

**Iowa Department of Natural Resources  
Natural Resource Commission**

**ITEM**

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**DECISION**

**TOPIC** REAP County Conservation Board Grants

The Department requests Commission approval of the recommendations of the Project Review and Selection Committee for REAP County Conservation Board grants. That group met September 15, 2009 to evaluate project applications. Committee members are Jim Liechty, Chair (Madison CCB), Julie Ohde (Louisa CCB), Mark Peterson (Woodbury CCB), Angela Corio, DNR Parks Bureau, and Tom Anderson, DNR Energy and Waste Management.

Thirty applications totaling about \$6 million in grant requests were submitted for consideration during this FY 10 grant round. Available funds total \$1,481,040, the same as last year. Below are the top ranking projects, heading the list in boldface type. Note that 8<sup>th</sup> ranked project of Dallas CCB will be funded at a little more than 20% its requested amount, in its use of all remaining funds after the first seven are fully funded.

REAP was appropriated \$18 million in FY 10; if it would have been fully funded at \$20 million, there would have been enough to fully fund the Dallas project.

In the event that any of the top grants are unable to execute their project, approval is sought to offer those funds down the list in the ranking order as shown.

CCB APPLICANT	RANK	TOTAL POINTS	GRANT REQUEST	PROJECT NAME
<b>Jones</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>155.60</b>	<b>\$350,533.00</b>	<b>Maquoketa River Water Trail</b>
<b>Butler</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>153.40</b>	<b>\$72,800.00</b>	<b>Roose Fen</b>
<b>Hardin</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>148.80</b>	<b>\$432,100.00</b>	<b>Iowa River Greenbelt - Headquarters Addition</b>
<b>Tama</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>147.80</b>	<b>\$296,831.27</b>	<b>Hansen Addition to Otter Creek Lake and Park - Parcels C &amp; D</b>
<b>Buchanan</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>141.40</b>	<b>\$78,375.00</b>	<b>Cortright Wildlife Area Addition</b>
<b>Winneshiek</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>138.00</b>	<b>\$150,000.00</b>	<b>Trout Run Trail - Segment 8 JOINT WITH CITY OF DECORAH</b>
<b>Madison</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>137.75</b>	<b>\$58,660.00</b>	<b>Jensen Marsh Addition (Liechty Abstains)</b>
<b>Dallas</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>137.20</b>	<b>\$200,000.00</b>	<b>Raccoon River Valley Trail Addition (\$41,740.37 available)</b>
				<b>If REAP fully funded, all of Dallas would be funded</b>
Lucas	9	136.40	\$77,000.00	Chariton River Greenbelt Addition - Kinser Property
Dallas	10	134.60	\$102,800.00	McLaughlin Tract, Raccoon River Greenbelt, Kuehn Conservation
Woodbury	11	132.75	\$150,000.00	Fragile Giants Exhibit Renovation ( <b>Peterson Abstains</b> )

Johnson	12	129.80	\$387,653.00	Kent Park Campground Upgrade
Wapello	13	129.60	\$106,050.00	Pioneer Ridge Nature Area - McKey Addition
Polk	14	129.40	\$300,000.00	Gay Lea Wilson Trail
Dubuque	15	127.40	\$408,000.00	Miller-McGrath Addition to Heritage Trail
Black Hawk	16	127.00	\$84,360.00	Twin Springs Natural Area
Hamilton	17	125.40	\$221,782.00	Little Wall Lake Campground
Dickinson	17	125.40	\$133,614.00	Dickinson County Nature Center
Crawford	18	123.60	\$442,900.00	Neal Moeller Environmental Education Center: Heritage Hall Addit.
Linn	18	123.60	\$179,150.00	Anderson Addition - Matsell Bridge Natural Area
Washington	19	118.60	\$178,059.00	Kalona-Richmond Trail
Linn	20	117.20	\$125,000.00	Trail System Development - Pinicon Ridge County Park
Washington	21	116.40	\$345,950.00	Kewash Nature Trail Paving - Hwy 1 & 92 to Crooked Cr. Bridge
Des Moines	22	115.60	\$325,000.00	Flint River Trail - Phase III Construction
Henry	23	113.00	\$250,000.00	Oakland Mills Trail
Franklin	24	110.60	\$29,333.00	Maynes Creek Prairie Reconstruction
Polk	25	108.80	\$60,956.00	Trail Equipment Sharing Program
Iowa	26	107.60	\$237,737.00	Cabins at Lake Iowa Park
Des Moines	27	103.20	\$181,000.00	Big Hollow Project Development - Support Facilities
Hamilton	28	98.20	\$23,000.00	Electronic Campground Registration
Total			\$5,988,643.27	

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