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# Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2011

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Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code  
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

► Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds, organizations that operate one or more hospital facilities, and certain controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990 (see instructions). All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$200,000 and total assets less than \$500,000 at the end of the year may use this form.

► The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

A For the 2011 calendar year, or tax year beginning		JANUARY 1	, 2011, and ending	DECEMBER 31	, 2012
B Check if applicable:		C Name of organization		D Employer identification number	
<input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending		SOUTH DAKOTA GRASSLAND COALITION Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) PO BOX 515 City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 PRESHO SD 57568-0515		46-0449860 E Telephone number 605.895.4099	
G Accounting Method: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual Other (specify) ►		H Check ► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).			
I Website: ► <a href="http://WWW.SDGRASS.ORG">WWW.SDGRASS.ORG</a>		J Tax-exempt status (check only one) – <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( 6 ) ◀ (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527			
K Check ► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization or a section 527 organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$50,000. A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required though Form 990-N (e-postcard) may be required (see instructions). But if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.		L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, line 25, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. ► \$ 206,180.00			
<b>Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances</b> (see the instructions for Part I.) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I. □					
Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	190625.00		
	2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	9185.00		
	3 Membership dues and assessments	3	6370.00		
	4 Investment income	4			
	5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a			
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b			
	c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c			
	6 Gaming and fundraising events				
	a Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a			
	b Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)	6b			
c Less: direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c				
d Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (Add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d				
7a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances					
b Less: cost of goods sold					
c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)					
8 Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)					
9 Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8		► 206180.00			
Expenses	10 Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	202215.00		
	11 Benefits paid to or for members	11			
	12 Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12			
	13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	5250.00		
	14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14			
	15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	7626.00		
	16 Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	42288.00		
17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	257379.00			
Net Assets	18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	-51199.00		
	19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	53784.00		
	20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20			
	21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	2585.00		

**Part II      Balance Sheets. (see the instructions for Part II.)**

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
<b>22</b>	<b>Cash, savings, and investments</b>	<b>53784.00</b>	<b>2585.00</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>Land and buildings</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>Other assets (describe in Schedule O)</b>	<b>24</b>	
<b>25</b>	<b>Total assets</b>	<b>25</b>	
<b>26</b>	<b>Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)</b>	<b>26</b>	
<b>27</b>	<b>Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>2585.00</b>

**Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments** (see the instructions for Part III.)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? **Grassland education to producers & the public.**

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.

**Expenses**  
(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts; optional for others.)

28	Grassland managers, private citizens, and private and governmental agencies benefit from the educational programs sponsored by the Coalition. The benefits of grassland management is present through demonstrations, newsletters, workshops, field days, pasture tours, speakers, and the website. (Grants \$ 176491.00 ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	176491.00
29	_____		
	_____		
	_____		
	(Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>	29a	
30	_____		
	_____		
	_____		
	(Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>	30a	
31	Other program services (describe in Schedule O) . . . . . (Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>	31a	
32	Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a) . . . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>	32	179491.00

**Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees.** List each one even if not compensated. (see the instructions for Part IV.)

**Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV.**

(a) Name and address	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
Lyle Perman 30872 143rd St Lowry SD 57472	Chair 10 hrs			
Jim Faulstich 33795 186th St Highmore SD 57645	Vice Chair 10 hrs			
Larry Wagner 26314 650th Ave Chamberlain SD 57325	Sec/Treas 5 hrs			
Ellen Reddick 11611 Reddick Lane St Onge SD 57779	Director 5 hrs			
Dan Rasmussen 26151 Cedar Butte Rd Belvidere SD 57521	Director 5 hrs			
Dale Paulson 21757 375th Ave Wessington SD 57381	Director 5 hrs			
Dale Boydston PO Box 248 New Underwood SD 57761	Director 5 hrs			

**Part V Other Information** (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

33 Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O 33

34 Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions) 34

35a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)? 35a

b If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O 35b

c Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III 35c

36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N 36

37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions. ► 37a

b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? 37b

38a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return? 38a

b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b

39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:

a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a

b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b

40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ► \_\_\_\_\_ ; section 4912 ► \_\_\_\_\_ ; section 4955 ► \_\_\_\_\_ 40a

b Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I 40b

c Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 40c

d Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization 40d

e All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T. 40e

41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. ►

42a The organization's books are in care of ► \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone no. ► \_\_\_\_\_  
Located at ► \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP + 4 ► \_\_\_\_\_

b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?

If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ► \_\_\_\_\_

See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.

c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the U.S.? \_\_\_\_\_

If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ► \_\_\_\_\_

43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041—Check here ►  and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ► 43

44a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ 44a

b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ 44b

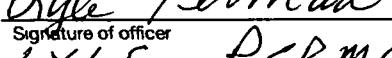
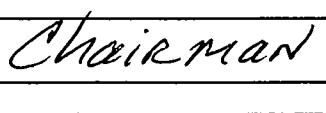
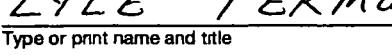
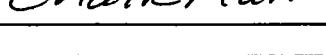
c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year? 44c

d If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O 44d

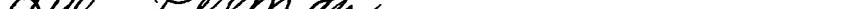
45a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? 45a

45b Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions) 45b

	Yes	No
33	✓	
34	✓	
35a	✓	
35b	✓	
35c	✓	
36	✓	
37a		
37b	✓	
38a	✓	
38b		
39a		
39b		
40a		
40b	✓	
40c		
40d		
40e	✓	
42a		
42b	✓	
42c	✓	
43		
44a	✓	
44b	✓	
44c	✓	
44d	✓	
45a	✓	
45b	✓	

46	Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	46	Yes	No	
<b>Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts only.</b> All section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must answer questions 47–49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.					
Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI <input type="checkbox"/>					
47	Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	47	Yes	No	
48	Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	48	Yes	No	
49a	Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	49a	Yes	No	
b	If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?	49b	Yes	No	
50	Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."				
(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000		(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	
<b>f</b> Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ►					
51	Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."				
(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000		(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation		
<b>d</b> Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ►					
52	Did the organization complete Schedule A? <b>Note:</b> All section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A ► <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No				
Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.					
Sign Here	 Signature of officer		 May 8, 2012 Date		
	 LYLE PERMAN		 Chairman		
	Type or print name and title				
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	Firm's name ►		Firm's EIN ►		
	Firm's address ►		Phone no.		
May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions					<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here  Lyle Perman Signature of officer Date  LYLE PERMAN Chairman Type or print name and title

<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	Firm's name ►		Firm's BN ►		
	Firm's address ►		Phone no.		

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions . . . . . ►  Yes  No

South Dakota Grassland Coalition  
EIN: 46-0449860  
Form: 990-EZ (2011) Attachment # 1

Part I, line 10 – Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)

SD Assn. of Conservation Districts	\$202,215.00
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