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DATE:	May 25, 2011
то:	Metropolitan Parks and Open Space Commission
FROM:	Arne Stefferud, Planning Analyst-Parks (651-602-1360)
SUBJECT:	(2011-xx) Park Acquisition Opportunity Grant for 4 parcels for Mississippi River Regional Trail, Dakota County

#### **INTRODUCTION**

In 2001, the Metropolitan Council established a Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund grant program to assist regional park agencies in acquiring land for the Metropolitan Regional Park System. Land that is acquired must be within Metropolitan Council approved master plan boundaries for that particular park or trail unit. To-date, about \$21.8 million has been granted for the acquisition of 1,864 acres. The total related acquisition costs and market value of this land is about \$61.3 million. (See Attachment 2 at the end of this memorandum for a list of all grants awarded).

Dakota County has submitted a request for a Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund Grant to help finance the acquisition and related costs of four parcels needed for right of way for the Mississippi River Regional Trail. The grant request is \$56,044. (See Attachment 1: Letter from Steve Sullivan, Dakota County)

This memorandum analyzes the request against the rules for Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund grants. The memorandum recommends approving the grant. If \$56,044 is awarded, there would be \$2,664,857 for future land acquisitions.

#### **AUTHORITY TO REVIEW**

Minnesota Statute Section 473.315 authorizes the, "Metropolitan Council, with the advice of the Metropolitan Parks and Open Space Commission, to make grants from any funds available to it for recreation open space purposes to any municipality, county or Park District located wholly or partially within the metropolitan area to cover the cost, or any portion of the cost, of acquiring or developing regional recreation open space in accordance with the *Regional Recreation Open Space Policy Plan*".

#### BACKGROUND

The Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund is comprised of two accounts:

The first account is called the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Acquisition Account, which is used to purchase land with high quality natural resource characteristics. No residential structures can be acquired with this account. These parcels do not have structures on them and qualify for this account. This account has a balance of \$2,081,352 comprised of \$1,248,811 of Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund revenue appropriated in the 2009 Legislative Session and \$832,541 of bonds issued by the Metropolitan Council as a 40% match to the State appropriation.

The second account is called the Parks and Trails Fund Acquisition Account, which is used to purchase land that has low natural resource characteristics and any related structures –typically a parcel with a house or other buildings. This account is financed with Parks and Trails Fund appropriations from the Land and Legacy Amendment plus bonds issued by the Metropolitan Council. This account would have a balance of \$639,549 comprised of Metropolitan Council bonds at this time. A new appropriation from

the Parks & Trails Legacy Fund for FY 2012-13 has not been appropriated by law at this time. That appropriation would become available on July 1, 2011 for other land acquisitions.

The combined balance of both accounts is \$2,720,901 at this time. An additional appropriation of \$2,250,000 of Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund revenue along with a \$1.5 million Metropolitan Council bond match may be added to this account as that is proposed in the recently vetoed Environment Budget bill. However, no appropriation can be made until it is enacted into law. A new appropriation of \$3.19 million from the Parks & Trails Legacy Fund for FY 2012-13 and matching Metropolitan Council bonds of \$2.127 million has not been appropriated by law at this time. That appropriation would become available for other land acquisitions that did not qualify for funding from the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Acquisition Account. The cumulative total of these potential appropriations and the current balance in the Fund is \$11,787,901. The existing and potential State appropriations that total \$6,688,811 would have to be spent by June 30, 2014 as they have expiration dates on their availability.

Grants from the Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund are awarded under a set of rules that were approved by the Council on June 24, 2009. The rules allow a grant or grants totaling \$1.7 million per year (July 1 to June 30) to a park agency to finance up to 75% of the purchase price of the property plus related costs.

The four parcels totaling 6.1 acres proposed for acquisition are depicted in **Figure 1** -- an aerial photograph and map of the parcels in relation to the trail.

# Figure 1: Aerial photo and map of four parcels for Mississippi River Regional Trail, Dakota County



### ANALYSIS

#### Acquisition cost analysis

Of the four parcels, two are being acquired and two are being donated. However the donations do not cover the special assessments on these parcels and the Metropolitan Council is required by law to pay a property tax equivalency payment on regional park/trail land to the affected city or township. The total costs to acquire these parcels that is grant eligible is \$74,725 as shown in Table 1:

Parcel	Cost
Scott Cunningham, 3.23 acres	
Purchase price	\$ 46,000
Appraisal	\$ 2,230
Legal	\$ 3,500
Property Tax Equivalent	\$ 66
Walter Krech, 0.12 acre	
Purchase price	\$ 3,400
Appraisal	\$ 1,950
Property Tax Equivalent	\$ 10
Total Construction, 2.43 acres	
Donation	\$ -
Appraisal	\$ -
Special Assessments	\$ 10,244
Property Tax Equivalent	\$ 1,144
WWKM LLC, 0.31 acre	
Donation	\$ -
Appraisal	\$ -
Special Assessments	\$ 6,047
Prop. Tax. Equiv.	\$ 134
Grand Total	\$ 74,725

Dakota County requests that the acquisition be financed with the following revenue sources as shown in Table 2:

#### Table 2: Revenue Sources for acquiring 4 parcels for Mississippi River Regional Trail, Dakota County

Metropolitan Council Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund (75%)	\$ 56,044
Dakota County (25%)	\$ 18,681
Total:	\$ 74,725

This parcel qualifies for funding from the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Acquisition Account because the parcels do not include a residential structure and they include high quality natural resources. In this case, forest and pond shore lands. The Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund grant would be financed as shown in Table 3.

## Table 3: Park Acquisition Opportunity Grant Revenue Sources for 4 parcels for Mississippi River Regional Trail, Dakota County

Revenue Sources	Amou	Int
2009 Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund		
appropriation	\$	33,626
Metropolitan Council bonds	\$	22,418
Total Grant	\$	56,044

Because two parcels are donations and costs associated with them are for special assessments and property tax equivalency payments, Table 4 illustrates how the grant should be used to finance the costs to be consistent with limitations for the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund portion of the grant

#### Table 4: Allocating Grant Revenue and Dakota County Funds to Finance Costs of Acquisition

		<b>Revenue Sources to Finance Costs</b>			
Parcel	Costs	Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund	Metro Council	Dakota County	
Scott Cunningham					
Purchase price	\$ 46,000	\$ 31,926		\$ 14,074	
Appraisal	\$ 2,230			\$ 2,230	
Legal	\$ 3,500		\$ 2,823	\$ 677	
Property Tax Equivalent	\$ 66		\$ 66		
Walter Krech					
Purchase price	\$ 3,400	\$ 1,700		\$ 1,700	
Appraisal	\$ 1,950		\$ 1,950		
Property Tax Equivalent	\$ 10		\$ 10		
Total Construction					
Donation	\$ -				
Appraisal	\$ -				
Special Assessments	\$ 10,244		\$ 10,244		
Property Tax Equivalent	\$ 1,144		\$ 1,144		
WWKM LLC					
Donation	\$ -				
Appraisal	\$ -				
Special Assessments	\$ 6,047		\$ 6,047		
Property Tax Equivalent	\$ 134		\$ 134		
Grand Total	\$ 74,725	\$ 33,626	\$ 22,418	\$ 18,681	

#### **Rules for distributing grants from Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund**

On June 24, 2009 the Metropolitan Council adopted rules that govern the distribution of grants from the Fund on a yearly basis--July 1 to June 30. Those rules are indicated below in italic font. The following findings indicate that these rules have been met for Dakota County's grant request.

A. Grants from the Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund may only be awarded to finance a portion of the cost to acquire land within Metropolitan Council-approved master plan boundaries, and only after the requesting regional park implementing agency has used available acquisition grant funds previously provided by the Metropolitan Council.

Dakota County's request is consistent with this rule because the parcels are within the Metropolitan Councilapproved master plan for the Mississippi River Regional Trail. Plus, the park agency does not have acquisition grant funds previously provided by the Metropolitan Council to finance these acquisitions.

*B.* Any interest cost on a contract for deed or other timed payment plan is not eligible for grant funding. The value of a discounted sale (i.e. the difference between the appraised value and a reduced sale price) is not counted as part of the cost to acquire land and is not included as part of a local match to the grant.

The grant proposed here would be the only transaction for the parcels. The purchase price for the acquisitions that are not donations is the negotiated price based on a certified appraisal for the land. The special assessment proposed to be paid for on the donated parcels is a condition of the donation.

C. Grants from the Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund may finance a portion of the actual cost to acquire land after deducting any Metropolitan Council grants and other grants used to finance a portion of the cost as follows:

The Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund Grant finances 75% of the net cost of acquiring the land which is defined as the purchase price—not the appraised value; legal fees, appraisal costs and other closing costs incurred by the park agency; the property tax equivalency payment due to the city or township; and stewardship costs.

A contribution of 25% of the net cost of acquiring the land up to \$567,000 that is financed by regional park implementing agency funds or other sources is not eligible for reimbursement consideration by the Metropolitan Council. Seventy-five percent (75%) of a contribution above \$567,000 that is financed with regional park implementing agency funds only is eligible for reimbursement consideration by the Metropolitan Council.

Dakota County's request is 75% of the costs to acquire these parcels. Dakota County will provide a 25% non-reimbursable match to the Council's grant. The grant request and match to the Council's grant is consistent with this rule.

The maximum grant(s) available to a park agency is \$1.7 million during the July 1 to June 30 time period.

The grant is within the \$1.7 million limit for Dakota County during this time period. This grant would be considered by the Metropolitan Council on July 13. If it is awarded, the Metropolitan Council could award Dakota County other acquisition grants totaling \$1,645,934 prior to June 30, 2012 under this rule.

#### **CONCLUSION:**

The Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Acquisition Account in the Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund should be used to finance this grant because it is consistent with the utilization of this account.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Metropolitan Council authorize a grant of \$56,044 from the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund Acquisition Account in the Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund to Dakota County to partially finance the acquisition of four parcels as described in Attachment 1 for the Mississippi River Regional Trail. The grant should be financed with:

\$33,626 from the 2009 Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund appropriation \$22,418 from Metropolitan Council bonds

#### Attachment 1: Letter from Steve Sullivan, Dakota County



May 23, 2011

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Dear Arne:

Dakota County requests Metropolitan Council consideration authorizing the use of Acquisition Opportunity Fund grants for the purchase of four properties required for the Mississippi River Regional Trail (MRRT), Central Segment, within the City of Inver Grove Heights (Attachment A: Location Map). The MRRT Central Segment final alignment was approved by the Dakota County Board of Commissioners on August 10, 2010 (Resolution No. 10-392) in a manner consistent with the Board approved 1999 Draft Mississippi River Regional Trail Development Plan. The Board approved acquisition actions are:

March 22, 2011 (Resolution No. 11-149) Board approved acquisition and authorization to initiate "Quick Take" condemnation, on

- Scott Cunningham 3.23 acres/value \$46,000
- Walter Krech .12 acres/value \$4,050

May 17, 2011 (Resolution No. pending)

- Board approved willing seller acquisition from:
  - William/Adriana Krech, Kevin/Alison Krech, dba Total Construction – 2.43 acres/value \$10,244
  - WWKM LLC .31 acres/value \$6,047

Both of these properties are being donated to Dakota County, with the County responsible for payment of special assessments of the amount shown above.

#### Need For Property

Engineering the MRRT Central segment is complete and the need for permanent right-of-way has been determined. Acquisition is required to begin construction the second half of 2011. Purchase agreements have been signed for the Walter Krech, Total Construction and WWKM LLC properties and will be executed soon.

On two different occasions Mr. Cunningham indicated to county staff a willingness to sell and an appraisal was completed with his verbal consent, establishing value. However in the process of examining the property records, it was discovered that liens against the property have been filed in an amount now well above the \$46,000 appraised value.

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Many of these liens involve alleged failure to pay taxes. Over the last six months Mr. Cunningham ceased communicating with the County. Upon the advice of the Dakota County Attorney's Office, the County filed for condemnation of the Cunningham property required for the MRRT Central, as authorized by the Board.

To summarize, Dakota County's request for Acquisition Opportunity grant funds is based on:

Property	Cost	
Scott Cunningham – 3.23 acres	\$46,000	
Appraisal	\$ 2,230	
Legal	\$ 3,500	
Property tax equivalency payment	\$ 66	
Total Cunningham	\$51,796	
Walter Krech12 acres	\$ 3,400*	
Appraisal	\$ 1,950	
Property tax equivalency payment	\$ 10	
Total Walter Krech	\$ 5,360	
William/Adriana Krech, Kevin/Alison Krech,		
dba Total Construction - 2.43 acres	\$ 0 (don	ated)
Appraisal - none	\$ 0	
Special Assessments	\$10,244	
Property tax equivalency payment	\$ 1,144	
Total Total Construction	\$11,388	
WWKM LLC31 acres	\$ 0 (don	ated)
Appraisal - none	\$ 0	,
Special Assessments	\$ 6,047	
Property tax equivalency payment	\$ 134	
Total WWKM LLC	\$ 6,181	
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#### Total

\$74,725

\*Note: The appraised value of \$4,050 included \$650 for a temporary easement which is not eligible for the use of Acquisition Opportunity grant funds.

Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely,

Steve Sullivan, Director Dakota County Parks and Open Space

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Cc: Bruce Blair, Facility Development Manager Lynn Thompson, Physical Development Director Al Singer, Program Manager, Farmland and Natural Areas Stacy Reilly, Financial Analyst

### Attachment 2: Park Acquisition Opportunity Fund Grants approved as of May 25, 2011

Amount Granted	Park Agency	Project Description
\$99,966	Dakota County	Acquire Wasserman and Klink parcels at Spring Lake Park Reserve. Dakota County eligible for reimbursement consideration up to \$180,882 in a future regional parks CIP. Approved November 15, 2001.
\$521,000	Mpls. Park & Rec. Board	Acquire 3.3 acres (Parcel B of Riverview Supper Club site) as part of "Above the Falls—Master Plan for the Upper River in Minneapolis". Other matching funds were from federal grant and watershed district. Approved April 24, 2002.
\$731,200	Three Rivers Park District	Fund a portion of the costs to acquire Silver Lake SRF, which was acquired in September 2001 after 2002-03 CIP was adopted. Remaining costs eligible for reimbursement consideration in future regional parks CIP. Approved April 24, 2002.
\$140,000	Ramsey County	Acquire permanent trail easement on Burlington Northern/Santa Fe railroad right of way for the Bruce Vento Regional Trail. Ramsey County eligible for reimbursement consideration up to \$35,000 in a future regional parks CIP. That reimbursement was part of the funded 2004-05 CIP. Approved August 14, 2002.
\$500,000	Washington County	Acquire three parcels totaling 27.4 acres at an estimated cost of \$1.87 million in Big Marine PR. Grant is 40% of the projected \$1.25 million gap after other Council acquisition grants were spent. Washington County eligible for reimbursement consideration of up to \$750,000 in a future regional parks CIP. Approved December 12, 2002.
\$126,638	Dakota County	Acquire 1.1-acre Medin parcel in Lebanon Hills RP. Dakota County eligible for reimbursement consideration of up to \$189,957 in a future regional parks CIP. Approved January 29, 2003.
\$135,200	Anoka County	Acquire 579 acres from St. Paul Water Utility for addition to Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Park Reserve. Grant financed 40% of market value (not sale price) of land. Water Utility discounted the sale price, which was counted as part of the 60% match to this grant. Approved April 23, 2003.
\$153,703	Three Rivers Park District	Acquire 5 acre Rask parcel in Lake Rebecca Park Reserve. Park District eligible for reimbursement consideration of up to \$235,200 in a future regional park CIP. Approved Dec. 17, 2003.
\$26,479	Anoka County	Acquire 80-acre Birkeland parcel in Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Park Reserve. Balance of costs financed with watershed district grant and partial donation. Approved February 2004.
\$370,000	Three Rivers Park District	Acquire 17-acre Brakemeier parcel in Lake Minnetonka Regional Park. Balance of funds (\$810,000) provided by MN Dept. of Transportation. Approved May 12, 2004.
\$83,060	Carver County	Acquire 39.04 acres related to Harriet Island-Lilydale Regional Park. Grant finances 40% of the \$207,649 funding gap remaining to buy the land. Rest of the costs financed with a previously authorized Metro Council grant (\$456,130) and City funds (\$124,589). City amount eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Approved August 11, 2004.

Amount Granted	Park Agency	Project Description
\$184,109	City of Bloomington	Acquire .5 acre residential lot 9625 E. Bush Lake Road for Hyland-Bush-Anderson Lakes Park Reserve. Bloomington and Three Rivers Park District eligible for reimbursement consideration of up to \$138,081 each in a future regional park CIP. Approved September 22, 2004
\$49,435	Washington County	Acquire 0.81 acre parcel within the boundary of Big Marine Park Reserve. Washington County would be eligible for reimbursement consideration of up to \$74,152 in a future regional park CIP. Approved September 22, 2004.
\$433,333	Scott County	Acquire 80 acres within the Doyle-Kennefick Regional Park as a match to a DNR Metro Greenways grant of \$650,000. Approved Nov. 10, 2004.
\$950,000	Anoka County	Acquire 115 acres within Rice Creek Chain of Lakes Park Reserve from St. Paul Water Utility. Land cost discounted 79% from market value and thus grant finances remaining 21%. Approved April 13, 2005.
\$41,080	Ramsey County	Acquire 3.5 acre Duell parcel in Battle Creek Regional Park. Ramsey County would be eligible for reimbursement consideration of up to \$61,620 in a future regional park CIP. Approved May 25, 2005
\$279,431	Dakota County	Acquire 2.5 acre Pryor parcel in Lebanon Hills Regional Park. Dakota County would be eligible for reimbursement consideration of up to \$419,146 in a future regional park CIP. Approved June 29, 2005.
\$154,124	Washington County	Acquire 5 acre Goossen parcel in Big Marine Park Reserve. Washington County would be eligible for reimbursement consideration of up to \$231,185 in a future regional park CIP. Approved July 27, 2005
\$151,093	Dakota County	Acquire 0.68 acre Skoglund parcel in Lebanon Hills Regional Park. Dakota County would be eligible for reimbursement consideration of up to \$226,639 in a future regional park CIP. Approved September 28, 2005
\$149,069	Washington County	Acquire 5-acre Melbostad parcel in Big Marine Park Reserve. Washington County would be eligible for reimbursement consideration of up to \$223,603 in a future regional park CIP. Approved October 26, 2005.
\$20,953	Washington County	Acquire .45-acre Taylor parcel in Big Marine Park Reserve. Washington County would be eligible for reimbursement consideration of up to \$31,430 in a future regional park CIP. Approved August 23, 2006.
\$354,799		Acquire 20-acre Weinkauf parcel in Lake Rebecca Park Reserve. Three Rivers Park District would be eligible for reimbursement consideration of up to \$532,199 in a future regional park CIP. Approved May 23, 2007.
\$9,023	Washington County	Acquire 1.5 acre Hohlt parcel in Big Marine Park Reserve. Washington County would be eligible for reimbursement consideration of up to \$13,534 in a future regional park CIP. Approved April 25, 2007.
\$1,000,000	Scott County	Acquire 61-acre Cedar Lake Farm Resort parcel in Cedar Lake Farm Regional Park. Scott County would be eligible for reimbursement consideration of up to \$3,526,192 in a future regional park CIP. Approved May 23, 2007.
\$400,841	City of St. Paul	Partially finance acquisition of 43.94 acres for Harriet Island-Lilydale Regional Park. City of St. Paul would be eligible for reimbursement consideration of up to \$601,263 in a future regional park CIP. Approved August 8, 2007

Amount Granted	Park Agency	Project Description
\$182,094	County	Partially finance acquisition of 8.19 acre Katarik parcel for Grey Cloud Island Regional Park. Washington County would be eligible for reimbursement consideration of up to \$273,141 in a future regional park CIP. Approved October 24, 2007.
\$116,609	County	Partially finance acquisition of 3 acre Parcel #6 for Battle Creek Regional Park. Ramsey County would be eligible for reimbursement consideration of up to \$174,913 in a future regional park CIP. Approved December 12, 2007.
\$1,000,000	Carver County	Partially finance acquisition of 2.94 acres of lakeshore land associated with Lakeside Ballroom in Lake Waconia Regional Park. Carver County would be eligible for reimbursement consideration of up to \$1,530,000 minus lease revenue from parcel in a future regional park CIP. Approved February 27, 2008.
\$122,726	City of St. Paul	Partially finance acquisition of 0.74 acre at 350 Water Street for Harriet Island-Lilydale Regional Park. Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by City of St. Paul (\$40,909) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Approved February 27, 2008
\$316,135	Bloomington	Partially finance acquisition of 0.568 acre at 9633 East Bush Lake Road for Hyland- Bush-Anderson Lakes Park Reserve. Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% (\$105,378) financed by City of Bloomington and Three Rivers Park District is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional parks CIP. Approved on April 9, 2008. Actual amount expended is shown, which was less than grant award.
\$1,700,000	Dakota County	Partially finance acquisition of 456-acre Empire Wetlands Regional Park. Grant financed 14.2% of the \$11.94 million acquisition cost. Rest of costs financed with \$800,000 Metro Council grant SG-2006-123, \$6 million from 2006 State bond pass through grant, and \$3,440,000 of Dakota County funds of which \$2,155,000 is eligible for reimbursement in a future regional parks CIP. Grant approved on April 23, 2008. Reimbursement approved for consideration on May 28, 2008.
\$572,469	City of St. Paul	Partially finance acquisition of 1.85 acre for Bruce Vento Nature Sanctuary as part of Bruce Vento Regional Trail. Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by City of St. Paul (\$190,823) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved June 11, 2008
\$848,369	Scott County	Partially finance acquisition of 47.08 acres for Doyle-Kennefick Regional Park (Adelmann parcel). Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Scott County (\$282,789) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved June 25, 2008
\$337,124	Three Rivers Park District	Partially finance acquisition of 6.46 acres for Baker Park Reserve (Laidlaw parcel). Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Three Rivers Park District (\$112,656) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved June 25, 2008. Actual amount expended is shown, which was less than grant award.
\$416,297	Washington County	Partially finance acquisition of 19 acres for Big Marine Park Reserve (Grundhofer parcel). Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Washington County (\$138,766) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved August 27, 2008

Amount Granted	Park Agency	Project Description
\$299,887		Partially finance acquisition of 1.5 acres for Lake Rebecca Park Reserve (Bauduin parcel). Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Three Rivers Park District (\$101,575) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved November 12, 2008. Actual amount expended is shown, which was less than grant award.
\$487,994		Partially finance acquisition of 9.5 acres for Lake Rebecca Park Reserve (Westerlund parcel). Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Three Rivers Park District (\$164,250) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved November 12, 2008. Actual amount expended is shown, which was less than grant award.
\$135,654	Mpls. Park & Rec. Bd.	Partially finance acquisition of 0.5 acres for Above the Falls Regional Park (Galka parcels). Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Mpls. Park & Rec. Bd. (\$45,216) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved December 10, 2008. Actual amount expended is shown, which was less than grant award.
\$411,422	Ramsey County	Partially finance acquisition of 1.83 acres for Bald Eagle-Otter Lakes Regional Park (1466 East Co. Rd. H-2). Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Ramsey County (\$137,141) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved June 24, 2009.
\$281,528	Ramsey County	Partially finance acquisition of 1.27 acres for Bald Eagle-Otter Lakes Regional Park (1700 North County Line Rd.). Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Ramsey County (\$93,843) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved June 24, 2009.
\$396,968		Partially finance acquisition of 9.44 acre parcel for Rush Creek Regional Trail (Ganzer parcel). Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Three Rivers Park District (\$132,233) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved June 24, 2009. Actual amount expended is shown, which was less than grant award.
\$719,400		Partially finance acquisition of 8.89 acre parcel for Carver Park Reserve (Hedtke parcel). Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Three Rivers Park District (\$135,800) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved October 14, 2009.
\$369,683	Scott County	Partially finance acquisition of 7.05 acre parcel for Cedar Lake Farm Regional Park (Novotny parcel). Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Scott County (\$123,228) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved October 28, 2009.
\$657,572	Carver County	Partially finance acquisition of 1.28 acre parcel for Lake Waconia Regional Park (Country Store parcel). Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Carver County (\$219,191) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved December 9, 2009.
\$1,470,253	Washington County	Partially finance acquisition of 43 acre parcel for Grey Cloud Island Regional Park (Appert parcel). Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Washington County (\$490,084) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved April 28, 2010.
\$1,699,992	Mpls. Park & Rec. Bd.	Partially finance acquisition of 3.57 acres for Above the Falls Regional Park (Scherer Lumber parcel). Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Mpls. Park & Rec. Bd. (\$566,664) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved April 28, 2010.

Amount Granted	Park Agency	Project Description
\$198,436	Washington County	Partially finance acquisition of 1.8 acres for St. Croix Valley Regional Trail (Pontius parcel). Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Washington County (\$66,145) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved June 23, 2010.
\$198,750	Three Rivers Park District	Partially finance acquisition of 1.4 acres for Elm Creek Park Reserve (Zopfi parcel). Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Three Rivers Park District (\$66,250) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved June 23, 2010.
\$282,450	Mpls. Park & Rec. Bd.	Partially finance acquisition of 0.4 acre for Above the Falls Regional Park (2220 Marshall St. NE). Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Three Rivers Park District (\$66,250) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved August 25, 2010.
\$579,268	Scott County	Partially finance acquisition of 1.76 miles (about 21.36 acres) of the abandoned Union Pacific Railroad Chaska Industrial Lead Corridor for the Minnesota River Bluffs Extension & Scott County Connection Regional Trail. Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Scott County (\$193,089) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved April 27, 2011.
\$506,185	Carver County	Partially finance acquisition of 1.54 miles (about 18.94 acres) of the abandoned Union Pacific Railroad Chaska Industrial Lead Corridor for the Minnesota River Bluffs Extension & Scott County Connection Regional Trail. Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Carver County (\$168,729) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved April 27, 2011.
\$442,763	Dakota County	Partially finance acquisition of 1 acre for Lebanon Hills Regional Park (Shadduck Trust parcel) Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Dakota County (\$147,587) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved May 25, 2011.
\$13,050	Dakota County	Partially finance acquisition of a permanent conservation easement on 1.1 acres for Lebanon Hills Regional Park (Urban parcel) Grant financed 75% of acquisition cost. The remaining 25% financed by Dakota County (\$4,350) is not eligible for reimbursement consideration in a future regional park CIP. Grant approved May 25, 2011.
\$21,827,612		Total funds granted as of May 25, 2011