

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

*Detailed instructions for each section below are given in Section II. Quarterly Project Reports in the Reporting Policy on the website, <u>https://evostc.state.ak.us/policies-</u> procedures/reporting-procedures/

Project Number: 24220602

Project Title: Kenai Peninsula Streambank Rehabilitation and Protection Project

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

Reporting Periods and Due Dates:

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

Submission Date: December 19, 2024

Project Website: N/A

Please check <u>all</u> 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:

Final site inspections for the 2024 project occurred in late August. This was done to confirm that projects were completed as per the private landowner agreement and to make sure all measurements are accurate for the final inspection report given to permitters and the landowner for their records. In total the 2024 projects removed 122 linear feet of detrimental structures to juvenile fish, conserved and sustained 1,370 feet or 2,998 square feet, and rehabilitated and



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enhanced 518 feet or 1,920 square feet. Staff also collected paid invoices from landowners showing that they had paid the contractors for their project.

Paid invoices and a final inspection report are needed so that the Kenai Soil and Water Conservation District (KSWCD) can reimburse the landowners. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) partner and project staff met with the new KSWCD manager to walk him through the process of reimbursing landowners. There were a few hiccups that got resolved and all landowners were reimbursed.

Also in August, staff worked on getting permissions from past landowners to visit their properties for monitoring. Monitoring past projects was scheduled to occur at the same time as the 2024 finial site inspections. In total staff were able to visit four past projects with the oldest project being completed in 2018 and the newest project being completed in 2023. At each site standard photos were taken, along with bank height, slope, shape height, of planted willows, structure condition and structure degradation, riparian vegetation cover, and describing any apparent failures.

During the months of August and September both staff and USFWS partners worked on recruiting potential landowners for the 2025 funding period. In September, staff posted on the Southcentral Sport Fish Facebook page that we were looking for potential projects for the 2025 funding period. There were 798 people who were reached with this post, 59 people engaged with it, and 4 people commented the post.

In October staff presented at the EVOS Public Advisory Committee Meeting. Staff presented what has been accomplished thus far and what was expected to be accomplished by the end of the grant. Also, in October USFWS Partners and staff spent a week looking a 18 potential 2025 projects. During these site visits data was collected such as geomorphic characteristics, current bank characteristics, riparian vegetation, and standard photos taken. This information is used to help determine the treatment needed and help with prioritization of projects for the following year.

2. Abstract:

During this reporting period staff were able to complete all final site inspections for 2024 projects and monitor four previous projects. In total the 2024 projects removed 122 linear feet of detrimental structures to juvenile fish, conserved and sustained 1,370 feet or 2,998 square feet, and rehabilitated and enhanced 518 feet or 1,920 square feet. At both the final site inspections and monitoring sites data was collected along with standard photo sets. All this information will be used for future monitoring at sites. Also, the 2024 landowners after a meeting with the new KSWCD manager to walk him through the process.



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Both staff and USFWS partners worked on recruiting potential projects for 2025. Specifically, staff utilized the ADF&G Southcenter Sprot Fishing Facebook page to help spread the word. In total we received interest from 18 landowners for potential projects in 2025.

3. Coordination and Collaboration:

Currently the only coordination and collaboration is with Maura Schumacher with USFWS out of Soldotna. The Alaska Department of Fish and Game and USFWS have had a long standing partnership in order to leverage funds to help landowners through the Cost-Share Program. This partnership has been ongoing for the last 25 year and has successfully completed XX number of rehabilitation projects.

4. Response to EVOSTC Review, Recommendations and Comments:

N/A

5. Budget:



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Budget Category:	Proposed	Proposed	Proposed	Proposed	Proposed	5-YR TOTAL	Quarterly	ACTUAL
	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26	PROPOSED	Expenditures	CUMULATIVE
Personnel	\$0	\$90,586	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$90,586	\$0	\$38,640
Travel	\$0	\$23,580	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$23,580	\$0	\$2,157
Contractual	\$0	\$242,850	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$242,850	\$51,434	\$121,522
Commodities	\$0	\$6,100	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,100	\$18	\$136
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	\$51,452	\$162,454
General Administration (9% of subtotal)	\$0	\$32,680	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$32,680	\$0	N/A
PROJECT TOTAL	\$0	\$395,796	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$395,796	\$55,473	
Other Resources (In-Kind Funds)	\$0	\$209,840	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$209,840		

INSTRUCTIONS: This summary page provides a five-year overview (FY 22-26) of proposed funding and actual cumulative spending which includes the nontrustee agency and trustee agency worksheets. This Summary Page should automatically populate as the formulas reference the cells in the non-trustee agency and trustee agency worksheets. Please make sure the totals given are correct. The column titled 'Actual Cumulative' will be updated each fiscal year and included in the annual report (include information on the total amount actually spent for all completed years of the project). On the Project Annual Report Form, if any line item exceeds a 10% deviation from the originally-proposed amount; provide detail regarding the reason for the deviation.