



Please complete and submit to your project manager.

- Reporting Period: [ ] January 1 through June 30 (Due August 1)
[ X ] July 1 through December 31 (Due February 1)

All information is required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA). Do not leave blanks (unless otherwise noted). This report form can be typed using your computer. Use the "tab" key to move through the fields of this form. Enter responses using text and check boxes as indicated. Keep a copy for your records.

I. General Report Information

- 1. Project title: Middle Sauk River Targeted Reduction and Outreach
2. Project sponsor (Grantee): Sauk River Watershed District
3. Contact name: Lynn Nelson
4. E-mail address: Lynn@srwdmn.org
5. Funding: [ ] 319 [ X ] CWP [ ] CWP Loan [ ] Clean Water Fund [ ] Other:
6. Contract number: 82714 PRJ70626-002
7. MPCA Project Manager: Scott Lucas
8. Effective date (mm/dd/yyyy): 10/1/2014 Expiration date (mm/dd/yyyy): 9/30/2017

II. Semi-annual Report Information

1. Project activities completed during last six (6) months according to the program objectives or tasks (please be specific):

The SRWD has installed 41.5 acres of buffer along private ditches and intermittent streams reducing approximately 462 tons/yr of TSS and 455 pounds of P each year. An additional 44 acres have been enrolled to be planted in spring 2017. Installed WASCObS and diversion berms to prevent gully erosion and runoff to adjacent stream. Completed a bank restoration along the Sauk River and conducted a conservation tour, and nutrient management workshop for the proudcers within the middle Sauk region. Participated in 24 radio events to promote the hayed buffer program as well as inform the public of other education events coming up and the importance of water resource protection. Began planning for the Winter Farmers Fair scheduled for March 2017. Monitoring began at snow melt and contiued through September. Data was submitted to EQUiS in November. The latest expenditures report is attached.

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

Articles for newspapers, upload applications, flyers for conservation tour, buffer and other BMP contracts, maps and photos. .

3. Challenges faced (optional):

Land owners were waiting for the DNR map to come out before they would officially sign their cost share contracts. This delayed projects and lost 3 months of the growing season.

4. Summary of monitoring data collected (if applicable):

Lab data is showing higher levels of TSS on two tributaries to the Sauk River. Getchell Creek is showing elevated TP levels in June.

4a. Have all monitoring stations been established in EQUiS? [ X ] Yes [ ] No [ ] N/A

4b. Are the data being routinely submitted for storage into EQUiS? [ X ] Yes [ ] No [ ] NA

If yes, last submittal date (mm/dd/yyyy): 11/1/2015

5. Are the Best Management Practices data being annually entered into eLINK?  Yes  No  N/A

If yes, date last entered (mm/dd/yyyy): 12-15-16

6. Describe specific (quantifiable, if possible) results achieved during this period:

Installed 41.5 acres of buffer along private ditches and intermittent streams . Installed 2 WASCOBs and diversion berms to prevent gully erosion and runoff to adjacent stream. Restored the bank of the Sauk River at two locations

Phosphorus Load Reduction: 1,701 lbs./year

Nitrogen Load Reduction: \_\_\_\_\_ lbs./year

Sediment Load Reduction: 3,215,060 lbs./year

7. Did the MPCA execute a change order or amendment for this project during this reporting period? No  Yes

If yes, summarize those changes:

8 List anticipated program objectives or tasks to be completed during the next six (6) months please be specific):

Technical staff will be working with landowners to complete cost share applications for the Hayed Buffer program and erosion control BMP projects. Public outreach efforts will continue to promote the hayed buffer program and the Middle Sauk protection project. The SRWD and SWCDs will host the first Winter Farmers Fair to discuss emerging concerns and conservation tillage programs.

### III. Expenditure Information for this Period

Provide a copy of your work plan budget showing cumulative expenditures and budget balances by work plan objective and task. Also, fill out the summary below.

Expenditure Report attached

Complete the table below:	Amount
Total Grant Amount	\$332,214.50
Total Match Amount (if applicable)	\$386,200
<b>Total Project Amount</b>	<b>\$718,414.50</b>
Grant Expenditures this period	\$48,713.20
Match Expenditures this period (if applicable)	\$69,541.14
Cumulative Grant Expenditures to date	\$149,015.22
Cumulative Match Expenditures to date (if applicable)	\$312,130.07
<b>Total Cumulative Expenditures to date</b>	<b>\$461,145.65</b>

Date form completed (mm/dd/yyyy): 1/24/2017