to: Colleen Callahan, Director

from: Mike Wefer, Chairman, Illinois Pheasant Fund Committee

Susan Duke, Grant Administrator

date: January 11, 2021

subject: IL State Pheasant Fund Committee Action

The Illinois State Pheasant Fund Committee had their meeting on December 21, 2020. The Committee's responsibility is to review and recommend all allocation of funds from the Illinois State Pheasant Fund.

Summary of Recommendations

The Committee recommended encumbering \$151,645 for two grant projects of the FY2020 Pheasant funds and the remainder set aside for land acquisition. This is summarized as follows:

Pheasant Committee Recommendations	Total Funds
Grants to governmental and not-for-profits for Pheasant projects	\$ 151,645.00
Set aside for DNR Land Acquisition	\$348,355.00
Total FY2019 Committee Recommended Funding	\$500,000.00

Not-for-Profit Organizations Grants

A total of 3 grant applications were received from not-for-profits in good standing with the Illinois Secretary of State. One of those applications had been submitted to both the Habitat Fund and the State Pheasant Fund; neither Committee decided they would fund it because it was incompliant with the administrative rules.

The Committee reviewed the individual grant applications and recommended two projects for funding.

State Pheasant Fund 2021 GRANT APPLICATIONS												
Grant Number	County	Grantee Name	Project Description	Total Funds Requested	Other State Funding	Matching Funds	%	Total Project Cost	Partner Organization		habitat only	
										Acreag e	State Cost per acre	
21-002P	Peonia, McLean, woodford, Livingston, Tazewell, Dewitth, Ford, Iroquopis, Kankakee, Vermillion, Champaign, Douglas, Piatt, Fayette, Effingham, Jasper, Shelby, Cumberland, Moultri, Coles, Rocklsland, Henry, Mercer, Henderson, Warren and Knox	Pheasants Forever	Fund four positions -Pheasant range Illinois Farm Bill Biologists to provide conservation technical assistance for the restoration of and improved Pheasant Habitat on state owned and private lands.	\$125,876.00		\$377,624.00	75%	\$503,500.00	NRCS, Landowners, Chapters	30000	\$4.20	Funded
21-003P	Stephenson and Tazewell	Pheasants Forever	Chapter Equipment - Broyhill Spray Unit and Great Plains Seed Drill	\$25,769.00		\$10,000.00	28%	\$35,769.00	Landowners			Funded
			Total	\$151,645.00	\$0.00	\$387,624.00		\$539,269.00				
21-001P	Logan and Menard	Quail and Upland Game Alliance	John Deere Side by Side Equipment for sprayers and controlled Rx Burn equipment - also requested in Habitat fund	\$12,375.00		\$4,500.00	27%	\$16,875.00	Landowners	550	\$22.50	Not Funded

Please indicate your approval of the Division of Wildlife funding recommendations by signing below. Your earliest response will be most appreciated. Funds are currently available to award the recommended projects.

Upon your decision, staff of the Special Funds Section of the Office of Grant Management and Assistance will inform the Illinois State Pheasant Fund Committee, grantees and IDNR staff.

DIVISION RECOMMENDATION	APPROVE	DISAPPROVE			
Mike Wefer, Chief Date Division of Wildlife Resources					
OFFICE RECOMMENDATION	APPROVE	DISAPPROVE			
Chris Young, Director Date Office of Resource Conservation					
AGENCY DIRECTOR SIGN-OFF	APPROVE	DISAPPROVE			
Colleen Callahan, Director Date Department of Natural Resources					