

**Iowa Department of Natural Resources
REAP FY15 County Grant Awards**

Grant Purpose: The county conservation account receives 20% of the REAP funds. After initial distributions outlined in Chapter 33, 40% of the remaining funds are available for competitive grants to counties for increasing outdoor recreation opportunities, land protection, capital improvements, stabilization and protection of resources, repair and upgrading of facilities, environmental education, and equipment. This money is available to counties, only if they are dedicating at least 22¢ per \$1,000 of the assessed value of taxable property in the county for county conservation purposes.

Funding Source(s): Resource Enhancement And Protection Fund – County Conservation Account

Grant Funding Available: \$1,265,011

Summary of Selection Process: As directed by criteria under Chapter 33.30, the selection committee reviewed and scored all applications. Examples of criteria considered include quality of site and project, public need, urgency of project, multiple use potential, and economic benefit.

2014 (FY15) REAP County Projects					
Ranked by Score	County Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	Grant Amount Requested	Recommended Award
146	Clay	Huffman Estate Purchase	The acquisition of 412 acres of mixed oak savannah, upland and riverine bottom timber and pasture add to the existing 650 acres of almost continuous habitat owned and managed by the Clay County Conservation Board, bringing this wildlife management area to 1062 acres. This whole complex is located along the Little Sioux River, one of five Protected Water Areas in the state.	\$799,520	\$799,520
145.6	Jones	North Fork Wildlands	The acquisition of a 72 acre property along the North Fork of the Maquoketa River. The North Fork Wildlands is located in the karst topography region of Northeast Iowa and has many small caves, steep limestone bluffs and rock formations. In addition, this property is located in the middle of one of the longest stretches of river without a bridge crossing in the state (18 miles).	\$198,000	\$198,000
140.4	Buchanan	Quigley Heritage Prairie	The acquisition of 33 acre high quality remnant prairie located in the Wapsipinicon River Protected Water Area watershed. Protecting remnant prairie, undisturbed natural areas and wetlands is a top priority for Buchanan County. This property has over 130 native forbs and grasses, including 29 conservation species, two special concern species and three birds listed as Species of Greatest Conservation Need.	\$47,000	\$47,000
140.2	Clayton	Garland Property Acquisition	The acquisition of 87.07 acres is a one of a kind cultural resource, provides important interior forest neotropical migratory bird habitat, harbors native prairie species, provides needed public hunting areas, provides an extensive scenic view of the Mississippi River valley to travelers on the Great River Road and is a highly visible Mississippi River bluff property.	\$191,371	\$191,371
139.8	Bremer	Ingawanis	\$29,120 declined	\$312,391	-0-

		Woodland			
136.6	Pottawattamie	Pott. County Trail: Council Bluffs to Neola	Construction of approximately 12.6 miles of trail connecting the Council Bluffs Trails System to the City of Underwood and to the City of Neola. The trail will be adjacent to Mosquito Creek which will serve as an entry point for fishing and paddling.	\$250,000	\$29,120
133.2	Fayette	Jacob's Tract Acquisition		\$300,000	-0-
132.8	Palo Alto	Garber Tract		\$41,280	-0-
131	Black Hawk	Brock's Forest		\$152,948	-0-
129.8	Sioux	Sandy Hollow Recreation Area Acquisition		\$425,000	-0-
129.8	Boone	Grant's Woods Development		\$622,850	-0-
127	Polk	Jester Park Conservation Center		\$200,000	-0-
125	Des Moines	Leopold Recreation Area Acquisition		\$50,000	-0-
124.6	Dallas	Raccoon River Valley Trail to High Trestle Trail Connector- Phase 1		\$167,048	-0-
124.4	Clarke	East Lake Park Improvements and Campgrounds Development		\$440,710	-0-
121.8	Monona	Bridge and Trail Linking Schoenjahn Wildlife Area and Carhart Conservation Area and Trail		\$74,880	-0-
121.4	Clarke	Oakwood Grassland		\$248,000	-0-
121.4	Dickinson	Old Town Milford		\$79,000	-0-
119.4	Keokuk	Belva Deer Trail		\$100,000	-0-
115.8	Des Moines	Big Hollow Development		\$322,647	-0-
114.6	Linn	Wickiup Hill Overnight/Educational Campsite		\$70,000	-0-
TOTALS				\$5,092,645	\$1,265,011