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Upper Peninsula Resource Conservation and Development Council

MEETING AGENDA

Thursday September 21, 2023, 11:00am (EDT)

MSU UPREC – E3774 University Drive, Chatham, MI 49816

ZOOM available

CALL TO ORDER - INTRODUCTIONS	Bill Rice
APPROVAL OF AGENDA (<i>motion</i>)	Bill Rice
Public Comments	
APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES (<i>motion</i>)	Bill Rice
FINANCIAL REPORTS (<i>motion to place financial documents on file</i>)	Nick Cassel
BUSINESS	
December board meeting – board elections	Nick Cassel/Bill Rice
UPRCD/MSUE partnership – updates	Erin Daines/Bill Rice
- MOU renewal discussion	
- Cassel UPRCD work agreement	
Upcoming project proposals:	Nick Cassel
- MISGP: \$400k – “A multi-CISMA proactive approach to safeguard Upper Peninsula hemlock”	
- NOAA: \$1M + with MSUE - “no title yet” – UP coastal wetland restoration	
Current project updates	Nick Cassel
PARTNER UPDATES	
Next UPRCD Board Meeting: <i>December 19th @ 10:00am (Eastern) - ZOOM</i>	
ADJOURN (<i>motion</i>)	Bill Rice

UPDATE ON CURRENT PROJECTS AND PROJECT FUNDS

EPA GLRI – Expanding Phragmites management in Michigan’s Upper Peninsula

Agreement Amount \$663,655

Match Commitment \$0.00

Project Dates: January 6, 2022 to April 30, 2024 (*will be extended through fall 2024 due to delayed start*)

Partners – DNR, Dickinson, Iron/Baraga, Marquette, Chippewa/Luce/Mackinac Conservation Districts, Michigan Tech and their associated CISMAs

Remaining funds **\$344,639.84**

NFWF SOGL – Life After Phragmites: Wetland Restoration & Landowner Stewardship in Michigan’s UP and Northeastern Wisconsin

Agreement Amount \$150,000

Match Commitment \$150,000 (reduced to \$66,035.26 due to COVID)

Project Dates: August 2019 to December 31, 2021 (Received extension to June 30, 2023)

Partners - Marquette, Alger, Dickinson, Schoolcraft & Chippewa Luce Mackinac CDs, GLIFWC, WIDNR, Marinette Co.

Remaining funds **\$0.00** – closing out grant September 30, 2023

DNR Fisheries Habitat Grant Program – Au Train Lake Cooperative Habitat Enhancement Initiative

Agreement Amount \$89,200.00

Match Commitment \$22,500

Project Dates: August 2, 2022 to Oct. 6, 2024 (*extended for 1 calendar year*)

Partners – DNR Fisheries Division, Alger Conservation District, Michigan United Conservation Clubs (MUCC), Hiawatha National Forest

Remaining funds **\$55,383.91**

Hiawatha National Forest PA – Sharptails and Pollinator Habitat Enhancement

Agreement Amount \$67,000.00

Match Commitment \$17,617.60

Project Dates: August 11, 2022 to Dec. 31, 2024

Partners – Hiawatha National Forest, Sault Tribe, Michigan Sharp-tailed Grouse Association

Remaining funds **\$50,233.65** + an additional \$35,000 when modification is complete

GLRI CWMA – Managing non-native Phragmites across the Hiawatha National Forest

Agreement Amount \$55,138.00

Match Commitment \$15,163.20

Project Dates: August 24, 2022 to Mar. 31, 2025

Partners – Hiawatha National Forest, Three Shores CISMA, Lake to Lake CISMA

Remaining funds **\$44,870.46**

MISGP – A multi-CISMA response to Himalayan Balsam in Michigan’s Upper Peninsula

Agreement Amount \$194,200

Match Commitment \$21,800

Project Dates: March 28, 2023 to April 30, 2025

Partners –Marquette and Chippewa/Luce/Mackinac Conservation Districts, and their associated CISMAs

Remaining funds **\$194,200** – *first reimbursement will cover 3/28 thru 9/30 – will submit in October*

Great Lakes Commission – Upper Peninsula Aquatic Invasive Species Education Cooperative (2023)

Agreement Amount \$8,323.69 Match Commitment \$0.00

Project Dates: June 6, 2023 to August 31, 2023

Partners – WRISC, KISMA, WePIC, L2L CISMA, TSCISMA, Bay Mills Indian Community

Remaining funds **\$0.00** – complete but waiting for final reimbursement and closeout confirmation.