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designing biodiversity through pollination science

Vendor: Landscape Interactions LLC

Project Name: Healthy Soil through Maximum Biodiversity: Farmscape Models for Resilient Design and Land Management Using Pollinator Habitat

Contract #: CT-HSOILSIMPENVC147FY25

Reference #: C147

Contact: Evan Abramson, Principal

QUARTERLY REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING 1/31/25

Progress on deliverables and objectives

The following deliverables have been completed thus far:

1. Meeting with participating farmers on site locations
2. Finalization of project design areas at chosen sites
3. Site and regional spatial analyses using GIS
4. Pollinator surveys at participating sites (4 total per site)
5. Development of target bee, butterfly and moth species for the project
6. Development of plant list for the project based on target pollinator species
7. Site planning and draft designs for each participating farm
8. Planning with farmers and NOFA/Mass for on-site workshops and events promoting the project
9. Final designs for each participating farm (in progress)

Any delays or changes to the overall implementation schedule?

N/A

Financial or budget update can include funds spent so far, amount invoiced for, amount reimbursed and any matching funds that have been utilized

Funds spent thus far: \$25,512.23

Amount invoiced for: \$25,512.23

Amount reimbursed: \$25,512.23

Matching funds utilized: N/A

In-Kind contributions utilized: \$925

How are you doing on outreach? Number of people or organizations reached, the methods that are working and those that are not.

Public workshops and events at the participating farms have been planned for spring, summer and fall of this year, with the first on-site event occurring April 19. Our first public presentation about the project will occur at the Northeast Natural History Conference in Springfield on April 5.

What have been the surprises along the way so far, any changes to the project plan needed?

No changes to the project plan have been necessary. The only surprise along the way has been the need to plan for compensation to farmers for ongoing site maintenance beyond the project period, as well as the need for follow up soil and pollinator surveys to demonstrate the project's impact on soil health and pollinator diversity. For this reason, we have applied for the Healthy Soils Round 2 Grant.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Evan Abramson', with a stylized, flowing script.

Evan Abramson
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