



Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council
General Restoration, Habitat Enhancement, Habitat Protection, and Facilities Projects
Quarterly Project Reporting Form

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Project Number: 23220602

Project Title: Kenai Peninsula Streambank Rehabilitation and Protection Project

Principal Investigator(s): Jessica Johnson, ADF&G

Reporting Periods and Due Dates:

<i>Reporting Period</i>	<i>Due Date</i>
February, March, April	June 1
May, June, July	September 1
August, September, October	December 1
November, December, January	March 1

Submission Date: June 1, 2023

Project Website: N/A

Please check all the boxes that apply to the current reporting period.

- Project progress is on schedule.**
- Project progress is delayed**
- Budget reallocation request for this reporting period.**
- Personnel changes.**

1. Summary of Work Performed:

During this reporting period five projects were selected for funding and Private Landowner Agreements (PLA) were developed. The PLA lays out what work is being done, the importance of doing this work, what the responsibilities are for the landowner, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and Alaska Department of Fish and Game, a budget breakdown, and finally some pre-project photos. Once all parties agreed on the PLA the landowner signs it. The PLA can be used to help obtain the necessary permits for their project. Staff were able to help



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landowners with the permitting process and all permits were obtained prior to any work being started.

A cooperative agreement was initiated with Tiffany Brand at the Kenai Soil and Water Conservation district in order to facilitate reimbursement to the landowners who were chosen this year for streambank rehabilitation and protection. At the end of April, the cooperative agreement was still working its way through the process.

In April a preconstruction meeting took place with each of the landowners, their contractors, and USFWS. This meeting was to ensure that everyone understood the project objectives, length of the project, and techniques that were going to be used. If the landowner had any concerns about their project this is when it was discussed with everyone. During these meetings the contractors were able to give an estimated date of when the project was going to start and approximately how long it would take to be completed.

Also, during this period it was decided where and when we would hold the 2023 Streambank Rehabilitation Workshop in Kenai. The dates for the Kenai workshop were May 10th and 11th at one of the landowners that we were already funding. PowerPoint slides were updated and printed into workbooks. The class was advertised on social media, at the Kenai Peninsula Fish Habitat Partnership Symposium, and by word of mouth.

Finally, the PI attended and presented at the Kenai Peninsula Fish Habitat Partnership Symposium in April. The presentation was on the Kenai Streambank Rehabilitation and Protection Cost-Share Program (Cost-Share Program). The history of the program was given, the type of projects that can be funded, and who to get a hold of about the Cost-Share Program.

2. Abstract:

During this reporting period five projects were selected for funding and Private Landowner Agreements were developed, reviewed, and signed by the landowners. All the necessary permits for these projects were also obtained during this time. A preconstruction meeting took place in April with each of the landowners, their contractors, and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Landowners' concerns were discussed, and the contractors are able to give a time estimate of when the project might be starting.

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3. Coordination and Collaboration:

Staff were contacted by the Kenai River Sportfisherman Association (KRSA) Executive Director, Shannon Martin, to discuss possible projects on heavily accessed public lands. One site that jumped out to both of our attention was Rotary Park Soldotna. Rotary Park is owned by the city of Soldotna and gets lots of use during the summer months, especially when fishing is at its peak. Shannon set up a meeting with us, the Soldotna Parks and Rec Director, and Assistant Parks and Rec Director in May to meet on site and discuss the history of the site, future use, and what could be done to help slow the erosion caused by fisherman and boats.

Alexa Millward, Kenai Peninsula Engagement Coordinator with Trout Unlimited (TU) has been in contact with the program to host a public riparian planting day. TU put in for a grant to plant native vegetation along the bank to help protect water quality and improve juvenile salmon habitat. The site that was selected for the planting day is at another Soldotna Park, Centennial Park. This site was chosen for easy access for the public and its an area that gets lots of fisherman walking up and down the riverbank. A site visit was set up for May once the snow melted.

4. Response to EVOSTC Review, Recommendations and Comments:

Not applicable.

5. Budget:



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Budget Category:	Proposed FY 22	Proposed FY 23	Proposed FY 24	Proposed FY 25	Proposed FY 26	5-YR TOTAL PROPOSED	Quarterly Expenditures	ACTUAL CUMULATIVE
Personnel	\$0	\$90,586	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$90,586	\$0	\$0
Travel	\$0	\$23,580	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$23,580	\$0	\$0
Contractual	\$0	\$242,850	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$242,850	\$0	\$0
Commodities	\$0	\$6,100	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,100	\$0	\$0
Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Indirect Costs (report rate here)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SUBTOTAL	\$0	\$363,116	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$363,116		
General Administration (9% of subtotal)	\$0	\$32,680	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$32,680		N/A
PROJECT TOTAL	\$0	\$395,796	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$395,796		
Other Resources (In-Kind Funds)	\$0	\$209,840	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$209,840	\$0	