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The mission of the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division is to manage, protect, conserve, and enhance the wildlife and aquatic resources of Alabama for the sustainable benefit of the people of Alabama.

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January 02, 2019

Mr. Mike Piccirilli
Chief – Federal Assistance
U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service
1875 Century Boulevard
Atlanta, GA 30345

Dear Mr. Piccirilli:

Please find enclosed a Grant application for Alabama's Wildlife Restoration project, titled "Lakepoint Community Archery Park (W-68-6)". This grant is to be obligated from Section 4 monies. The Current year grant award number is TBD. We request approval to construct an archery range on property owned by the State of Alabama as part of lakepoint State Park located in Barbour County. The requested Grant Award amount is \$120,000 of which the Federal Share is \$90,000. We request that the Grant Award period run from March 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020.

The application package includes an original signed AFA (SF424), Project Narrative, Budget Narrative, NEPA and Section 7 compliance documents. Annual Assurances were submitted earlier this year and should be on file.

Please contact me at (334) 242-3869 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Amy Silvano
Assistant Chief, Wildlife Section

Enclosures

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

* 1. Type of Submission: <input type="checkbox"/> Preapplication <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application <input type="checkbox"/> Changed/Corrected Application	* 2. Type of Application: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> Revision	* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s): [] * Other (Specify): []
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* 3. Date Received: []	4. Applicant Identifier: W-68-6
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5a. Federal Entity Identifier: []	5b. Federal Award Identifier: []
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State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State: []	7. State Application Identifier: W-68-6
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8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

* a. Legal Name: State of Alabama	
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): 63-6000619	* c. Organizational DUNS: 9299334060000

d. Address:

* Street1: 64 North Union Street
Street2: []
* City: Montgomery
County/Parish: []
* State: AL: Alabama
Province: []
* Country: USA: UNITED STATES
* Zip / Postal Code: 36130-1457

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name: Conservation & Natural Resourc	Division Name: Wildlife & Freshwater Fisherie
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f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix: Ms.	* First Name: Amy
Middle Name: L.	
* Last Name: Silvano	
Suffix: []	
Title: Assistant Chief of Wildlife	

Organizational Affiliation:
[]

* Telephone Number: 334-242-3469	Fax Number: 334-242-3032
* Email: amy.silvano@dcnr.alabama.gov	

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

*** 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:**

A: State Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

* Other (specify):

*** 10. Name of Federal Agency:**

U.S. Department of Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

15-611

CFDA Title:

*** 12. Funding Opportunity Number:**

* Title:

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

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*** 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:**

To develop the Lakepoint Community Archery park

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

Add Attachments

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

16. Congressional Districts Of:

* a. Applicant

* b. Program/Project

Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.

17. Proposed Project:

* a. Start Date:

* b. End Date:

18. Estimated Funding (\$):

* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="90,000.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text"/>
* c. State	<input type="text"/>
* d. Local	<input type="text"/>
* e. Other	<input type="text" value="30,000.00"/>
* f. Program Income	<input type="text"/>
* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="120,000.00"/>

*** 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?**

- a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on
- b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.
- c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

*** 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)**

- Yes
- No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)**

** I AGREE

** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.

Authorized Representative:

Prefix: * First Name:
Middle Name:
* Last Name:
Suffix:

* Title:

* Telephone Number: Fax Number:

* Email:

* Signature of Authorized Representative: 

* Date Signed:

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BUDGET INFORMATION - Non-Construction Programs

OMB Approval No. 0348-0044

SECTION A - BUDGET SUMMARY						
Grant Program Function or Activity (a)	Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number (b)	Estimated Unobligated Funds		New or Revised Budget		
		Federal (c)	Non-Federal (d)	Federal (e)	Non-Federal (f)	Total (g)
1. Lakepoint Community Archery park (W-88-6)	15.611	\$	\$	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 120,000.00
2.					0.00	0.00
3.						0.00
4.						0.00
5. Totals		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 120,000.00
SECTION B - BUDGET CATEGORIES						
6. Object Class Categories	GRANT PROGRAM, FUNCTION OR ACTIVITY				Total (5)	
	(1) Lakepoint Community Archery park (W-88-6)	(2)	(3)	(4)		
a. Personnel	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$	\$	\$ 3,600.00	
b. Fringe Benefits	1,000.00	400.00			1,400.00	
c. Travel	1,400.00	600.00			2,000.00	
d. Equipment					0.00	
e. Supplies		5,000.00			5,000.00	
f. Contractual					0.00	
g. Construction	80,000.00	28,000.00			108,000.00	
h. Other					0.00	
i. Total Direct Charges (sum of 6a-6h)	85,000.00	35,000.00	0.00	0.00	120,000.00	
j. Indirect Charges					0.00	
k. TOTALS (sum of 6i and 6j)	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 120,000.00	
7. Program Income	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	

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SECTION C - NON-FEDERAL RESOURCES					
(a) Grant Program	(b) Applicant	(c) State	(d) Other Sources	(e) TOTALS	
8. Lakepoint Community Archery park (W-68-6)	\$	\$ 0.00	\$ 32,500.00	\$ 32,500.00	
9.			0.00	0.00	
10.			0.00	0.00	
11.				0.00	
12. TOTAL (sum of lines 8-11)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 32,500.00	\$ 32,500.00	
SECTION D - FORECASTED CASH NEEDS					
	Total for 1st Year	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter
13. Federal	\$ 0.00	\$	\$	\$	\$
14. Non-Federal	0.00				
15. TOTAL (sum of lines 13 and 14)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
SECTION E - BUDGET ESTIMATES OF FEDERAL FUNDS NEEDED FOR BALANCE OF THE PROJECT					
(a) Grant Program	FUTURE FUNDING PERIODS (Years)				
	(b) First	(c) Second	(d) Third	(e) Fourth	
16. Lakepoint Community Archery park (W-68-6)	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0.00	
17.					
18.					
19.					
20. TOTAL (sum of lines 16-19)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	
SECTION F - OTHER BUDGET INFORMATION					
21. Direct Charges:		22. Indirect Charges:			
23. Remarks: This grant is for the Development of the Lakepoint Community Archery Park.					

Budget Narrative

Personnel

- a. Personnel consist primarily of salaries (\$3,600) associated with staff time to carry out the activities specified in the approach section. This includes most of the personal service costs associated with the Regional Hunter Education. Other agency staff will charge time to the project when participating in the planning, management, and delivery of the program.

Fringe

- a. Fringe for all salaried and match employees was budgeted at 40%.

Fringe benefits (\$1,400) consist of the required employer contribution of Social Security, Medicare, unemployment tax, retirement, and employee health insurance, and is estimated at 30.0% of salaries

Travel

- a. Vehicle mileage (\$2,000) was computed as 4,000 miles x \$0.50 per mile to commute back and forth between employee's headquarters and the range

Supplies

- a. A total of \$5000 is budgeted for targets, metal quivers, bowracks and signage

Construction

- a. Construction for target frames, elevated platform and covered shooting shelter is estimated at \$108,000.

Indirect

- a. Indirect Cost: No indirect costs will be charged to this grant.

Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources,
Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division
Grant Title: Lakepoint Community Archery Park
Grant Number: TBD
Grant Period: March 01, 2019-September 30, 2020

Program Narrative

Need

Alabama is quickly becoming a highly urbanized state as a result of changes in the economy, industry, and other factors leading to a shift away from a rural way of life. Access to shooting ranges in Alabama is limited, especially in these increasingly urbanized areas. The Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries operates five shooting ranges on state owned property and five in cooperation with wildlife management area lessors. In addition, the U.S. Forest Service operates five shooting ranges on its property throughout Alabama. There are very few privately operated shooting ranges in and around Alabama's major metropolitan areas.

WFF operates thirteen community archery parks in cooperation with City Parks and Recreation Departments, and two in cooperation with our State parks. These facilities are highly utilized and increase the visibility of archery within the respective communities.

Access to archery ranges, although not as impaired as firearms ranges, is becoming increasingly more difficult because of city ordinances. It is essential that the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries take action to develop and maintain additional shooting opportunities for the citizens of Alabama. Failure to develop additional public shooting ranges will result in decreased shooting opportunities and degradation of our shooting and hunting heritage. Lack of convenient locations to participate could be a barrier that prevents some individuals from becoming involved in the shooting sports.

Approach

The Lakepoint Archery Park project involves approximately 3 acres, more or less. The site is located at 31° 59'44.06" N and 85° 07'22.75" W.

The range will be developed through a partnership with State Parks and the Bowhunters of Alabama, Barbour County Chapter (BHA). Our agency will pay for materials for all archery related structures including the elevated platform, target frames, targets and other archery related items. Construction will be donated from a local vendor who is affiliated with BHA. Installation of target frames, bow racks and ground quivers and other archery related items will be done by WFF staff. In addition, the park will provide routine maintenance such as grass cutting and litter removal. Discussions are underway to involve the Archery Trade Association as a partner in this project.

Results or benefits expected

The construction of a community archery park in Barbour County will result in increased public access to an archery range. This range should enhance efforts to initiate participation of Barbour County Schools in Alabama's National Archery in the Schools Program. The construction of this range should allow archers more opportunity to enjoy the recreational aspects of our shooting heritage and also provide a location for hunters to prepare for hunting season. In addition, it should also improve the visibility of archery as a recreational activity that is part of mainstream America.

Objective

1. Archery Range Construction

To construct/develop a 50-yard archery range on State Park Property in Barbour County. The ranges will adhere to guidelines set forth by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Lakepoint State Park Employees will operate and maintain the archery range throughout its useful life. The State Park and BHA will develop programming to provide youth and adults an opportunity to become involved in various facets of archery.

Useful life

The Useful life of the Lakepoint Community Archery park archery range shall be 15 years, beginning from the date of completion of the project.

Geographic location.

Lakepoint State Park lies in Barbour County (population 25,270) in Southeast Alabama. The site is located at 31° 59'44.06" N and 85° 07'22.75" W.

Principal investigator

Marisa Futral
64 North Union Street
Montgomery, AL 36130
334-242-3867

Program income

None anticipated

Budget narrative

Estimated expenditures for this project are approximately \$120,000. Hunter Education Funds (Section 4) in the above amount are available and will be used for this construction project. Federal Share will be \$90,000. The match will be provided with in kind services from Alabama State Parks and BHA affiliates.

Relationship with other Grants

This grant compliments range development work being funded under W-68-3 (F16AF00162).

Timeline

Project should be completed by fall of 2020.

NEPA COMPLIANCE CHECKLIST

State: _____ **Federal Financial Assistance Grant/Agreement/Amendment Number:** _____

Grant/Project Name: Lakepoint Community Archery Park W-68-6

This proposal **is**; **is not** completely covered by categorical exclusion 1,4 B3 in **516 DM 2, Appendix 1**; and/or **516 DM 6, Appendix _____**.

(check (✓) one) (Review proposed activities. An appropriate categorical exclusion must be identified before completing the remainder of the Checklist. If a categorical exclusion cannot be identified, or the proposal cannot meet the qualifying criteria in the categorical exclusion, or an extraordinary circumstance applies (see below), an EA must be prepared.)

Extraordinary Circumstances:

Will This Proposal (check (✓) yes or no for each item below):

- | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 1. Have significant adverse effects on public health or safety. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 2. Have significant adverse effects on such natural resources and unique geographic characteristics as historic or cultural resources; park, recreation or refuge lands; wilderness areas; wild or scenic rivers; national natural landmarks; sole or principal drinking water aquifers; prime farmlands; wetlands (Executive Order 11990); floodplains (Executive Order 11988); national monuments; migratory birds (Executive Order 13186); and other ecologically significant or critical areas under Federal ownership or jurisdiction. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 3. Have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources [NEPA Section 102(2)(E)]. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 4. Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 5. Have a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 6. Have a direct relationship to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant environmental effects. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 7. Have significant adverse effects on properties listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places as determined by either the bureau or office, the State Historic Preservation Officer, the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, or a consulting party under 36 CFR 800. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 8. Have significant adverse effects on species listed, or proposed to be listed, on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species, or have significant adverse effects on designated Critical Habitat for these species. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 9. Have the possibility of violating a Federal law, or a State, local, or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 10. Have the possibility for a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or minority populations (Executive Order 12898). |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 11. Have the possibility to limit access to and ceremonial use of Indian sacred sites on Federal lands by Indian religious practitioners or significantly adversely affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites (Executive Order 13007). |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 12. Have the possibility to significantly contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of noxious weeds or non-native invasive species known to occur in the area or actions that may promote the introduction, growth, or expansion of the range of such species (Federal Noxious Weed Control Act and Executive Order 13112). |

(If any of the above extraordinary circumstances receive a "Yes" check (✓), an EA must be prepared.)

Yes No This grant/project includes additional information supporting the Checklist.

Concurrences/Approvals:

Project Leader: _____ **Date:** _____

State Authority Concurrence: _____ **Date:** 15 Jan 19

(with financial assistance signature authority, if applicable)

Within the spirit and intent of the Council of Environmental Quality's regulations for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other statutes, orders, and policies that protect fish and wildlife resources, I have established the following administrative record and have determined that the grant/agreement/amendment:

- is a categorical exclusion as provided by 516 DM 6, Appendix 1 and/or 516 DM 2, Appendix 1. No further NEPA documentation will therefore be made.**
- is not completely covered by the categorical exclusion as provided by 516 DM 6, Appendix 1 and/or 516 DM 2, Appendix 1. An EA must be prepared.**

Service signature approval:

RO or WO Environmental Coordinator: _____ **Date:** _____

Staff Specialist, Division of Federal Assistance: _____ **Date:** _____

(or authorized Service representative with financial assistance signature authority)

NOTICE

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501et seq.), please be advised that:

1. The gathering of information from potential grant recipients is authorized by The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA, 42 U.S.C. 4321-4347). NEPA requires that a number of items be considered prior to any activity under a grant.
2. The submission of requested information is required for entities competing for federal assistance grants . This completed checklist is a record that these NEPA issues were considered prior to commencing grant activity.
3. You are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.
4. This information collection has been approved by OMB and assigned clearance number 1018-0110.
5. The requested information may be subject to disclosure under provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

The public reporting burden for the information collected on this form is 30 minutes. This burden estimate includes time for reviewing instructions, gathering data, and completing and reviewing form. Comments on this form should be mailed to the Information Collection Officer, Mail Stop 222, Arlington Square, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Washington, DC 20240. Thank you.

U. S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION STATEMENT FOR CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

Within the spirit and intent of the Council on Environmental Quality's regulations for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and other statutes, orders, and policies that protect fish and wildlife resources, I have established the following administrative record and determined that the following proposed action is categorically excluded from NEPA documentation requirements consistent with 40 CFR 1508.4, 516 DM 2.3A, 516 DM 2 Appendix 1, and 516 DM 8.5 Appendix 1.4.

Proposed Action and Alternatives. *Describe the proposed action and any alternatives explored. Discuss briefly why proposed action was selected over other alternatives.*

The Lakepoint Community Archery Park will consist of youth and adult ranges with targets from 5-20 and 15-50 yards, respectively. An elevated platform with targets from 10-40 yards will also be available to offer bowhunters an opportunity to shoot from a simulated treestand environment.

The proposed site is located on approximately 3 acres within Lakepoint State Park in Barbour County. This site was one of several proposed locations and was selected because of safety requirements and its visibility to the public.

Categorical Exclusion(s). *Quote and provide the Departmental Manual citation(s) for the specific Categorical Exclusions you are using; if it appears necessary, discuss why you believe the action fits as this Categorical Exclusion; mention that the action does not trigger an Exception to the Categorical Exclusions at 516 DM 2 Appendix 2; and/or if it does trigger an Exception, discuss why it does not apply for this action.*

1.4B(2) The operation, maintenance, and management of existing facilities and routine recurring management activities and improvements, including renovations and replacements which result in no or only minor changes in the use, and have no or negligible environmental effects on-site or in the vicinity of the site.

1.4B(3) The construction of new, or the addition of, small structures or improvements, including structures and improvements for the restoration of wetland, riparian, instream, or native habitats, which result in no or only minor changes in the use of the affected local area. The following are examples of activities that may be included.

- i. The installation of fences.
- ii. The construction of small water control structures.
- iii. The planting of seeds or seedlings and other minor revegetation actions.
- iv. The construction of small berms or dikes.
- v. The development of limited access for routine maintenance and management purposes.

The site is located in Lakepoint State Park operated by Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. The addition of the archery park will not negatively impact the capacity of the Park to carryout their mission in regards to other recreational activities currently conducted on site. The project will enhance recreational opportunities available to residents of Barbour County. The only change will be enhanced access to archery related activities as opposed to minor foot traffic by picnickers or nature enthusiasts.

Affected Environment (See Attachment)

Permits/Approvals. *Discuss any additional permits/approvals needed before the proposed action can be implemented, such as a Clean Water Act section 404 permit, Endangered Species Act section 7 consultation, and/or National Historic Preservation Act section 106 clearance.*

The Ecological Services Office in Daphne has been notified and requested to provide input regarding the proposed site. Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries staff members have not identified any negative impacts to threatened or endangered species or habitats. To the best of our knowledge, no additional permits or approvals other than Federal Assistance are required prior to development of the archery park.

Public Involvement/Interagency Coordination. *Discuss the opportunities provided to the public, other agencies, and/or Tribes to get involved with the proposed action, any significant comments they may have made, and our responses.*

See Appendix A

Supporting Documents. Supporting documents for this determination include relevant office file material and the following key references: *(List document citations here.)*

Conclusion.

Based on the information and comments received at the following meeting(s) (see attachment) we have determined that the proposed activities will have no highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources and are completely covered by categorical exclusions 1.4 B (2) and B (3) in 516 DM 8.5.

Concurrences /Approvals:

(Project Leader)

(Date)

(State Authority Concurrence)

(Date)

(Division of Federal Assistance)

(Date)

APPENDIX A

Affected Environment: Madison County Community Archery Park

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

1. The design of the known distance range is identical to other Community Archery Parks constructed in Alabama during the past ten years. Original plans were developed after consulting with members of the Archery Shooters Association and Bowhunters of Alabama.
2. All use areas will be in compliance with ADA requirements.
3. Firing lines will be clearly marked and maintained. Alabama Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries (WFF) will provide all targets in order to maintain a safe direction of fire. WFF and Lakepoint State Park should be able to manage this area and ensure such management continues to provide for public health and safety. Additionally, the access point to the range will be located behind the firing line. WFF and Lakepoint State Park do not plan to staff the range; however, strict guidelines for range use will be posted at the site. In addition, WFF and Park employees will monitor use through random spot checks to ensure compliance.
4. The perimeter will be posted with signs indicating that the area is an archery range.
5. Maps of the property will depict the range and safety zone.

HISTORIC OR CULTURAL RESOURCES

The known distance range site is currently open fields with shrubs and small trees such as oaks, pines, privet and other species. The archery park will be constructed by selectively clearing above-ground vegetation as needed, including some mid-story flora, and controlling such vegetation with mowers, fire, and herbicide. Construction and management of the range will not require significant ground disturbance.

LISTED SPECIES

Information regarding this project has been sent to the ES Field Office in Daphne, AL. WFF has investigated the property and found no evidence of listed species or critical habitat.

OTHER WILDLIFE

The area will continue to be managed under current use and guidelines. Grasses on the range will provide foraging areas for wildlife such as songbirds, wild turkey, Bobwhite quail and whitetail deer. Management of the area as an archery range is not expected to have any negative impacts on wildlife species utilizing the area.

NOISE

Since the range is archery only, there will be no noise impacts or concerns.

WETLANDS

The archery range will not impact any wetland areas. The site is upland in nature with a mixture of various oak and pine species. The primary soil at this site is Bonifay Loamy Sand and Luverne Springhill Complex.

LAND USE

The proposed site is currently part of Lakepoint State Park. The land is not actively managed for any wildlife management objectives other than providing shrub and low basal area forested habitat. Since this is an archery only range, there will not be any deposition of lead on the area from archery related activities.

PUBLIC NOTICE

WFF met with park employees to discuss the proposed Community Archery Park. Park employees have also met with local citizens to discuss their vision for development and maintenance of the community archery park along with anticipated programming activities as part of their programming efforts. A formal notice was not distributed to local citizens regarding the proposed archery park because there were no concerns regarding noise, lead issues, or other concerns that may be present when a firearms range is being constructed.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN THE
ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL
RESOURCES,
DIVISION OF WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES
AND THE
ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL
RESOURCES,
STATE PARKS DIVISION

THIS Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) entered into this _____ day of _____, 2018, between the State Of Alabama, State Parks Division hereinafter called Parks, and the State of Alabama, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, hereinafter called WFF:

WHEREAS, WFF and Parks jointly desire to develop, use and maintain a public archery park on certain lands within Lakepoint State Park; and

WHEREAS, WFF and Parks jointly desire to use the lands in a manner compatible with the primary purpose of the park and to construct archery shooting lanes and targets, a pavilion for groups to use and other facilities that would support wildlife related activities; and

WHEREAS, WFF and Parks desire to develop a plan to integrate the area into the Alabama Archery Park Plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That WFF and Parks do hereby agree for the construction and maintenance of a public archery park area within the property delineated in the attached "Exhibit A" situated in Barbour County, Alabama.:

Said MOU is made under the following specific terms, conditions and stipulations:

1. Parks hereby grants WFF use of the following property: a mutually agreed upon site within Lakepoint State Park for the purpose of the development and maintenance of a public archery range.

2. The term of this MOU shall commence on the date hereof and shall expire fifteen (15) years thereafter; provided however, that WFF shall have the right to renew said MOU for two (2) additional fifteen (15) year periods. The property shall be made available for public use by the general public as a public archery range, during normal operating hours. All laws and regulations shall apply. Parks shall provide all routine maintenance of the premises including, but not limited to, litter clean-up and grass mowing, and shall be responsible for providing public access to the public archery range facilities. Standard park day use fees will be charged for the public use of the archery range unless waived by the Parks Director.

3. WFF agrees to pay for materials for all archery related structures including the elevated platform, target frames, targets and other archery related items. Construction of the elevated platform and target frames will be donated from a local vendor. Installation of target frames, bow racks, ground quivers and other archery related items will be completed by WFF staff and a local vendor. Future repair of the archery facilities will be split in cost share between Parks and WFF.

4. This agreement may not be amended or otherwise altered without the express written consent of the parties.

5. This agreement may not be assigned or otherwise transferred without the express written consent of the parties.

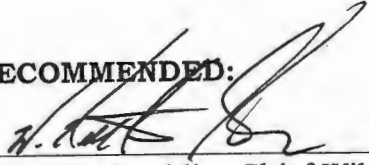
6. By signing this contract, the contracting parties affirm, for the duration of the agreement, that they will not violate federal immigration law or knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien within the State of Alabama. Furthermore, a contracting party found to be in violation of this provision shall be deemed in breach of the agreement and shall be responsible for all damages resulting therefrom.

7. During the contract term, including any renewals or extension, Contractor will not engage in the boycott of a person or an entity based in or doing business with a jurisdiction with whom the State of Alabama can enjoy open trade, as defined in Act 2016-312.

8. For any and all disputes arising under the terms of this agreement, the parties hereto agree, in compliance with the recommendation of the Governor and Attorney General, when considering settlement of such disputes, to utilize appropriate forms of non-binding alternative dispute resolution including, but not limited to, mediation by and through the Attorney General's Office of Administration hearing or where appropriate, private mediators.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

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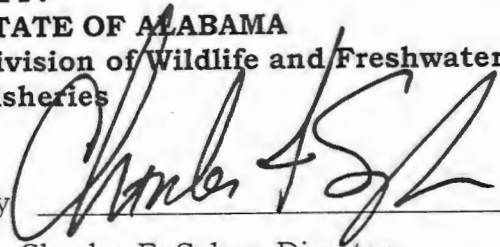


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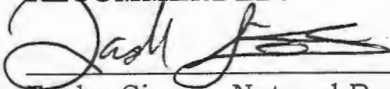
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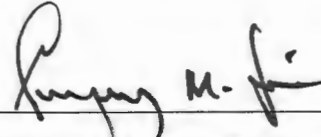


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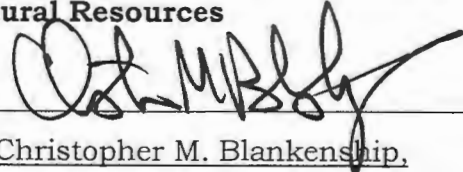


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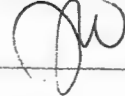


Exhibit A

