

Sundown Lake RIZ Cost Sharing Project Guidelines

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The following guidelines were drafted and approved by the Sundown Lake RIZ Board of Trustees on October 18, 2016 to define criteria for RIZ participation in any lake improvement project proposed by RIZ district property owners.

1. All projects considered must fall within RIZ powers as prescribed by Iowa Code 357H and HF615 and be done on a cost share basis with property owners.
2. RIZ Board participation may be considered on a case-by-case basis as funds allow.
3. The RIZ Board will only consider participation if proper steps are taken by the property owner(s) and their contractor(s) to maintain any area to be dredged or improved. The property owner(s) must provide written assurance that they are responsible for maintaining the work site and property throughout the construction process and after completion of the project.
4. All projects shall have at least two bids from licensed contractors that shall be approved by the RIZ Board.
5. The RIZ takes no responsibility and shall not be held liable for any damage to the property owner's private property.
6. All agreements between the RIZ and property owners shall be in writing and all parties shall sign off on said agreement. The RIZ President shall sign all approved agreements on behalf of Board of Trustees.
7. All permits required to begin and complete any project shall be the responsibility of the property owner(s) and their contractor(s).
8. A detailed project plan must be submitted by property owners and must include (but are not limited to):
 - a. Proper removal, transportation and storage of spoils
 - b. Proper maintenance of the improved area
 - c. Any easements required, if applicable
9. The RIZ shall not be responsible for any lakeshore rip-rapping. This is the sole responsibility of the landowner(s).