Contract No. 009-111
“Give Me Back My Acres”
Submitted by Towner County Soil Conservation District
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PARTICIPANTS

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<th>Sponsor</th>
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<td>Towner County Soil Conservation District (Cash)</td>
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<td>Towner County Soil Conservation District (in-kind)</td>
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<td>North Dakota Industrial Commission</td>
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Subtotal Cash Cost Share: $32,509.27
Subtotal In-kind & indirect: $4,317.50
Subtotal OHF funding: $3,334.25
Total Project Cost: $40,161.02

Project Schedule – 41 months
Contract Date – 8/19/2017
Start Date – 8/1/2017
Completion Date – December 31, 2020

Status Report: December 31, 2017
Status Report: December 31, 2018
Status Report: December 31, 2019
Final Report: December 31, 2020

OBJECTIVE/STATEMENT OF WORK:
Seeding of specific cover crop on a maximum of 40 salinity acres (2.5 acres maximum per producer).

STATUS:
A contract has been partially executed and forwarded to the Towner County Soil Conservation District for their consideration.

Contract has been fully executed.

3/2018
Letters and maps were sent out and sites visited for exact areas of project on each field. NRCS Area Soil Scientist and District Manager soil tested 15/17 producers as a base point for numbers to get as true of readings as possible. This was done after crop was removed and before any fall or spring applications or tillage done. Results analyzed to make notes for selection of cover crops. This will be added to information gathered in spring from what crops were seeded in those areas. Binders were put together with project information, salinity, and cover crop fact sheets for a first producer meeting which will be held in summer of 2018. Harrow and broadcast seeder were purchased in the fall. Project was highlighted in the quarterly SCD newsletter and will be presented at Ag Day this spring. Producers are excited and receptive to start the project and see what kind of results they get and what they can learn specific to their fields.

12/2018
The report states in part: The 4-wheeler has been purchased, and all sites have been visited. All seeded sites were recorded with GPS information. There were a lot of rain events that made it difficult. It is
expected that much of the seed will germinate in the spring. Many outreach efforts were taken including Towner County Ag Day and articles in our newsletter.

**May 2019**
The project was terminated due to employee turnover. There is no longer full-time staff to complete the project.

Overall, a total of 27.25 acres were seeded. The mix consisted of sunflower, turnip, radish, sugar beet, annual ryegrass, barley, cowpea, and lentil. A final report is available on the website.

This contract is now closed with a returned commitment of $1,514.00.

Update 1/10/2019