

## **Motor Mill**



## **Bridge And Building Restoration**

## **Capital Fund Campaign**

## **The Turkey River Recreational Corridor**

The Turkey River Recreational Corridor connects Fayette and Clayton along with the towns of Clermont, Elgin and Elkader along with Motor Mill. The common mission of the TRRC is to develop and enhance the existing natural resource base of the Turkey River Corridor through the creation of land and water trail infrastructure.



### **Regional Attraction**

The Clayton County Conservation Board and the Motor Mill Foundation are working to make the Motor Mill site a regional historical, educational and tourist attraction, while protecting the serenity and charm of the area.

### **Building Restoration Projects**

Several planned projects include the roof replacements on the stable, icehouse, and cooperage. The windows in the cooperage will also be replaced.

Plans are also being worked out to remove the silt from the basement of the mill. During the removal process more investigation will take place to discover how the turbines operated in the basement. The project will include tuck pointing some of the mill basement on the outside of the mill.

## Succession to Success

The following is a list of accomplishments of the Motor Mill Foundation with project years:

Motor Mill Advisory Committee	2002
Research on Mill and Townsite	2002-Current
Motor Mill Feasibility Study	2004
Motor Mill Foundation	2004
Robert Grau Memorial Savanna	2005-Current
Mill Open for Tours	2005
Establish a Newsletter	2005
Foundation Received 501c3 status	2006
Established a Website	2006
Long Range Visioning Plan	2007
Replace Joists and Flooring	2007-2009
Developed <a href="http://www.motormill.org">www.motormill.org</a>	2008
Replace Mill and Inn Roof	2009
Replace Mill Windows	2007-2010
Long Range Education Plan	2010
Replace Mill Stone Floor	2010-2011
On Facebook	2011

Additionally, the Conservation Board replaced the campground and made improvements to the well and water system after the 2008 flood. The Conservation Board also completed the Turkey River Water Trail project and dedicated the trail in 2011.



From 2002 to 2010 volunteers have donated an estimated 9,134 volunteer hours toward Motor Mill Projects. In the same amount of time, they have raised \$208,000 in grants and private donations.

## Motor Mill Bridge

During the flood event of 2008, the north span of the Motor Mill Bridge was destroyed. As a result, FEMA allowed funding to replace the north span of the bridge to the pre-disaster state of the bridge.

The work includes tuck pointing the north, center and south stone abutments and the north bridge span. Funding was included to raise the bridge by four feet, placing it above the high water mark.

The Conservation Board and the Motor Mill Foundation have started the process to raise additional funding to complete the south span and make the bridge open to cars, pickups and pedestrian traffic.

The preliminary design has been completed and is in the process of review. The current design is a pin connected Pratt through truss bridge using modern materials.

Estimated completion is summer 2012.



## **Project Budgets**

### **Motor Mill Bridge Project**

FEMA	\$ 432,427 Secured
FEMA	\$ 50,000 Pending
REAP Grant	\$ 463,000
UMGC	\$ 20,000
Great Places	\$ 33,000 Pending
Remaining	\$ 539,953

Estimated Cost: \$1,538,380

### **Building Restoration Projects**

#### **Replace Roofs Stable, Icehouse, Cooperage**

Remaining: \$26,000

#### **Window Replacement in Cooperage**

Donations \$ 1,800 Secured

Remaining \$ 600

#### **Silt removal and tuck pointing on mill**

FEMA \$ 6,539 Secured

Remaining \$10,785

Estimated Cost \$45,724

Total Estimated Cost \$1,584,104

Funding Secured/Pending \$ 1,006,766

Remaining Funds Needed \$ 577,338

## **Fund Raising Campaign**

The Motor Mill Foundation and the Clayton County Conservation Board have been working together since 2002 and have opened the mill for educational tours during the summer. The partnership has raised funds to complete the projects listed in this brochure.

In 2010, the partnership expanded to include the Turkey River Recreational Corridor, FEMA, Northeast Iowa RC&D, Iowa Great Places and the Iowa DOT to achieve the outlined projects.

Over \$1 million of the estimated \$1.5 million estimated budget has been secured or is pending for secured. \$577,000 is needed in matching funds to complete these projects. Your help is vital. Please consider a gift.

Checks can be sent to:

Motor Mill Foundation  
29862 Osborne Rd  
Elkader IA 52043

OR

Clayton County Conservation  
29862 Osborne Rd  
Elkader IA 52043

Donations to the Motor Mill Foundation, a 501c3 organization, or the Clayton County Conservation Board are 100% tax deductible.

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