Outdoor Heritage Fund Grant Application

PROJECT NAME:
Handicap Accessible Fishing Pier at Sheep Creek Dam

Name of Organization: Grant County Water Resource District
Type of organization: Political Subdivision  Federal Tax ID#: 45-0360039
Contact Person/Title: Julie Levorsen, Secretary/Treasurer or Jerald Christensen, Chairman
Address: 211 N Main St, PO Box 161, Elgin, ND 58533
E-mail Address: jltax@westriv.com  Phone: 701-584-2354

Major Directive:
Directive A. Provide access to private and public lands for sportsmen, including projects that create fish and wildlife habitat and provide access for sportsmen;

Additional Directives:
Directive C. Develop, enhance, conserve, and restore wildlife and fish habitat on private and public lands;
Directive D. Conserve natural areas for recreation through the establishment and development of parks and other recreation areas.

Abstract/Executive Summary:

The goal of this project is for the Grant County Water Resource District is to provide access to fishing opportunities on the Sheep Creek Dam for all ages and abilities. The proposed handicap accessible fishing pier would address a serious limitation to that goal. Currently there is no access to fishing opportunities at Sheep Creek Dam for those with limited physical abilities.

The region around Sheep Creek Dam including the towns of Elgin, Carson and New Leipzig has a high population of senior citizens and others with physical limitations. According to federal statistics, half the population of Grant County is over 55 years of age. The one existing fishing pier, which is heavily used on a daily basis, is located in an area with a steep slope and most of the shoreline fishing around the dam has steep slopes as well. This does not allow ease of access for those individuals with physical impairments.

The proposed handicap accessible fishing pier with its corresponding handicap accessible sidewalk, accessible park bench and handicap accessible parking space would be located in an area with a gentle slope to the lake allowing individuals who use wheelchairs, walkers or have other physical limitations, independent access to the fishing opportunities at Sheep Creek Dam without relying on others for assistance.

In addition, this project would include planting of native cottonwood trees, bank stabilization and erosion control which would help to maintain and restore the water quality and wildlife habitat at Sheep Creek Dam.
Project Duration: May through August, 2015

Amount of Grant request: $20,902.00
Total Project Costs: $28,632.00
Amount of Matching Funds $7730.00

Source(s) of Matching Funds:

Grant County Water Resource District will provide $4000 from their operating funds budget for this project.

The Elgin Lions Club will donate $2000 as partial payment towards the cost of concrete for the handicap accessible parking pad.

Elgin Lions Club will provide $1730 in kind labor and equipment use to level, grade, form and pour the concrete handicap accessible parking pad, the accessible park bench pad and the accessible sidewalk to the fishing pier. The Elgin Lions Club will also provide the labor and equipment to pickup the accessible fishing pier from ABC Boat Docks in Dickenson, ND and deliver it to Sheep Creek Dam. They will then help assemble and place the accessible fishing pier at Sheep Creek Dam. In addition, the Elgin Lions Club will plant and mulch the cottonwood trees and install tree guards as well as install the needed riprap and other bank stabilization requirements.

Narrative:

Organization Information:

The Grant County Water Resource District is the water managing entity of Grant County. The mission of the water board is to support and help achieve wise and effective water resource management and development in Grant County. In addition to water management & development, the Grant County Water board also manages two dams in the county, Sheep Creek Dam & Raleigh Reservoir. Funding for operations comes from the taxpayers in form of a mill levy.

The Grant Co. Water Resource District contracts with a caretaker for Sheep Creek Dam from the months of May through November of each year. The caretaker provides for the mowing, tree care and facilities cleaning and maintenance throughout the season. The caretaker would oversee the construction and installation of the handicap fishing pier and coordinate the volunteers.

The Elgin Lions Club with about 90 members has been an active supporter of Sheep Creek Dam for many years. They sponsor an annual “Kids Fishing Day” at Sheep Creek Dam with an average of 20 or more youth participating. The Elgin Lions Club has actively helped the local community with numerous public service projects including tree planting, city cleanup, sponsoring other youth activities and much more.
Purpose of Grant

Directive A. Provide access to private and public lands for sportsmen, including projects that create fish and wildlife habitat and provide access for sportsmen;

The goal of the Grant County Water Resource District in relation to its management of the Sheep Creek Dam & Raleigh Reservoir is to continue to provide outdoor opportunities to the surrounding area. Usage of the dams has been excellent, with sportsmen & women finding bluegill, bass, walleye, rainbow trout & crappie for their fishing pleasure. The population of Grant County is around 2400 with a median age of 55. With an aging population, the use of a handicap accessible fishing pier is even more desirable for those who enjoy the outdoors.

There is some degree of urgency for the development of a handicap accessible fishing pier at Sheep Creek Dam. The water board members and the caretaker have received numerous requests from people with physical limitations for fishing access at Sheep Creek Dam. Several have said that they have quit fishing altogether because it has become too difficult to use the present fishing access. Sheep Creek Dam does not have any handicap accessible facilities as required by federal ADA standards. This project would be the first of several accessible facilities planned for Sheep Creek Dam in the future.

Management of Project:

The Grant Co. Water Resource District has been in operation for over 50 years. The water board, consisting of 3 members, is appointed by the county commissioners. The water board would oversee this project with daily supervision during the construction phase.

The caretaker for Sheep Creek Dam has over 30 years of experience in the recreation industry in North Dakota including 3 years as Recreation Manager for Lake Tschida. He would be on site to direct the volunteers and manage the overall construction of this project.

If all goes well, the concrete construction and the installation of the accessible fishing pier would be completed by early summer.

Evaluation:

The Sheep Creek Dam caretaker provides a monthly written report to the Grant Co. Water Resource Board that is presented at their monthly meeting. The caretaker would be required to include a monthly progress report for the handicap accessible fishing pier project for each monthly meeting. Once the accessible fishing pier is in place, weekly user counts would also be provided in these monthly reports.

Julie Levorsen of Levorsen Accounting and Tax is the Secretary/Treasurer for the Grant Co. Water Resource District. She provides a monthly financial report to the board during their monthly meetings. Levorsen Accounting would provide all the accounting and documentation of costs for this project and provide the final evaluation and financial report to the water board and the Heritage Fund Committee when the project is completed.
ATTACHMENT:  **Project Budget:**

Attached is the proposed project budget for the accessible fishing pier using project estimates and price quotes available at this time;

I certify that a final project budget and financial report will be sent to the Commission upon completion of this project.

Julie Levorsen, Secretary/Treasurer, Grant Co. Water Resource District

**Sustainability:**

The Grant Co. Water Resource District will maintain the handicap accessible fishing pier and supporting facilities as part of their overall management of Sheep Creek Dam. The financial costs for the overall management of Sheep Creek Dam are paid by the taxpayers of Grant County through a yearly mill levy.

**Partial Funding:**

If the Grant Co. Water Recourse District receives partial funding from the Outdoor Heritage Fund for this handicap accessible fishing pier, then they will attempt to raise additional funding from other sources such as ND Game and Fish grant program and through local fund raising efforts.

**Partnership Recognition:**

A sign recognizing the Outdoor Heritage Fund, the Grant Co. Water Resource District and the Elgin Lions Club for their contributions toward the development of this handicap accessible fishing pier would either be place inside the main bulletin board located near this location or a separate sign would be installed near the accessible fishing pier.

**Awarding of Grants:**

The Grant Co. Water Resource District will be able to meet all the provisions of the sample contract that has been provided.

Signed: ~TYAJIL~

Grant Co. Water Resource District Secretary/Treasurer

Date: 11/3/14
# SHEEP CREEK DAM

## HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE FISHING PIER

### 2015 Proposed budget

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### BUDGET DETAILS AND PRICE QUOTES

#### I. Accessible Fishing Pier from ABC Docks
- Total Price Quote: $29,072.00
- Minus transportation & installation: 2,600.00
- Minus 10% if ordered before Jan. 1, 2015: 2,600.00
- Total: $23,872.00

#### II. Transportation & Assembly for Pier
- Equipment: truck & trailer to haul fishing pier sections
- 170 miles from Elgin to Dickenson, to Sheep Creek Dam and back to Elgin @ $1/mile-quoted by Schadler
- Landscaping: $170.00
- 1 volunteer x 3.3 hr. x 15/hr. to pick up fishing pier: $50.00
- Fishing pier assembly and installation: 4 volunteers x 3 hr. x $15/hr.: $180.00
- Total: $400.00
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#### III. Handicap parking pad & walkway:
- Parking pad: 20'x17' 340 sq. ft.
- Accessible park bench pad: 10'x17' 170 sq. ft.
- Accessible sidewalk: 5'x35' 175 sq. ft.
- Total: 685 sq. ft.
- 685 sq. ft. x 6" thick: 317.5 Cu. Ft.
27 Cu. Ft/Cu. Yd. 
12.7 Cu. Yd.
10% Extra concrete to be ordered 
1.3 Cu. Yd.
Total Concrete to be ordered 
14 Cu. Yd. $135/cu.yd. $1,890.00
$132.90/cu.yd. quoted from Strata 
$135/cu.yd. estimated price increase for 2015
45 loaded miles minus first 10 miles free x 2 trucks 
70 loaded miles $4.50/mile $315.00
$4.50/loaded mile x 35 miles- quote from Strata 
17 2"x 6" x 10', stakes, rebar, ties & stands, safety 
fencing, wood screws etc. $200.00
Total: $2,405.00

IV. Labor for setting up concrete forms:
WORK REQUIRED: fine grade area, measure & set up concrete forms, level & compact base, set up & tie rebar for sidewalk & accessible parking, construct safety fence around area
8 volunteers x 4 hr. each x $15/hr. $480.00
Labor for pouring concrete, finishing concrete, cleanup, removing forms, filling in edges etc.
4 volunteers x 6 hr. each x $15/hr. $360.00
4 volunteers x 2 hr. each x $15/hr. (remove forms) $120.00
Finish grading, grass seeding, painting, cleanup
2 volunteers x 2 hr. each x $15/hr. $60.00
Total: $1,020.00

V. Equipment for grading & finishing area
Bobcat use: 4 hr. x $25/hr (donated) $100.00
Total: $100.00

VI. Labor for grading & finishing area
1 volunteer x 4 hr. x $15/hr. bobcat operator $60.00
Labor for graveling, dirt filling, riprap etc:
1 volunteer x 4 hr. x $15/hr. $60.00
Total: $120.00

VII. Accessible Park Bench
Accessible Park Bench - Pilot Rock-B111C/G6PC24, recycled plastic, cedar color, page 2 of price list $426.00
Estimated shipping cost for park bench $24.00
Total: $450.00
2 volunteers x 2 hr. x $15/hr. installing base & then installing bench $30.00
Total: $480.00
VIII. 5 'Siouxland' Cottonwood trees, stakes & guards

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Total: $235.00

TOTAL: $28,632.00
ABC BOAT DOCKS  
4038 3rd Ave W 
Dickinson, ND 58601

**Name / Address**
Grant County Water Resource Division  
Steve Schadler  
516-2877

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Sales Tax (0.0%)                                 | $0.00      |
Total                                            | $29,072.00 |

Phone #  
701-483-7000

Fax #  
701-225-4433

E-mail  
abcboatdocks@yahoo.com

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$29,072.00  
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**minus delivery & setup 2,600**  
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**minus 10% HSTded 2,600**  
before Jan. 1, 2015  
23,872
**Accessible Park Bench**

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- BENCH Stationary/Embedded Post ($0.00)
- Hot Dip Galvanized Steel ($0.00)
- RECYCLED PLASTIC 6 ft. ($426.00) - Cedar (PC)

**Estimate Quote Amount:** $0.00  
**Number of Items:** 1

**Total Items Cost:** $426.00  
**Sales Tax:** TBD  
**Shipping Cost:** TBD  
**Final Cost:** TBD
November 3, 2014

North Dakota Industrial Commission
ATTN: Outdoor Heritage Fund Program
State Capitol
600 East Boulevard Ave., Dept. 405
Bismarck, ND 58505

Subject: Outdoor Heritage Fund Grant Application

The letter serves as a verification of matching funds from the Grant County Water Resource District in regard to the Handicap Accessible Fishing Pier at Sheep Creek Dam.

We certify that this application has been made with the support of the governing body and chief executive of the Grant County Water Resource District.

We certify that if awarded grant funding none of the funding will be used for any of the exemptions noted within the application.

The grant application as well as matching funds to complete the project has been approved and authorized by the Grant County Water Resource District Board at its monthly meeting of October 20, 2014.

Sincerely

[Signature]
Julie Evorsen
Secretary/Treasurer
November 3, 2014

North Dakota Industrial Commission
Outdoor Heritage Fund
600 E. Boulevard Ave. Dept. 405
Bismarck, ND 58505

RE: Letter of Support

The Elgin Lions Club actively supports the recreational development of the natural resources within Grant County. We also strongly support developing handicap accessible facilities for those with physical limitations in our area.

Therefore, the Elgin Lions Club pledges a minimum of $2000 towards the construction and installation of a handicap accessible fishing pier to be located at Sheep Creek Dam. We also pledge to provide the labor and equipment for the construction of the handicap accessible parking pad, the accessible park bench pad, the accessible sidewalk to the fishing pier and to help plant the trees. This in-kind labor is valued at $1730.

Sincerely,

Steven Schadler
Elgin Lions Club 1st Vice President