

Handshake Partnership Program Report - FY 2010 Recipients

1. Name of Corps Project/Lake: FY 2012 Recipient: NWK Rathbun Lake

2. Handshake Project Name: Rathbun Lake North Shore Trail

3. What has been accomplished? Please provide photographs; before, during, and after!:
See attachment A.

	Total
Handshake Program Funding Amount	\$20,600.00
Local Corps Office Funds (total expended on labor, materials, contracts, etc.)?	\$20,600.00
Partner's Contributions (total value of funds, goods, services, volunteer hours, etc.)	
Partners Name	Total Value of Contributions
1 Iowa Department of Natural Resources	\$10,170.00
2 Appanoose County Trails	\$2,337.92
3 Rathbun Snow Riders	\$1,783.04
4	\$
5	\$
6	\$

4. Handshake Program Recipient Feedback

Please take this opportunity to provide feedback on all aspects of the Handshake Program and the Challenge Partnership Agreement authority. Your productive comments are important to the ongoing improvement of the program. Make sure to let us know how the Handshake funds have benefited your efforts to initiate and/or strengthen your partnerships.

A. Comments About Handshake Program: Appreciate funding availability. Provides financial boost to project and incentive for partners valued in kind service.

B. Comments About Challenge Partnership Agreement: We intend to implement a 5 year plan as part of the CPA.

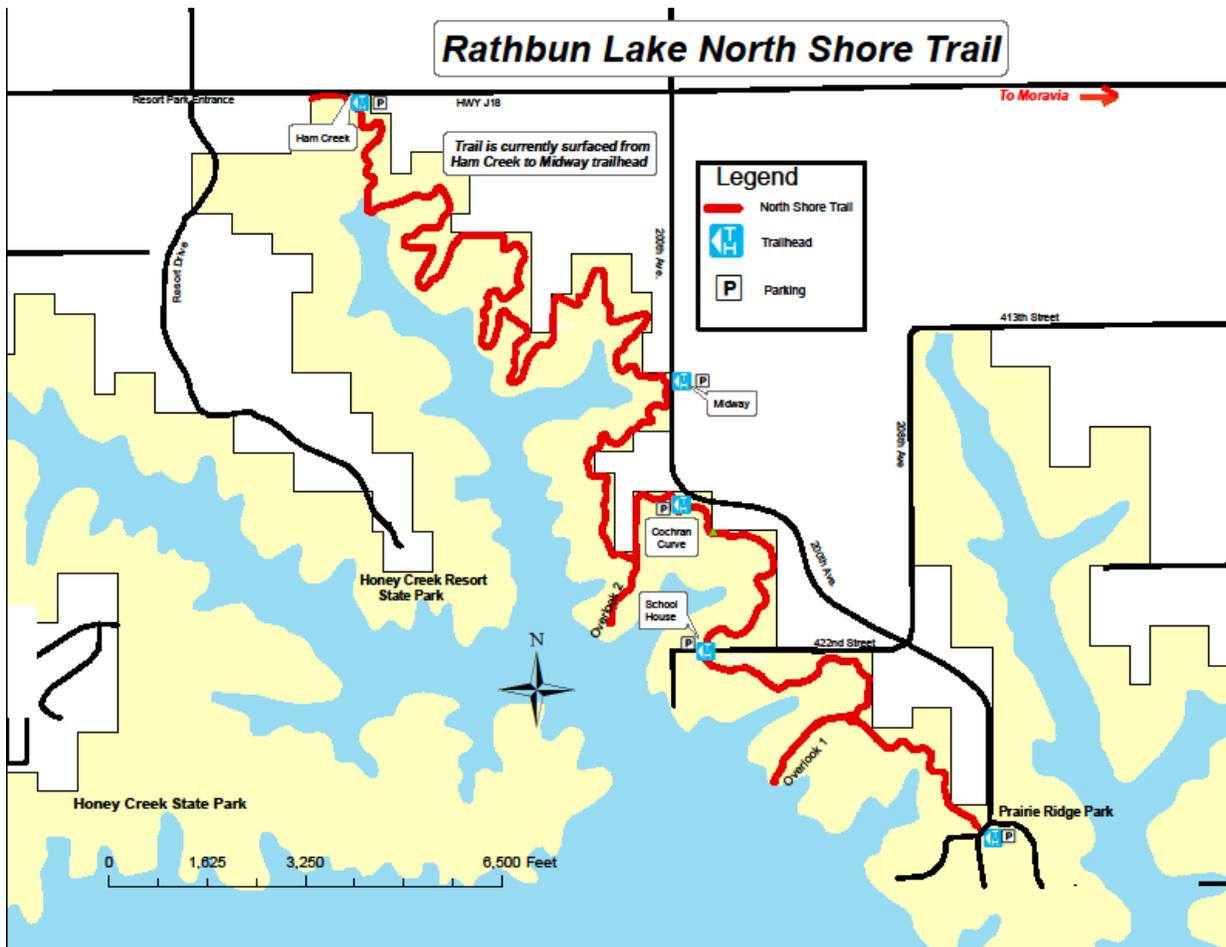
C. Recommendations: Nothing to add.

FY2012 Handshake Program Status Report

28 November 2012

NWK Rathbun Lake: North Shore Trail

Partnering with Iowa Department of Natural Resources (IDNR), Appanoose County Trails (ACT), and Rathbun Snow Riders (RSR) have resulted in achieving identifiable objectives for the 8 mile Rathbun North Shore Trail in southern Iowa. The Handshake Program FY12 has solidified relationships between all partners.



The first focus of the partnering efforts of FY12 has been on the finished development of five trail heads. With the purchase of supplement surface rock (Corps), placement of rock on trail heads (Corps), and the installation of wooden posts on trail head perimeters (Corps/ACT) , the five trail heads provide visitor access to the trail connecting Honey Creek State Park (IDNR) to Prairie Ridge Park (Corps) providing partnership identity. In addition, the trail heads provide access for our NGO partners for snowmobile users (RSR) and walkers/bicyclists/nature enthusiasts (ACT). The North Shore Trail is providing additional opportunities for access on public lands for land based recreational activities and emergency vehicle access. The trail heads have provided needed equipment/manpower access for stewardship activities on the natural resource compartments (500 acres) of Rathbun's Operational Management Plan.



Trail Rock Stockpile (Corps)



Volunteers (ACT) trailhead posts

The second focus has been on implementing routine and non routine maintenance (O & M) work items on the trail. Monthly trail meetings (Corps/ACT, RSR) has generated the process of addressing scheduling routine monitoring of trail such as litter pickup, repair of minor wash outs, monitoring wetland and drainage structures, minor mowing, and posting trail signage (ACT/RSR). Non routine maintenance items have included planting of vegetation delineating boundary line (Corps/ACT) and donation of turf grass seed for supplemental grass planting (ACT). Marsh/emergent seed mix (Corps) will be frost seeded on perimeter of wetland by partners (ACT/Corps) in late winter of 2013. Kiosks/literature holders to be located at the trail heads and trail side benches have been purchased (Corps). These amenities will be installed by the partners (ACT/RSR) in the spring of 2013. Two grant applications were submitted by ACT for additional funding for the trail; a community grant was awarded for printing of trail map to be used in trail kiosks and outreach materials. Mowing of turf side of trail and trail heads was accomplished by Iowa Department of Natural Resources throughout FY12.



Volunteer (ACT) repairing washouts



Wetland Monitoring (Corps)



Turf Seeding – early spring 2012

The third focus was getting out the news that the North Shore Trail was open. The Grand Opening was held on April 21, 2012. Officials from US Army Corps of Engineers, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Appanoose County Trails, and Rathbun Snow Riders spoke to the gathered crowd of approximately one hundred. Exhibits were hosted by Rathbun Snow Riders, local Kayak Club, area Recycling Center, Appanoose County Trail and the Moravia Emergency Response Team. The Centerville Chamber of Commerce and US Army Corps of Engineers staff provided children activities on the trail. Approximately 60 people participated in a 5KRun/Walk and 1-Mile frolic sponsored by Hy-Vee (groceries), Appanoose County Trails, Corps of Engineers, Iowa DNR, and Rathbun Snow Riders. Transportation to the trail head was provided by a trolley sponsored by the Appanoose County Preservation Corporation.



Trail Cutting of Bike Chain & Shoe Strings (ACT/Rathbun Snow Riders, Iowa DNR)



Trail Opening – On your mark



Trail Opening- walkers, talkers, pushers



Kayak Club/Water Trail Exhibitor

The following weekend in April, the Midwest Open Geocaching Adventure (MOGA) was experienced at Rathbun Lake with many geocachers staying in campgrounds with MOGA headquarters based out of Honey Creek Resort State Park which connects to the trail. The large gathering thoroughly enjoyed themselves with geocaches scattered in the park areas and along the North Shore Trail; for many this was a first time visit to Rathbun Lake.



Geocaching on the trail

The second event held in September was in connection with National Public Lands Day at Rathbun Lake was the Family Bike Ride on the trail. The bike ride was sponsored by the Appanoose County Wellness Coalition, Mercy Medical Center in Centerville, and Centerville Chamber of Commerce termed "A Weekend of Wellness". Other activities in the area included Disc Golf Tournament at the Centerville City Park.



Bicyclist on Northern Portion of Trail

The final event of the year sponsored by Appanoose County Trails promoting the trail was with a Trail Hay Ride in late October. This special event provided the opportunity for many not able to walk or ride the trail to experience the trail on public lands at Rathbun Lake. Good turnout resulting in four rides on 8 miles of trail.

The celebration of the trail along with FY12 special events highlighted recreational benefits associated with public lands at Rathbun Lake, the growing trend for land based recreation, the increasing awareness of personal wellness, and relationship building with the good partnerships forged at Rathbun Lake. The Circle Widens.

The Corps of Engineers hosted a presentation to Community College class on land stewardship/trail construction on the trail. Groups/classes seeking an outdoor learning environment will likely increase. This will provide exposure for the Corps of Engineers as a public lands management agency. A future goal is to incorporate the trail's natural resource compartments as an outdoor classroom for the Community College's Land Stewardship curriculum thus enhancing natural resource activities in conjunction with management practices of the Operational Management Plan.

Funded Work Item Detail Report for FWI 525DL4

Funded Work Item	Description	CCS Code	Customer Order No.	Funding Account No.	Authorized Amount	Obligation Amount	Cumulative Expenditures	Undelivered Orders	Commitments	Available Amount
525DL4	60000.26-FY12 - Challenge Partnership-HandShake Pr [127288]	999	W74RDV20408127	G5152270	20,600.00	20,600.00	20,600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total:					20,600.00	20,600.00	20,600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

PR&C No.	Line Item	MOA Code	EOR Code	Description	Org Code	Org Name	Labor Code	Resource Code	Obligation Amount	Cumulative Expenditures	Undelivered Orders	Commitments
Obligation No.	DO No.	Vendor										
Work Item: 557BDC	OF-RA-FY12-Challenge Partnership-HandShake Program [127288]											
W58XUW20535075	1	C2	2600	RA-MJV-TRAIL - LABELS FOR CARSONITE POSTS --- Project No.: 127288				SUPMATRL	633.90	633.90	0.00	0.00
W58XUW20535075	NA			OTHER MISCELLANEOUS PURCHASE		MYERS CUSTOMS						
W58XUW20535075	2	C2	2600	RA-MJV-CHECKFEE --- Project No.: 127288				SUPMATRL	10.94	10.94	0.00	0.00
W58XUW20535075	NA			OTHER MISCELLANEOUS PURCHASE		MYERS CUSTOMS						
W58XUW20766613	1	C2	2600	FY12-RA MJV MARSH EMERGENT SEED MIX --- Project No.: 127288				SUPMATRL	735.00	735.00	0.00	0.00
W58XUW20766613	NA			OTHER MISCELLANEOUS PURCHASE		ION EXCHANGE HARPERS FERRY IA						
W58XUW20877305	1	C2	2600	FY12, OFRA, NLS - DOGWOOD, PLUM AND NINE BARK --- Project No.: 127288				SUPMATRL	224.00	224.00	0.00	0.00
W58XUW20877305	NA			OTHER MISCELLANEOUS PURCHASE		STATE FOREST NURSERY DNR						
W58XUW20877308	1	C2	2600	FY12, OFRA, NLS - CANADIAN WILD RYE -- - Project No.: 127288				SUPMATRL	95.71	95.71	0.00	0.00
W58XUW20877308	NA			OTHER MISCELLANEOUS PURCHASE		CENTERVILLE PRODUCE						
W58XUW20887426	1	C2	2600	FY12, OFRA, NLS - STICKERS TO BE USED ON NORTH SHORE TRL. --- Project No.: 127288				SUPMATRL	161.67	161.67	0.00	0.00
W58XUW20887426	NA			OTHER MISCELLANEOUS PURCHASE		CARSONITE INTERNATIONAL						
W58XUW21532264	2	C2	2500	CLASS A ROAD ROCK, HANDSHAKE(TRAIL) FUNDING --- Project No.: 127288				OTHCONSV	16,777.50	16,777.50	0.00	0.00
W912DQ-11-A-1007	2			OTHER MISCELLANEOUS PURCHASE		L & W QUARRIES INC						
W58XUW21703643	1	C2	2600	FY12, OFRA, NLS - MESSAGE CENTER BOARD --- Project No.: 127288				SUPMATRL	992.37	992.37	0.00	0.00
W58XUW21703643	NA			OTHER MISCELLANEOUS PURCHASE		DISPLAYS 4 SALE, ACCESS DISPLAY						
W58XUW21703644	1	C2	2600	FY12, OFRA, NLS - LITERATURE HOLDER -- - Project No.: 127288				SUPMATRL	111.45	111.45	0.00	0.00
W58XUW21703644	NA			OTHER MISCELLANEOUS PURCHASE		DISPLAYS 2 GO						
W58XUW22136660	1	C2	2600	FY12-RA-MJV-BENCHES FOR NORTH SHORE TRAIL --- Project No.: 127288				SUPMATRL	857.46	857.46	0.00	0.00
W58XUW22136660	NA			OTHER MISCELLANEOUS PURCHASE		PILOT ROCK PARK EQUIPMENT						
Subtotal:									20,600.00	20,600.00	0.00	0.00
Total:									20,600.00	20,600.00	0.00	0.00