

1. Project Information

1. Project Name: South Dakota Lakes and Streams—Using the SPLASH Newsletter and the website www.sdlakesandstreams.com to better serve the residents and users of lakes and streams in the South Dakota Watershed.
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2. Project Description

1. Which of the following outcomes did your project achieve.
 - a. By connections with lakes/reservoirs, and streams/creeks/river/ associations either through direct visitations, e-mails and web connections, or through County commissions, we were able to 1) identify watershed issues, 2) recognize expressed concerns, and 3) receive requests for guidance toward solutions of problems facing these organizations in their quest to resolve shoreline, and ground and surface water pollution. One example; when the idea of 0-based P mandate by the SD legislature was mentioned to one of the now member of SDL&SA, that group got DENR permit to ADD P to the water body in which P was a limiting factor of fish growth. Some had sanitary sewage disposal problems, some animal feeding unit disposal problems. As a consequence of recognizing these elements of watershed issues, we have at our disposal a Water Resource Coordinator, available for consultation in such matters. He has in-depth experience in watershed management coordination. (See attached).
 - b. Water Resource organizations that have addressed such problems as agricultural waste and urban pollution that are members or are available for consultation, give us insights into guidance to recognize such problems.
 - c. Our website has many linked sites that give the viewer guidance into recognition of the problems watersheds face from urban and ag pollution. Several of those links can be recognized from our website's download tabs, satisfying one of our major roles as a water conservation education agency. (See attached).
2. Activities undertaken to achieve the above outcomes:
 - a. A survey was taken of the 65 South Dakota County Commissions, requesting information they might have on Water Bodies in their county, and contacts of anyone familiar with possible Associations. We received responses from 20 of the 65 counties with water bodies, 6 of which show no significant water body (lake/reservoir, major river, etc). An up-to-date listing of all water related organizations, by county, is compiled on our website, on spread sheet, all known contact information. It is requested that our viewers add to that compilation with any updated information they might have by going to the comment envelope on our home page.
 - b. Our Water Resource Coordinator has had experience in wetland, lake, and watershed tributaries that allows him to address these problems to lake associations that request guidance in those areas.

- c. We have had inquiries regarding lakeshore zoning regulations, for which we have provided zoning regulations from those lake associations that have them to those requesting them.
3. People reached.
 - a. One good identifier of people reached is the hit counter on our website homepage. As of July 28, 2010, the SDL&SA website has had 4153 hits since January 1, 2010. The web coordinator's intent is to have hit counters on many of the tabs, so the popularity of the several issues can be recognized. Another is the number of lake associations that have decided to network with our organization through membership and through their Association website, either theirs that is linked, or sites our association web coordinator has constructed. The 22 lake association members represent several hundred members. The SPLASH is sent seasonally (4x/year) to each of the associations. Cost of production of the SPLASH (in color) is app. \$3.00/issue, including supplies and materials, and with the research, writing, and editing on a volunteer basis.
4. Product evaluation.
 - a. Our evaluation has been subjective to date, using as evaluation 1) the number of hits on our website; 2) the number of new lake/stream associations that have joined in 2009 and 2010; 3) the contacts we have had requesting information on specific issues they are having in their watershed; 4) the interest in river/stream/creek-related associations West River .
 - b. I believe that the number of attendants at our Annual Meeting and Watershed Management Forum will be a positive (hopefully) reflection on our success in the networking of our new goals, missions, activities, and functions, and the activities and concerns of lake/stream associations across the state.
5. It has been one of the most rewarding endeavors of my life as President of SDL&SA, 1) to see new active "blood" on our board of directors, with positive ideas on how to proceed in our new directions; 2) to interact with lake/stream associations on a person to person basis during visitations to interchange ideas and identify issues of concern; 3) to recognize the willingness of water-oriented association individuals to interact in positive ways toward addressing, discussing, and arriving at possible solutions to a given problem; and 4) to see our membership grow, in individual, association, and corporate areas to an all time high. (Previous member numbers were "associate members"...courtesy membership of dredging partners, employees, state and congressional political individuals, state agencies, etc., all of whom were non-participants in achieving our goals in education and networking.

3. Financial Summary

The following table shows original minigrant request with adjusted request (\$260.00 to \$300.00 for minigrant equipment, and \$600.00 reduced to \$300.00 to reflect our need to remove a \$600.00 camcorder from the request match due to purchase outside dates of proposal. Total minigrant request for \$1450.00 from \$1410.00 allowed under the grant maximum. The 60-40 division still fits the model.

Category	319 I & E Grant	SDL&SA Total Match	Total
Wages	\$ 300.00	\$300.00	\$600.00
	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$600.00
Equipment	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$600.00
	\$260.00	\$600.00	\$860.00
Supplies and Materials	\$600.00	\$170.00	\$770.00
	\$600.00	170.00	\$770.00
Travel	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$500.00
	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$500.00
Indirect Costs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Project Costs	\$1450.00	\$1020.00	\$2470.00
	\$1410.00	\$1320.00	2730.00

This is a summary of how the mini-grant dollars were expended.

1. Staff

WAGES: Minigrant request

Janie Wittmeier (Jan-Mar, 09) Website Design Development and Construction
\$150.00 (calculate hours) @ \$12.72 (pay/hr indicated on original proposal)

Trudie Myers (Jan-Mar, 09) Website Design Development and Construction
\$150.00 (hours @ \$12.72)

Total Minigrant: \$300.00

WAGES: SDL&SA match

Janie Wittmeier (Apr-Jun, 09) Association Website Updating and Maintenance
\$150.00 (hours @ \$12.72)

Trudie Myers (Apr-Jun, 09) Website Updating and Maintenance
\$150.00 (hours @ \$12.72)

Total SDL&SA Match \$300.00

TOTALS WAGES: \$600.00

\$300.00 to I & E \$300.00 to SDL&SA

2. Travel

TRAVEL: Minigrant request

7/18/2010 Gerald A Myers & Ken Stange Travel to Clear Lake Betterment Assn Annual Meeting \$72.00 (Myers) and \$14.40 (Stange) = \$86.40

4/28/2010 Joe Beech Travel to Pierre to Non-Point Source board meeting on 0-P \$168.72 only paid (bill = \$191.37)

Total Minigrant Travel: \$255.12 (Listed only \$250.00)

TRAVEL: SDL&SA match

3/17/2010 Joe Beech Travel to Day Co. Meeting and LPADA (Poinsett) meeting \$102.86

3/16/2010, 3/18/2010 Gerald A. Myers Annual meeting, Lake Pelican WPD Meeting James River WDD \$80.66

7/24/2010 Deb Springman Travel Brookings to Lake Poinsett \$53.90

Total SDL&SA match Travel: \$260.07 (List only \$250.00)

TOTAL TRAVEL: \$515.19

Minigrant: \$250.00 SDL&SA match: \$250.00

3. Supplies

SUPPLIES: Minigrant request

11/16/2009 Office Max USB Drive, \$21.70

3/4/2010 Walmart Photo Elements 8 to enhance SPLASH & Website \$95.40

3/4/2010 Walmart HP cartridges for HP 5610 printer \$43.40

3/3/2010 Barnes and Noble Photoshop Elements 8 training manual \$31.94

3/13/09 UPS Fall 2009 SPLASH Printing \$154.76

1/27/2010 Winter 2009 SPLASH Printing \$165.47

1/27/2010 UPS Gerald Myers (Paid to Network Solutions for web domain) \$34.99

3/22/2010 Walmart Paper and ink for HP 5600 and HP 5610, \$84.78 (Pay \$74.78)

1/27/2010 USPO Castlewood Stamps. \$44.00

Total Minigrant Supplies: \$666.44 (minigrant support only \$600.00)

SUPPLIES: SDL&SA Match

3/22/2010 Spring 2010 SPLASH printing \$264.58

10/26/2009 USPO Estelline Stamps for SD County Commissioners letter \$44.00

Total Supplies: SDL&SA match \$265.02 (match only \$170 on grant)

TOTAL SUPPLIES: \$931.46 (\$770.00 on grant)

Minigrant: \$600.00 SDL&SA match: \$170.00

4. Equipment

EQUIPMENT: Minigrant request

3/06/2009 Trudie Myers (Paid to Overstock.com by personal CC) Canon Power Shot camera and scan disk \$299.70

Total: Minigrant Equipment \$299.70 (Minigrant request \$300.00)

EQUIPMENT: SDL&SA match

4/1/2010 Gerald A. Myers (reimbursed by SDL&SA). External Backup hard drive and case+ installation and configuration on new PC. \$272.95

Total Equipment: SDL&SA match \$272.95 (match \$300.00)

TOTAL EQUIPMENT: \$552.65

Total Equipment: Minigrant \$299.70 (300.00) SDL&SA match \$272.95 (\$300.00)

5. Publications

The website www.sdlakesandstreams.com is the major effort that came from the grant, mainly for which it was requested to develop. The SPLASH newsletter was published 6 times in color and posted on the website as the second publication that came from grant support.

6. Fees

There were no fees that could be identified in the proposal or the outcome of the proposal.

2. A summary of the amount of the match.

1. **Volunteer hours: N.A.** All match for 'wages' was paid out of the SDL&SA account.
2. **Travel: N.A.** All match for travel was paid out of the SDL&SA account
3. **Supplies: N.A.** All match for supplies was paid out of the SDL&SA account.
4. **Food: N.A.** Food expenses charged to SDL&SA but not listed as part of the match.
5. **Venue: N.A.**
6. **Cash: N.A.**

The match was arrived at in the following manner.

Since much more was expended by SDL&SA in the development of the project and the outcomes projected, the amounts of match allowed the minigrant request to stay within the \$1450 limits, and yet show excess in 40% match of the minigrant request.

The purchase of the camcorder listed on the original proposal was made prior to the beginning of the grant date, so was removed from equipment list, making the equipment match listed less than the proposal. Since the supplies purchased was much less than used in the project, but much more than the match required, it is requested that equivalent of the supplies match be applied to the equipment match to bring the total up to the grant request. A check of the RAM size and Hard Drive size was undertaken to see if this equipment, added to the

capability of the pc would make the website more effective. This would be used as equipment match. However, it was determined by the computer technician that we wouldn't notice much difference in upgrades, so the cost/benefit would not be realized, thus saving about \$200.00 equipment costs + labor.

Recently, an efficient way to transfer DVD clips to the website at appropriate locations will greatly enhance the value of the site, and will indeed allow the website coordinators to utilize the DVD camcorder which was purchased for this intended use.

The extra \$40 added to the minigrant's equipment category allows rounding out the cost of the camera and stays under the maximum allowed in the grant for minigrant funding (\$1450).