

2012 Easement Delivery (formerly Easement Services) - Sibley (SWCD)

Fund Report

Sibley

Fund Information

<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Fund Year</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Spent</u>	<u>Date Last Spent</u>
2012 Easement Delivery (formerly Easement Services) - Sibley (SWCD)	2012	\$5,201.00	\$5,201.00	12/30/2011
Starting Balance:		\$5,201.00		
Balance Remaining:		\$0.00		

Other funds used with this fund.

Subtotal:

	Total:	\$0.00	\$0.00
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Initiatives Summary

Amount spent by initiative type.

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	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Spent</u>
Admin/Coordination	\$5,201.00	\$5,201.00
Total:	\$5,201.00	\$5,201.00

Land & Water Projects Summary

Amount spent on L&W Projects.

	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Spent</u>
Total:		

Initiative: Easement Services

Year: 2012
 Initiative Type: Admin/Coordination

Start Date: 10/25/2011
 Completion Date:

Description

The District utilizes these funds to offset payroll and withholding tax expenses, health and liability insurance for the District Manager and Technician. It is also used to for maintenance costs associated with the District vehicle.

Actual Results

Sibley SWCD manages 85 perpetual conservation easements, totalling 3,090 acres. Easements are scattered throughout the County but are most prevalent in the eastern townships, particularly in the floodplain of the Minnesota River.

There were no new applications accepted for funding during the year.

State Easement Funds were spent to provide the work listed above. These expenditures were charged to the following District accounts:

- Wages - \$152.73 (manager = \$19.90 per hour X 4.14 hours = \$82.43
 technician = \$16.97 per hour X 4.14 hours = \$70.30).
- Withholding tax - \$1,518.19
- Insurance - \$3,519.58 (health insurance)
- Vehicle Maint. - \$10.50 (windshield wipers)

One easement closing ceremony was performed in 2011, retiring 172.6 acres of cropland to perpetual wildlife habitat.

Twenty-six site inspections were accomplished. Overall, the condition of the easements have been very good throughout the years, with only a few cases involving violations. Weed control on the easements has also been very good, thistle problems being the common concern. Water levels in the restored wetlands began the year at design elevations, but receded substantially due to drought conditions which have prevailed into the new year.

Construction monitoring and inspections were performed on two RIM/WRP easements. One of these involved restoring 80.3 acres of wetland, and re-habilitating existing structures. The other, a forty acre parcel, involved the restoration/creation of five acres of wetland, a shallow water scrape, and removal of drainage tile in hydric soils areas.

The District also assisted BWSR engineers and technicians in making repairs and/or modifications to two water impoundments that have been threatened by muskrat burrowing. Chain link barriers were installed within the earthen structures to disrupt tunneling activities.

<u>FUND(s)</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Spent</u>	<u>Date Last Spent</u>
1. 2012 Easement Delivery (formerly Easement Services) - Sibley (SWCD)	5,201.00	5,201.00	12/30/11
Totals:	5,201.00	5,201.00	

End of 2012 Easement Delivery (formerly Easement Services) - Sibley (SWCD) Section

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