

2014 Adams SWCD Request for Technical Assistance

General information and background: The Adams SWCD's 5 year and annual conservation plans list Water Quality as our highest conservation priority, just after District Operations. Our other priorities also dovetail into the water quality category because activities on forests or hay/pasture lands can have direct impacts to water quality.

The district has somewhat limited capacity due to overall District funding while requests from landowners for assistance have increased since the first 319 grant was administered. Adams SWCD Supervisors realize that landowners see value in partnering with Districts and other entities to accomplish similar goals. Requests for assistance have increased beyond of those projects associated with the 319 grants.

The following projects are listed in order of priority. All are listed as #2 in our 5 year and Annual Plans. As before, we have broken down the Engineering services vs Technician services because we believe there is a tremendous difference in the two types of assistance related to administering the 319 grants.

Specialized Technical Assistance

1) Engineering Services:

Project #1 Description: Final year of Phase 2 Little Weiser Stream Bank Stabilization 319 grant

5-year plan: Priority #2 Water Quality

Request assistance with project design and engineering for this on-going 319 grant. We anticipate 2 to 3 new projects and repairs/maintenance on 4 to 5 existing projects during FY 2014 for which we will need these services. The request is for engineering time that includes pre and post construction site visits, engineered drawings, permit applications, and associated work. We have already worked with 10 individual landowners on this project. Several more may come on board in this final year of the grant. We have had tremendous support and cooperation from landowners over a large segment of this river corridor.

Time needed: 80 hours Engineer

Dates needed: July 2014 thru December 2014

Project #2 Description: Upper Weiser River Restoration 319 Project

5 year Plan: Priority #2

This project scored well in DEQ's ranking for projects statewide. Currently, the project has very good odds of funding for the 5 year grant period. While final grant awards have not been made, some pre-planning will need to be done so that projects can move ahead once the funding is secured. Some landowners may also choose to proceed on their own without grant funds.

Time needed: 60 hours Engineer

Dates needed: between August 2014 and June 2015

Project #3 Description: City of New Meadows Flood Control planning project and general conservation planning

5 year plan: Priority #2 Water Quality

The City of New Meadows is interested in exploring a partnership with the District and private landowners to address seasonal flooding in the city limits from the Little Salmon River and tributaries. Technical assistance and engineering assistance is needed to help identify the resource issues and assess the needs.

Time needed: 20 hours engineer

Dates needed: June 2014 to September 2014

2) **Conservation Technical Assistance Services:**

Project #1: Little Weiser Stream Bank Stabilization 319 Project (Phase 2 final year)

Technical Assistance (Technician) for on-going 319 grant that will be completed as of December 2014. We anticipate 2 to 3 new projects and possible repairs/maintenance on 4 to 5 existing projects during FY 2014 for which we will need these services. The request is for Technician time that may include pre and post construction site visits (as needed), preparation of Landowner Contracts, Payment Applications and final reporting to DEQ.

Time needed: 80 hours Technician

Dates needed: July 2014 thru Jan 2015

Project #2: Upper Weiser River 319 grant

Technical assistance with setting up the accounts and other processes related to a new 319 grant from DEQ for the Upper Weiser watershed. While the grant funding may possibly come too late to begin on-ground work in 2014, we will need to set up the accounts and prepare for the funding.

Time needed: 60 hrs Technician

Dates needed: August 2014 thru June 2015

Project #3: City of New Meadows Storm water planning and general conservation planning

Several landowners may be interested in some assistance with irrigation, riparian fencing and other conservation practices in the Meadows Valley area. We would like to begin with some preliminary assessment work and site visits.

Time needed: 20 hrs Technician

Dates needed: July 2014 thru September 2014

Total Specialized Technical Assistance:	Engineer	160 hours
	Technician	160 hours

Comprehensive District Assistance

- 1) Training: 5 year plan: Priority #1 District Operations
General assistance for the Administrative Assistant in the form of calls and some one-on-one office time to help the employee when questions or issues arise in 319 reporting and other District reporting.
Time needed: 20 hours
Dates needed: July 2014- June 2015

Total Comprehensive Assistance: Technician 20 hours

Total Assistance requested: 340 hours

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	Project or Activity Name: Weiser River Projects
	FOR FISCAL YEAR: 2015
	Hours of Assistance Requested: 340
Due: March 31, 2014	

CERTIFICATION

By concurrence of a majority of the supervisors of the district board and the above name conservation district certifies that attached Request for Assistance is true and accurate, and further submits said Report for the above named District and fiscal year.

A copy of this Request for Assistance and supporting documents shall be kept at the District office and is available for public inspection.

Wendy Green

 Board Supervisor Chairperson Signature

Wendy Green

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3/25/2014

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