



ANNUAL REPORT FOR DRAINAGE DISTRICT ACTIVITIES
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County	District (A separate report must be submitted for each district.)	Date:
OUTAGAMIE	759-Freedom	1-31-25

I. Financial Statement

	DEBTS	CREDITS
Starting balance on	JANUARY 1, 2024	
Assessments Collected		
Interest earned on assessments		SEE ATTACHED REPORT
Interest earned on borrowed funds		
Other Receipts		
Total of all receipts		
Amount paid out for district activities		
Amount paid out to repay loans or bonds		
Other payables		
Total of all expenditures		
Ending balance on	DECEMBER 31, 2024	
Uncollected Assessments		

II. The following bonds have been issued or paid during the preceding twelve months:

N/A NO BONDS ISSUED OR PAID

III. Attach sheets detailing work performed in the previous year. Include:

- Project description, including project cost
- Map showing the location of project
- Annual Inspection Report, major storm reports, and/or other inspection reports performed by the Drainage Board in the past twelve months

Name of Drainage Board Chairperson:	Date:
ALVIN KRAMER, JR.	DECEMBER 31, 2024
Signature of Drainage Board Chair	

NOTE: Submit one copy of this report to DATCP, the county Zoning Administrator, the town board or town zoning committee, and the city council, plan commission, or plan committee in which district territory is located; file the original copy with the drainage board secretary. This report is due December 1 for the preceding year ending August 31, unless a different fiscal year is selected and DATCP is notified.

759 – FREEDOM DRAINAGE DISTRICT 2024 FINANCIAL

Fund 759

FREEDOM DRAINAGE DISTRICT - 5,279.79 Acres

REVENUE

*Fund Balance as of 1-1-24		\$	90,471.00
Special Assessment Deposit 2-2024	\$ 32,390.00		
Miscellaneous	404.00		<u>32,794.00</u>
Total Revenue		\$	123,265.00

EXPENSES

Salaries/Mileage	\$ 2,352.12	
Supplies	\$ 135.42	
Purchased Services	\$ 9,923.64	\$ 12,411.18
BALANCE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024		\$ 110,853.82

SUMMARY OF 2024 COSTS (not an inclusive listing of all expenses)

Jan - Dec	UMS Print Solutions	Post Card Mailings March & Sept	\$ 850.00
Jan - Dec	Land Conservation Dept	Field/Engineering Services	\$ 3,994.64
Jan - Dec	Outside Engineering	Review of projects	\$ 4,402.00
			\$ 9,246.64

FUTURE PROJECTS

Maloney Road to Greiner Rd – tree removal/dredging

**759 – Freedom Drainage District
2024 Annual Meeting Minutes – October 3, 2024**

President Kramer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Town of Freedom Town Hall. He introduced the Outagamie County Drainage Board members. Present: Al Kramer, Greg Nettekoven, Jason Van Eperen, Mike Van Asten. Gerald Vander Heiden

Also present: Nancy Christensen, Administrative Assistant; Greg Baneck, Land Conservation Department; Others present: Jim Kortz, Cory Powell, Mark Kortz, LeRoy Brockman, Larry Oudenhoven

Kramer informed those present the Board meets every first Tuesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. at the Town of Osborn, W3389 County Road EE, Seymour. Any concerns may come to this meeting and bring them before the Board or contact any member at any time. Minutes and agendas are posted on the Outagamie County website under the Land Conservation Department.

Minutes of the October 5, 2023 minutes –LeRoy Brockman moved, seconded by Jim Kortz to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Presentation of 2023-24 Projects Completed and Future Projects – Land Conservation Department
Sage Tanck, Engineering Technician, presented a district overview. The LCD works with the Drainage Board assisting with the annual inspections and miscellaneous work.

In the northern portion of the district areas need cattails to be sprayed. Off of Van Asten Rd there will be a Phosphorus Removal System installed this fall.

For Freedom North there are about 700 ft of phragmites that need spraying, 100 ft of brush spraying and about 2500 ft of cattails to be sprayed.

For Freedom South there are about 350 ft of phragmites that spraying, 100 ft of brush spraying and just over 11,000 ft of cattail spraying to be completed.

Freedom has a new annexed section to the district. Just under 3000' of ditch which requires dredging and some tree removal- the cost of that work is estimated to be around \$36,000.

2023-2024 Financial Report

Christensen reported the December 31, 2023 fund balance was \$90,471. Special Assessments received in 2024 were \$32,339 plus additional miscellaneous revenue of \$4,425 resulting in a total revenue of \$127,235. Expenses to date are \$4,833. Current fund balance as of September 20, 2024 is \$122,402. LeRoy Brockman moved, seconded by Jim Kortz to accept 2024 Financial Report as presented. Motion carried.

2024 District Special Assessment Rate paid in 2025

Current 2023 rate is \$2.00 per acre, \$30 minimum for parcels 15 acres of less. LeRoy Brockman moved, seconded by Jim Kortz to recommend the current rates of \$2.00/\$30 for 2024. Motion carried.

2025 Meeting Date

The 2025 meeting date will be approximately the same time next year.

Public Hearing/Meeting for the Annexation of Land

The meeting for presentation and review of land drainage specifications as required by ATCP 48.20 which includes the boundaries of the annexed drainage district, the intended alignment and extent of the

district drain, the intended location and width of the district corridor and cross-section and profile of the drain within the Freedom Annexation area. The assessment for benefits, costs and damages will be addressed.

Plans were presented and reviewed.

Cory Powell asked how the trees will be removed. From which side? Van Asten stated the trees will be removed mostly on the north side and those within the bank. Before any tree removal is completed, board members will meet with the property owners. Discussion was held on where the property line was. There may be partial grant funds available for this project.

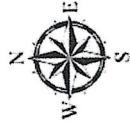
Van Asten moved, seconded by Nettekoven to close the public hearing at 7:28 p.m.

Jim Kortz moved, seconded by LeRoy Brockman to adjourn at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Christensen
Administrative Assistant

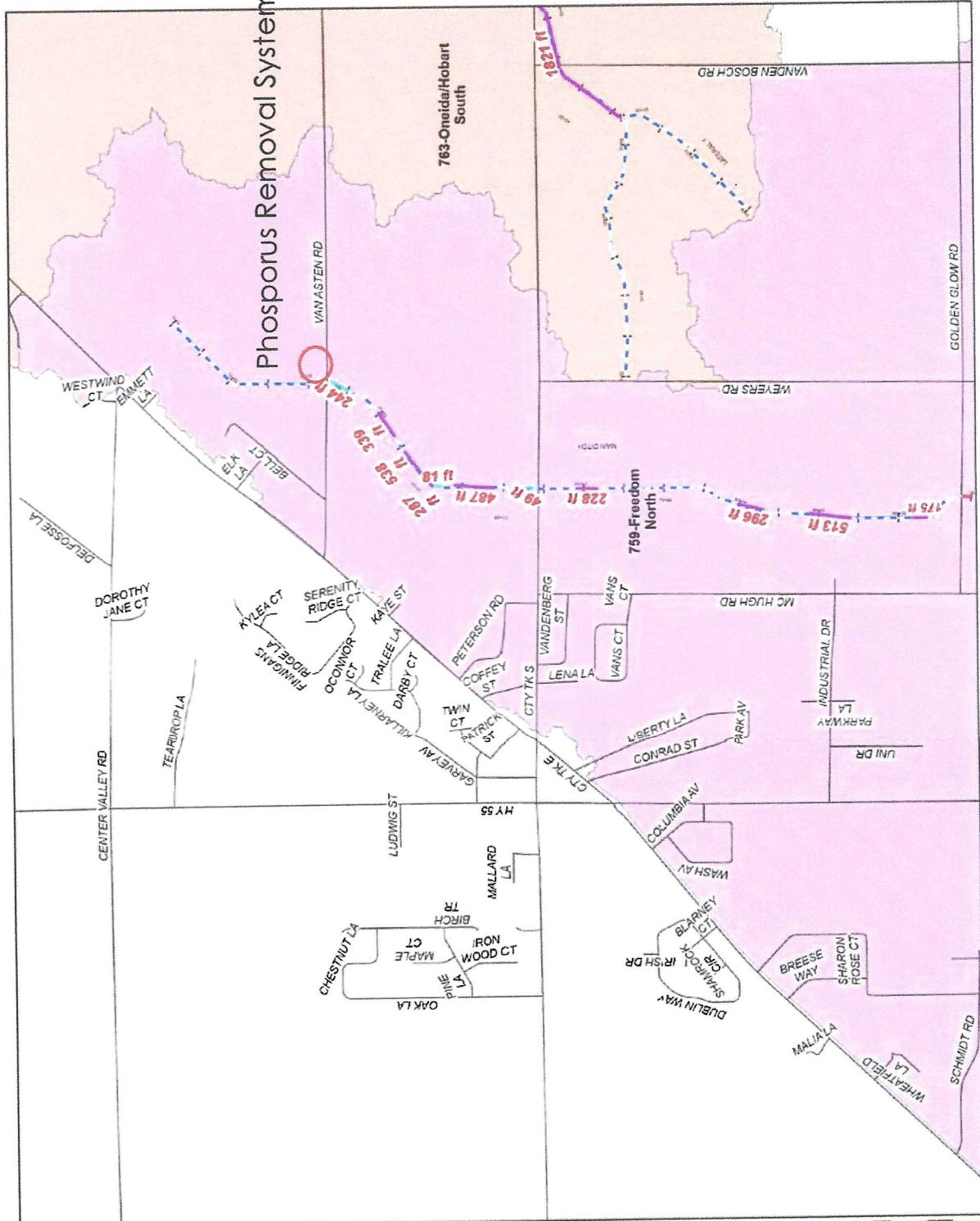
ATTENDANCE SIGN IN SHEET			
FREEDOM DISTRICT	NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE/EMAIL
		THUR OCTOBER 3, 2024	I OWN PROPERTY IN THIS DISTRICT YES NO
1	Jim Host	N 2867 CTH T	X 920-470-1848
2	Cory Powell	W 198 Geiner Rd	X 906-364-0783
3	Mark Koen	N 2961 Farwell Rd Kew	X 920-766-7633
4	Lehoy Bockman	W 1934 Coenraad Kew	X 920-852-3010
5	Henry Ondewhen	W 9393 Schmidt Rd Freedom	X 920 470 9202
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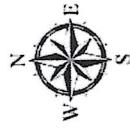


Phosphorus Removal System – Fall 2024

759-Freedom North Drainage District 2024 INSPECTION MAP

Maintenance Needed	Symbol
Dredge	Green line
Other	Yellow line
Phragmites	Cyan line
Remove Trees	Yellow line with dots
Spray Brush	Red line
Spray Cattails	Purple line
Maint_Point	X

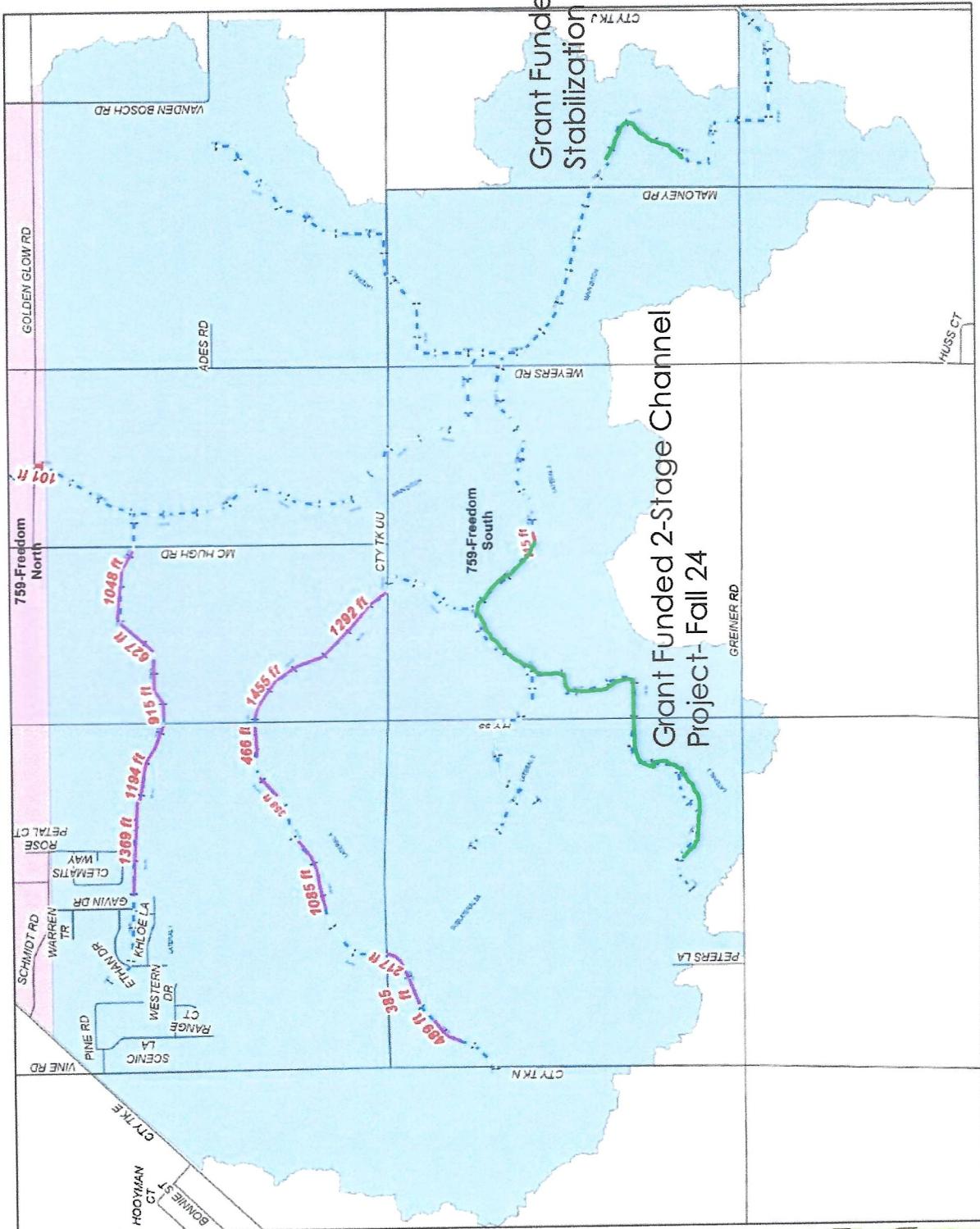




759-Freedom South
Drainage District
2024 INSPECTION MAP

Grant Funded Streambank
Stabilization - Fall 24

Component	Maintenance
Legal Drain	Legal Drain
Maintenance Needed	Maintenance Needed
Dredge	Dredge
Other	Other
Phragmites	Phragmites
Remove Trees	Remove Trees
SprayBrush	SprayBrush
SprayCattails	SprayCattails
Maint_Point	Maint_Point



759-Freedom North

Phragmites	Length (ft)	Notes
	244	
	287	
	81	
	49	
Sum:	662	

SprayBrush	Length (ft)	Notes
	101	
Sum:	101	

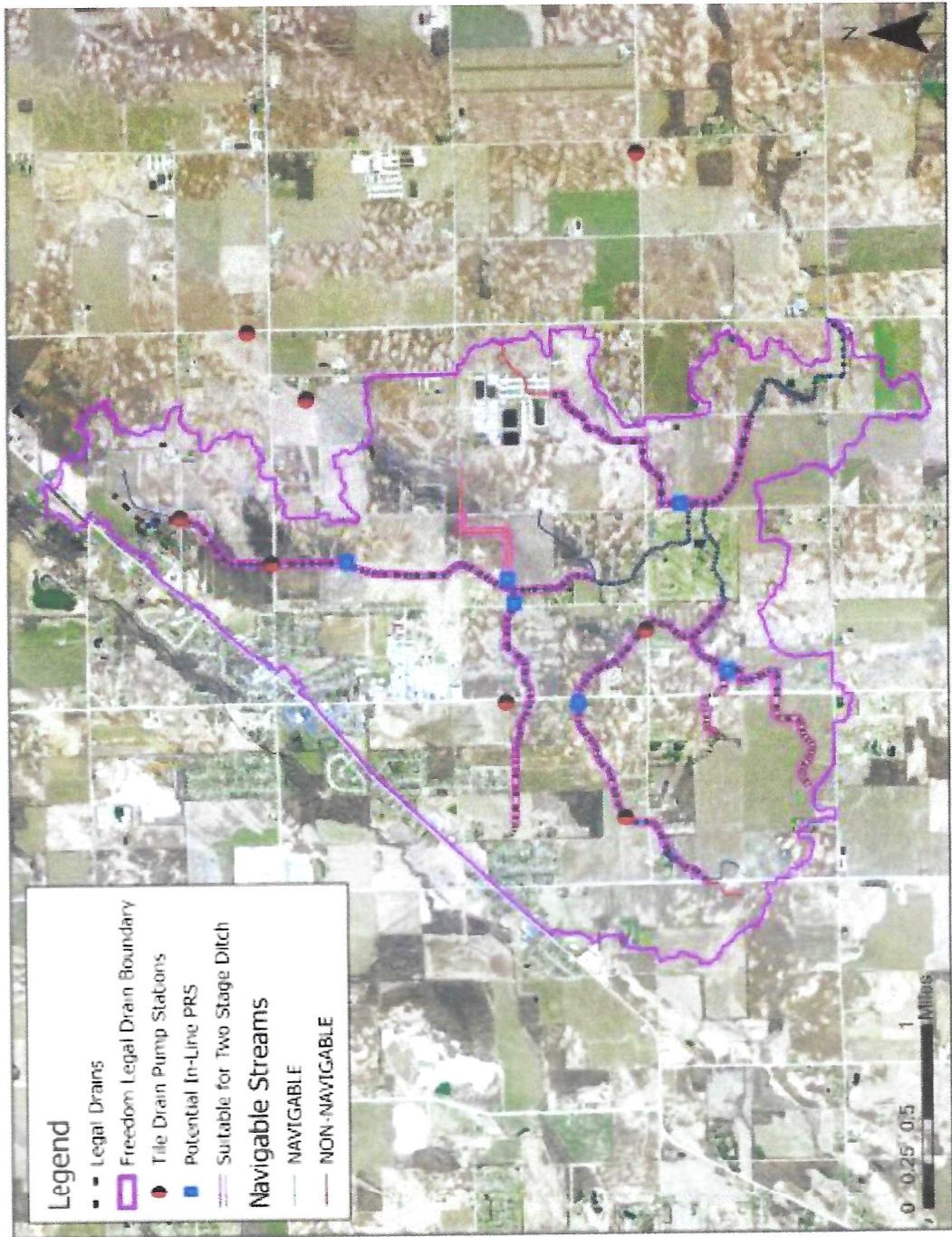
SprayCattails	Length (ft)	Notes
	339	
	538	
	487	
	228	
	296	
	513	
	175	
Sum:	2575	

759-Freedom South

Phragmites	Length (ft)	Notes
	90	
	148	
Sum:	238	

SprayBrush	Length (ft)	Notes
	115	
Sum:	115	Remove willows?

SprayCattails	Length (ft)	Notes
	1048	
	627	
	915	
	1194	
	1369	
	1085	
	217	
	282	
	385	
	489	
	358	
	466	
	1292	
Sum:	11180	



Apple Creek – AOC Grant

Project Goals

- 7,580 linear feet of 2-stage ditch modification
- 2 in-line or pump-style Phosphorus Removal Systems implemented.

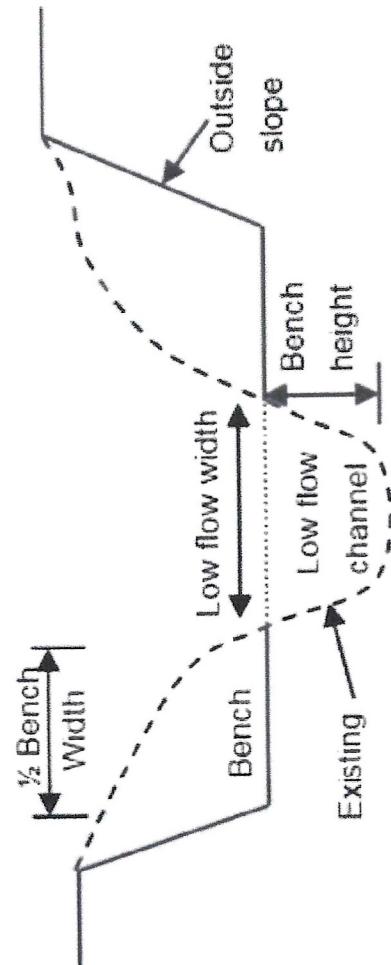
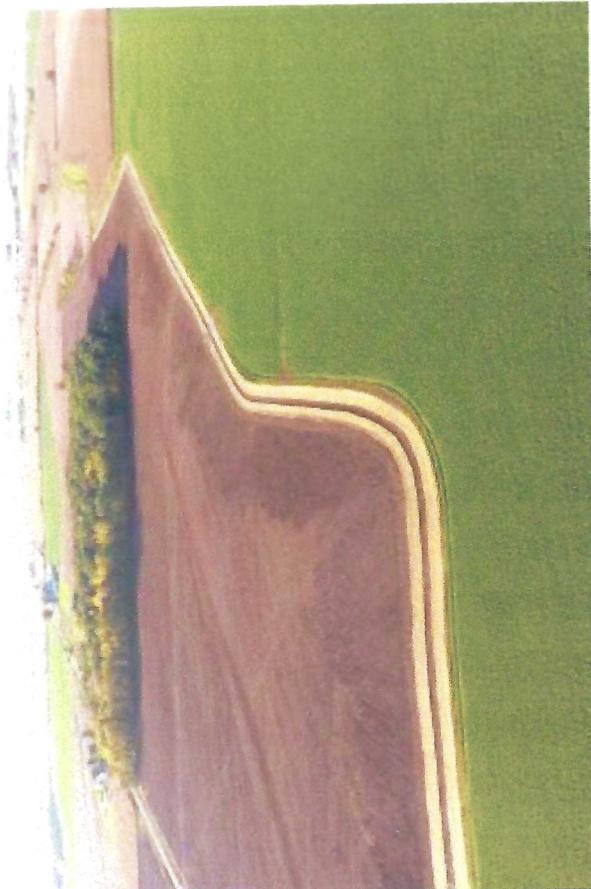
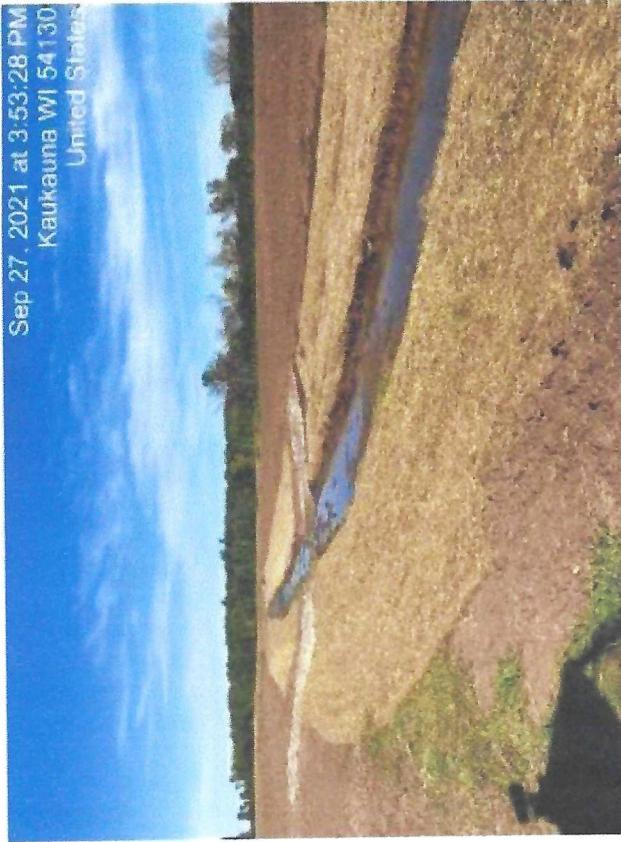


Figure 1. Typical two-sided two-stage ditch.