

**REVISED PERIODIC REPORT –JULY 1 TO SEPTEMBER, 2004 – PROJECT
04-168 REPUBLICAN BASIN WATER METER PROPOSAL**

Project Narrative

There was a total project related expenditure of \$161,185.35 in the July 1 to September 30, 2004 time period. \$55,197.23 of that amount is eligible for Trust reimbursement and reimbursement is being requested for that amount. Separate sheets list the specific meters and reimbursement requests. During this period under the terms of the grant the following meters were eligible for reimbursement: 1) meters installed during the period on wells in the northwest quarter of a section in the Middle Republican NRD, 2) meters installed during the period in sections 25 to 36 in the Lower Republican NRD, and 3) meters installed during the period in the Republican Basin portion of the Tri-Basin NRD. The accompanying billing information identifies the cost share provided by landowner meeting those categories. The remaining expenditures, identified as match, were for Republican Basin meters installed during the period that did not meet one of the above three criteria.

REVISED PERIODIC REPORT – INCEPTION (APRIL 1, 2004) TO JUNE 30, 2004 – PROJECT 04-168 REPUBLICAN BASIN WATER METER PROPOSAL

Project Narrative

There was a total project expenditure of \$295,048.72 in the April 1 to June 30, 2004 time period. \$120,068.23 of that amount is eligible for Trust reimbursement and reimbursement is being requested for that amount. Separate sheets list the specific meters and reimbursement requests. During this period under the terms of the grant the following meters were eligible for reimbursement: 1) meters installed during the period on wells in the northwest quarter of a section in the Middle Republican NRD, 2) meters installed during the period in sections 25 to 36 in the Lower Republican NRD, and 3) meters installed during the period in the Republican Basin portion of the Tri-Basin NRD. The accompanying billing information identifies the cost share provided by landowner meeting those categories. The remaining expenditures, identified as match, were for Republican Basin meters installed during the period that did not meet one of the above three criteria. In addition to the amounts noted above there was separate match expenditure on Republican Basin meters that occurred before the initiation period for this grant. If all meter expenditures including Trust Funds, landowners expenditures, and state and federal funds used to purchase meters in the Republican Basin to date were added, the total would be as follows:

\$886,077.63	All state cost share provided prior to April 1, 2004
\$200,002.00	All Bureau of Reclamation cost share (Provided Prior to April 1, 2004)
\$ 67,914.86	Cost share from Environmental Trust fund transfer that was not part of this grant
\$174,980.49	State cost share provided during the April 1 to June 30, 2004 grant period with no Trust reimbursement requested
\$120,068.23	Trust funds requested for April 1 to June 30 grant period

\$1,449,043.21	Total Government Funds Used
\$1,449,043.21	Minimum Landowner Cost Share
\$2,898,086.42	Overall Total Expenditures on Republican Basin Meter Program

Separate Report on Special \$67,914.86 Trust Payment to NDNR

On September 4, 2003 the Nebraska Environmental Trust transferred \$67,914.86 to the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources for use in the Republican Basin water meter program. That money was all expended by June 1, 2004. Those funds were not part of this grant and were provided to NDNR prior to approval of this grant. However, the accounting sheet noting the expenditure of those funds on Republican Basin meters accompanies this periodic report.

February 11, 2005

Lisa Beethe
Grants Administrator
Nebraska Environmental Trust
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Dear Lisa:

Enclosed is our progress report for the October 1 to December 31 time period for *Project #04-168 Republican Basin Water Meter Proposal*. Lisa, I am sorry this report is late, as were the revised versions of previous quarterly reports on this project. The problems have partially been because of difficulties with the meter database. While I believe these problems have now been corrected, they did result in 9 meters in the Tri-Basin being incorrectly billed in the revised progress reports I submitted to you on January 27, 2005. As a result the request for reimbursement accompanying this quarterly report has been adjusted downward by \$5,023.02 in this report to make up for the overbilling in what was submitted on January 27. The resulting billing is comes to \$18009.14 and an IBT is enclosed for that amount. Since it is my understanding that those billings have not yet been processed, you should have all three billings, including this adjusted one at the time you need to decide on payment. I have enclosed an e-mail from one of our staff that identifies the specific wells/meters that were incorrectly billed in the previous report and notes the amounts.

If you have any questions on this report or the billings, please contact me at (402) 471-3955.

Sincerely,

Steve Gaul
Designated Project Representative

**PERIODIC REPORT – JANUARY 1, 2005 TO MARCH 31, 2005 – PROJECT
04-168 REPUBLICAN BASIN WATER METER PROPOSAL**

Project Narrative

There was a total project expenditure of \$170,516.06 for 325 meters in the January 1, 2005 to March 31, 2005 time period. \$70,738.21 of that amount (for 128 meters) is eligible for reimbursement and reimbursement is being requested for that amount. Separate sheets list the specific meters and reimbursement requests. During this period under the terms of the grant the meters eligible for reimbursement were those meters installed on the second half of the wells in the Republican Basin portion of the Tri-Basin NRD. Since the first half of the wells were all installed prior to January 1, 2005, all wells installed in the Republican Basin portion of the Tri-Basin NRD during the period were eligible. The accompanying billing information identifies the cost share provided by landowner. The cost of the remaining wells installed in the Republican Basin during the period, while not eligible for reimbursement is being noted as match.