RESOLUTION # 20-06-05

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT AND EXTEND FUNDING OF TROUT STREAM RESTORATION PROJECTS IN BUFFALO COUNTY FROM CAPX2020 FUNDING

WHEREAS, Buffalo County has a long history of supporting land and water conservation and has recognized the need for and value of restoring and protecting trout streams; and,

WHEREAS, continued investment in trout stream restoration projects will restore and enhance coldwater trout habitat, protect streambank erosion, improve water quality, and provide public recreational opportunities through securing public easements;

WHEREAS, in July 2014, the Buffalo County Board of Supervisors and Public Service Commission authorized use of $100,000 CAPX2020 funding for trout stream restoration projects for five (5) years subject to matching funds and obtaining a signed contract with the landowner(s) to allow public access on a regular basis; and,

WHEREAS, after five (5) years, $39,526 CAPX funds remain due to USDA-NRCS and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service grant matching, therefore reducing the CAPX2020 amount expended; and,

WHEREAS, in order to increase public fishing opportunities and decrease streambank erosion in Buffalo County a continuation of the project is necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the Land Conservation and Ag & Extension Committee has reviewed and supports the request to use CAPX2020 funding for the projects; and,

WHEREAS, the Buffalo County Finance Committee has reviewed and supports the request for an additional $25,000 CAPX2020 funding and to extend the existing trout stream rehabilitation funding for an additional five (5) years, subject to matching funds and obtaining a signed easement with the landowner(s) to allow public access during the trout fishing season; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Buffalo County Board of Supervisors hereby grants authorization to provide an additional $25,000 to the existing $39,526 and extend project funding of CAPX2020 funds for the next five (5) years for trout stream rehabilitation projects in Buffalo County subject to matching funds and obtaining a signed easement with the landowner(s) to allow public access during the trout fishing season, and the approval by the Public Service Commission.
Adopted at a duly called and noticed meeting of the Buffalo County Board of Supervisors on the 22nd day of June, 2020.

ATTEST:

Roxann Halverson, County Clerk

Dennis Bork, County Board Chairperson

Respectfully Submitted 1 day of June, 2020:
Land Conservation and Ag & Extension Committee

Bill Bruegger
Brad Schmidkneath
Dwight Ruff

Steven Nelson
John Sendelbach
David Linse

Respectfully Submitted ___ day of ___________, 2020:
Finance Committee

Dennis Bork
Donald Hillert

Brad Schmidkneath
David Danzinger

Max Wein

ANTICIPATED FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Expense (CAPX2020 Remaining Expenses + Additional $25,000) $64,526.00
Match (NRCS, Landowner, and US Fish and Wildlife Service Partners) $780,000.00
Total Streambank Projects Expended for next five (5) years $844,526.00 No Tax Levy

No Fiscal Impact to the County