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WORK AND FINANCIAL PLAN between PLATTE RIVER RECOVERY IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM (COOPERATOR) and UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

WILDLIFE SERVICES

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COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT NUMBER	15-73-31-6462-RA
ACCOUNT NUMBER	AP.RA.RX31.73.0029
LOCATION	Kearney, NE
AGREEMENT PERIOD	January 1, 2015 through February 28, 2015 and again from May 1, 2015 through August 31, 2015

Pursuant to Cooperative Service Agreement 12-73-31-6462-RA between the Platte River Recovery Implementation Program (Cooperator) and the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Wildlife Services (APHIS-WS), this Work Plan defines the objectives, plan of action, resources and budget for the Wildlife Damage Management program to be conducted from January 1, 2015 through February 28, 2015 and again during the nesting period for terns and plovers May 1, 2015 through August 31, 2015.

I. OBJECTIVES/GOALS

The objective of the work to be performed by the Wildlife Specialist(s) assigned to the Cooperator is for the management of damage or damage threats caused by wild and feral mammals to nesting least tern and piping plover. The APHIS-WS employee(s) will be adequately equipped to manage wildlife to reduce or alleviate property damage.

II. PLAN OF ACTION

APHIS-WS will assign 1 Wildlife Specialist (s) that will respond to nuisance wildlife problems located at the Broadfoot South, Cottonwood Ranch, Newark, Leaman East, Dyer, Binfield, and at the Elm Creek Complex. These seven sites are owned or managed by the Platte River Recovery Implementation Program. WS will provide a vehicle, supplies and equipment for the project.

APHIS-WS will conduct Wildlife Damage Management operations in and around the Broadfoot

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South, Cottonwood Ranch, Newark, Leaman East, Dyer, Binfield and the Elm Creek Complex to minimize predation on nesting least terns and piping plovers. WS personnel may address issues related to coyote, red fox, bobcat, raccoon, opossums, skunks, mink and badgers at these seven locations during January, February and the nesting season May through August 2015. Also, our services will include removal of wild cats and dogs that might frequent these nesting locations and predate on least terns and piping plovers. In cooperation with county, municipalities, and state agencies, WS will help reduce the probability of transmission of plague and rabies to human populations though collection of carnivore blood samples, and management of mammal populations that are vectors of rabies and plague while working at these sites.

III. <u>REPORTS</u>

APHIS-WS will provide periodic reports of activities and accomplishments at the request of the Cooperator.

IV. STIPULATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

- a. All operations shall have the joint concurrence of APHIS-WS and Platte River Recovery Implementation Program and shall be under the direct supervision of APHIS-WS.
- b. Control on Private Lands: An agreement for Control of Animal Damage on Private Property (WS Form 12A) will be executed between APHIS-WS and the landowner, lessee, or administrator before any APHIS-WS work is conducted.
- c. Control of Public Lands: An Agreement for Control of Animal Damage on Non-Private Property (WS Form 12C) or an appropriate NEPA document will be executed between APHIS-WS and the public land administrator(s)/manager(s) before any APHIS-WS work is conducted.
- d. APHIS-WS will use only APHIS-WS employees and APHIS Volunteer Program participants. All APHIS-WS employees and APHIS volunteers have successfully met APHIS firearm safety standards and have received official National Rifle Association certifications. Certificates are available upon request.
- e. The program will be supervised by Chad Richardson, NE District Supervisor (402-853-3857) and monitored by Timothy Veenendaal, NE State Director (402-434-2342).

V. COST ESTIMATE FOR SERVICES

The cooperator will reimburse APHIS-WS for expenses incurred, not to exceed \$51,674.00. Such costs include, but are not limited to, salary/benefits, transportation, equipment /supplies, and program support. An estimated itemization of expenses is listed below; however funds may be distributed between itemized categories at the discretion of APHIS-WS if required. Any equipment and supplies purchased under the terms of this agreement will remain the property of APHIS-WS.

Salary/Benefits	\$26,455.00
Vehicle/Transportation	\$6,685.00
Travel Cost	\$2,500.00
Equipment/Supplies	\$5,000.00
Subtotal	\$40,640.00
Pooled Costs (11%)	\$4,470.00
Overhead (16.15%)	\$6,564.00
Total due not to exceed	\$51,674.00

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A Statement of Services will be sent to the Cooperator quarterly.

NOTE: In accordance with the Debt Collection Improvement Act (DCIA) of 1996, bills issued by WS are due and payable within 30 days of receipt. The DCIA requires that all debts older than 120 days be forwarded to debt collection centers or commercial collection agencies for more aggressive action. Debtors have the option to verify, challenge and compromise claims, and have access to administrative appeals procedures which are both reasonable and protect the interests of the United States.

VI. CONTACTS

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VII. <u>AUTHORIZATION</u>

Changes to this Annual Work/Financial Plan will be accomplished through a written amendment, agreed to by the parties.

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