

**Contract No. 002-024**

"Prairie Project"

Submitted by United Prairie Foundation, Inc.

Principal Investigator: John DeVries

Directives: A, B & C

**PARTICIPANTS**

<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Cost Share</b>	
United Prairie Foundation, Inc.	<u>\$ 5,000</u>	
Subtotal Cash Cost Share		\$5,000
United Prairie Foundation, Inc. (In-kind)	<u>\$ 31,420</u>	
Subtotal In-kind Cost Share		\$31,420
North Dakota Industrial Commission	<u>\$300,000</u>	
Total Project Cost	<u>\$336,420</u>	

Project Schedule – 9 years  
Contract Date – 7/23/2014  
Start Date – 7/23/2014  
Completion Date – 10/1/2023

Project Deliverables:  
Status Report: October 1, 2014 ✓  
Status Report: October 1, 2015 ✓  
Status Report: October 1, 2016  
Status Report: October 1, 2017  
Status Report: October 1, 2018  
Status Report: October 1, 2019  
Status Report: October 1, 2020  
Status Report: October 1, 2021  
Status Report: October 1, 2022  
Final Report: October 1, 2023

**OBJECTIVE/STATEMENT OF WORK:**

This project will secure 300 PLOTS acres on which local origin native prairie plants will be grown for seed that will be harvested and used to restore other prairie land. Seeds cultivated from these plots will be made available at no charge to a wide range of end users: Private Landowners in the PLOTS Program; ND Counties; ND Cities; ND Game and Fish Department; ND Department of Transportation. The number of acres is reduced to 150 acres as only a portion of the requested funding was awarded.

**STATUS:**

The original request was for \$640,300. The amount awarded was \$300,000 with the stipulation that the funding cannot be used for administration. Contract 002-024 - Executed

12/29/2014 - Status report was received. The report states: 64 acres of land have been secured for seeding in spring of 2015, with all acres being enrolled in the NDGF PLOTS program. A diverse seed mix has been harvested from a mix of remnant prairies to be used in the Prairie Project seeding. Seed tests have been submitted and results are expected soon, which will determine the value and quality of seed harvested.

7/11/2015 - Status report was received. The report states: A high quality seed mix was assembled and seeded on to 55 acres which was enrolled into the NDGF PLOTS program and part of the ND OHF Prairie Project. Nine of the enrolled acres are having seed bed preparation prior to seeding in 2016. The remainder of the grant acres has been found and some landowners will be denied into the Prairie Project

because of the limited funding provided to the grant. All but 14 acres will be in Cass and Traill Counties located within the Red River Valley and will max enrolled acres at 150 and all 150 acres will be NDGF PLOTS acres. Some of the seeded acres re-establish naïve extirpated tallgrass prairie plants back into North Dakota!

Updated 2/29/2016