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Ducks Unlimited – Vermont In-Lieu Fee Program 2012 Annual Report

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Annual Report – January 1, 2012-December 31, 2012

1. INTRODUCTION

The Ducks Unlimited Vermont In-Lieu Fee Program (DU-VT-ILF) is an option for compensatory mitigation for unavoidable impacts to waters of the United States in the State of Vermont. Permits are required by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (“Corps”) through the Clean Water Act (“CWA”) Section 404 for discharge of dredge or fill materials within “waters of the U.S.”; through the Rivers and Harbors Act Section 10 for structures or work in or affecting navigable water of the U.S.; and by the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (“DEC”) under section 8.5 of the Vermont Wetland Rules. These regulatory agencies require that aquatic resource functions and services lost due to impacts be replaced through compensatory mitigation after addressing avoidance and minimization of impacts. The DU-VT ILF program contains four (4) service areas that cover the entire state of Vermont (See Appendix A for a Service Area Map and payment distribution). This report outlines the DU-VT ILF program activities from January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012.

2. IMPACTS and FEES RECEIVED

During the period of this annual report, one (1) In-Lieu Fee (ILF) payment was received. The tables that follow provide information on ILF payments, impact types and amounts, and funds available for future ILF projects.

- Table 1 provides a full list of all of the permitted impacts that have generated ILF payments. Included in this table is the applicant, date the payment was received, project name, permit numbers, town of impact, habitat type impacted, required amount of compensatory mitigation and the amount of the payment. This table is (will be) sorted by service area.
- Table 2 shows the financial account ledger for the DU-VT ILF program. Included in this table is the starting balance, payments received, administration fees collected, interest earned, disbursements made and the remaining account balance. This table is broken down by service area.
- Table 3 is the credit ledger for the DU-VT ILF program. This table shows the authorized advance credits, advance credits sold, credits released, released credits sold (in excess of satisfied advance credits), and the total credits available, broken down by service area.
- Table 4 indicates the funds distribution by service area. This table shows where funds are available to do projects.

Table 1: Payments Received in 2012 by Service Area

DU-VT ILF Service Area	Applicant	Date Payment Received	Project Name	Permit Numbers	Town	Acres of Impact	Habitat Type Impacted	Required Compensatory Mitigation (Acres)	Amount of Payment
Richelieu	Vermont Agency of Transportation	5/16/2012	VTrans Bristol	VT ANR - 2011-183, NAE-2010-1881	Bristol	1.06	0.83 PEM/SS, 0.23 R2UB	1.06	\$143,391.00
Totals						1.06		1.06	\$143,391.00

Table 2: 2012 Financial Account Ledger

DU-VT ILF Service Area	January 1, 2012 Account Balance	Payments	Administration Fee	Interest Earned	Disbursements	Remaining Account Balance
Connecticut River	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
St. Francois	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Richelieu	\$0.00	\$143,391.00	\$21,508.65	\$165.74	\$0.00	\$121,882.35
Upper Hudson	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Totals	\$0.00	\$143,391.00	\$21,508.65	\$165.74	\$0.00	\$121,882.35

Table 3: 2012 Credit Ledger by Service Area

Service Area	Authorized Advance Credits	Advance Credits Sold	Credits Released	Released Credits Sold	Credits Available
Connecticut River	25	0	0	0	25
St. Francois	25	0	0	0	25
Richelieu	154	1.06	0	0	152.94
Upper Hudson	25	0	0	0	25

Table 4: Percent of Total 2012 Funds Available for all Service Areas

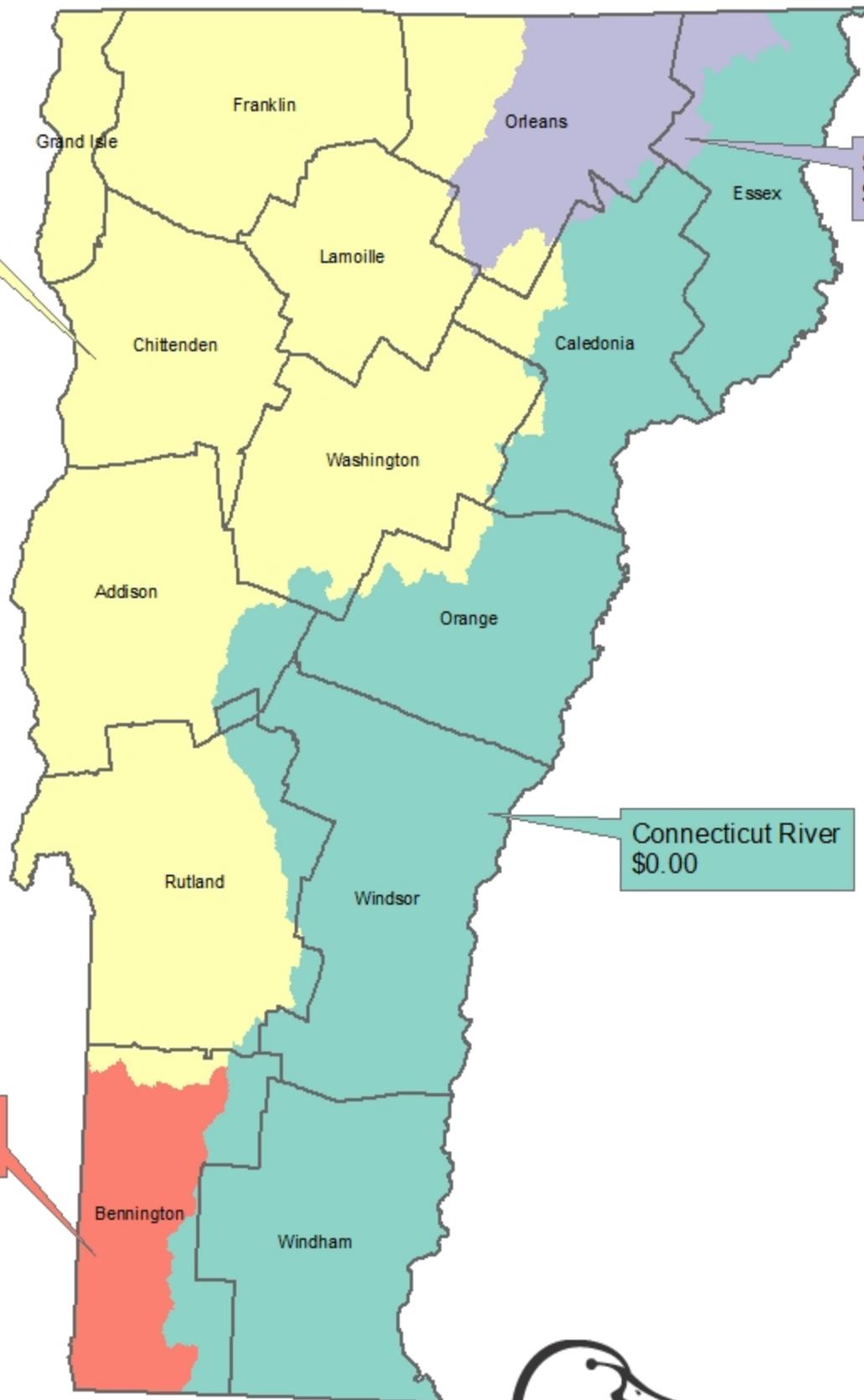
DU-VT ILF Service Area	Funds Available	% of Total Funds Available
Connecticut River	\$0.00	0.00%
St. Francois	\$0.00	0.00%
Richelieu	\$121,882.35	100.00%
Upper Hudson	\$0.00	0.00%
Total	\$121,882.35	100.00%

Appendix A

DU-VT ILF Program - Funds Collected



Richelieu
\$143,391.00



St. Francois
\$0.00

Connecticut River
\$0.00

Upper Hudson
\$0.00