

6031-014 City of Carpenter

MITCHELL COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT 1529 MAIN STREET

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To: Mark Rosenbury, Chair

Watershed Improvement Review Board

From: Brad Johnson, Chairperson

RE: IWIRB Agreement No. 6031-014 City of Carpenter

Final Project Report for Watershed Improvement Fund Project

The following summarizes the project completed on the City of Carpenter Sewage Treatment system being administered by the Mitchell County Soil & Water Conservation District:

Term of Grant Agreement: November 1, 2006 to October 31, 2009

Financial Ledger for Project: Included at end of final project report

Financial Accountability:

SUMMARY: WATERSHED IMPROVEMENT FUNDS

Grant Agreement Budget Line Item	Original WIRB Funds Approved (\$)	Total Funds Approved (\$), as amended by WIRB Board	Total Funds Expended (\$)	Available Funds (\$)
Engineering- Design	65,000	66,500	66,665	-165
Archaeological Study	4,000	2,500	2,500	0
Property Acquisition/Easements	30,000	30,000	29,835	165
Septic Collection System- low pressure sewer pipe/associated items	96,000	96,000	96,000	0
Septic Collection System-	125,000	168,400	168,400	0

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Grinder pump				
stations/assoc. items				
Septic Collection	27,000	27,000	27,000	0
System—				
street/railroad/property				
crossings				
Lagoon—Controlled	56,000	37,800	37,800	0
Discharge- earthwork				
Lagoon—Controlled	62,000	43,800	43,800	0
Discharge-				
piping/valves/discharge				
Lagoon—Controlled	35,000	28,000	28,000	0
Discharge- rip				
rap/fence/seeding				
Total	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	0

The difference in WIRB funded originally estimated costs verses the amendment costs were related to the engineers estimate costs were used for the initial estimate and the contractor bid amount were utilized for the amended costs. The estimated costs were developed almost 4 years prior to the letting of bids for the project. Manufactured items had increased and labor and fuel related items had decreased.

SUMMARY: TOTAL PROJECT FUNDING

Grant Agreement Budget Line Item	WIRB FUNDS SPENT & PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL PROJECT COSTS ()	CITY/COUNTY FUNDING FOR PROJECT & % OF TOTAL PROJECT COSTS ()	TOTAL PROJECT COSTS
Engineering- Design	66,665	16,480	02 145 00
A 1 1 1 1 1 0 1	(80%)*	(20%)	83,145.00
Archaeological Study	2,500 (100%)*	0 (0%)	2,500.00
Property Acquisition/Easements	29,835	12,825.93	42,660.93
	(70)*	(30%)	
Septic Collection System- low	96,000	85,324.71	
pressure sewer pipe/associated items	(53%) **	(47%)	181,324.71
Septic Collection System-Grinder	168,400	193,049.19	
pump stations/assoc. items	(47%) **	(53%)	361,449.19
Septic Collection System—	27,000	40,588.75	
street/railroad/property crossings	(40%) **	(60%)	67,588.75
Lagoon—Controlled Discharge-	37,800	35,700.10	
earthwork	(51%) **	(49%)	73,500.10

Lagoon—Controlled Discharge-	43,800	43,602.60	
piping/valves/discharge	(50%) **	(50%)	87,402.60
Lagoon—Controlled Discharge- rip	28,000	34,702.54	
rap/fence/seeding	(45%) **	(55%)	62,702.54
Total	\$500,000	\$462,273.82	\$962,273.82

^{* --} These items could pay a maximum of 100% of cost as per agreement with WIRB Board

FUNDING SOURCES FOR THE PROJECT

Funding Source	Project Proposal/%	of Project	Actual Amount/% of Project	•
WIRB	\$500,000	51.3 %	\$500,000	52.0 %
Community Development Block	\$125,500		\$0	
Grant- CDBG				
USDA-Rural Development	\$0		\$205,000 Grant	
USDA-Rural Development	\$349,500		\$257,273.82 Low Interest	
			Loan	
Total	\$975,000 \$962,2		\$962,273.82	

Changes in Funding: The CDBG was not chosen for funding through IDED. Because of the low income status of Carpenter, USDA-RD funds (Grant and Loan) became available for use in the fiscal year of planned construction. There were no USDA-RD funds available at time of the original application.

Environmental Accountability

Pre Project Water Quality Concerns:

The City of Carpenter sewer system consisted of a treatment system of failing septic systems (a lot of them steel) with the outlet water going directly into two tile lines. The untreated waste outlet was directly into Deer Creek. The Iowa DNR samplings of the tile showed the following results for Fecal Coli form Bacteria an indicator that sewage is entering the tile:

Date	Amount of fecal coliform	
	bacteria/100 ml	
2/23/88	2,200	
4/18/90	41,000	
12/14/99	2,600	
3/15/00	12,000	
8/31/00	160,000	

Post Project Water Quality:

A two cell lagoon system was designed by Veenstra & Kimm, Inc, PE out of Mason City, Iowa. The system was designed in accordance with section 14.4.6.2 of the Iowa Wastewater Facilities Design Standards. They supervised all construction on the project and certified it was constructed as planned.

^{** --} These items could pay a maximum of 56% of the cost per agreement with WIRB Board

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The two cell system will operate as a controlled discharge system. Sewage water from the houses, businesses and community center will be transported to the lagoon for treatment. The lagoon water will be drawn down in the spring and fall during high runoff time periods to meet Iowa standards for fecal coliform levels in Deer Creek. Cell #1 has 120 days of effective detention time and cell #2 has 60 days of effective detention time.

The installed system meets the state requirements of:

- Carbonaceous Biochemical Oxygen Demand (CBOD) of 26 mg/liter—Carpenter permit says 22.1
- Total Suspendable solids of 26 LBS/day
- Distance to drinking water wells increased from 50-100 ft. to 2000 ft

Activities and Practices completed were:

- An information meeting and an official public meeting was held on the project
- NPDES storm water discharge permit was obtained
- Plan of operations and management plan for the new treatment facility was completed
- IDNR/USDA-RD completed a final inspection of the constructed facility
- Practices installed
 - 1. 60 E-One Grinder pump stations installed for each business/residence/community building in Carpenter
 - 2. Two stage lagoon system installed according to IDNR/USDA-RD requirements
 - 3. 12,919 ft of low pressure sewer lines installed to convey the sewage to the lagoon site
 - 4. Erosion control measures installed to control erosion—rock rip rap, seeding of all disturbed area, gravel, erosion control fabric
 - 5. 1600 ft. of fence and gate was installed to protect the public from accidental injury
 - 6. plan map of project practice location attached

Program Accountability

The main challenge to overcome with community projects like the Carpenter project are the time constraints to get the project plans approved by the associated State and Federal Engineers.

The state wastewater construction permitting process project manual involves 52 steps. A simple concurrence on a step delayed this project for months in a few cases. Final design of the project took two and a half years; construction was completed in less than 6 months. If we would have had bad weather during construction, it would have been difficult to meet the deadlines.

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