



LOWER PLATTE SOUTH natural resources district

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Memorandum

Date: August 13, 2020
To: Board of Directors
From: David Potter, Assistant General Manager D
RE: Land Resources Subcommittee Meeting Minutes.

The Land Resources Subcommittee had a virtual (Go-To) meeting Tuesday, August 11, 2020 hosted from the NRD Office in Lincoln. Subcommittee members participating included Gary Hellerich, Gary Aldridge, Mark Spangler, Bruce Johnson, Chelsea Johnson, Mike DeKalb, Dave Landis, and Sarah Wilson. Others participating in the meeting were Larry Ruth, David Potter, Donna Reid, and Cory Schmidt. The meeting was called to order by Chair Hellerich at 5:32 p.m. and the agenda was reviewed.

(a) Surface Water Quality Cost-Share Applications. [Action]

The first item on the agenda was consideration of the surface water quality applications. Potter stated the district received a total of 88 fall cost-share assistance applications for conservation work and FY'21 NRD funds. Applications were divided into the Eastern and Western areas and the cost-share review groups met last week to review them. Minutes from those review groups are provided herein.

The Eastern NSWCP Cost-Share Review Group met virtually Thursday, August 6th at 9:00 a.m. via Go-To meeting to review the 42 fall applications received. The group also reviewed the proposed 2020 Surface Water Quality BMP Cost-Share Program budget consisting of the FY'21 budgeted amounts, the allocated funds, obligated dollars, and the available funds. Staff noted the program budget indicated funds still available with the presented applications and prioritization is not needed. Review group members attending included Mark Spangler, Mike DeKalb, Dan Steinkruger, and Sarah Wilson. Others present included Cory Schmidt, Cindy Spilinek, James Conradi, Scott Mathine, Peyton Harsin, Nicole Strand, Donna Reid and David Potter. It was moved by DeKalb, seconded by Steinkruger and unanimously approved to recommend approval to the Land Resources Subcommittee those Eastern Portion applications totaling the amount presented in the program budget. Steinkruger also commented on and suggested that the Land Resources Subcommittee consider 1) increasing maximum cost-share dollar amounts and 2) increasing the crop production year cost-share requirement from one year to two or three years.

The Western NSWCP Cost-Share Review Group met virtually Thursday, August 6th at 11:00 a.m. via Go-To meeting to review the 46 fall applications (10 targeted, 36 district-wide) received. The group also reviewed the proposed 2020 Surface Water Quality BMP Cost-Share Program budget consisting of the FY'21 budgeted amounts, the allocated funds, obligated dollars, and the available funds. Staff noted the program budget indicated funds still available with the presented applications and prioritization is not needed. Review group members participating included Gary Hellerich, Gary Aldridge, Vern Barrett, and Bruce Johnson. Others present included John Albert, Cory Schmidt, Nicole Strand, Mitch Schoenfelder, Donna Reid and David Potter. It was moved by Barrett, seconded by B. Johnson and unanimously approved to recommend approval to the Land Resources Subcommittee those Western Portion, SVL & Stevens Creek applications totaling the amount presented in the

program budget. Review group members also commented on need to raise maximum cost-share dollar amounts and suggested promoting programs by identifying completed projects with signage.

Potter stated that the District's program funding budgets and prioritization commonly used were provided to the subcommittee. It was also noted that FY2021 cost-share program budgets also take into account those payments made in FY2021 for jobs completed in the previous fiscal year, the summer applications that were approved for this year, and the fall applications. In summary, there are 88 District cost-share applications for consideration, including 36 District-Western, 10 Targeted, and 42 District-Eastern totaling an amount of \$862,773.00 (West \$333,279, Targeted \$138,233, East \$391,261). The applications were identified on a spreadsheet and map and were provided to the subcommittee.

It was moved by Landis, seconded by DeKalb, and unanimously approved, to recommend the Board of Directors approve the 88 identified cost-share applications totaling an amount of \$862,773.00.

(b) LPSNRD Cost-Share Program. *[Discussion]*

Staff and the subcommittee discussed the maximum cost-share dollar amount of the NSWCP Land Treatment Cost-Share Program and how increasing it might affect conservation work. The last increase was in 2015 and changed the district-wide maximum from \$7000 to \$10,000 and the summer conservation program maximum from \$10,000 to \$15,000. Potter stated that staff would bring this item to the subcommittee for consideration in December or early next year to coordinate with the 2021 docket and application period.

(c) Measurable Goals. *[Action]*

As directed in the LPSNRD 2019 Master Plan, a list of measurable goals is to be developed for each subcommittee for the fiscal year and then those goals are to be reviewed each year to see what has been accomplished. Potter presented the 12-month review of the FY20 measurable goals and the proposed goals for FY21 for the Land Resources Subcommittee. The review and proposed goals were provided to the subcommittee.

It was moved by Landis, seconded by B. Johnson, and unanimously approved, to recommend the Finance and Planning Subcommittee include the identified measurable goals as part of the FY21 Long Range Implementation Plan.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

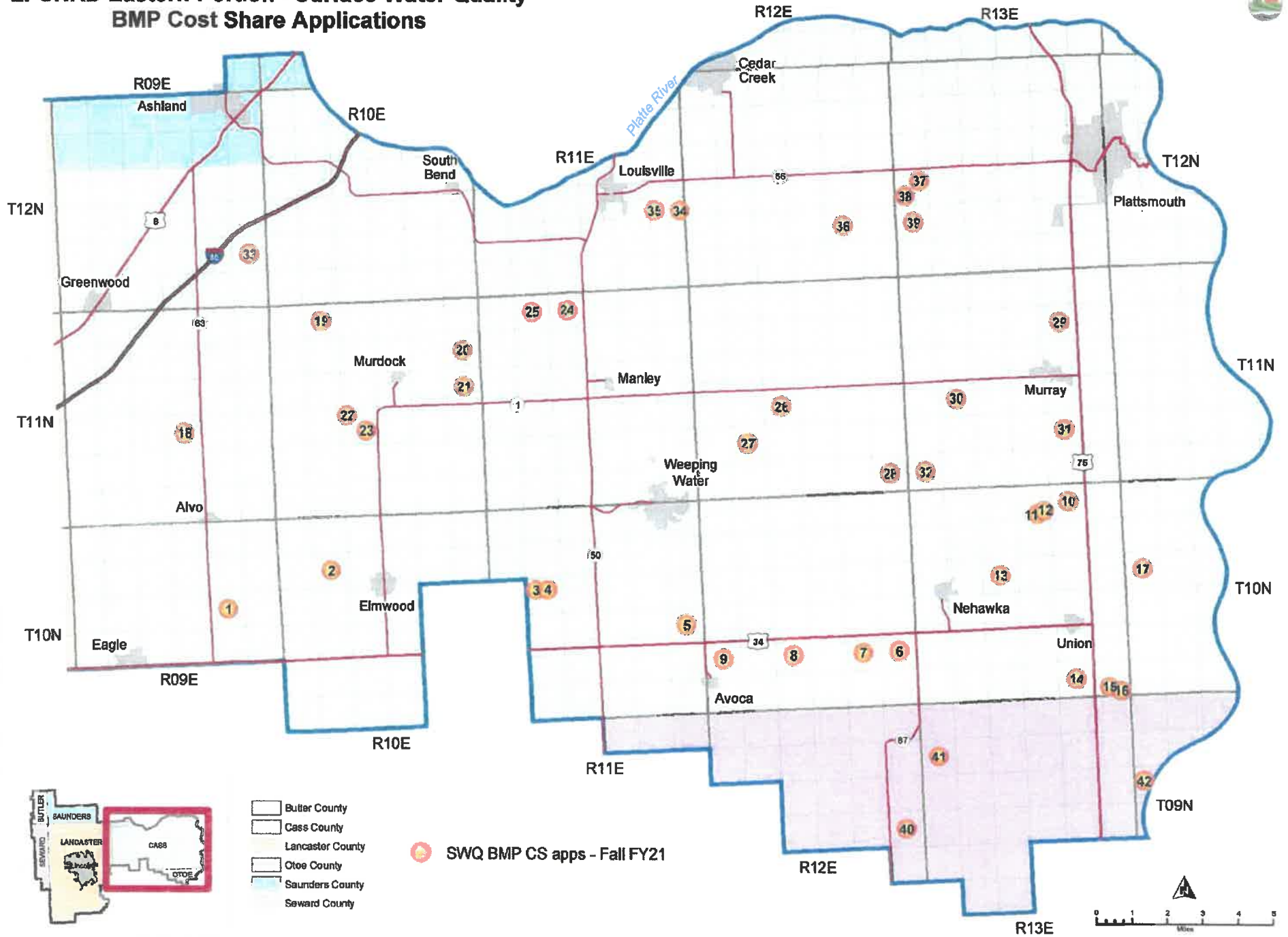
Eastern Cost-Share Applications Fall 2020

Map #	FirstName	LastName	County	Project	Section	Township	Range	Amount
1	Marva	Howe	Cass	Terraces	14	10	9	\$3,500.00
2	Frances Mae	Stall	Cass	Terraces	8	10	10	\$10,000.00
3		Dietl Farms, Inc.	Cass	Terraces	17	10	11	\$5,000.00
4	Harvey	Mills	Cass	Terraces	17	10	11	\$10,000.00
5	Robert	Fischer	Cass	Terraces	24	10	11	\$10,000.00
6		Eric W. & Ann W. Kruger Trust	Cass	Terraces	25	10	12	\$10,000.00
7		Perkins-Palmer Farms LLC	Cass	Terraces	26	10	12	\$10,000.00
8		Perkins-Garrett-Palmer Farms LLC	Cass	Terraces	28	10	12	\$10,000.00
9		Leonard Buchholz Trust	Cass	Terraces	30	10	12	\$10,000.00
10		Gary H. Rieke Rev. Trust	Cass	Terraces	2	10	13	\$10,000.00
11	Sharon	Todd	Cass	Terraces	3	10	13	\$10,000.00
12	Gary	Todd	Cass	Terraces	3	10	13	\$10,000.00
13	Janet	Urbom	Cass	Terraces	16	10	13	\$10,000.00
14	Travis	Ahrens	Cass	Terraces	35	10	13	\$10,000.00
15	Ralph	McCaslin	Cass	Terraces	36	10	13	\$10,000.00
16		Nathan J. Foster Revocable Trust	Cass	Terraces	36	10	13	\$10,000.00
17	Robert	Kendall, Jr.	Cass	Terraces	18	10	14	\$10,000.00
18	Thomas	Snodgrass	Cass	Terraces	22	11	9	\$10,000.00
19	Merry	Drake	Cass	Grassed Waterways	5	11	10	\$6,233.58
20		Luetchens Family LLC	Cass	Terraces	12	11	10	\$10,000.00
21	Robert	Rikli	Cass	Terraces	13	11	10	\$10,000.00
22	Danny	Bornemeier	Cass	Terraces	21	11	10	\$10,000.00
23		Cheryl Dill-Patterson Gifting Trust	Cass	Terraces	21	11	10	\$10,000.00
24	Roger	Gaebel	Cass	Terraces	4	11	11	\$10,000.00
25	Mark	Luetchens	Cass	Terraces	5	11	11	\$10,000.00
26	Fride	Philpot	Cass	Terraces	21	11	12	\$10,000.00
27	Kenneth	Ahrens	Cass	Terraces	29	11	12	\$10,000.00
28		T & K Farms, Inc.	Cass	Terraces	36	11	12	\$10,000.00
29		Plattsmouth Airport Authority	Cass	Terraces	11	11	13	\$10,000.00
30	Bruce	Nolte	Cass	Terraces	20	11	13	\$10,000.00
31		Noell Brothers Farms LLP	Cass	Terraces	26	11	13	\$10,000.00
32	Tommy E.	Ahrens	Cass	Terraces	31	11	13	\$10,000.00
33	Bruce A.	Stock	Cass	Grassed Waterways	25	12	9	\$6,233.58
34		Herbert M. & Nancy G. Heil Trust	Cass	Terraces	24	12	11	\$6,000.00

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35	James	Mayfield	Cass	Terraces	24	12	11	\$10,000.00
36	Benjamin F.	Becker	Cass	Terraces	26	12	12	\$10,000.00
37		Mark A. Meisinger Rev. Trust	Cass	Grassed Waterways	19	12	13	\$8,311.44
38		Stemar Farms, Inc.	Cass	Terraces	19	12	13	\$10,000.00
39		Lyle P. & Jean M. Hild Rev. Trust	Cass	Terraces	30	12	13	\$10,000.00
40	Adeline	Wiebusch	Otoe	Terraces / Grassed	24	9	12	\$9,692.65
41		Judith M. Smith Trust	Otoe	Grassed Waterways	7	9	13	\$7,480.32
42		Jay Farms, Inc.	Otoe	Terraces	18	9	14	\$8,809.08
							TOTAL	\$391,260.65

LPSNRD Eastern Portion - Surface Water Quality BMP Cost Share Applications



Sources: Lower Platte South Natural Resources District; Nebraska Department of Natural Resources; Nebraska Department of Roads

Map Updated: July 2020 - By: Lower Platte South NRD, sdr

Western Cost-Share Applications Fall 2020

Map #	FirstName	LastName	County	Project	Sec	Twn	Rng	Amount	Notes
1	Arvid T.	Bejvancesky	Butler	Terraces	11	13	4	\$7,338.71	
2	Jerald	Bongers	Butler	Terraces	18	14	4	\$9,726.00	
3	Jeffrey	Jochum	Lancaster	Terraces	2	8	6	\$10,000.00	
4	Mark A.	Block	Lancaster	Terraces	12	8	6	\$10,000.00	
5	Susan R.	Wunderlich	Lancaster	Terraces	14	8	6	\$9,999.41	
6	Percy	Krueger	Lancaster	Terraces	15	8	6	\$10,000.00	
7	Richard G.	Block	Lancaster	Terraces	26	8	6	\$10,000.00	
8	Richard	Hosek	Lancaster	Terraces	28	8	8	\$10,000.00	
9	John	Sullivan	Lancaster	Terraces	16	9	5	\$7,183.20	
10	Darlene	Schroeder	Lancaster	Terraces	6	9	8	\$10,000.00	
11	Dixie L.	Wulf	Lancaster	Terraces	4	10	5	\$10,000.00	
12	Timothy R.	Liesko	Lancaster	Seeding / Crop Conversion	35	10	7	\$707.57	
13	Marvin	Hall	Lancaster	Terraces	10	10	8	\$10,000.00	
14		Maahs Farms, Inc.	Lancaster	Terraces	32	10	8	\$10,000.00	
15	Emmanuel	Bartek	Lancaster	Terraces	12	12	5	\$10,000.00	
16		Leroy Ang Testamentary Trust	Lancaster	Terraces	15	12	5	\$10,000.00	
17	Charles	Maly	Lancaster	Grassed Waterways	36	12	6	\$7,272.53	
18	Brenda M.	Earleywine	Lancaster	Terraces	25	12	7	\$10,000.00	
19	Ron	Bartek	Saunders	Terraces	16	13	5	\$10,000.00	
20	James R.	Frederick	Saunders	Terraces	26	13	5	\$10,000.00	
21	Dan	Olson	Lancaster	Terraces	13	9	5	\$10,000.00	
22	Jim	Peschong	Lancaster	Terraces	10	11	5	\$10,000.00	
23	Don	White	Lancaster	Terraces	10	11	5	\$10,000.00	
24	Cory	Bergt	Lancaster	Terraces	10	11	7	\$10,000.00	
25	Lynn	Neujahr	Lancaster	Terraces	33	11	8	\$10,000.00	
26	Geraldine & Richard	Benes	Lancaster	Terraces	17	12	6	\$10,000.00	
27		Jala LLC	Lancaster	Terraces	3	12	8	\$10,000.00	
28		National Arbor Day Foundation	Lancaster	Terraces	14	12	8	\$10,000.00	
29	Bruce A.	Woit	Saunders	Terraces	12	13	5	\$6,390.00	
30	Matthew & Elizabeth	Tvrdy	Saunders	Grassed Waterways	3	13	6	\$7,695.00	
31	Steve	Breunig	Saunders	Terraces	5	13	6	\$10,000.00	
32	John F.	Tvrdy	Saunders	Terraces	11	13	6	\$6,966.00	
33		PD Holdings LLC	Saunders	Terraces	12	13	7	\$10,000.00	
34	Allan & Judy	Pearson	Saunders	Terraces / Grassed Waterways	17	13	7	\$10,000.00	

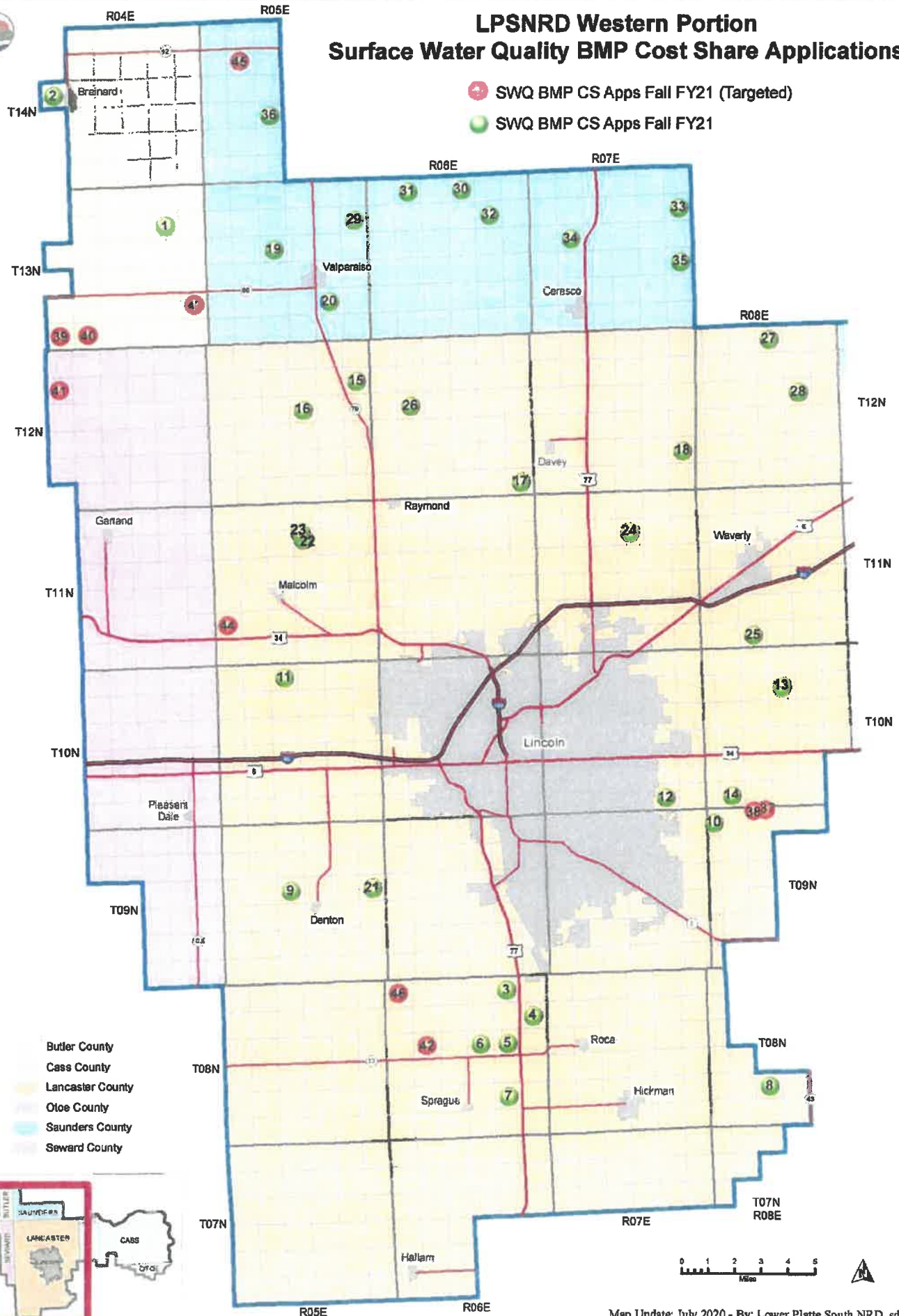
Western Cost-Share Applications Fall 2020

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35	Mike E.	Hass	Saunders	Grassed Waterways	24	13	7	\$10,000.00	
36	Larry	Woita	Saunders	Terraces	21	14	5	\$10,000.00	
37		Forests Brook R&M Ltd. Partnership	Lancaster	Terraces	4	9	8	\$15,000.00	Stevens Creek
38		Retzlaff Generation Skipping Residuary Trust	Lancaster	Terraces	4	9	8	\$15,000.00	Stevens Creek
39		Schneider Ranch Company	Butler	Terraces	31	13	4	\$15,000.00	SVL - Branched Oak Lake
40	James L.	Pavel	Butler	Terraces	32	13	4	\$15,000.00	SVL - Branched Oak Lake
41	Robert	Kunasek	Seward	Terraces	7	12	4	\$7,130.14	SVL - Branched Oak Lake
42	Linda K	Hollman	Lancaster	Terraces	17	8	6	\$15,000.00	SVL - Cottontail Lake
43	Arnold & Mary Ann	Vandenberg	Butler	Terraces	25	13	4	\$15,000.00	SVL - Meadowlark Lake
44	David	Robotham	Lancaster	Terraces	30	11	5	\$12,398.00	SVL - Pawnee Lake
45		LPJ Farms	Saunders	Terraces	8	14	5	\$13,705.00	SVL - Red Cedar
46	Gary	Snide	Lancaster	Terraces	6	8	6	\$15,000.00	SVL - Yankee Hill Lake
								Total	\$471,511.56



LPSNRD Western Portion Surface Water Quality BMP Cost Share Applications

- + SWQ BMP CS Apps Fall FY21 (Targeted)
- SWQ BMP CS Apps Fall FY21



FY 2020 - Measurable Goals or Outcomes **12-Month Review (June 30, 2020)**

As directed in the LPSNRD 2019 Master Plan, a list of measurable goals or outcomes was identified for each standing and ad hoc subcommittee. In preparation for the following year's LRIP, these identified goals or outcomes should be rated on progress being made. It's important to note that these goals or outcomes are guidance for the staff, subcommittees and Board, and do not represent all of the possible goals or outcomes, nor does it indicate any error or false information on behalf of the staff, subcommittees and Board if they are not achieved.

Land Resources

Soil & Water Conservation (District-wide)

- **Complete construction of two approved dams** – One farm pond constructed, one in design, third application was withdrawn. Two more farm ponds (Benes and Woita) were approved in February 2020 and are currently in design.
- **Complete 75% of the approved cost-share conservation practices** – 155 applications were approved (fall and summer 2019 and summer 2020). To date, 99 have been sent cost-share payment (including 11 with DNR funds) and 46 were cancelled. \$811,518 has been paid this fiscal year with \$68,969 coming from state funds. 12 summer applications are currently active and will be paid with FY21 funds.

Soil & Water Conservation (Targeted)

- **Approve at least 25 cover crop applications** – 21 applications approved. Three were canceled. 18 were completed and verified for total of \$24,447.
- **Complete 85% of the approved cost-share conservation practices** – 20 applications were approved (fall and summer 2019 and summer 2020). To date, eight have been sent cost-share payment (including one with DNR funds) and 10 were cancelled. \$78,674 has been paid this fiscal year with \$15,000 coming from state funds. Two summer targeted applications are currently active and will be paid with FY21 funds.

GIS Support and Imagery

- **Complete GIS mapping of NRD R.O.W. on 20 parcels** – \$300 was used from the budget to obtain updated data for parcels and land use. Digitized land rights completed during the fiscal year were in house or part of the rehabilitation projects. Those that were digitized and added between July 2019-June 2020 included:
 - Platte River flood reduction project, levee easement; preservation of floodplain/flood prone area- Salt Creek; conservation easement- Prairie Corridor; channel construction/operation/maintenance easement- Salt Creek; trail construction and OM easement- Theresa Street Trail; trail construction and OM easement- Haymarket Ballpark Trail; warranty deed for Stiefel Johnson Trailhead; corporate warranty deed-north of Stiefel; flood control structure easements- Stevens Creek A17-1; Streambank Stability Easement- South Salt Creek Project #3; Floodplain easements at Ashland; Flood Control Structure easements- US 1-A, Oak Middle 82-B, Magee Dam, Stevens Creek A6-1, US 3-A, US 6-A; Preservation of Floodplain Deed- Wilcox (near Homestead Trail at Roca); and joint easement NRD/City of Lincoln- Heckel (Sievers Family Trust) for preservation of flood storage capacity and natural resources.

FY 2021 - Measurable Goals or Outcomes

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Land Resources

Soil & Water Conservation (District-wide)

- Complete construction of three approved dams
- Complete 75% of the approved cost-share conservation practices

Soil & Water Conservation (Targeted)

- Approve at least 30 cover crop applications
- Complete 85% of the approved cost-share conservation practices

GIS Support and Imagery

- Complete GIS mapping of NRD R.O.W. on 20 parcels