



Freeborn County, Minnesota - CAP Section 206

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Location

Freeborn County, Minnesota

State(s)

MN

Congressional District(s)

MN-1

Status

Continuing with the Feasibility Phase, a Feasibility Cost Share Agreement was executed with the sponsor in December of 2013 completion of report is scheduled for 2016.

Description

Freeborn County has requested assistance through the Section 206 program. There are 6 watersheds: Shell Rock, Cedar, Blue Earth, Cannon, La Suer, and Winnabego Rivers within the county that are of concern. Initial 206 efforts will focus on the Shell Rock River and Albert Lea Lake since these are most in need of restoration. The following is a general list of goals that were identified in the Preliminary Restoration Plan (PRP) for the Shell Rock watershed:

- Reduce problems with overflow due to constrictions within watershed
- Reduce water fluctuations in Albert Lea and Fountain Lakes
- Increase water percolation and retention within the upper parts of watershed in order to slow release rates into the river.
- Reduce bank erosion of both lake and stream banks
- Reduce sediment loading
- Keep within watershed (NRCS).

Summarized Project Costs

| | <u>FEASIBILITY</u> | <u>DESIGN</u> |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Federal Cost | \$535,500 | |
| Non-Federal Cost | \$269,700 | |
| Total Cost | \$805,200 | |
| Allocations through FY 2015 | \$405,500 | |
| Allocations for FY 2016 | \$0 | |
| Budget for FY 2017 | \$130,000 | |
| Balance to Complete after FY 2017 | \$33,161 | \$0 |

Major Work Item (This Fiscal Year)

FY 2015: Continue Feasibility

Major Work Item (Next Fiscal Year)

FY 2016: Complete feasibility report, execute Project Partnership Agreement, initiate design.

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