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January 5, 2008

Jane Malischke  
Environmental Grants Specialist  
Wisconsin Department Of Natural Resources  
810 West Maple Street  
Spooner, WI 54801

Dear Jane:

The final report for our 2008 AIS grant is enclosed.

We appreciate the help this grant afforded us to continue to make progress in keeping our members informed and our lake free of Eurasian Water Milfoil. As we hear of new lakes becoming infested and the potential problems we could face, we need to continue our efforts each year.

If you need any other information, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Dennis E. Wagoner, President  
Big Wood Lake Association, Inc.  
22650 Hanson Point Road  
Grantsburg, WI 54840

Phone :(715) 689-2815  
Email: [stakris@grantsburgtel.com.net](mailto:stakris@grantsburgtel.com.net)

**Final Report**     January 5, 2009

## **Background Information**

The Big Wood Lake Association was officially chartered in 1991, but existed several years before that in a less structured form. There are 152 properties around our 520 acre lake. Our BWLA membership ranges from 130 to 135 members, so we enjoy a relatively high percentage of membership.

The primary purpose of BWLA is to protect the health of the lake. Several studies have been completed and a water quality program has been in place for many years.

Each year several social/fund raising events are held to attract members and allow some education opportunities for the board and officers to disseminate information and engage in one on one discussions concerning AIS prevention.

Approximately 70% of our members do not have permanent residences on the lake. We are located less than two hours from the Twin Cities and many members reside in that area. We consider our proximity to the Twin Cities a risk factor in establishing a continuing effort to keep Eurasian Water Milfoil out of our lake.

Last year we completed an extensive Aquatic Plant Management Plan that documented our existing plant population and we are committed to monitor the current AIS plant population on a regular basis

## **Early Detection of AIS Infestation**

### **In lake inspections**

We employed Endangered Resource Services to perform in-lake inspections at both boat ramps and both water inflows. Research biologist Matt Berg uses scuba gear for these inspections and the quality of work is excellent. Inspections were performed eight times from May 11, 2008 through October 10, 2008. No EWM infestations were found. A copy of Berg's report is enclosed.

### **Riparian Shoreline Inspections.**

The importance of individual property owners inspecting their own shorelines for AIS continues to be stressed at the two Association meetings held each year. Members are encouraged to notify board members of any changes in their shoreline. We usually have 35-40 people at the meetings.

## Education of Wood Lake Riparians

### Membership Meetings

Two membership meetings are held each year, one in May and one in August. At these meetings the primary focus is on educating members about the prevention and identification of aquatic invasive species. Literature and handouts are available and information is provided about cleaning boats and trailers before launching. Since our lake was involved in the I-Lids pilot project, we also discussed the results of the electronic monitoring of launches and the Burnett County ordinance banning the transporting of weeds on boats and trailers.

### Flares and clothing sale

Each year the Association has a clothing and flare sale at Thoreson Park. The flares are lighted on July 3 all around the lake. The sale is held on a Saturday morning and as a part of this activity we are able to provide information to members one on one. We usually have about 60 people that we get a chance to visit with and answer questions. In addition, AIS pamphlets are made available.

### Wood Chips

We publish our newsletter, *Wood Chips* in the spring and fall. The newsletter is mailed to all member and non-member property owners. The newsletter is the main source of AIS information for those people who do not attend meetings. *Wood Chips* can be viewed on our website [www.bigwoodlake.org](http://www.bigwoodlake.org).

### Website

We maintain a website, [www.bigwoodlake.org](http://www.bigwoodlake.org). Louis Hjort is editor of *Wood Chips* and also serves as our webmaster. Louis has served the Association since inception and does an excellent job of disseminating information to our members.

## Education of Boaters/Anglers

Our Association consists of a lot of non permanent residents. Many of the permanent residents are elderly. An attempt to secure volunteers for a CB/CW program was not successful. We were able to get volunteers to monitor the I-LIDS unit through the internet. Awareness of the cleaning of boats and trailers has increased in the last two years, based on a review of these video images.

## Summary

It appears this past year was very successful. There was no reported increase in the AIS now in the lake, as well as no new species discovered. No violations were recorded by the I-LIDS unit, which is a nice improvement over last year. Members seem to be more knowledgeable about lake issues and are supportive of actions that the Association has taken to prevent EWM infestation.

**Notice:** Project Sponsors are required to provide information requested on this form when applying for payment of a grant funded by the Department. See Reporting Requirements on reverse. The Department will not process your payment request unless you provide all information requested. This information will be used to determine the amount of your payment and issue your check. Personally identifiable information collected will be used for program administration and may be made available to requesters as required under Wisconsin's Open Records law [ss. 19.31-19.39, Wis. Stats.].

Submit one copy of this request form, your completed Grant Payment Worksheet (Form 8700-002), and required documentation, listed on reverse, to your DNR Grant Specialist. See the DNR web site for additional information: <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/cfa>

**Project Sponsor Information**

Project Sponsor / Management Unit Name <i>BIG WOOD LAKE ASSOCIATION, INC</i>	Grant Number <i>AEPP-134-08</i>
Project Name <i>BIG WOOD LAKE 2008 AIS EDUCATION PROJECT</i>	County <i>BURNETT</i>
The DNR will mail the check to the name identified on the application as "Check Recipient." Questions? Contact DNR Grant Specialist.	Type of Request: <input type="checkbox"/> Partial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Supplemental (Snowmobile Only)

**Payment Information (see reverse for instructions)**

A. Payment Record to Date	Amount	This Column for DNR Use Only
1. Amount of Grant (from original or amended Grant Agreement)	<i>1350.00</i>	
2.a. Advance Payment Received, if any	<i>337.50</i>	
2.b. Total Payments Received after Advance Payment, if any	<i>0</i>	
2.c. Total Payments Received to Date (Lines 2.a. + 2.b.)	<i>337.50</i>	
3. Funds Remaining (Line 1 minus Line 2.c.)	<i>1012.50</i>	

**B. Cost Share Amount**

4. Total Eligible Project Costs this Period. Transfer data from "Total Project Costs" field on Worksheet (Form 8700-002)	\$ <i>1640.55</i>	
5. Your Share of Costs. See Line 5 instructions on reverse.	\$ <i>770.70</i>	
6. State Share of Costs (Line 4 minus Line 5) NOTE: This line cannot exceed the amount in Line 1.	\$ <i>869.85</i>	

**C. This Payment Request and Grant Balance Remaining**

7. Amount of Advance Payment Received (from Line 2a) (if no advance payment received or already accounted for, enter \$0)	\$ <i>337.50</i>	
8. Amount Eligible this Claim (Line 6 minus Line 7) NOTE: This line cannot exceed the amount in Line 3.	\$ <i>532.35</i>	Amount approved this claim →
9. Grant Balance Remaining (Line 3 minus Line 8)	\$ <i>-0-</i>	

Lake & River Grants Only: Does project include State Lab of Hygiene Sample Analysis?  Yes  No

**Certification**

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the eligible costs requested are in accordance with the terms of the grant agreement and that all expenditures are based on actual payments of record. This reimbursement represents the grant share due that has not been previously requested.

Name of Authorized Representative - type or print <i>DENNIS WAGONER</i>	(Area Code) Telephone Number <i>(715) 689-2851</i>
Signature of Authorized Representative <i>Dennis Wagoner</i>	(Area Code) FAX Number
Date Signed <i>1/5/09</i>	E-mail Address <i>stakris@grantsburgtel.com.net</i>

**Space Below this Line for DNR Use Only**

Grant Specialist Signature	Reimbursement Approval Date
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Notice: Information requested on this form is required by the Department when applying for a reimbursement of eligible expenses. The Department will not consider your payment request unless you complete and submit this form.  
 Instructions: Itemize all project expenses, including donated labor, and attach photocopies of proof of expenses and payments for each item listed. See reverse for instructions. Use additional worksheets as necessary, numbering each. Submit with Grant Payment Request, Form 8700-001, or specific grant reimbursement form, to your DNR Grant Specialist.

Does this grant project include State Lab of Hygiene sample analysis costs?  Yes  No

Date Expense Incurred	Invoice #	Proof of Payment #	Payee	Eligible Project Cost Description (Check Grant Agreement)	Amount Paid	Amount Donated	
4-17-08	2990	1378	ANDERSON GRAPHICS	WOOD CHR PRINTING EXP	148.00		
4/22/08	USPS RECEIPT	DEBIT CARD	POSTAGE	160 COPIES @ 41¢ NEWSLETTER	65.60		
10-16-08	3126	1388	ANDERSON GRAPHICS	WOOD CHR PRINTING EXP	98.40		
10-24-08	USPS RECEIPT	DEBIT CARD	POSTAGE	171 COPIES @ 42¢ NEWSLETTER	71.82		
6-27-08	EMT 1486		NORTHERN SIGN SOLUTIONS	NEW SIGN	113.55		
7-8-08	B97174		BURNETT Co-OP	HARDWARE FOR SIGN	10.98		
7-8-08	B97197		BURNETT Co-OP	HARDWARE FOR SIGN	1.90		
10-26-08	ERS-2008	1390	ENDANGERED RESOURCES SERVICES, LLC	EWM MONITORING @ RMR	360.00		
Grant Begin Date	Grant End Date					Paid Subtotal	Donated Subtotal
4-1-08	12-31-08					869.85	

Total Project Costs:  
 (Sum of Paid Subtotal and Donated Subtotal for all pages) \$ 1640.55

Grant Number: AEPD 134-08  
 Project Sponsor / Management Unit Name: BIG WOOD LAKE ASSN

STATEMENT  
IN ACCOUNT WITH



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22636 State Road 48-87  
Grantsburg, WI 54840  
(715) 463-2281

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BIG WOOD LAKE ASSOC. INC.  
P.O. Box 495  
Grantsburg, WI 54840

JOB NO & DATE	DESCRIPTION	CHARGE	PAYMENT	CURRENT BALANCE
2058 10-22-04	170 4 PAGE Fall News	98 00		98 00
10-28-04	BILLED # 2058			
11-11-04	PAID		98 00	
2183 4-21-05	170 4 PAGE + INSERT	135 00		135 00
4-25-05	BILLED # 2183 PAID 5/3		135 00	
2315 10-20-05	170 1/2 PAGE Fall News	98 00		98 00
10-28-05	BILLED # 2315 PAID 11/5		98 00	
2411 4-18-06	170 4 PG + INSERT	142 00		142 00
2445 4-18-06	190 24 PG DIRECTORY	500 00		642 00
4-28-06	BILLED # 2445 PAID 5/5/06		642 00	
2575 10-16-06	170 4 PAGE News	98 00		98 00
10-24-06	BILLED # 2575 PAID 11/3		98 00	
2722 4-17-07	170 4 PAGE + 170 2 PAGE	150 00		150 00
4-23-07	BILLED # 2722 PAID 5/14		150 00	
2847 10-15-07	170 4 PAGE News	98 00		98 00
10-17-07	BILLED # 2847 PAID 11-1		98 00	
2990 4-17-08	170 4 PAGE + 170 INSERT	148 00		148 00
4-18-08	BILLED # 2990			
2991 4-17-08	150 24 PG DIRECTORY	500 00		648 00
4-22-08	BILLED # 2991 PAID 5/5		648 00	
3126 10-16-08	170 4 PAGE News	98 00		98 00
10-22-08	BILLED # 3126			

SPRING NEWS LETTER

FALL NEWS LETTER

PLEASE PAY LAST AMOUNT THIS COLUMN

TERMS: A FINANCE CHARGE IS COMPUTED ON A PERIODIC RATE OF 1.5 PERCENT PER MONTH WHICH IS AN ANNUAL PERCENTAGE RATE OF 18 PERCENT ON ANY PREVIOUS BALANCE NOT PAID WITHIN 30 DAYS.

# NORTHERN SIGN SOLUTIONS

132 Lake Street South  
Forest Lake, MN 55025

*Grant Expense*

## Invoice

Date	Invoice #
6/27/2008	EMT-1486

<b>Bill To</b>
Big Wood Lake Association Ted Williams 22536 Assembly Drive Grantsburg, WI 54840

<b>Ship To</b>

P.O. Number	Terms	Rep	Ship	Via	F.O.B.	Project
	Full Payment Due		6/27/2008			
Quantity	Item Code	Description			Price Each	Amount
1	Vinyls	24" W x 36" H .080 Aluminum Sign R/C - Holes and 1 - Color Vinyl Graphic.			106.62	106.62T
					6.50%	6.93
Thank you for your business.					<b>Total</b>	<b>\$113.55</b>

<b>Phone #</b>	<b>Fax #</b>
(651) 982-6069	(651) 464-2645

<b>Web Site</b>
northersignsolutions.com



BURNETT CO-OP  
11679 STATE ROAD 70  
GRANTSBURG, WI  
54840  
PHONE: (715) 689-2467

OLD TO: DENNY WAGONER (CIENSKI)  
22650 HANSON POINT RD  
GRANTSBURG WI 54840

CUST NO: 823522  
TERMS: NET EOM  
RESALE NO:  
APPLY TO:  
REFERENCE:  
JOB NO: 000

DATE: 7/8/08 TIME: 8:56  
CLERK: SJP TERMINAL: 552  
SALESPERSON:  
TAX: 001 BURNETT COUNTY, WI

SHIP TO:

## INVOICE: B97174

QTY	UM	ITEM	DESCRIPTION	SUGG	PRICE /PER	EXTENSION
	EA	420	HARDWARE & FARMSUPPLIES		.50 /EA	2.00
	EA	420	HARDWARE & FARMSUPPLIES		.35 /EA	1.40
	EA	420	HARDWARE & FARMSUPPLIES		.17 /EA	0.68
	EA	420	HARDWARE & FARMSUPPLIES		.17 /EA	0.34
	EA	42311	U STYLE 7' FENCE POST		5.99 /EA	5.99

\*\* PAID IN FULL \*\*

10.98

TAXABLE 10.41  
NON-TAXABLE 0.00  
SUBTOTAL 10.41

BANKCARD PAYMENT  
BKCRD 41424

10.98

TAX AMOUNT 0.57  
**TOTAL 10.98**

TOT WT: 0.00

X

Received By \_\_\_\_\_

Merchandise Returns: Must be fit for resale and are subject to a 15% restocking charge.  
Items returned after 30 days will be subject to a 25% restocking charge. No returns accepted  
on special order items.





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DATE: 7/8/08  
CLERK: HMK  
SALESPERSON:  
TAX: 001 BURNETT COUNTY, WI  
TIME: 9:38  
TERMINAL: 552

SHIP TO:

**INVOICE: B97197**

QTY	UN	ITEM	DESCRIPTION	SUGG	PRICE	/PER	EXTENSION
	EA	420	HARDWARE & FARMSUPPLIES			.90 /EA	1.80

\*\* PAID IN FULL \*\*

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TAXABLE 1.80  
NON-TAXABLE 0.00  
SUBTOTAL 1.80

BANKCARD PAYMENT  
BKCRD 41424

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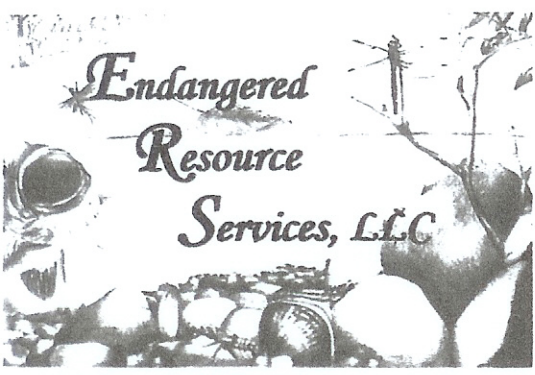
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**TOTAL 1.90**

TOT WT: 0.00

X

Received By

Merchandise Returns: Must be fit for resale and are subject to a 15% restocking charge.  
Items returned after 30 days will be subject to a 25% restocking charge. No returns accepted  
on items that are not returned in original order packaging.



Matthew S. Berg, Research Biologist  
[dfly@centurytel.net](mailto:dfly@centurytel.net)  
572 N. Day Road  
St. Croix Falls, WI 54024  
715-483-BUGS (2847) 715-338-7502 (cell)



*Specializing in Aquatic Plant, Mussel, Dragonfly and Bird Surveys  
Habitat Assessment and Endangered Species Mitigation*

From:  
Endangered Resource Services, LLC  
Matthew S. Berg  
572 N. Day Road  
St. Croix Falls, WI 54024

To:  
Big Wood Lake Association  
Dick Norum  
22595 Akermark Road  
Grantsburg, WI 54840

October 26, 2008

Invoice: ERS – 2008 – 017 - Wood Lake EWM Monitoring at Boat Launches and Inlets  
– May to October 2008

This letter is to serve as an invoice for the Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM) Surveys that I conducted on Big Wood Lake in the summer of 2008. I am pleased to once again announce that we have found no evidence of a EWM infestation at the east boat landing, Thoreson Park Landing, Spirit Creek Inlet or Wood River Inlet.

A charge of \$30 dollars per hour was applied to all services rendered. Those services included 8 qualitative surveys (May 11<sup>th</sup>, June 7<sup>th</sup>, June 24<sup>th</sup>, July 13<sup>th</sup>, August 1, August 25<sup>th</sup>, September 21<sup>st</sup>, and October 10<sup>th</sup>).

Thus, the lake association's total bill is:

$$1.5 \text{ hrs/survey} * 8 \text{ surveys} * \$30/\text{hr} = \$360$$

Thank you very much for your business, and I look forward to working for you again in the future!

Sincerely,

10/26/2008

*Matthew S. Berg*

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Does this grant project include State Lab of Hygiene sample analysis costs?  Yes  No

Date Expense Incurred	Invoice #	Proof of Payment #	Payee	Eligible Project Cost Description (Check Grant Agreement)	Amount Paid	Amount Donated	Project Sponsor / Management Unit Name	Grant Number	
VARIOUS			SEE DONATED LABOR SUMMARY	2008 AIS EDUCATION PROJECT	-	672.00			
6-13-08			DENNIS WAGONER	MILEAGE 95 @ .42 CHECK ON STATUS OF S/16N FOREST LAKE		39.90			
6-27-08			TED WILLIAMS	MILEAGE 95 @ .42 PICK UP SIGN IN FOREST LAKE		39.90			
7-8-08			DENNIS WAGONER	INSTALL SIGN @ AKER MARK		6.30			
4-22-08			DENNIS WAGONER	LANDING 15 @ .42		6.30			
10-24-08			DENNIS WAGONER	MILEAGE TO MAIL 15 @ .42 NEWSLETTER (SPRING)		6.30			
				NEWSLETTER (FALL)					
Grant Begin Date	Grant End Date						Paid Subtotal	Donated Subtotal	
4-1-08	12-31-08							770.70	

**Total Project Costs:**  
(Sum of Paid Subtotal and Donated Subtotal for all pages) \$

## Donated Volunteer Labor Summary

Lakes/Rivers Grant Program

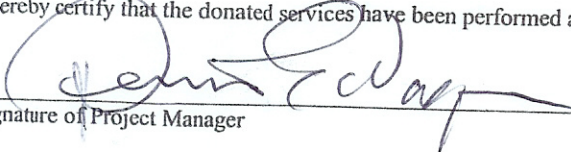
Project Sponsor: BIG WOOD LAKE ASSN INC Grant Proj. Number: AEPP.134-08

Project Name: BIG WOOD LAKE 2008 AIS EDUCATION PROJECT

Name of Volunteer	Hours	X Rate =	Total
TED WILLIAMS	21	8-	168.00
DENNY WAGONER	17	8-	136.00
LYNN VANGSGARD	10	8-	80.00
DICK NORUM	10	8-	80.00
JACK CHURCH	2	8.	16.00
MARGIE CHAMPLIN	7	8.	56.00
GENE SOTERBECK	3	8-	24.00
LOUIS HJORT	14	8	112.00
<b>Total Value of Services Performed:</b>			84 X ** = 672.00

\*\*River Planning & Protection = use prevailing Federal Minimum Wage.  
Lake Planning & Lake Protection = Use \$8.00

I hereby certify that the donated services have been performed and that this claim is fair and correct.

Signature of Project Manager:  Date: 1/5/09

**Donated Volunteer Labor Worksheet**  
Lakes/Rivers Grant Program

Volunteer's Name: Ted Williams Grant Proj. Number: AERP 134-08

Project Name: BIG WOOD LAKE 2008 AIS EDUCATION PROJECT

Date	Description of Work Performed	Hours	X	Rate	=	Total
6/28/08	Flare sale: member education 3 hrs	3		8.00		24.00
6/6/08	Drove to Forest Lake to check on sign availability, etc 3 hrs	3		8-		24.00
May, 2008	Worked on sign layout & content	2		8-		16.00
<del>6/1/08</del> 4/1/08	went to Forest Lake to pick up sign	3		8-		24.00
6/10/08	went to Forest Lake to order sign and sign post	4		8-		32.00
7/7/08	Installed sign at east boat ramp	3		8-		24.00
7/26/08	Member education at our annual membership BBQ	2		8-		16.00
8/23/08	Fall Membership meeting - member education	1		8-		8.00
<b>Total Value of Services Performed:</b>						<b>21</b>
						<b>168.00</b>

*Ted Williams*

I hereby certify that the donated services have been performed and that this claim is fair and correct.

Signature of Project Manager *Dennis E. Way*

Date 1-5-09



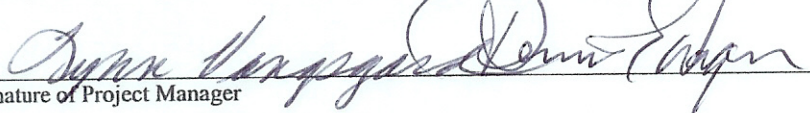
**Donated Volunteer Labor Worksheet**  
Lakes/Rivers Grant Program

Volunteer's Name: LYNN VANESGARD Grant Proj. Number: AEP134-08

Project Name: BIG WOOD LAKE 2008 AIS EDUCATION PROJECT

Date	Description of Work Performed	Hours	X	Rate	=	Total
6/28	education	1		8.00		8.00
	VARIOUS education	2		}		16.00
7/26	education	4				32.00
5/17	education	1				8.00
8/23	education	2				16.00
<b>Total Value of Services Performed:</b>		<u>10</u>				<u>80.00</u>

I hereby certify that the donated services have been performed and that this claim is fair and correct.

  
Signature of Project Manager

Date 1-5-09  
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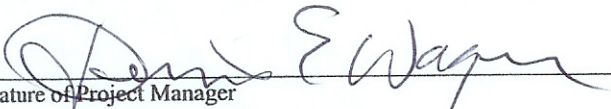
**Donated Volunteer Labor Worksheet**  
Lakes/Rivers Grant Program

Volunteer's Name: Dick Norum Grant Proj. Number: AERP134-08

Project Name: BIG WOOD LAKE 2008 AIS EDUCATION PROJECT

Date	Description of Work Performed	Hours	X Rate	= Total
June 28/08	Pizare Sale & Educate	3	8.00	24.00
7/26/08	Pig Roast & Educate	4	8.00	32.00
May 17/08	Educate	1	8.00	8.00
Aug 23/08	Educate	2	8.00	16.00
<b>Total Value of Services Performed:</b>		<u>10</u>		<u>80.00</u>

I hereby certify that the donated services have been performed and that this claim is fair and correct.

Signature of Project Manager 

Date 1-5-09  
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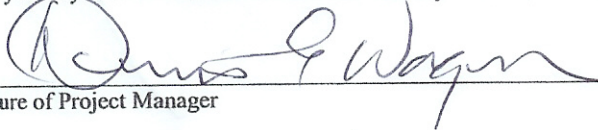
**Donated Volunteer Labor Worksheet**  
Lakes/Rivers Grant Program

Volunteer's Name: Gene Seibert Grant Proj. Number: AEDP-134-08

Project Name: BIG WOOD LAKE 2008 AIS EDUCATION PROJECT

Date	Description of Work Performed	Hours	X Rate	=	Total
5/17/08	AIS training	1	8-		8-
7/2/08	AIS education	1	8-		8-
7/3/08	AIS education	1	8		8-
<b>Total Value of Services Performed:</b>		<u>3</u>			<u>24.00</u>

I hereby certify that the donated services have been performed and that this claim is fair and correct.

  
Signature of Project Manager

1-5-09  
Date

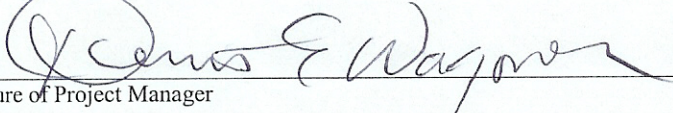
**Donated Volunteer Labor Worksheet**  
 Lakes/Rivers Grant Program

Volunteer's Name: LOUIS HORT Grant Proj. Number: AEPP-134-08

Project Name: BIG WOOD LAKE 2008 AIS EDUCATION PROJECT

Date	Description of Work Performed	Hours	X Rate	= Total
4/15/08	WOODCHIPS NEWSLETTER	4	8-	32.00
4/20/08	WEBSITE UPDATE	2	8-	16.00
10/15/08	WOODCHIPS NEWSLETTER	4	8-	32.00
10/20/08	WEBSITE UPDATE	2	8-	16.00
VAR	GROUP EMAILS	2	8-	16.00
<b>Total Value of Services Performed:</b>		<u>14</u>		<u>112.00</u>

I hereby certify that the donated services have been performed and that this claim is fair and correct.

  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Project Manager

1-5-09  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date