this period was:

- Routine and on-going discussion with neighboring land-owners in conformance with Good Neighbor Policy for all properties.
- Coordination with Rainwater Basin for development of a collaborative burn effort with associated development of Prescribed Burn RFP for spring 2015 progressed to point of publication of RFP.
- Participation in Weed Management Area meeting January 8 in Kearney, NE and NEMAC meeting January 21 in Grand Island.
- Coordination with Eagle Scout Project for reconstruction of a viewing blind on Shoemaker Island Complex and a separate Eagle Scout Project for construction of a portable viewing blind.

Water Plan Implementation

The focus on Water activities during this period continued to be a 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:

- Assemblage of Wet Meadow peer review package completed and coordination with independent peer review panel contractor initiated to develop three person review panel.
- Development of 2014 Flow Summary Report advanced.
- Assessment of monitoring data for SDMF and Fall 2013 flood waters on South Platte on-going and draft of Fall 2013 Flood Hydrology report continues.
- Detailed hydraulic and sediment transport analyses in Choke Point area underway jointly with Special Advisors.
- Monitoring activities continuing for wet meadows at Binfield, Fox, and Morse tracts.

Water Action Plan oriented efforts include:

- Significant efforts focused on updating Water Action Plan.
- Significant effort expended in North Platte Choke Point permitting effort. US ACE continues to raise issues which seem to be beyond reasonable for magnitude and impact of project.
- 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. Main effort focused on short term water lease market/auction is focus of efforts.
- Scoring analysis for CPNRD leased water continues in coordination with NRD staff.
- Evaluation of enhanced recharge recovery project from Phelps Canal recharge using wells under investigation.
- Evaluation of yields and costs associated with inclusion of Elwood recharge in lease arrangements with CNPPID continues.
- Review of Dewberry HCI Forecast South Platte Report and 2015 forecasts.
- Development of Operational Considerations of Excess Flow Determination memo nearing initial check-in point.
- Development of Interim Hydrologic Conditions Determination memo completed and distributed
- On-going coordination regarding STELLA model modifications with HDR winding down, documentation focus of contractor efforts.
- Coordination with COHYST consultants and Sponsor Group on-going to develop work plan and budget for next steps in 2015.
- Participation in COHYST meeting January 22 in Lincoln, NE.

Adaptive Management Plan Implementation

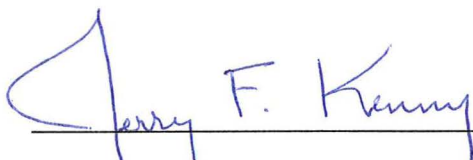
Efforts during this period for AMP activities were focused on WC, and T&P data analysis, development of materials for publication and/or peer review, and planning and preparation for spring field activities.

Specific activities include:

- Significant effort expended in development of State of Platte Report.
- Significant effort expended in responding to T&P FSM peer review comments, revision of documents, and compilation of comments and responses
- Coordination and oversight of annual whooping crane monitoring data compilation and analysis.
- Collaboration with WC Telemetry Project, data use and review protocol issues and discussions requiring significant time commitment. Issues will need to be brought to GC attention for direction if resolution not achieved.
- Coordination with RWBJV for data development and analysis of habitat suitability parameters on-going.
- Compilation of T&P and Whooping Crane data on-going to achieve uniform data sets,
- Analysis of T&P breeding pair and Whooping Crane site selection data in intensive phase. Significant staff time being dedicated to this activity.
- Oversight of website and database management system development and maintenance activities.
- Efforts for moving forward with a Effects Analysis in the context of a Structured Decision Making Process in lieu of Target Flow analysis on-going. Developing a timeline, personnel, and budget framework for the process.
- Forage fish analysis and draft article in review and revision process.
- Design of wetlands at DeBore and Leihs tracts nearing completion with development of Plans and Specifications.
- Oversight of Alda Pit excavation activities underway.
- Moving toward construction of check structures on Morse Tract.
- Preparing bid package for John's Tract control structures.

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.
- Compilation and assemblage of 2013-2014 Biennial Report underway.
- Attendance and exhibitor at Four States Irrigation Conference January 15-16 in Fort Collins, CO.
- Attendance and exhibitor at Colorado water Conference January 28-30 in Denver, CO.
- Presentation to Metro State journalism class January 6 in Denver, CO.
- Interview and filming with NET Platte Basin Time-lapse team on Program properties on January 20 at Elm Creek and Cottonwood Ranch complexes.
- Participation in FC conference call on January 20.



Jerry F. Kenny, Ph.D.

02/09/15

Date

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4111 4th Avenue Suite 6
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Platte River Recovery Implementation Program
Work Plan Item: ED-1, Program Executive Director Office
Period Covered: December 28, 2014 to January 24, 2015

Professional Services Detail:

| NAME | PAY PERIOD | HOURS | RATE | CHARGE |
|------------------|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|---------------|
| Jerry Kenny | December 28, 2013 to January 10, 2015 | 40.0 | 129.60 | \$ 5,184.00 |
| | January 11, 2015 to January 24, 2015 | 80.0 | 129.60 | \$ 10,368.00 |
| | | | 129.60 | \$ - |
| Month Subtotal: | | 120.0 | | \$ 15,552.00 |
| Bridget Barron | December 28, 2013 to January 10, 2015 | 30.0 | 79.98 | \$ 2,399.40 |
| | January 11, 2015 to January 24, 2015 | 66.0 | 79.98 | \$ 5,278.68 |
| | | | 79.98 | \$ - |
| Month Subtotal: | | 96.0 | | \$ 7,678.08 |
| Chad Smith | December 28, 2013 to January 10, 2015 | 40.0 | 98.31 | \$ 3,932.40 |
| | January 11, 2015 to January 24, 2015 | 72.0 | 98.31 | \$ 7,078.32 |
| | | | 98.31 | \$ - |
| Month Subtotal: | | 112.0 | | \$ 11,010.72 |
| Bruce Sackett | December 28, 2013 to January 10, 2015 | 40.0 | 78.86 | \$ 3,154.40 |
| | January 11, 2015 to January 24, 2015 | 86.0 | 78.86 | \$ 6,781.96 |
| | | | 78.86 | \$ - |
| Month Subtotal: | | 126.0 | | \$ 9,936.36 |
| Jason Farnsworth | December 28, 2013 to January 10, 2015 | 40.0 | 87.87 | \$ 3,514.80 |
| | January 11, 2015 to January 24, 2015 | 76.0 | 87.87 | \$ 6,678.12 |
| | | | 87.87 | \$ - |
| Month Subtotal: | | 116.0 | | \$ 10,192.92 |
| Justin Brei | December 28, 2013 to January 10, 2015 | 32.0 | 49.33 | \$ 1,578.56 |
| | January 11, 2015 to January 24, 2015 | 80.0 | 49.33 | \$ 3,946.40 |
| | | | 49.33 | \$ - |
| Month Subtotal: | | 112.0 | | \$ 5,524.96 |
| Julie Liakos | December 28, 2013 to January 10, 2015 | 41.5 | 31.09 | \$ 1,290.24 |
| | January 11, 2015 to January 24, 2015 | 64.0 | 31.09 | \$ 1,989.76 |
| | | | 31.09 | \$ - |
| Month Subtotal: | | 105.5 | | \$ 3,280.00 |
| Tim Tunnell | December 28, 2013 to January 10, 2015 | 43.0 | 52.71 | \$ 2,266.53 |
| | January 11, 2015 to January 24, 2015 | 80.0 | 52.71 | \$ 4,216.80 |
| | | | 52.71 | \$ - |
| Month Subtotal: | | 123.0 | | \$ 6,483.33 |
| Dave Zorn | December 28, 2013 to January 10, 2015 | 48.0 | 31.43 | \$ 1,508.64 |
| | January 11, 2015 to January 24, 2015 | 64.0 | 31.43 | \$ 2,011.52 |
| | | | 31.43 | \$ - |
| Month Subtotal: | | 112.0 | | \$ 3,520.16 |
| Dave Baasch | December 28, 2013 to January 10, 2015 | 59.0 | 58.30 | \$ 3,439.70 |
| | January 11, 2015 to January 24, 2015 | 82.0 | 58.30 | \$ 4,780.60 |
| | | | 58.30 | \$ - |
| Month Subtotal: | | 141.0 | | \$ 8,220.30 |
| Scott Griebeling | December 28, 2013 to January 10, 2015 | 46.0 | 57.54 | \$ 2,646.84 |
| | January 11, 2015 to January 24, 2015 | 78.0 | 57.54 | \$ 4,488.12 |
| | | | 57.54 | \$ - |
| Month Subtotal: | | 124.0 | | \$ 7,134.96 |
| Staci Cahis | December 28, 2013 to January 10, 2015 | 60.0 | 28.75 | \$ 1,725.00 |
| | January 11, 2015 to January 24, 2015 | 74.0 | 28.75 | \$ 2,127.50 |
| | | | 28.75 | \$ - |
| Month Subtotal: | | 134.0 | | \$ 3,852.50 |
| Sira Sartori | December 28, 2013 to January 10, 2015 | 25.5 | 56.56 | \$ 1,442.28 |
| | January 11, 2015 to January 24, 2015 | 39.0 | 56.56 | \$ 2,205.84 |
| | | | 56.56 | \$ - |
| Month Subtotal: | | 64.5 | | \$ 3,648.12 |
| Kevin Werbylo | December 28, 2013 to January 10, 2015 | 39.0 | 46.78 | \$ 1,824.42 |
| | January 11, 2015 to January 24, 2015 | 78.5 | 46.78 | \$ 3,672.23 |
| | | | 46.78 | \$ - |
| Month Subtotal: | | 117.5 | | \$ 5,496.65 |
| Seth Turner | December 28, 2013 to January 10, 2015 | 32.5 | 78.26 | \$ 2,543.45 |
| | January 11, 2015 to January 24, 2015 | 73.5 | 78.26 | \$ 5,752.11 |
| | | | 78.26 | \$ - |
| Month Subtotal: | | 106.0 | | \$ 8,295.56 |
| Trevor Hefley | December 28, 2013 to January 10, 2015 | 33.5 | 63.82 | \$ 2,137.97 |
| | January 11, 2015 to January 24, 2015 | 64.0 | 63.82 | \$ 4,084.48 |
| | | | 63.82 | \$ - |
| Month Subtotal: | | | 60.78 | \$ - |
| | | 97.5 | | \$ 6,222.45 |
| Total | | 1807.0 | | \$ 116,049.07 |