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Watershed semi-annual report for reporting year 2020

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Please	e complete and submit to your project manager.		
Repor	ng Period: January 1 through June 30 (Due August 1) July 1 through December 31 (Due February 1)		
Do not	ormation is required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) t leave blanks (unless otherwise noted). This report form can be typed using your computer. Use the "tab" key to move the fields of this form. Enter responses using text and check boxes as indicated. Keep a copy for your records.		
l.	General report information		
1.	Project title: Mississippi River St. Cloud Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategy (WRAPS) Cycle 2, Phase I		
2.	Project sponsor (Grantee): Sherburne Soil & Water Conservation District		
3.	Contact name: Francine Larson		
4.	Email address:flarson@sherburneswcd.org		
5.	Funding: 319 CWP Loan Clean Water Fund Other:		
6.	Contract number: 15509		
7.	MPCA Project Manager: Phil Votruba		
8.	Effective date (mm/dd/yyyy): 4/15/2019 Expiration date (mm/dd/yyyy): 12/31/2020		
<u>II.</u>	Semi-annual report information		
1.	Project activities completed during last six (6) months according to the program objectives or tasks (please be specific):		
	The MRSC Watershed partnership focused on outreach as specified in Objective 3 of the work plan in early 2020. A survey was developed to accumulate input from landowners within the watershed. Both a physical hard copy and an online version were developed. Additionally, project members created a visual display highlighting the watershed boundaries and land cover types, as well as example projects from each project partner from within the watershed. A total of four outreach events were planned including the Stearns County Shoreland Workshop, Central Minnesota Farm Show, Clearwater River Watershed District Lakes Event, and Sherburne County Coalition of Lake Associations Annual Event. At the Shoreline Workshop, an additional form of outreach - a presentation to roughly 100 attendees, was completed by Phil Votruba and Amanda Guertin. The goal of these outreach events was to reach a variety of landowner stakeholders. Unfortunately due to COVID-19 outreach was only completed at 3 of the 4 events - the COLA annual event planned for May was postponed until August and ultimately canceled. 19 surveys were completed with this outreach along with great discussions with stakeholders. This information will be paired with further outreach conducted with Phase II of Cycle II.		
	The partnership continues to make progress on Objective 2 - Cycle I Strategy Table Evaluation. Currently the evaluation is about 90% complete with some final touches necessary. In Cycle 1, subwatersheds were evaluated by 11-digit HUC		

List all products (documents, pamphlets, videos, maps, etc.) produced in this reporting period:

hopefully correlate with watershed data collected as part of IWM.

Documents - Mississippi River St Cloud Watershed Survey (document), MRSC Watershed (powerpoint), MRSC Watershed display booth (large display structure which includes informational pamphlets from each partner).

whereas now 12-digit HUC is the standard so the team is working to transition data based upon these new watershed boundaries. Upon completion, the partnership hopes to display the evaluation data in a visual format on a "heat map" and

3. Challenges faced (optional):

The sole challenge this project has faced is COVID-19, which has resulted in us transitioning to video-based meetings and held us from one of our outreach platforms which was the Sherburne County Coalition of Lake Associations. The team plans to engage the lake community again in Cycle II of Phase II. Until then, the team has adapted and is holding quarterly partnership meetings via a video platform which seems to be working quite well.

4.	Summary of monitoring data collected (if applicable):				
	All monitoring data associated with Objective 4 has been collected in 2019 and is summarized in previous reports.				
4a. Have all monitoring stations been established in EQuIS? ⊠ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A					
4b. Are the data being routinely submitted for storage into EQuIS? ⊠ Yes □ No □ NA					
		f yes, last submittal date (mm/dd/yyyy):			
5. Are the Best Management Practices data being annually entered into eLINK)? Yes No N/A					
		If yes, date last entered (mm/dd/yyyy):			
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6. Describe specific (quantifiable, if possible) results achieved during this period:					
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7. Did the MPCA execute a change order or amendment for this project during this reporting period?					
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	In the next six months we anticipate completing this project. The sole remaining task is to complete Objective 2 - Strategy Table Evaluation. As previously mentioned the partnership is nearly complete with this task. We estimate completion in the next two months. We also anticipate a fall check-in meeting (held virtually) to assess progress on this				
	task a	and discuss results.			
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II.	Expenditure information for this period				
	Provide a copy of your workplan budget showing cumulative expenditures and budget balances by workplan objective and task. Also, fill out the summary below.				
	[☐ Expenditure report attached			
	Com	plete the table below:	Amount		
		Total grant amount	20,000.00		
		Total match amount (if applicable)	n/a		
		Total project amount	20,000.00		
		Grant expenditures this period	6,321.70		
		Match expenditures this period (if applicable)	n/a		
		Cumulative grant expenditures to date	15,421.23		
		Cumulative match expenditures to date (if applicable)	n/a		
		Total cumulative expenditures to date	15,421.23		
	Date form completed (mm/dd/yyyy): 8/10/2020				

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