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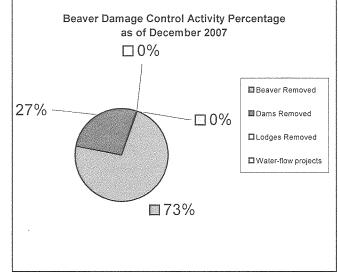
The Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) was appropriated \$100,000 in the 2005 Special Session for the Beaver Damage Control Program. Under this program, local governments were eligible for grants to control beaver activities causing damage to public waters, roads, ditches, and adjacent private property. An application period was open from November 2005 to February 1, 2006. The Board received 27 applications requesting at total of \$323,609.

With the limited resources and the high demand for these funds, BWSR funded 10 applications. A condition of the program required the recipient to provide a 1:1 local cash match. Program accomplishments are to be reported each calendar year through the grant expiration date of June 30, 2008.

Eligible activities, use of these funds and the percentage spent as December 2007 are in the following categories:

- Beaver Removed. 20
- Dams Removed.
- Lodges Removed.
- Water Flow Projects.
- 22 Training Costs.

For project reporting as of December 2007, total funds spent on the program is \$190,184. Of this amount 59%, or \$111,668 were local funds and 41%, or \$78,516 were State grant funds used. Administrative and other program costs totaled \$3,791.



Percentages do not include administrative or other program costs.

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