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PROJECT INFORMATION SHEET
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PROJECT: Cedar Lake Wild Rice, Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Minnesota - Tribal Partnership Program (C)

DESCRIPTION: Cedar Lake is located on the Fond du Lac Reservation, located in Carlton County, Minnesota. Cedar Lake has historically been a vital source for the harvesting of wild rice. In 1957, several regional authorities/agencies (Minnesota Division of Game and Fish, Bureau of Research and Planning) had estimated that approximately 70% of the lake was covered by emergent vegetation and wild rice. Today, less than 2% of the lake has rice growing within its waters. The Fond du Lac Tribe has requested the assistance of the Corps to help them identify the factors impacting rice growth on Cedar Lake. USACE will develop a reconnaissance level study for division approval, and provide it to the tribes for decision making.

CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: Cravaack (MN-8); Senator Franken (MN), Senator Klobuchar (MN)

LOCATION MAP & PICTURE:



NON-FEDERAL PROJECT SPONSOR: Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians (POC: Nancy Schuldt, 218-878-7110)

PROJECT AUTHORITY: Section 203 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2000 - Tribal Partnership Program

FUNDING:	<u>Total</u>	<u>Federal</u>	<u>Non-Federal</u>
Current Working Estimate:	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 0
Funds Allocated prior to FY11:	\$ 96,000	\$ 96,000	\$ 0
FY11 Energy and Water Allocation:	\$	\$	\$
FY11 GLRI Allocation:	\$	\$	\$
FY12 Budget:	\$	\$	\$
Funds required to complete (>FY12):	\$	\$ 4,000	\$

STAGE: Reconnaissance

STATUS: A letter was sent to the Corps by the Fond du Lac Environmental Program in November 2008 expressing their continued interest in the project. A new letter of interest is being requested from the tribe. FY10 Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) funds are being used to prepare a reconnaissance level report and a Project Management Plan.

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