



Freeborn County, Minnesota (Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration)

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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 December 2014.

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	\$406,945	
Non-Federal Cost	\$146,363	
Total Cost	\$553,308	
Allocations through FY 2013	\$261,084	
Allocations for FY 2014	\$112,700	
Budget for FY 2015	0	
Balance to Complete after FY 2015	\$33,161	\$300,000

Major Work Item (This Fiscal Year)

FY 2014: Executed a Feasibility Cost Share Agreement, continuing with feasibility.

Updated on 2014-Aug-22

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Major Work Item (Next Fiscal Year)

FY 2015: Complete feasibility report, execute Project Partnership Agreement, initiate design.

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