

SUPPLEMENTAL WATERSHED WORK PLAN AGREEMENT NO. IV

Between the

Navarro Soil and Water Conservation District
Local Organization

Ellis-Prairie Soil and Water Conservation District
Local Organization

Hill County-Blackland Soil and Water Conservation District
Local Organization

Johnson County Soil and Water Conservation District
Local Organization

Dalworth Soil and Water Conservation District
Local Organization

State of Texas

(hereinafter referred to as the Sponsoring Local Organization)

and the

Soil Conservation Service
United States Department of Agriculture
(hereinafter referred to as the Service)

Whereas, the Watershed Work Plan Agreement for the Chambers Creek Watershed, State of Texas, executed by the Sponsoring Local Organization named therein and the Service, became effective on the 9th day of December 1955; and

Whereas, the Supplemental Watershed Work Plan Agreement No. I for the Chambers Creek Watershed which added Johnson, Hill, Ellis, and Navarro Counties Commissioners Courts as Sponsoring Local Organizations and which set forth agreements with other sponsors on responsibilities of each, executed by the Sponsoring Local Organization named therein and the Service became effective on the 14th day of April 1959; and

Whereas, the Supplemental Watershed Work Plan Agreement Number II for said watershed, State of Texas, executed by the Sponsoring Local Organizations named therein and the Service became effective on the 25th day of October 1962; and

Whereas, the Supplemental Watershed Work Plan Agreement Number III for said watershed, State of Texas, executed by the Sponsoring Local Organizations named therein and the Service became effective on the 4th day of February 1972; and

Whereas, in order to complete the overall resource development program and to control critical sediment source areas for Chambers Creek Watershed, it has become necessary to modify the agreement to include critical area treatment measures; and

Whereas, there has been developed through the cooperative efforts of the local organization and the Service, a mutually satisfactory plan for critical area treatment on the Chambers Creek Watershed, which supplement is annexed to and made a part of this agreement; and

Whereas, the supplement describes the watershed problems and sets forth a plan for works of improvement, the kinds and quantities of measure to be installed, the estimated cost, cost-sharing arrangements, maintenance and other responsibilities of those participating in the project;

Now, therefore, in view of the foregoing considerations, the local organization and the Secretary of Agriculture, through the Service, hereby agree on the supplement, and further agree that the works of improvement as set forth in said supplement will be installed, operated and maintained substantially in accordance with the terms, conditions and stipulations provided therein.

- (1) Add land treatment measures for stabilization of critical areas on approximately 2,600 acres. These acres will be treated with planned measures such as shaping, vegetating and appurtenant structural measures.
- (2) A separate agreement will be entered into between the Service and the District Cooperator before either party initiates work involving funds of the other party. Such agreement will set forth in detail the financial and working arrangements and other conditions that are applicable to the specific works of improvement.
- (3) The Sponsoring Local Organization will provide assistance to landowners and operators to assure the installation of the land treatment measures shown in the supplemental watershed work plan.
- (4) The Sponsoring Local Organization will encourage landowners and operators to operate and maintain the land treatment measures for the protection and improvement of the watershed.
- (5) The costs shown in this agreement represent preliminary estimates. In finally determining the costs to be borne by the parties hereto, the actual costs incurred in the installation of works of improvement will be used.
- (6) This agreement is not a fund obligating document. Financial and other assistance to be furnished by the Service in carrying out the supplement is contingent on the appropriation of funds for this purpose.

(7) The supplement may be amended or revised, and this agreement may be modified or terminated only by mutual agreement of the parties hereto except that an amendment to incorporate changes affecting one specific local sponsor may be made by mutual agreement between the Service and that sponsor involved.

The Sponsoring Local Organization and the Service further agree to all other terms, conditions, and stipulations of said watershed work plan agreement not modified herein.

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 Date 2-17-76

The signing of this agreement was authorized by a resolution of the governing body of the Navarro Soil and Water Conservation District
 Local Organization
 adopted at a meeting held on 11-21-75

Acting *C. M. Williams*
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The signing of this agreement was authorized by a resolution of the governing body of the Ellis-Prairie Soil and Water Conservation District
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 adopted at a meeting held on 2-9-76

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By Ray Dwyer

Title Chairman

Date 2-12-76

The signing of this agreement was authorized by a resolution of the governing body of the Hill County-Blackland Soil and Water Conservation District Local Organization

adopted at a meeting held on 2-11-76

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By Walt Dean Scott

Title Chairman

Date 2-10-76

The signing of this agreement was authorized by a resolution of the governing body of the Johnson County Soil and Water Conservation District Local Organization

adopted at a meeting held on 2-10-76

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The signing of this agreement was authorized by a resolution of the governing body of the Dalworth Soil and Water Conservation District Local Organization

adopted at a meeting held on 2/17/76

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Soil Conservation Service
United States Department of Agriculture

Approved by:

George C. Markle
State Conservationist

3-8-76

Date

SUPPLEMENTAL
WATERSHED WORK PLAN NO. IV

CHAMBERS CREEK WATERSHED
of the Trinity River Watershed
Johnson, Hill, Ellis and Navarro Counties, Texas
January 1976

PURPOSE OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL WORK PLAN

The purpose of this supplemental watershed work plan for the Chambers Creek Watershed is to provide a method to treat critical sediment source areas in the watershed not now provided for in the work plan.

The original work plan, as supplemented, provided flood prevention funds for accelerated technical assistance to help landowners of the watershed to plan and apply land treatment measures and provided for the installation of a system of 149 floodwater retarding structures, 1 multiple-purpose structure and 81.2 miles of channel work. To date about 80 percent of the accelerated land treatment assistance has been provided, 124 floodwater retarding structures, the multiple-purpose structures and 9.5 miles of channel work have been constructed.

There now exist in the watershed critical sediment source areas which need to be stabilized to reduce erosion and sedimentation, protect structural measures and improve environmental conditions.

The purpose of this supplement is to provide for the use of flood prevention funds on a cost-share basis to install land treatment measures to control and stabilize critical sediment source areas.

WATERSHED PROBLEMS

Although most of the structural measures and accelerated land treatment measures have been installed, there still remain areas which yield high rates of sediment. Erosion from critical areas is a problem and critical area treatment is especially important in providing additional cover that will reduce the rate of silt laden runoff which fills downstream reservoirs, pollutes streams and rivers reducing both quality of water and capacity to carry water, damage roads and bridges and provides deposition to downstream flood plains and adversely affects the overall quality of our rural environment.

WORKS OF IMPROVEMENT TO BE INSTALLED

The works of improvement to be installed consist of land treatment measures necessary to stabilize critical sediment source areas on about 2,600 acres. These measures include shaping, clearing, preparation for vegetation, mulching, fertilizing, vegetating, fencing, and construction of appurtenant grade stabilizing structures such as pipe drops, drop inlets, formless concrete chutes, diversions and dams. Vegetation will include plants such as trees, shrubs, vines, grasses and legumes.

EXPLANATION OF INSTALLATION COSTS

The total estimated cost of installing the planned measures covered by this supplement is \$1,755,000, of which \$1,170,000 is for construction (stabilization) cost and \$585,000 is for technical assistance. Of the \$1,170,000 cost for construction, 80 percent, or \$936,000, will be federal cost and 20 percent or \$234,000 will be local cost.

BENEFITS FROM WORKS OF IMPROVEMENT

These land treatment measures when efficiently applied to the critical areas and properly maintained will be effective in the prevention of the deterioration of the watershed. Valuable soil that is irreplaceable will be protected and further loss of a resource will be prevented. The productivity and monetary value of adjoining areas will be maintained or enhanced by the healing of these critical areas. Benefits will accrue from protection of land and improvements which otherwise would be damaged through the extension of gully systems. Society as a whole will benefit through the prevention of destruction of an irreplaceable resource. Sediment being delivered to downstream reservoirs, flood plains and streams will be reduced.

Vegetative treatment of these areas will provide additional habitat, cover, protection and breeding places for wildlife. This in turn can help to maintain the ecological balance of nature.

Treatment of the exposed areas will improve the appearance and enhance the beauty of the terrain for the air and land travelers by minimizing or eliminating the visual impact of raw eroding areas.

Economic conditions will be improved by maintaining the productivity of the area and making it possible for owners and operators to continue with economic units on fewer acres. The community will benefit because the tax base will be maintained and strengthened so that tax supported community services can be financed.

The critical area stabilization measures will be established over a 10 year period. Each conservation district will be responsible for the work in their respective districts. The sponsoring local organization will acquire without cost to the Federal Government such construction permits as will be needed for the installation of critical area treatment measures included in this supplement. They will make arrangements with individuals, county commissioners, or other groups responsible for the land on which the work is being installed. Planned measures to be cost-shared will be included as a part of a conservation plan approved by the District. Depending on the preference of those concerned, installing the works of improvement will be handled by one of the following methods: (1) contract, (2) force account, or (3) installation by the cooperstor on a cost-share basis. A Conservation Plan Supplement (C.P.S.) will be completed prior to beginning installation of any cost-share land treatment work. This Conservation Plan Supplement will specify method of installation, planned treatment, quantities, estimated costs and estimated time schedule for installation, etc., for cost-shared and essential non cost-share practices. Cost-sharing on planned messures will be 80 percent federal funds and 20 percent local funds. The necessary technical assistance will be furnished by the Service and cost-

shared measures will be installed in accordance with Service standards and specifications.

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

The critical area stabilization measures will be maintained by the landowners, county commissioners, or other groups responsible for the land on which the work is being installed. Based on technical recommendation by the Soil Conservation Service, an operation and maintenance agreement will be entered into by the conservation district and the landowner concerned.

Provisions will be made for free access of District, State and Federal representatives to inspect all critical area stabilization measures at any time.

Operation and maintenance inspections for critical area stabilization measures will be made by the Service employee responsible for operation and maintenance inspection and the sponsors on an annual basis for the first 5 years, or after unusually severe floods, or after the occurrence of any other unusual conditions that might adversely affect these measures.

TABLE 1 - ESTIMATED PROJECT INSTALLATION COST
CHAMBERS CREEK WATERSHED, TEXAS

Installation Cost Item	Unit	Number		Estimated Cost (Dollars) 1/			Total
		Federal	Non Federal	Federal	Non Federal	Other	
LAND TREATMENT							
Land Areas							
Cropland	Acres	254,297	254,297			4,584,676	4,584,676
Pastureland	Acres	475,905	475,905			4,569,106	4,569,106
Critical Area Stabilization	Acres	2,600	2,600	936,000		234,000	1,170,000
Technical Assistance				999,085			999,085
TOTAL LAND TREATMENT				1,935,085	9,387,782		11,322,867
STRUCTURAL MEASURES							
Construction							
Floodwater Retarding Structures	No.	149	149	8,475,385			8,475,385
Multiple-Purpose Structure	No.	1	1	116,500	66,240		182,740
Channel Work (N)	Mi.	81.2	81.2	2,905,692			2,905,692
Subtotal Construction				11,497,577	66,240		11,563,817
Engineering Services				800,860	4,210		805,070
Relocation Payments				4,780	4,460		9,240
Project Administration							
Relocation Advisory Assistance Services					700		700
Construction Inspection				1,230,031	7,300		1,237,331
Other				1,042,450	53,610		1,096,060
Subtotal Administration				2,272,481	61,610		2,334,091
Other Cost							
Land Rights							
Water Rights					1,810,380		1,810,380
Subtotal Other					500		500
TOTAL STRUCTURAL MEASURES				14,575,698	1,947,400		16,523,098
TOTAL PROJECT				16,510,783	11,335,182		27,845,965

1/ Price Base: 1976 for Critical Area Treatment and 25 floodwater retarding structures and 71.7 miles of channel not constructed. Actual cost for 124 FRS, 1 multiple-purpose structure and 9.5 miles channel work.