

Wildlife Restoration MULTI-YEAR GRANT INTERIM PERFORMANCE REPORT

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GRANT NUMBER: AKW-D-2-2019 Hunter Access CIP19

PROJECT NUMBER: Project 3.0

PROJECT TITLE: Treadwell Ditch Trail Renovation

PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE: August 1, 2018–June 30, 2024

PERFORMANCE YEAR: August 1, 2018–September 29, 2019; year 1 of a 5-year grant

REPORT DUE DATE: December 29, 2019

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I. PROGRESS ON PROJECT OBJECTIVES DURING PERFORMANCE YEAR

OBJECTIVE: The Juneau Community Foundation (JCF) will improve public access to off-road areas of Douglas Island for hunting, wildlife viewing, and outdoor recreation activities by rendering the 14-mile Treadwell Ditch trail safely passable, increasing public use and benefits from this resource. By September 2019, our objective was to improve 1.92 miles of trail, from Dan Moller intersection to N. Fork Eagle Creek on NFS land, including the installation of 11 bridges.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: August 1, 2018–May 10, 2019. During this period, JCF was not yet an ADF&G subgrantee and therefore there is no grant activity to report. However, during this time, JCF completed work on finalizing a cooperative agreement with Trail Mix, ADF&G, and U.S. Forest Service (USFS). On May 10, 2019, JCF received a fully executed copy of the Cooperative Agreement (19-121).

May 11, 2019–September 29, 2019. Given the uncertainty as to when the ADF&G cooperative agreement would be completed, and therefore when JCF could begin spending grant funds, project partners were not in position to take advantage of a full field season in

2019. JCF could not ask their contractor, Trail Mix Inc., to hold their overall field season plans in abeyance until grant-funded work could actually commence.

JCF accomplished the following from May 11, 2019 through September 29, 2019:

Developed and finalized reporting procedures and forms for use between Trail Mix, JCF Elgee Rehfeld, CPA, and ADF&G. Generated local media coverage of the PR grant and the project; held a community event to celebrate the grant/project, which featured speakers from ADF&G, Territorial Sportsmen, USFS, City & Borough of Juneau, Trail Mix, and JCF.

Trail Mix staff visited the bridge sites to ensure correct lengths were ordered. Shop drawings were developed and approved by all relevant parties. After acceptance of the drawings and site prescriptions, five glulam slab bridges ranging in span from 16' to 31' were ordered from Western Woods Structures. Of those five bridges, four were identified as requiring abutments consisting of geo-cell load support grid, and one of poured concrete. The USFS review of the bridge drawings took a bit longer-than-expected, which delayed the purchase, delivery, and installation of the bridges.

II. SUMMARY OF WORK COMPLETED ON PROJECT TO DATE

Aside from the above reported activity, the actual trail repair work and bridge installation work anticipated during this performance period (2019 field season) began in October and continued into November. Therefore, these results will be captured in the next interim performance report.

III. SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT REPORTS AND/OR AMENDMENTS

There were no Significant Development Reports or amendments submitted during this performance period. Although JCF had a shortened season, good progress was made, and with grant funds now in hand, planning for the 2020 field season will include finishing up work previously scheduled for 2019 as well as the planned activity for 2020.

IV. PUBLICATIONS

Actual grant-funded trail work and bridge work started in October; therefore, pictures and other representations of project results will be submitted in the next interim project report.

V. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THIS PROJECT

No recommendations are to be made at this time. The project will continue as planned with no significant changes anticipated; the 2020 field season will include finishing up work previously scheduled for 2019 in addition to the planned activity for 2020. JCF would like to share just how excited all of the Juneau-based partners are about this project being made possible by the ADF&G Pittman-Robertson grant. Community response has been great to see and hear.

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