

MONTHLY UPDATE

JULY 2007



Progress was made on several Partnership activities during July. At a meeting on July 19, 2007, the Partnership reviewed updates on the Stage IV HDR study, Public Outreach by IMS, and proposals for Real Estate studies from UNO. Full meeting minutes and other materials are updated on the Partnership website.

Stage IV Technical Evaluation

During July, HDR worked with subconsultant, Conservation Design Forum and several of the Partnership communities to develop standard templates for Low Impact Development in the watershed. These templates will be used to analyze the reduction in runoff realized from Low Impact Development. In the end, these reductions will hopefully be combined with flood prevention and water quality benefits from regional detention basins in an overall watershed plan.

Public Outreach and Involvement

IMS revised new fact sheets based on comments from the Partnership. These 8 fact sheets highlight the following watershed issues:

1. The Papillion Creek Watershed Partnership exists to solve critical water quality and flood prevention problems.
2. Our watershed has limited options, time and available land for water quality and flood prevention improvements.
3. Papillion Creek Water Quality must be improved.
4. Partnership communities have worked together for 6 years to develop comprehensive policies for watershed solutions.
5. Partnership policies provide solutions for our communities to meet watershed regulations.
6. Water detention sites help with water quality and flood prevention.
7. Low Impact Development can help protect our watershed.
8. The Partnership is reaching its fourth stage of water quality and flood prevention planning.

A subcommittee of the Partnership plans to meet in early August to finalize revisions to the Public Involvement Plan and draft fact sheets. IMS is

also working with the City of Omaha to update the website in August.

UNO Study Proposals

The Partnership listened to a presentation from Steve Schultz regarding two proposals from the UNO Real Estate Research Center to analyze the benefits having views of either a lake or open "green" space has on private property values. The Partnership agreed that the study of open "green" spaces has merit and should be pursued. However, it was decided to investigate other funding sources due to the fact that the Partnership has limited funding available in the next year.

Example Stormwater Projects to be Implemented using State Funding

Under LB 1226, the State of Nebraska is supplying Partnership communities with funding to help implement beneficial stormwater projects. Within the Papillion Creek Watershed, Partnership members are coordinating funds for the construction of several "lead by example" projects. These projects include a sedimentation basin upstream of Cunningham Lake (known as Pawnee Wetland), low impact development practices at a public school site and other public buildings, as well as a study to access local stream health and vitality.

State Stormwater Legislation

Hearings for the State Legislature to receive input on two stormwater resolutions have been set for September 27th and 28th of this year. The Partnership plans to coordinate informational testimony on these interim studies with other NPDES Permitted Communities throughout the State (i.e. Lincoln, Grand Island, etc.). These resolutions (LR 94 and 113) can be looked up at <http://uniweb.legislature.ne.gov/Apps/BillFinder/finder.php>.

Partnership Funding

The Partnership has finalized a budget of income and expenses for July 2007 thru June 2008. These numbers are incorporated as part of the Papio-Missouri River NRD's budget. In total, the Partnership plans to spend more than \$720,000 in the next year. Please see attached sheet for details.

**PAPILLION CREEK
WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP**



**July 2007 - June 2008 Partnership Budget
Per 2nd Interlocal Agreement
July 10, 2007**

CONTRIBUTIONS

Entity	Annual Contribution	Percent (%)
Bellevue	\$20,000	4.6%
Bennington	\$500	0.1%
Girls and Boys Town	\$1,000	0.2%
Elkhorn	\$3,500	0.8%
Gretna	\$1,000	0.2%
La Vista	\$5,000	1.2%
Omaha	\$184,000	42.3%
Papillion	\$7,000	1.6%
Ralston	\$2,500	0.6%
Douglas County	\$65,000	15.0%
Sarpy County	\$55,000	12.7%
Papio NRD	\$90,000	20.7%
TOTAL	\$434,500.00	100.0%

EXPENSES

Item	Future Expenses
Omaha Reimbursement	\$275,997.00
NRD Reimbursement	\$34,400.00
HDR Engineering, Inc. (Stage IV)	\$349,900.00
IMS, LLC	\$60,000.00
TOTAL	\$720,297.00

BALANCE

	FY 08 Budget
Balance (projected as of July 1, 2007)	\$265,858.29
Contributions (by 06/30/08)	\$434,500.00
Expenses	\$720,297.00
Interest	\$20,000.00
TOTAL BALANCE	\$61.29

PARTNERS

Bellevue Bennington Boys Town Elkhorn Gretna La Vista Omaha
Papillion Ralston Douglas County Sarpy County Papio-Missouri River NRD