

ADMINISTRATIVE READINESS QUESTIONNAIRE

The purpose of this questionnaire is to help determine if a Sponsor is adequately equipped to administer EWP funds. If an applicant is not equipped, the applicant may be asked to retain the services of a qualified organization to assist in administering EWP funds. Please complete the entire questionnaire as candidly as possible. A copy of this questionnaire must be returned to the NRCS program manager before an EWP cooperative agreement will be executed with a Sponsor.

NRCS Contact Paul Rodrigue	Phone Number 662-226-5683 ext. 4150
Email Address paul.rodrigue@ms.usda.gov	State Mississippi

Sponsor City of Vicksburg	Contact Name George Flaggs, Jr.
Street Address 1401 Walnut Street	Phone Number 601-631-3718
City/state Vicksburg, MS	Email mayorflaggs@vicksburg.org

1. Have you or your staff administered grants or loans from other federal programs in the past? Yes
2. Have you or your staff previously (check all that apply):
 - ☒ Completed actions in a competitive bidding process that was funded totally or in part with federal dollars.
 - ☒ Prepared a solicitation package for a project that included federal financial assistance funds and was developed in accordance with state law?
 - ☒ Obtained performance bonds from a contractor performing work under a contract funded totally or in part with federal dollars?
 - ☒ Administered contracts funded totally or in part with federal dollars?
3. Are you or your staff experienced with federal requirements related to (check all that apply):
 - ☒ Project funds, financial management and audit requirements
 - ☒ Real property acquisition or easements
4. Does your organization have a financial management system in place that meets the requirements of 2 CFR 200.302? Yes
5. Does your organization have an active system for award management (SAM) registration? Yes
6. Does your organization have procurement standards in place that meet the requirements of 2 CFR 200.317? Yes
7. Will you require assistance from an outside organization to meet these requirements? No

Sponsor Signature/Date 06/21/2018	Name/Title George Flaggs, Jr., Mayor
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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

*** 1. Type of Submission:**

- ☐ Preapplication
☒ Application
☐ Changed/Corrected Application

*** 2. Type of Application:**

- ☒ New
☐ Continuation
☐ Revision

*** If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):**

*** Other (Specify):**

*** 3. Date Received:**

4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

5b. Federal Award Identifier:

State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

*** a. Legal Name:** City of Vicksburg

*** b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):**

64-6001174

*** c. Organizational DUNS:**

0779067250000

d. Address:

* Street1: 1401 Walnut Street

Street2:

* City: Vicksburg

County/Parish:

* State:

MS: Mississippi

Province:

* Country:

USA: UNITED STATES

* Zip / Postal Code: 39180-3261

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

Division Name:

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix:

* First Name:

Garnet

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Van Norman

Suffix:

Title: Public Works Director

Organizational Affiliation:

* Telephone Number: 601-634-4555

Fax Number:

* Email: garnetv@vicksburg.org

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* 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:

C: City or Township Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

* Other (specify):

* 10. Name of Federal Agency:

USDA, Natural Resources Conservation Service

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

10.923

CFDA Title:

Emergency Watershed Protection Program

* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:

N/A

* Title:

N/A

13. Competition Identification Number:

N/A

Title:

N/A

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

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* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:

Streambank stabilization on Sherman Recreation

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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* a. Applicant

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* b. Program/Project

MS-004

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.

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17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date:

* b. End Date:

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal

495,008.25

* b. Applicant

150,002.50

* c. State

* d. Local

* e. Other

* f. Program Income

* g. TOTAL

645,010.75

*** 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?**☐ a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on☐ b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.☒ c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.*** 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)**☐ Yes☒ No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

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21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)

☐ ** I AGREE

** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.

Authorized Representative:

Prefix:

* First Name:

George

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Flaggs

Suffix:

* Title:

Mayor, City of Vicksburg

* Telephone Number:

601-631-3718

Fax Number:

* Email:

mayorflaggs@vicksburg.org

* Signature of Authorized Representative:

* Date Signed:

06/21/2018

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PROJECT: EWP – Locally Led FA-TA

EMERGENCY WATERSHED PROTECTION PROGRAM
STATEMENT OF WORK

PURPOSE

The purpose of this agreement is for the United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, hereinafter referred to as the "NRCS", to provide technical and financial assistance to City of Vicksburg, hereinafter referred to as the "Sponsor", for EWP Project # _____ in Warren County, MS, for implementation of recovery measures, that, if left undone, pose a risk to life and/or property.

OBJECTIVES

The design and installation of EWP measures as detailed in the individual Damage Survey Report (DSR) and described here:

- Sherman Recreation – Streambank Stabilization - \$600,010.00

BUDGET NARRATIVE

A. The estimated costs for the Project:

1. Total Estimated Project Budget: \$600,010.00

The budget includes:

Financial Assistance (FA) Costs:

Construction Costs (75% NRCS \$495,008.25 + 25% Sponsor \$150,002.50): \$645,010.75

Technical Assistance (TA) Costs:

100% NRCS (7.5% of total construction cost): \$45,000.75

2. NRCS pays up to 75 percent of eligible construction costs, and Sponsor pays 25 percent of construction costs. NRCS will contribute up to 7.5 percent of the total construction cost for contract administration and construction management costs. It is possible that technical and administrative costs will exceed this amount, requiring the Sponsor to contribute resources to complete technical and administrative work.
3. NRCS funding for this project is provided to the Sponsor in two separate NRCS funding accounts, one for financial assistance (FA) and one for technical assistance (TA). FA costs are associated with construction activities; TA costs are associated with services. These expenditures shall be accounted for separately in order for expenses to be eligible for reimbursement.
4. NRCS will provide FA for actual costs as reimbursement to the Sponsor for approved on-the-ground construction costs, subject to above limits. If costs are reduced, reimbursement will be reduced accordingly. Construction costs are associated with the installation of the project measures including labor, equipment and materials.

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5. NRCS will provide TA reimbursement to the Sponsor for technical and administrative costs directly charged to the project, subject to the above limits. If costs are reduced, reimbursement will be reduced accordingly. These costs include
 - a. engineering costs include, but not limited to, developing a project design that includes construction drawings and specifications, an operation and maintenance plan, a quality assurance/inspection plan and an engineer's estimate of the project installation costs in addition to providing necessary quality assurance during construction.
 - b. contract administration costs include, but not limited to, soliciting, evaluating, awarding and administering contracts for construction and engineering services, including project management, verifying invoices and record keeping.
6. The Sponsor will contribute funds toward the total construction costs in either direct cash expenditures, the value of non-cash materials or services, or in-kind contributions. The value of any in-kind contribution shall be agreed to in writing prior to implementation.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES

A. Sponsor will—

1. Accomplish construction of the EWP project measures by contracting, in-kind construction services, or a combination of both.
2. Ensure and certify by signing this agreement that its cost share obligation is from a non-Federal source.
3. Designate a project liaison to serve between the Sponsor and NRCS and identify that person's contact information with this executed agreement. Any change in the project liaison during the terms of this agreement must be immediately communicated to NRCS.
4. Appoint a contracting officer and an authorized representative who will have authority to act for the contracting officer, listing their duties, responsibilities, and authorities. Furnish such information in writing to the NRCS State Conservationist.
5. Comply with the terms and conditions of this agreement and the attached general terms and conditions except those that are not applicable to State and local governments.
6. Acquire and provide certification to NRCS that real property rights (land and water), permits and licenses in accordance with local, state, and Federal laws necessary for the installation of EWP project measures have been obtained at no cost to NRCS prior to construction. This includes any rights associated with required environmental mitigation. Sponsors shall provide such certification on Form NRCS-ADS-78, Assurances Relating to Real Property Acquisition. Sponsors shall also provide an attorney's opinion supporting this certification. Costs related to land rights and permits are the Sponsor's responsibility and ineligible for reimbursement.

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7. Accept all financial and other responsibility for excess costs resulting from their failure to obtain, or their delay in obtaining, adequate land and water rights, permits and licenses needed for the Project.
8. Provide the agreed-to portion of the actual, eligible and approved construction cost. These costs may be in the form of cash, in-kind construction services, or a combination of both. Final construction items that are eligible construction costs will be agreed upon during the pre-design conference. These costs consist of costs from contracts awarded to contractors and eligible Sponsor in-kind construction costs for materials, labor, and equipment. The Sponsor shall provide NRCS documentation to support all eligible construction costs. Construction costs incurred prior to the Sponsor and NRCS signing this agreement are ineligible and will not be reimbursed.
9. Be responsible for 100 percent of all ineligible construction costs and 100 percent of any unapproved upgrade to increase the level of protection over and above that described in the DSR.
10. Account for and report FA and TA expenditures separately in order for expenses to be eligible for reimbursement. NRCS funding for this project is provided to the Sponsor in two separate NRCS funding accounts, one for TA and one for FA, requiring this separation.
11. Prepare design, construction specifications, and drawings in accordance with standard engineering principles that comply with NRCS programmatic requirements; and/or contract/install the designed construction. Any design services will be by a professional registered engineer. Sponsor will obtain NRCS review and concurrence on the design, construction plans, and specifications. The Sponsor must ensure description of work is reviewed, concurred, and approved by NRCS. A copy of the final signed and sealed plans and specifications shall be provided to NRCS.
12. Contract for services and construction in accordance with the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), 2 CFR § 200.317 through 200.326, applicable State regulations, and the Sponsor's procurement regulations, as appropriate. (See general terms and conditions attached to this agreement for a link to the CFR.) In accordance with 2 CFR § 200.326, contracts must contain the applicable provisions described in Appendix II to Part 200. Davis-Bacon Act would not apply under this Federal program legislation.
13. The contracts for design services and construction described in this Agreement shall not be awarded to the Sponsor or to any firm in which any Sponsor's official or any member of such official's immediate family has direct or indirect interest in the pecuniary profits or contracts of such firms. Reference 2 CFR § 200.318 regarding standards of conduct covering conflicts of interest and governing the performance of its employees engaged in the selection, award, and administration of contracts.
14. For contracts, provide NRCS a copy of solicitation notice, bid abstract, and notice of contract award, or other basis of cost and accomplishment.

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15. For in-kind construction services (materials, labor, and/or equipment supplied by the Sponsor), develop a Plan of Operations describing the construction services to be performed including estimated quantities and values. The Plan of Operations shall be concurred in by NRCS at the pre-design conference. In-kind construction services for equipment shall not exceed published FEMA equipment rates unless otherwise documented and concurred in advance by NRCS.
16. The following documentation is required to support the Sponsor's request for reimbursement of in-kind construction services:
 - a. Invoices covering actual costs of materials used in constructing the eligible EWP project measures.
 - b. Records documenting the type, quality, and quantities of materials actually used in constructing the eligible EWP project measures.
 - c. Daily time records for each employee showing name, classification, wage rate, hours, and dates actually employed for constructing the eligible EWP project measures.
 - d. Equipment operating records showing the type and size of equipment, hourly rate, actual hours of operation and dates used to install the eligible EWP project measures. Equipment idle time is not eligible in-kind construction services, even if on the job site, and should not be included in the equipment operating records.
17. Prior to commencement of work and/or solicitation of bids, submit for NRCS review and concurrence a Quality Assurance Plan (QAP). The QAP shall outline technical and administrative expertise required to ensure the EWP project measures are installed in accordance with the plans and specifications, identify individuals with the expertise, describe items to be inspected, list equipment required for inspection, outline the frequency and timing of inspection (continuous or periodic), outline inspection procedures, and record keeping requirements. A copy of the final QAP shall be provided to NRCS prior to commencement of construction.
18. Provide construction inspection in accordance with the QAP.
19. Prepare and submit for NRCS concurrence an Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Plan, if applicable, prior to commence of work. The O&M Plan shall describe the activities the Sponsor will do to ensure the project performs as designed. Upon completion of the project measures, the Sponsor shall assume responsibility for O&M.
20. Provide copies of site maps to appropriate Federal and State agencies for environmental review. Sponsor will notify NRCS of environmental clearance, modification of construction plans, or any unresolved concerns as well as copies of all permits, licenses, and other documents required by Federal, state, and local statutes and ordinances prior to solicitation for installation of the EWP project measures. All modifications to the plans and specifications shall be reviewed and concurred on by NRCS.
21. Ensure that any special requirements for compliance with environmental and/or cultural resource laws are incorporated into the project.

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22. The Sponsor must secure at its own expense all Federal, State, and local permits and licenses necessary for completion of the work described in this agreement as well as any necessary natural resource rights and provide copies of all permits and licenses obtained to NRCS.
23. Will arrange and pay for any necessary location, removal, or relocation of utilities. EWP program regulations prohibit NRCS from reimbursing the Sponsor or otherwise paying for any such costs; nor do the costs qualify as a Sponsor cost-share contribution.
24. Ensure that technical and engineering standards and specifications of NRCS are adhered to during construction of the Project, as interpreted by NRCS Program/Technical Contact. Provide NRCS Program/Technical Contact progress reports as necessary and agreed to. Progress reports should include technical on-site inspections of work accomplished for the period, work planned, results of material tests, deficient work products and/or tests with corrective actions taken, modifications anticipated, technical problems encountered, contractual issues and other relevant information.
25. Ensure that all contractors on NRCS assisted projects are performing their work in accordance with OSHA regulations and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 USC 327-330) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). The Sponsor is responsible for periodically checking the contractor's compliance with safety requirements.
26. Arrange for and conduct final inspection of completed project with NRCS to determine whether all work has been performed in accordance with contractual requirements. Provide a PE certification that the Project was installed in accordance with approved plans and specifications.
27. Provide PE-certified as-built drawings and quantities for the project. A copy of the as-built drawings will be submitted to the NRCS Program/Technical Contact.
28. Pay the contractor(s) for work performed in accordance with the agreement and submit a SF-270, "Request for Advance or Reimbursement" to the NRCS Program/Technical Contact with all documentation to support the request. Final payment request shall be submitted within 90 calendar days of completion of the EWP project measures. Payments will be withheld until all required documentation is submitted and complete.
 - a. **The required supporting documentation for reimbursement of construction costs** include invoices and proof of payment to the contractor showing the items and quantities installed and certified by the engineer of record along with any supporting documentation such as quantity calculations, rock weight tickets, etc.
 - b. **The required supporting documentation for reimbursement of in-kind construction expenses** will include employee time sheets, employee hourly rate, equipment operating logs, equipment hourly rate, and material quantities and invoices.
 - c. **The required documentation for reimbursement of technical and administrative services** will be invoices and proof of payment to consultants and/or employee time

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sheets along with the employee's hourly rate, hours worked, and date work was performed.

29. Ensure that information in the System for Award Management (SAM) is current and accurate until the final financial report (SF-425) under this award or final payment is received, whichever is later.
30. Take reasonable and necessary actions to dispose of all contractual and administrative issues arising out of the contract(s) awarded under this Agreement. This includes, but is not limited to disputes, claims, protests of award, source evaluation, and litigation that may result from the Project. Such actions will be at the expense of the Sponsor, including any legal expenses. The Sponsor will advise, consult with, and obtain prior written concurrence of NRCS on any litigation matters in which NRCS could have a financial interest.
31. Sponsor must indemnify and hold NRCS harmless to the extent permitted by State law for any costs, damages, claims, liabilities, and judgments arising from past, present, and future acts or omissions of the Sponsor in connection with its acquisition and management of the Emergency Watershed Protection Program pursuant to this agreement. Further, the Sponsor agrees that NRCS will have no responsibility for acts and omissions of the Sponsor, its agents, successors, assigns, employees, contractors, or lessees in connection with the acquisition and management of the Emergency Watershed Protection Program pursuant to this agreement that result in violation of any laws and regulations that are now or that may in the future become applicable.
32. Retain all records dealing with the award and administration of the contract(s) for 3 years from the date of the Sponsor's submission of the final request for reimbursement or until final audit findings have been resolved, whichever is longer. If any litigation is started before the expiration of the 3-year period, records are to be retained until the litigation is resolved or the end of the 3-year period, whichever is longer. Make such records available to the Comptroller General of the United States or his or her duly authorized representative and accredited representatives of the Department of Agriculture or cognizant audit agency for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts, and transcriptions.
33. Be liable to the NRCS for damages sustained by the NRCS as a result of the contractor failing to complete the work within the specified time. The damages will be based upon the additional costs incurred by the NRCS resulting from the contractor not completing the work within the allowable performance period. These costs include but are not limited to personnel costs, travel, etc. The NRCS will have the right to withhold such amount out of any monies that may be then due or that may become due and payable to the Sponsor. This liability is not applicable to the extent that the contract performance time is extended by court judgment unless such judgment results from actions of the Sponsor not concurred in by NRCS.
34. Take necessary legal action, including bringing suit, to collect from the contractor any monies due in connection with the contract, or upon request of NRCS, assign and transfer to NRCS any or all claims, demands, and causes of action of every kind whatsoever that the Sponsor has against the contractor or his or her sureties.

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B. NRCS will—

1. Assist Sponsor in establishing design parameters; determine eligible construction costs during the pre-design conference.
2. Designate a Government representative (GR) to serve as liaison with the Sponsor and identify that person's contact information with this executed agreement.
3. Review, comment and concur in preliminary and final plans, specifications, O&M Plan, Plan of Operations (if required) and QAP.
4. Make periodic site visits during the installation of the EWP project measures to review construction progress, document conformance to engineering plans and specifications, and provide any necessary clarification on the Sponsor's responsibilities.
5. Upon notification of the completion of the EWP project measures, NRCS shall promptly review the performance of the Sponsor to determine if the requirements of this agreement and fund expenditures as agreed have been met.
6. Make payment to the Sponsor covering NRCS' share of the cost upon receipt and approval of Form SF-270 and supporting documentation, withholding the amount of damages sustained by NRCS as provided for in this agreement. In the event there are questions regarding the SF 270 and supporting documentation, NRCS will contact the Sponsor in a timely manner to resolve concerns.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS

- A. The furnishing of financial, administrative, and/or technical assistance above the original funding amount by NRCS is contingent on there being sufficient unobligated and uncommitted funding in the Emergency Watershed Protection Program that is available for obligation in the year in which the assistance will be provided. NRCS may not make commitments in excess of funds authorized by law or made administratively available. Congress may impose obligational limits on program funding that constrains NRCS's ability to provide such assistance.
- B. In the event of default of a construction contract awarded pursuant to this agreement, any additional funds properly allocable as construction costs required to ensure completion of the job are to be provided in the same ratio as construction funds are contributed by the parties under the terms of this agreement. Any excess costs including interest resulting from a judgment collected from the defaulting contractor, or his or her surety, will be prorated between the Sponsor and NRCS in the same ratio as construction funds are contributed under the terms of the agreement.
- C. Additional funds, including interest properly allocable as construction costs as determined by NRCS, required as a result of decision of the CO or a court judgment in favor of a claimant will be provided in the same ratio as construction funds are contributed under the terms of this agreement. NRCS will not be obligated to contribute funds under any agreement or commitment made by the Sponsor without prior concurrence of NRCS.

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- D. The State Conservationist may make adjustments in the estimated cost to NRCS set forth in this agreement for constructing the EWP measures. Such adjustments may increase or decrease the amount of estimated funds that are related to differences between such estimated cost and the amount of the awarded contract or to changes, differing site conditions, quantity variations, or other actions taken under the provisions of the contract. No adjustment will be made to change the cost sharing assistance provided by NRCS as set forth in this agreement, nor reduce funds below the amount required to carry out NRCS' share of the contract.
- E. Except for item D. above, this document may be revised as mutually agreed through a written amendment duly executed by authorized officials of all signatory parties to this agreement.
- F. NRCS, at its sole discretion, may refuse to cost share should the Sponsor, in administering the contract, elect to proceed without obtaining concurrence as set out in this agreement.
- G. Once the project is completed and all requests for reimbursement submitted, any excess funding remaining in the agreement will be de-obligated from the agreement.
- H. If inconsistencies arise between the language in the Statement of Work (SOW) in the agreement and the general terms and conditions, the language in the SOW takes precedence.

EXPECTED ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND DELIVERABLES

The following accomplishments and deliverable will be provided to NRCS. List as applicable

1. One copy of the final engineering plans, specifications signed and sealed by a licensed professional engineer, including engineer's cost estimate, and approved Plan of Operations (if applicable).
2. Signed NRCS-ADS-78 supported by an attorney's opinion.
3. One copy of the quality assurance plan.
4. One copy of the operation and maintenance plan.
5. One copy of the notice of solicitation, bid abstract, and notice of award.
6. Certification that the project was installed in accordance with the plans and specifications.
7. As-built drawings of final construction sign by a licensed professional engineer within 30 days of completion of construction.
8. Quantities of the units of work applied for each site within 30 days of completion of construction.

MILESTONES

Milestones shall include, but not limited to, the following items: List as applicable: Contract for Engineering, construction services and quality assurance; announcement and solicitation of construction contract; O & M Plan, Award construction contract; Estimated completion of construction; provide estimated dates (month/year)

1. Pre-construction design conference within 30 days of signing agreement.
2. Submit to NRCS a schedule with time lines of major items to be completed within 14 days of the pre-design conference.

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3. Acquire needed real property rights and permits (signed NRCS-ADS-78 supported by an attorney's opinion) prior to start of construction.
4. Obtaining permits.
5. Completing any necessary surveys.
6. Completing draft engineering plans and specifications for NRCS review.
7. Completing final engineering plans and specifications.
8. Completing quality assurance plan.
9. Solicit bids.
10. Award contract.

BUDGET INFORMATION - Construction Programs

NOTE: Certain Federal assistance programs require additional computations to arrive at the Federal share of project costs eligible for participation. If such is the case, you will be notified.

COST CLASSIFICATION	a. Total Cost	b. Costs Not Allowable for Participation	c. Total Allowable Costs (Columns a-b)
1. Administrative and legal expenses	\$ 45,000.75	\$	\$ 45,000.75
2. Land, structures, rights-of-way, appraisals, etc.	\$	\$	\$
3. Relocation expenses and payments	\$	\$	\$
4. Architectural and engineering fees	\$	\$	\$
5. Other architectural and engineering fees	\$	\$	\$
6. Project inspection fees	\$	\$	\$
7. Site work	\$	\$	\$
8. Demolition and removal	\$	\$	\$
9. Construction	\$ 600,010.00	\$	\$ 600,010.00
10. Equipment	\$	\$	\$
11. Miscellaneous	\$	\$	\$
12. SUBTOTAL (sum of lines 1-11)	\$ 645,010.75	\$	\$ 645,010.75
13. Contingencies	\$	\$	\$
14. SUBTOTAL	\$ 645,010.75	\$	\$ 645,010.75
15. Project (program) income	\$	\$	\$
16. TOTAL PROJECT COSTS (subtract #15 from #14)	\$ 645,010.75	\$	\$ 645,010.75

FEDERAL FUNDING

17. Federal assistance requested, calculate as follows:
(Consult Federal agency for Federal percentage share.) Enter eligible costs from line 16c Multiply X % \$ 495,008.25
Enter the resulting Federal share.

**U.S. Department of Agriculture
Natural Resources Conservation Service**

**NRCS-ADS-78
5-88**

**ASSURANCES RELATING TO
REAL PROPERTY ACQUISITION**

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- A. PURPOSE - This form is to be used by sponsor(s) to provide the assurances to the Natural Resources Conservation Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture which is required in connection with the installation project measures which involve Federal financial assistance furnished by the Natural Resources Conservation Service.
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- B. PROJECT MEASURES COVERED -

Name of project: DSR: 28041491801

Identity of improvement or development: Streambank stabilization

Location: City of Vicksburg – Sherman Recreation

- C. REAL PROPERTY ACQUISITION ASSURANCE -

This assurance is applicable if real property interests were acquired for the installation of project measures, and/or if persons, businesses, or farm operations were displaced as a result of such installation; and this assurance was not previously provided for in the watershed, project measure, or other type of plan.

If this assurance was not previously provided, the undersigned sponsor(s) hereby assures they have complied, to the extent practicable under State law, with the requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act (42 U.S.C. 4601-4655), as implemented in 7 C.F.R. Part 21. Any exceptions taken from the real property acquisition requirements under the authority of 42 U.S.C. 4655 because of State law have been or are hereby furnished to the Natural Resources Conservation Service along with the opinion of the Chief Legal Officer of the State containing a full discussion of the facts and law furnished.

- D. ASSURANCE OF ADEQUACY OF REAL PROPERTY RIGHTS -

The undersigned sponsor(s) hereby assures that adequate real property rights and interests, water rights if applicable, permits and licenses required by Federal, State, and local law, ordinance or regulation, and related actions have been taken to obtain the legal right to install, operate, maintain, inspect and inspect the above-described project measures, except for structures or improvements that are to be removed, relocated, modified, or salvaged before and/or during the installation process.

This assurance is given with the knowledge that sponsor(s) are responsible for any excess costs or other consequences in the event the real property rights are found to be inadequate during the installation process.

Furthermore, this assurance is supported by an attorney's opinion attached hereto that certifies an examination of the real property instruments and files was made and they were found to provide adequate title, right, permission and authority for the purpose(s) for which the property was acquired.

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If any of the real property rights or interests were obtained by condemnation (eminent domain) proceedings, sponsor(s) further assure and agree to prosecute the proceedings to a final conclusion and pay such damages as awarded by the court.

City of Vicksburg
(Name of Sponsor)

By: _____
(Signature)

Title: **Mayor**

Date: **06/21/2018**

This action authorized at an official meeting
of the City of Vicksburg on
_____ day of _____, 20____

State of Mississippi

Attest

(Name)

(Title)

ASSURANCES - CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

OMB Number: 4040-0009
Expiration Date: 06/30/2014

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PLEASE DO NOT RETURN YOUR COMPLETED FORM TO THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET. SEND IT TO THE ADDRESS PROVIDED BY THE SPONSORING AGENCY.

NOTE: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the Awarding Agency. Further, certain Federal assistance awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the assistance; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will not dispose of, modify the use of, or change the terms of the real property title or other interest in the site and facilities without permission and instructions from the awarding agency. Will record the Federal awarding agency directives and will include a covenant in the title of real property acquired in whole or in part with Federal assistance funds to assure non-discrimination during the useful life of the project.
4. Will comply with the requirements of the assistance awarding agency with regard to the drafting, review and approval of construction plans and specifications.
5. Will provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering supervision at the construction site to ensure that the complete work conforms with the approved plans and specifications and will furnish progressive reports and such other information as may be required by the assistance awarding agency or State.
6. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
7. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
8. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards of merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
9. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
10. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to non-discrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681 1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.

11. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal and federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
12. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
13. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333) regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
14. Will comply with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
15. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
16. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
17. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
18. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
19. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
20. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>	TITLE <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Mayor</div>
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">City of Vicksburg</div>	DATE SUBMITTED <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">06/21/2018</div>

Certification Regarding Lobbying

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

City of Vicksburg

Organization Name

PR/Award Number or Project Name

George Flaggs, Jr., Mayor

Name and Title of Authorized Representative

06/21/2018

Signature

Date

AD-3031

U.S. Department of Agriculture
ASSURANCE REGARDING FELONY CONVICTION
OR TAX DELINQUENT STATUS FOR CORPORATE APPLICANTS

NOTE: The following statement is made in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 USC 552(a) as amended). The authority for requesting the following information for USDA agencies and offices is in sections 745 and 746 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016, Pub. L. 114-113, as amended and/or subsequently enacted. The information will be used to document compliance with appropriations restrictions.

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This award is subject to the provisions contained in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016, Pub. L. 114-113, Division E, Title VII, sections 745 and 746, as amended and/or subsequently enacted for U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) agencies and offices regarding corporate felony convictions and corporate federal tax delinquencies.

Accordingly, by accepting this award the corporation recipient acknowledges: (1) that it does not have a Federal tax delinquency, meaning that it is not subject to any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability, and (2) that it has not been convicted of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law within 24 months preceding the award, unless a suspending and debarring official of the USDA has considered suspension or debarment of the recipient corporation based on these convictions and/or tax delinquencies and determined that suspension or debarment is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government. If the recipient fails to comply with these provisions, the agency will annul this agreement and may recover any funds the recipient has expended in violation of the above cited statutory provisions.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE (BY)

Mayor

TITLE/RELATIONSHIP OF THE INDIVIDUAL IF SIGNING IN A
REPRESENTATIVE CAPACITY

City of Vicksburg

BUSINESS NAME

06/21/2018

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OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN EXAMPLE

The sponsor(s) are responsible for maintaining all measures installed under the Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) Program. Most measures such as rock flumes and checks, earth fill, and vegetation require only minimal maintenance. The maintenance requirements are obvious and no special documentation of the maintenance is needed. Measures that are considered permanent structures and those that require regular maintenance to insure that proper functioning must have an Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Plan. Examples of structures requiring an O&M Plan are riprap streambank protection; pipe drop structures; gabion drop structures or retaining walls; important concrete structures; other measures that may be critical for public safety.

An O&M Plan may be prepared for a single site or a group of sites. The plan should state who is responsible for operation and maintenance activities (generally the sponsor). It should state the specific activities that must be performed to keep the measures in good condition and functioning properly. Usually an estimate of the annual cost of O&M activities is included. The O&M Plan should outline the timing and frequency of required inspections.

The O&M Plan should be prepared by the engineer who designs the EWP measure.

An example O&M Plan follows and should be included as an Attachment to the Project Agreement.

ATTACHMENT ____

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN **EMERGENCY WATERSHED PROTECTION**

SITE: Sherman Recreation

I. Operation

The Sponsor(s) City of Vicksburg is responsible for the operation and maintenance (O&M) for this project. Operation includes the administration, management, and performing of non-maintenance actions needed to keep a completed practice safe and functioning as planned for the life span of the practice.

II. Maintenance

The Sponsor(s) shall be responsible for promptly performing or have performed maintenance determined by either the Sponsor(s) or the NRCS. Maintenance includes performance of work and providing the materials to prevent the deterioration of practices and/or repair damage to, or replacement of, the practice if one or more of its components fail. This includes both routine and recurring needs in a timely manner. Damages to completed practices caused by normal deterioration, drought, flooding caused by rainfall in excess of design rainfall, or vandalism are considered to be maintenance. Maintenance may include replacing displaced rocks, re-chinking, removing gravel and debris, filling undercut areas, repair of eroded banks, and vegetative treatment.

It is anticipated that the following items of maintenance, repair, or replacement will be needed during the effective life of the practice.

1. Vegetation

- a. Reshape as necessary and either reseed or resod, and fertilize areas of poor stand, including those areas damaged by erosion, freezing, or drought.
- b. Fertilize vegetation as required to maintain a vigorous stand.
- c. Mow grass at regular intervals to maintain optimum cover.

- d. Spray or cut undesirable brush. Maintain desired brush. Cuttings for propagation on other sites are allowed with NRCS prior approval.

2. Structures

- a. Remove and properly dispose of logs, trees and debris impacting flows.
- b. Maintain diversions. Reshape areas to eliminate depressions and rills caused by concentrated runoff.
- c. Repair structures; streambanks; reshape and repair rock basins and rock flumes as needed, to keep functional. Add rock as needed.

- 3. The estimated average annual cost of providing the necessary maintenance for this site is \$ 1,000.00. Funds to finance this cost will be provided by the Sponsor.

III. Inspection

As part of the Operation and Maintenance duties, the Sponsor is responsible for making the necessary inspections. If a problem is encountered, the Sponsor is encouraged to contact the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) representative to assist in developing a solution. The Sponsor shall not make any changes to, or within proximity of, the practice that will alter the original designed function without prior approval of NRCS. The Sponsor shall notify NRCS of any work to be done in a timely manner.

Inspections shall be performed on an annual basis before May 15 and also after major storm events. Inspection shall include but is not limited to:

- 1. Condition of the rock:
 - a. check all rocks for accelerated weathering and displacement including chinking
- 2. Condition of the channel bed and banks:
 - a. streambed scour at the toe rock or erosion of adjacent banks
 - b. failure of adjacent structures
 - c. gravel or debris build-up in the vicinity of the practice
 - d. soil settlement or ground cracks in the vicinity of the practice
 - e. presence of burrows due to animals

f. damage due to vandalism, vehicles, livestock, etc.

3. Condition of the vegetation:

- a. health/vigor of vegetation used as/in conjunction with the practice
- b. bio-engineering/planting techniques during the establishment period

A written report will be made of each inspection. If it is determined during the inspection, that the items above could affect the functioning of the site, corrective action and repairs will be made immediately in order to reduce the possibility of further damage and/or failure. A follow-up report will be provided when all corrective action has been accomplished.

IV. Land Rights

Project Sponsors must have or obtain land rights adequate for carrying out their O&M responsibilities.