



Grant Progress Report

Buffer Law 2021

Grant Title: 2021 - Buffer Law (Kanabec SWCD)

Grant ID: P21-2801

Grantee: Kanabec SWCD

Fiscal Agent:

Grant Day-to-Day Contact: Deanna Pomije

Grant Award (\$): \$8,600.00

Required Match (%): 0

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Grant Execution Date: 02/01/2021

Grant End Date: 12/31/2023

	Total Budgeted	Total Spent	Balance Remaining*
Grant Funds	\$8,600.00	\$3,750.08	\$4,849.92
Match Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$8,600.00	\$3,750.08	\$4,849.92

*Grant balance remaining is the difference between the Awarded Amount and the Spent Amount. Other values compare budgeted and spent amounts.

Budget Details

Activity Name	Category	Source Type	Source Description	Budgeted	Spent	Balance Remaining	Match Fund?
Outreach	Education/Information	Current State Grant	2021 - Buffer Law (Kanabec SWCD)	\$516.00	\$438.48	\$77.52	N
Map/Inventory/Admin.	Inventory/Mapping	Current State Grant	2021 - Buffer Law (Kanabec SWCD)	\$3,612.00	\$1,292.46	\$2,319.54	N
Tech. Assistance	Technical/Engineering Assistance	Current State Grant	2021 - Buffer Law (Kanabec SWCD)	\$4,472.00	\$2,019.14	\$2,452.86	N

Grant Activities

Activity Name: Map/Inventory/Admin.

Activity Category: Inventory/Mapping

Staff time?: Yes

Description: SWCD staff time in completing map assessments of landowner properties, completing work in ArcMap or BuffCAT, reporting or administration work related to the buffer law. Time may also account for any staff time spent on the Soil Loss Law, for site visits or other inquiries.

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Current State Grant	2021 - Buffer Law (Kanabec SWCD)	\$3,612.00	\$1,292.46	\$2,319.54	10/01/2023	N

Actual Results

2023 staff time consisted of completing the buffer compliance inventory in BuffCAT for the middle townships of the county. Next inventory to do will be the eastern townships. From this last inventory from early 2023, three questionable compliance landowners have been contacted. Our new SWCD Technician was trained by BWSR staff in Nov. 2023 for how to conduct buffer inventories, on the buffer law requirements and in providing technical resources to landowners.

Activity Name: Outreach

Activity Category: Education/Information

Staff time?: Yes

Description: SWCD staff time in sending out letters and information to landowners impacted by the buffer law, attend meetings with the public and/or state agencies to disseminate buffer information. This may also account for staff time spent on the soil loss law as needed conducting site visits and other inquiries.

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Current State Grant	2021 - Buffer Law (Kanabec SWCD)	\$516.00	\$438.48	\$77.52	01/01/2023	N

Actual Results

2023: From this last buffer inventory from early 2023, four questionable non-compliance landowners have been contacted via letters, requesting them to contact us. One of these landowners has been into our office multiple times. They have been uncooperative and this case will be forwarded to BWSR to continue their compliance efforts. Follow up is still needed with three of these landowners. One only needs verification on the area being planted. In 2023 the SWCD was lacking a Technician for 5 months due to staff turn-over, thus the reason for continued buffer work needed.

Activity Name: Tech. Assistance

Activity Category: Technical/Engineering Assistance

Staff time?: Yes

Description: SWCD staff time spent in the field assisting with measurements, staking, buffer installation and verifying compliance. SWCD staff time may also be spent in the office gathering technical information for site visits or providing other technical assistance such as preparing a buffer seeding plan or alternative options for buffers. This may also account for staff time spent on the Soil Loss Law, for site visits or other inquiries.

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Current State Grant	2021 - Buffer Law (Kanabec SWCD)	\$4,472.00	\$2,019.14	\$2,452.86	06/01/2023	N

Actual Results

2023: Technical assistance on public shoreland and county ditches was provided throughout 2023 by either the SWCD technician or manager. Sites were assessed with landowners. Suggested alternatives were provided to landowners to address public shoreland erosion. Planting plans were developed as needed in consultation with landowners.