

PRODUCER HIGHLIGHT - DWANE MORVIK

WHO: Dwane Morvik

WHERE: Adjacent to the Frenchman River

Valley, RM of White Valley No. 49.

WHEN: Spring 2002

WHY: The sheep preferred to graze native

grasses along the river resulting in overgrazing and trampling of the river banks, which increased erosion and sedimentation into the river. Dwane seeded tame grass on the uplands a half-mile away from the river, and wanted to force the sheep to graze this grass during the spring and summer allowing the riverbanks and lowlands

to re-establish.

WHAT: A water supply was not available on the upland tame pasture, so an underground pipeline was installed. The lowlands pasture was fenced off to form a fall grazing and



Early on in Dwane's Project



Later in Dwane's Project

BENEFITS: Dwane was able to control livestock access to the river, maintain good vegetation throughout his pastures, reduce erosion and sedimentation and improve water quality for downstream users.

COST: Half of the cost was paid by Saskatchewan Wetlands Conservation Corporation (SWCC).

Information Source: Electronic presentation by Dwane Morvik entitled "SWCC Pipeline Project". Summary by: Jenna King and Bob Springer.







