

#### STATE OF ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES DIVISION

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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. CHARLES F. "CHUCK" SYKES Director

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N. GUNTER GUY, JR. COMMISSIONER

CURTIS JONES DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

December 15, 2015

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 "Troy Community Archery Park (W-68-3)". 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 and managed by the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries as part of their State Lakes located in Pike County. The requested Grant Award amount is \$50,000 of which the Federal Share is \$37,500. State match will be provided through in-kind contributions from City of Troy employees. We request that the Grant Award period run from January 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017.

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) 242-3469 if you have any questions.

Sincerely

Keith Gauldin Chief, Wildlife Section

Enclosures

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424									
* 1. Type of Submissi	on:	* 2. Тур	e of Application:	' If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):					
Preapplication		X New							
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5a. Federal Entity Ide	ntifier:			* 5b. Federal Award Identifier:					
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6. Date Received by S	State:		7. State Application	Identifier: (W-68-3)					
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Middle Name:									
* Last Name: Gaul	auldin								
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Title: Chief									
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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424
9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:
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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:
Wildlife Restoration (Hunter Education Section 4)
* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:
* Title:
13. Competition Identification Number:
14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):
Statewide
* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:
To develop the Troy Community Archery Park
Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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* a. Applicant	AL - 002		* b. Program/Project Alabama
Attach an additior	al list of Program/Project	Congressional Districts if n	eeded.
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Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division Grant Tile: Troy Community Archery Park Grant Number: TBD Grant Period: January 01, 2015- September 30, 2017

#### Program Narrative

#### <u>Need</u>

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 twelve community archery parks in cooperation with City Parks and Recreation Departments or State Parks. They are located in Athens, Cullman, Decatur, Demopolis, Dothan, Elba, Foley, Heflin, Lincoln, Oak Mountain, Ozark and Tuscaloosa. 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.

#### <u>Approach</u>

The Troy Community Archery Park project involves approximately 3 acres, more or less. The site is located at 31.751383 N and -85.993329 W.

The range will be developed through a partnership with the City of Troy. Our agency will pay for 75% of the cost of materials for all archery related structures including the elevated platform, target frames, targets, covered shooting shelter and other archery related items and the City agrees to pay for 25% of the cost. In kind contributions made on behalf of the City will count toward the match. Installation of target frames, bow racks and ground quivers and other archery related items will be completed by WFF staff. In addition, the city 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 Pike County will result in increased public access to an archery range. This range should enhance efforts to initiate participation of Pike 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 within WFF Pike County Lake Property in Pike County. The range will adhere to guidelines set forth by the Americans with Disabilities Act. City of Troy Employees will operate and maintain the archery range throughout its useful life. The City of Troy Parks and Recreation Board will develop programming to provide youth and adults an opportunity to become involved in various facets of archery.

#### <u>Useful life</u>

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

#### Geographic location.

The Troy Community Archery Park lies in Pike County (population 33,434) in south Alabama. The site is located at 31.751383 N and -85.993329 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 \$50,000. Hunter Education Funds (Section 4) in the above amount are available and will be used for this construction project. Federal Share will be \$37,500. The match will be provided with in kind services from the City of Troy.

#### **Relationship with other Grants**

This grant compliments range development work being funded under W-68 and W-64.

#### <u>Timeline</u>

Project should be completed by fall of 2017.

OMB Approval No. 0348-0044

### **BUDGET INFORMATION - Non-Construction Programs**

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#### **NEPA COMPLIANCE CHECKLIST**

#### State: Federal Financial Assistance Grant/Agreement/Amendment Number:

Grant/Project Name: Troy Community Archery Park W-68-3

This proposal  $\checkmark$  is;  $\Box$  is not completely covered by categorical exclusion  $\frac{1.4 \text{ B}^3}{1.4 \text{ B}^3}$  in 516 DM 2, Appendix  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 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):

Yes No

4	1. 2.	Have significant adverse effects on public health or safety. 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.
4	3.	Have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of
$\checkmark$	4.	available resources [NEPA Section 102(2)(E)]. Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks.
4	5.	Have a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant
4	6.	environmental effects. Have a direct relationship to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant environmental
¥	7.	effects. 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 Adverse Coursel on Vistoric Preservation Course and the state of the State Places
4	8.	Officer, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, or a consulting party under 36 CFR 800. 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.
4	9.	Have the possibility of violating a Federal law, or a State, local, or tribal law or requirement imposed for the
¥	10.	protection of the environment. Have the possibility for a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or minority populations (Executive Order 12898).
4	11.	Have the possibility to limit access to and ceremonial use of Indian sacred sites on Federal lands by Indian religious
¥	12.	practitioners or significantly adversely affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites (Executive Order 13007). 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 ( $\checkmark$ ), an EA must be prepared.) □ Yes □ No This grant/project includes additional information supporting the Checklist.

Concurrences/Approvals:	
Project Leader: august for tutta	Date: 12/15/15
State Authority Concurrence:	Date: 12-15-15
(with financial assistance signature authority, if applicable)	le)

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 outharity)

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#### 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.

<u>Proposed Action and Alternatives</u>. Describe the proposed action and any alternatives explored. Discuss briefly why proposed action was selected over other alternatives.

The Troy 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 the WFF Pike County Lake property. This site was one of several proposed locations and was selected because of safety requirements and its visibility to the public.

<u>Categorical Exclusion(s)</u>. 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 directly adjacent to Pike County Lake operated by the City of Troy. 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 Troy and Pike 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)

<u>Permits/Approvals.</u> 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.

<u>Public Involvement/Interagency Coordination</u>. 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

<u>Supporting Documents.</u> 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:

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(State Authority Concurrence)

(Date)

(Division of Federal Assistance)

(Date)

# APPENDIX A Affected Environment: Troy 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 six 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 the City of Troy 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 the City of Troy do not plan to staff the range; however, strict guidelines for range use will be posted at the site. In addition, WFF and city 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. The Alabama Historical Commission has been notified and determined that the proposed activities will have no effect on properties listed on or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. Letter is attached.

#### 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 Luverne Sandy Loam with 8-20% slopes. Development will be limited mostly to ridge tops and bottoms with minimal activity on slopes.

#### LAND USE

The proposed site is currently part of the WFF Pike County Lake Property and lies adjacent to the lake. 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 City employees to discuss the proposed Community Archery Park. City 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.

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#### SPECIAL CONDITIONS TO THE GRANT AGREEMENT

# Wildlife Restoration/Sportfish Restoration Programs

#### Interim and/or Final Performance/Financial Report Requirements:

#### Failure to Report:

In accordance with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program Interim Guidance for Financial Status and Performance Reporting, failure to submit reports by the required due dates may result in the following progressive action including but not limited to notifying your director in writing that a Financial Status and/or Performance Report has not been received, withholding cash payment pending receipt of the required report, denying the use of Federal funds and all forms of match, whole or partial suspension or termination of the current award, withholding of further awards for the program or other legal actions stated in the guidance.

#### Grant Award over a Year:

Since the Grant Award period is more than 15 months in duration, our reporting guidelines require a SF-425 report (*interim*) and a performance report (*interim*) for each four (4) full quarters of a Grant Award. Consequently, interim performance and SF-425 reports for this Grant Award are due no later than \_\_\_\_\_\_. The final performance and SF-425 reports will be due on \_\_\_\_\_\_. Please note that Annual Interim Performance Reports should include only information and activities that occurred since the preceding grant period. Annual Interim Financial Status Reports (SF-425) should include total expenditures since the beginning of the grant. Final Performance and Financial Status Reports (SF-425) should include all activities and expenditures that occurred during the grant period.

#### **Approval Level:**

Please note substantiality (50 CFR Part 80.56), is determined at the Grant agreement Level. Fiscal accountability is assessed to be at the Grant Agreement Level. Your agency should track costs accordingly and report it as part of the performance report and final financial report.

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Please note that we have reviewed activities within this grant and discussed these activities with your coordinator and concluded that substantiality (50 CFR Part 80.56) is assessed at the **Project**/Study/Job/Activity level (*circle level*). The approved level of fiscal and performance accountability should be at the **Project**/Study/Job/Activity level (*circle level*). Please track costs at this levels, and report the costs as part of the performance report. The following list is to clarify the **Project**/Study/Job/Activity level (*circle level*):

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Ten Percent Waiver: In accordance with Service Manual Part 522 FW 23 (May 22, 2006), this Grant Award is not subject to the prior written approval requirements of 43 CFR 12.70 (c) (1) (ii) Therefore, funds greater than 10 percent of Grant Award total may be transferred among direct cost categories, or, if applicable, among separately budgeted programs, projects, functions, or activities without prior approval.

#### **Equipment Requirements:**

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Equipment purchased with grant funds must be used for the purpose for which it was acquired during and after the grant period. Equipment may be used for projects other than for which it was purchased as long as it does not prematurely shorten the useful life of that equipment and does not interfere with accomplishing the objectives of the project under which it was purchased, unless costs are allocated proportionally. Equipment no longer needed for its original purpose that still has a useful life and/or value > \$5,000 may be sold or transferred and federal and state shares of the current market value reimbursed per instructions of the awarding agency. When the equipment has reached the end of its useful life, or its value is less than \$5,000, or the original purpose for which it was acquired has been completed it may be disposed of in accordance with State laws and procedures; however if license revenue was used to cover the state match portion of the agency sells the equipment or transfers it to another agency, it must be compensated and the proceeds treated as license revenue to avoid a diversion. The current status of the equipment and anticipated use or disposition of the equipment during its expected useful life must be described in the final performance report.

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Pike County Lake Archery Park



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December 10, 2015

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## MEMORANDUM

- TO: Keith Gauldin, Chief Wildlife Section
- FROM: Jennifer Weber Deputy General Counsel
- RE: Fully Executed MOU Troy Community Archery Park City of Troy

Attached is one (1) original of the above-referenced document which has been fully executed.

This office has retained one fully executed copy for our files and a copy has been forwarded to the Accounting Section.

JW/dp

Attachments



### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES, DIVISION OF WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES AND THE CITY OF TROY

THIS Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) entered into this <u>9</u> day of <u>December</u>, 2015, between the City of Troy and the State of Alabama, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, hereinafter called WFF:

WHEREAS, WFF and the City of Troy jointly desire to develop, use and maintain a public archery park on certain lands within the Pike County Lake area; and

WHEREAS, WFF and The City of Troy jointly desire to use the lands in a manner compatible with the primary purpose of the lake and to construct archery shooting lanes and targets, and other facilities that would support wildlife related activities; and

WHEREAS, WFF and The City of Troy 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 the City of Troy 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 Pike County, Alabama:

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

1. The City of Troy and WFF have selected a mutually agreed upon site within the Pike County Lake area 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, 7 days a week, during daylight hours. All laws and regulations shall apply. The City of Troy shall provide all routine maintenance of the premises including, but not limited to, litter cleanup and grass mowing as part of a weekly schedule, and shall be responsible for providing public access to the public archery range facilities.

3. WFF agrees to pay for 75% of the cost of materials for all archery related structures including the elevated platform, target frames, targets and other archery related items and the City of Troy agrees to pay for 25% of the cost. Installation of target frames, bow racks, ground quivers and other archery related items will be completed by WFF staff. Future repair of the archery facilities will be split in cost share between The City of Troy 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. **IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

WFF:

RECOMMENDE

Keith Gauldin, Chief Wildlife Section

STATE OF ALABAMA Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Bv

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I, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for said State and County, hereby certify that N. Gunter Guy whose name as Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources of the State of Alabama, is signed to the foregoing instrument and who is known to me, acknowledge before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the within instrument, he, as such Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources and with full authority, executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

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#### STATE OF ALABAMA

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I, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for said State and County, hereby certify that <u>defon A. Recues</u> whose name as <u>Mayor</u> of <u>the City of Troy Alaranaa</u> is signed to the foregoing instrument and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the within instrument, he/she in his/her capacity as such officer and with full authority executed the same voluntarily for and as the act of said entity on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and seal this the <u>28th</u> day of <u>September</u>, 2015.

Notary Public

# Exhibit A

# Proposed Public Archery Park Area at Pike County Lake, Troy, Alabama

