



Dave Heineman
Governor

STATE OF NEBRASKA

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Roger K. Patterson
Director

January 19, 2006

IN REPLY TO:

Lisa Beethe
Grants Administrator
Nebraska Environmental Trust
700 South 16th Street
Lincoln, Nebraska 68508-3703

**RE: Progress Report for Project Number 05-161 Nebraska Augmentation Program for
USDA Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program Efforts**

Dear Ms. Beethe:

Attached is a copy of the progress report for the period of October 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005 for project Number 05-161 *Nebraska Augmentation Program for USDA Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program Efforts*. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at (402) 471-3955.

Sincerely,

Steve Gaul
Designated Project Representative

Attachment



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PERIODIC REPORT COVER SHEET AND INSTRUCTIONS

Please use this form to file periodic project reports as required in your Trust grant contract. These reports should consist of the following four parts:

1. **The Cover Sheet.** Please complete the information below as requested.
2. **Request for Reimbursement.** You must submit original invoices to document each expense for which you request reimbursement, unless otherwise provided in your grant contract. Each invoice must contain the name, address and social security or federal tax identification number of the vendor, and an itemized list of services or goods with costs and the dates of service or delivery. If invoices contain non-grant items, clearly note the exceptions. On the reverse of this page you will find a table entitled "Summary of Invoices Submitted for Reimbursement." List each invoice on the table, providing the information as requested. Be sure the expenditure description contains sufficient information to determine that the item or activity is a legitimate project expense. The column "Budget Category" references the categories you created in your contract budget outline: each invoice must identify which category name it falls under. Copy the table if you need additional reporting space. Clip the invoices in the order listed on the Summary sheet.
3. **Project Narrative.** On a separate page(s), describe project activities, partners and results of the project for this period. If modifications were made to the project, describe the changes and explain why they were necessary. Quantify any results you can, for example, acres restored, pounds recycled, etc.
4. **Report on Matching and In-Kind Expenditures.** Use this form to report all resources expended on the project other than those funded by the Trust. Examples of these costs could include materials, labor, donations, other matching funds or volunteer labor time.

Project Sponsor: Nebraska Department of Natural Resources

Fiscal Agent: Gayle Starr, Fiscal Officer or Steve Gaul, Designated Project Representative

Fiscal Agent Address: 301 Centennial Mall South, P.O. Box 94676, Lincoln, NE 68509-4676

Project Title: NE Augmentation Program for USDA Conservation (street address, city, state, zip code) **Project No.:** 05-161
Reserve Enhancement Program Efforts

Reporting Period: Oct 1 to Dec 31, 2005 **Tax I.D. #** 47-0491233

TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED FOR THIS PERIOD: \$ 7,557.24 **ACH** or **CHECK**

I certify that this report is correct and just; that all expenses were necessary expenses of the project and were incurred in accordance with the approved grant agreement, including any amendments thereto; and that progress of the work and services under grant contract is satisfactory and consistent with the amount billed. As the Sponsor named above, or agent thereof, I hereby claim reimbursement from the STATE OF NEBRASKA for the attached and itemized expenses, for which payment has not previously been made by the STATE OF NEBRASKA.

FOR THE SPONSOR: _____ **DATE:** _____
Signature
Steve Gaul **TITLE:** Designated Project Coordinator
Typed or Printed Name

Nebraska Environmental Trust Signature

DATE: _____



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SUMMARY OF INVOICES SUBMITTED FOR REIMBURSEMENT

Invoice # or Date	Vendor	Description of Services	Budget Category	Invoice Amount
See Detail Information Attached	Nebraska Department of Natural Resources	Services of Jeremy Gehle from Oct. 1, 2005 to Dec. 31, 2005 that were dedicated to CREP	#3 Salary Benefits and Expenses for Project Administrator	\$7,557.24
TOTAL:				\$

Project # _____ Project Sponsor: _____

Report for period from _____ to _____

PERIODIC REPORT – OCTOBER 1, 2005 TO DECEMBER 31, 2005 –
Project 05-161 Nebraska Augmentation Program for Conservation
Reserve Enhancement Program Efforts

The purpose of this project is to administer a major project that will help reduce the quantity of water being used in selected areas of the Platte and Republican River Basins in Nebraska while providing additional conservation/environmental benefits. A number of Nebraska Department of Natural Resources staff have been contributing extensively to early administration of the state funding commitment. One staff member has been redirected specifically to administer program efforts. Salary and benefits for the hours that staff member specifically spent on CREP administration during the October 1 to December 31 time period came to \$7,557.24 and are being charged to the Trust with the billing that accompanies this report. That brings the total billings for all months under the Trust grant to \$21,904.82. Salary and benefits for hours other staff members spent on CREP activities are valued at \$30,880.59 and are being reported as match. The hours and hourly rates per employee for matching amounts are not included in this report but can be provided upon request. The hours and hourly rates for the employee whose expenses are being billed to the Trust are included along with detailed timesheet information for that employee.

REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT

We are requesting reimbursement in the amount of \$7,557.24 for expenses incurred in the period of October 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005 on the Nebraska Augmentation Program for USDA Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program Efforts. We have provided accompanying documentation of expenses.

October 2005	Gross	Social Security	Retirement	Life Insurance	Health Insurance	Total	Hourly Rate
Jeremy Gehle	\$ 3,166.05	\$ 239.14	\$ 237.07	\$ 1.40	\$ -	\$ 3,643.66	\$ 21.02

November 2005							
Jeremy Gehle	\$ 3,166.05	\$ 239.14	\$ 237.07	\$ 1.40	\$ -	\$ 3,643.66	\$ 21.02

December 2005							
Jeremy Gehle	\$ 3,166.05	\$ 239.14	\$ 237.07	\$ 1.40	\$ -	\$ 3,643.66	\$ 21.02

Employee	Hours	Average Hourly Rate	Total
Jeremy Gehle	359.50	\$ 21.02	\$ 7,557.24

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GEHLE, JEREMY F
5201 S 53RD ST
LINCOLN, NE 68516-1813

4405467

Route: 2900050900
Check No: *****
Check Date: 10/31/05
Period End: 09/30/05

Period Earnings	Hours	Rate	Amount	Year to Date	Description	Period Amount	Year to Date
Regular Pay	147.83	18.266	2,700.26	25,597.06	Gross Wages	3166.05	30,249.56
Vacation Pd.				933.03	Federal Income Tax	245.28	2,265.39
Sick Paid	12.25	18.266	223.76	1,829.99	Federal FICA Withheld	193.81	1,850.67
Comp Used	5.25	18.266	95.90	785.57	Federal Medicare Withheld	45.33	432.82
Comp @ 1.0	6.00	18.266			Nebraska State Income Tax	99.45	928.05
Comp @ 1.5	3.25	18.266			Retirement	151.97	1,358.19
Holiday	8.00	18.266	146.13	1,103.91	Medical Reimbursement	40.00	400.00
Retirement			237.07	2,118.76	Life-3XSal	7.98	76.30
Basic Life Ins			1.40	14.00	AD&D	.10	1.00
Vacation Hours Earned			10.00	92.00		0.00	
Sick Hours Earned			9.34	88.04		0.00	
Comp			10.88	69.40		0.00	
* Sick Taken/Available *	104.75		174.10			0.00	
* Vacation Taken/Available *	54.50		319.06			0.00	
Gross Pay	3,166.05		Total Deductions	783.92	Net Pay	2,382.13	

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LINCOLN, NE 68516-1813

4405467

Route: 2900050900
Check No: *****
Check Date: 11/30/05
Period End: 10/31/05

Period Earnings	Hours	Rate	Amount	Year to Date	Description	Period Amount	Year to Date
Regular Pay	126.33	18.266	2,307.54	27,904.60	Gross Wages	3166.04	33,415.60
Vacation Pd.	16.00	18.266	292.26	1,225.29	Federal Income Tax	245.28	2,510.67
Sick Paid	19.00	18.266	347.05	2,177.04	Federal FICA Withheld	193.82	2,044.49
Comp Used	4.00	18.266	73.06	858.63	Federal Medicare Withheld	45.33	478.15
Comp @ 1.0	.50	18.266			Nebraska State Income Tax	99.45	1,027.50
Retirement			237.07	2,355.83	Retirement	151.97	1,510.16
Holiday	8.00	18.266	146.13	1,250.04	Medical Reimbursement	40.00	440.00
Basic Life Ins			1.40	15.40	Life-3XSal	7.98	84.28
Vacation Hours Earned			10.00	102.00	AD&D	.10	1.10
Sick Hours Earned			9.34	97.38		0.00	
Comp			.50	69.90		0.00	
* Sick Taken/Available *	123.75		164.44			0.00	
* Vacation Taken/Available *	70.50		313.06			0.00	
Gross Pay	3,166.04		Total Deductions	783.93	Net Pay	2,382.11	

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4405467

Route: 2900050900
Check No: *****
Check Date: 12/30/05
Period End: 11/30/05

Period Earnings	Hours	Rate	Amount	Year to Date	Description	Period Amount	Year to Date
Regular Pay	119.08	18.266	2,175.12	30,079.72	Gross Wages	3218.66	36,634.26
Vacation Pd.				1,225.29	Federal Income Tax	252.79	2,763.46
Sick Paid	30.25	18.266	552.55	2,729.59	Federal FICA Withheld	197.07	2,241.56
Comp Used				858.63	Federal Medicare Withheld	46.09	524.24
OT(Straight)	2.88	18.266	52.61	52.61	Nebraska State Income Tax	102.12	1,129.62
Retirement			241.02	2,596.85	Retirement	154.50	1,664.66
Basic Life Ins			1.40	16.80	Medical Reimbursement	40.00	480.00
Holiday	24.00	18.266	438.38	1,688.42	Life-3XSal	7.98	92.26
Vacation Hours Earned			10.00	112.00	AD&D	.10	1.20
Sick Hours Earned			9.34	106.72		0.00	
Comp				69.90		0.00	
* Sick Taken/Available *	154.00		143.53			0.00	
* Vacation Taken/Available *	70.50		323.06			0.00	
Gross Pay	3,218.66		Total Deductions	800.65	Net Pay	2,418.01	

Department of Natural Resources Work Record

EE No. 110744

Name Jeremy F. Gehle

Month Oct Year 2005

Date	1 Water Admin.	2C WR Mapping	10 Dam Safety	15A Stream Gaging(F)	15B Stream Gaging(O)	16D Blue River	34 Other Duties	40 CREP	Description	Total Hours	Leave Used				
											30 Vac	40 Sick	Other Hours Type		
1															
2															
3															
4															
5								8.50	CREP NRD Osborne	8.50					
6								8.00	CREP Osborne Bostwick	8.00		8.00			
7															
8															
9															
10															
11								8.25	CREP \$ Letter	8.25					
12								8.00	CREP \$ Letter Calls	8.00					
13								5.00	CREP Acres	5.00			2.25	50	
14								8.50	CREP GI	8.50					
15															
16															
17															
18															
19								4.00	STATE FSA	4.00		8.00			
20									Beaver Lake	8.00					
21								8.25	CREP Letters / Memo	8.25					
22								8.25	FSA Call CREP Letters	8.25					
23															
24								8.25	CREP Report	8.25					
25								5.75	CREP Calls Report	5.75			1.25	50	
26								8.50	CREP REPORT	8.50					
27								8.00	CREP Advisory Message	8.00					
28								8.25	CREP Report	8.25					
29															
30															
31								8.00	CREP CAP Report	8.00					
Total								113.50		121.50		16.00	19.00		

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Name Jeremy F. Gehle

Year 2005

Month Nov

EE No.

Date	1 Water Admin.	2C WR Mapping	10 Dam Safety	15A Stream Gaging(F)	15B Stream Gaging(O)	16D Blue River	34 Other Duties	40 CREP	Description	Total Hours	Leave Used		
											30 Vac	40 Sick	Other Hours Type
1								8.00	CREP Contracts	8.00			
2													
3													
4													
5													
6													
7			4.50					4.00	DAM Letter CREP calls	8.50			
8								4.50	CREP Calls Update	4.50			
9								4.75	CREP \$	4.75			
10								8.00	CREP Report	8.00			
11													
12													
13													
14								8.25	CREP REPORT	8.25			
15								13.50	NP CREP	13.50			
16								8.00	CREP Scotts Bluff	8.00			
17								8.00	Amendment Scotts Bluff	8.00			
18								4.00	Red Willow WUCs	4.00			
19													
20													
21								8.00	AD Meeting Report	8.00			
22									SL Omaha				
23								8.25	Kolbet / Report	8.25			
24													
25													
26													
27													
28								8.25	McCormick	8.25			
29								9.25	CREP REPORT	9.25			
30								9.50	C.Call Report	9.50			
31													
Total	0.00	0.00	4.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	122.25		126.75	0.00	30.25	

Department of Natural Resources Work Record

Name: Jeremy F. Gehle

110744

Year 2005

Month Dec

EE No.

Date	1 Water Admin.	2C WR Mapping	10 Dam Safety	15A Stream Gaging(F)	15B Stream Gaging(O)	16D Blue River	34 Other Duties	40 CREP	Description	Total Hours	Leave Used		
											30 Vac	40 Sick	Other Hours Type
1									Above Mc Analysis	8.00			
2									Objections Analysis	8.25			
3									Reoprt	2.50			
4													
5									CREP REPORT	8.25			
6									CREP REPORT	8.50			
7									CREP Presentation	8.50			
8									Presentation	7.50			
9													
10											7.25		
11													
12													
13									Topeka Presentaion	8.50			
14									CREP Presentation	8.50			
15									CREP REPORT	8.50			
16									CREP Amendment	3.50			
17													
18													
19									CREP Transfer	8.25			
20									kolbet / report	4.50			
21									Reoprt	8.25			
22									WUC Copies Report	8.50			
23									Finalize Report	8.75			
24													
25													
26													
27									Finalize / Send Report	5.00			
28									Leave				
29									Leave				
30									Leave				
31													
Total													



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Focus On Public Awareness

Increasing public awareness is fundamental to the life expectancy of the Nebraska Environmental Trust. The Trust is truly citizen driven: it will remain available as long as the public demands it. Thus, the vitality of the Trust depends not only upon the quality of the projects we fund, but on the *value citizens recognize* that they receive from the projects.

Nebraskans care deeply about their natural resources, and strongly support the conservation, restoration and recycling projects funded by the Nebraska Environmental Trust. Yet, very few Nebraskans have heard of the Trust by name, and fewer still are aware of the actual projects in their community.

It can be easy to overlook the importance of publicity in the process of implementing your project. So here are a few reminders of the conditions you must meet according to your grant contract:

- NET signs at all project sites, for the life span of the project.
- Credit for NET support in publications, on web sites, or in media releases about your project.
- NET signs on major pieces of equipment

Electronic logos are available from the Trust office, as are signs and adhesive labels for equipment. Staff is happy to help develop unique signs or markers to fit within your setting. We are also available to help develop media releases and cooperate in publishing special brochures, handouts and other printed materials.

The public deserves to know how its money is being spent and you deserve recognition for the fine work you are doing! Help us meet this challenge and protect the future of our resources at the same time by carefully considering public awareness opportunities in your work