



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	SEE ATTACHED REPORT	
Assessments Collected		
Interest earned on assessments		
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:

- A. Project description, including project cost
- B. Map showing the location of project
- C. 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:

ALVIN KRAMER, JR.

Date:

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	<u>\$ 4,402.00</u>
			\$ 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 or 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.

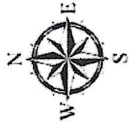
Van Asten moved, seconded by Nettekoven to close the public hearing at 7:28 p.m.

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		THUR OCTOBER 3, 2024	I OWN PROPERTY IN THIS DISTRICT		PHONE/EMAIL
NAME		ADDRESS	YES	NO	
1	Jim Roth	N2867 CTH J	X		920-470-1848
2	Cory Powell	W1198 Greiner Rd	X		906-364-0783
3	Mark Konz	N2964 Farwell Rd Knw	X		920-766-7633
4	Leroy Brockman	W1134 Cement Rd Knw	X		920-850-2010
5	Larry Overhagen	W3393 Schmidt Rd Freedom	X		920 470 9202
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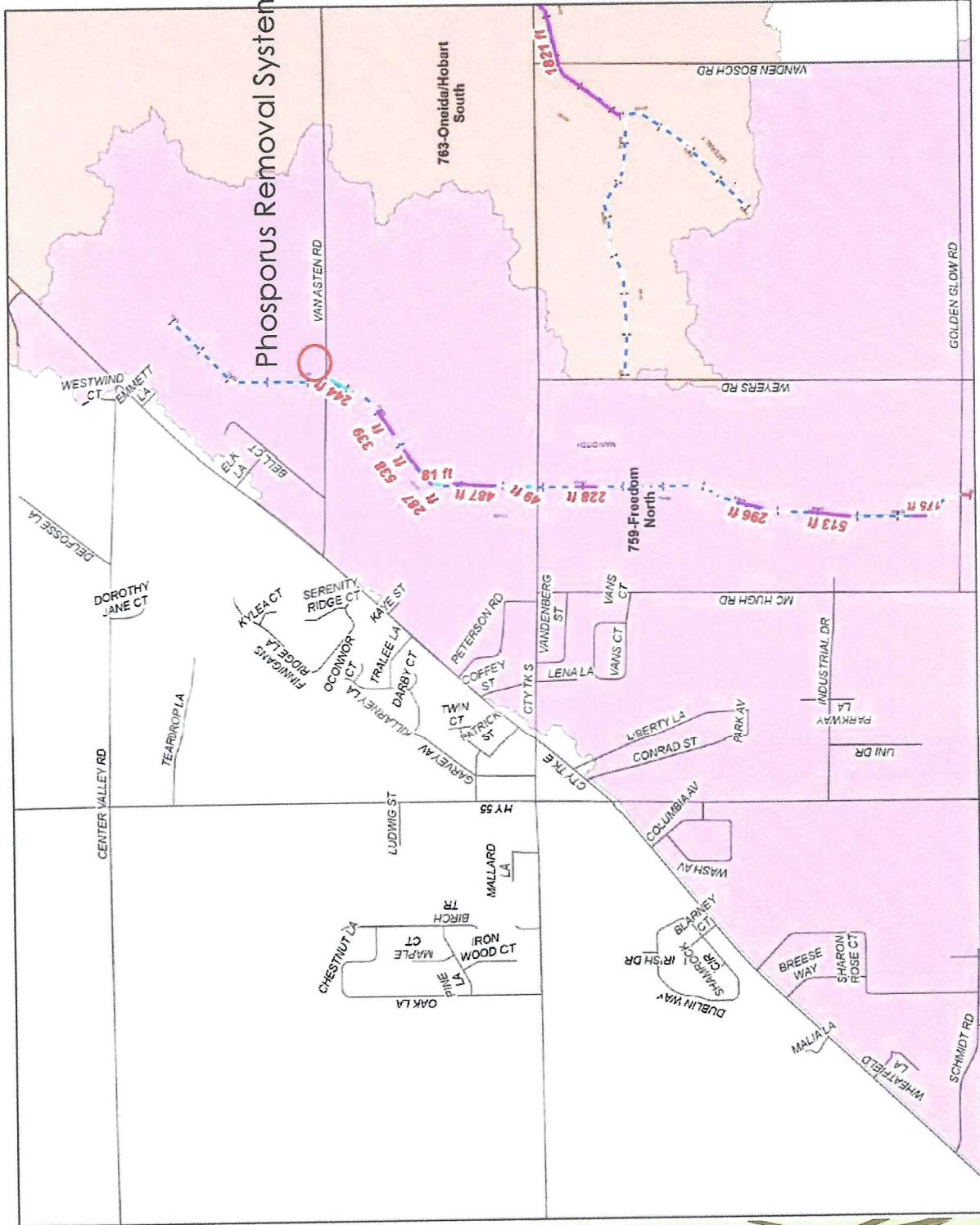


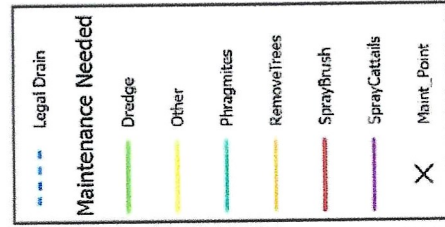
Phosphorus Removal System – Fall 2024

759-Freedom North
Drainage District

2024 INSPECTION MAP

Legal Drain	Maintenance Needed
Legal Drain	Dredge
	Other
	Phragmites
	Remove Trees
	Spray Brush
	Spray Catails
X	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	Remove willows?
Sum: 115	

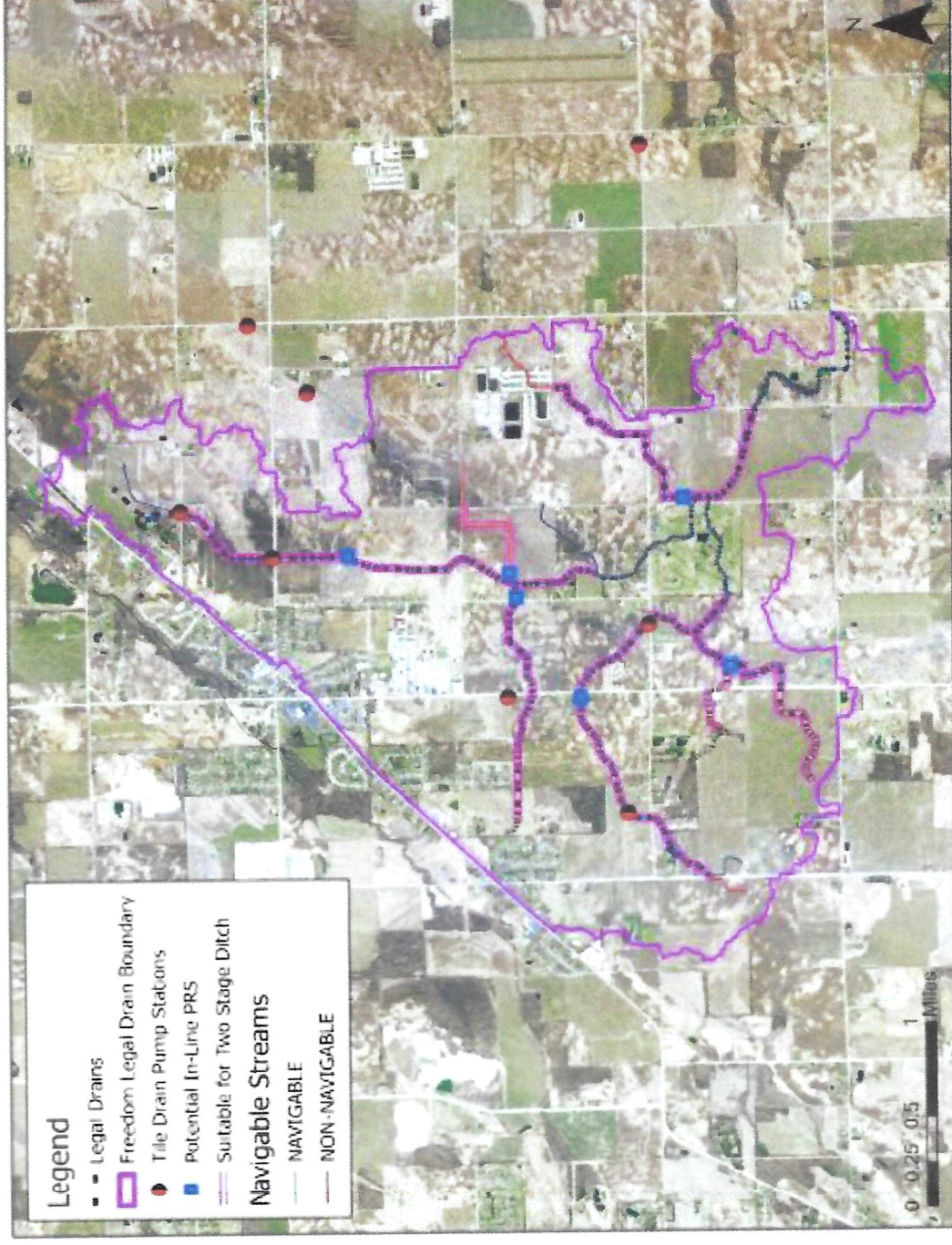
SprayCattails

Length (ft)	Notes
1048	
627	
915	
1194	
1369	
1085	
217	
282	
385	
489	
358	
466	
1292	
1455	
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.



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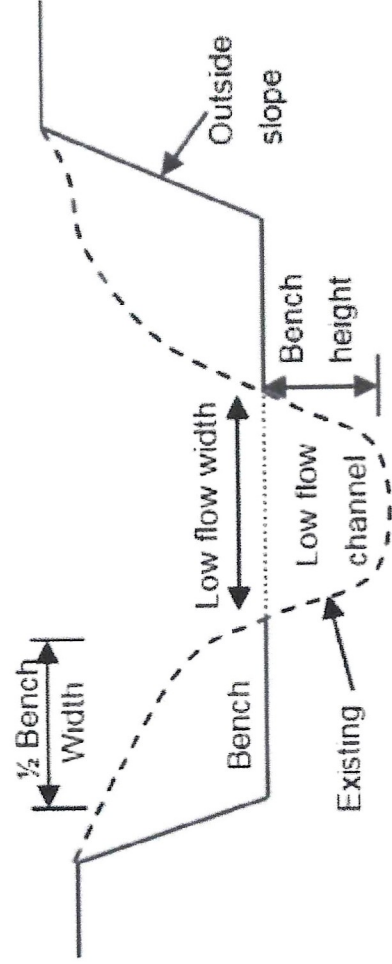
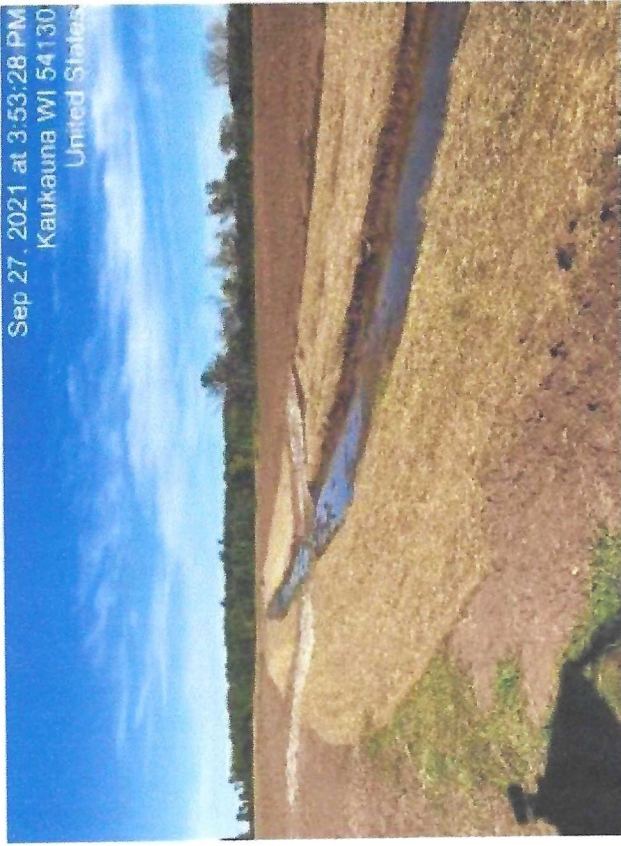


Figure 1. Typical two-sided two-stage ditch.