

FINDINGS AND DETERMINATION TO SUPPORT HABITAT DEVELOPMENT ON PRIVATE LANDS

FINDINGS:

I, the undersigned Project Manager, make the following findings with respect to a proposed agreement between the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and its cooperators, _____, for habitat developments to be made on lands owned by them at _____

1. Authority. The Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956, 16 U.S.C. 742a-j, and the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, 16 U.S.C. 661-666c, authorize the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to make assistance awards for development of the habitat of Federal trust species.

2. Benefits of the Proposed Developments. The expected benefits to the United States and to the Federal trust species of accomplishing the proposed work are summarized as follows:

3. Estimated Costs of the Federal Contribution:

Employee Labor	\$ _____
Materials	\$ _____
Equipment Use	\$ _____
Contracted Services	\$ _____
Overhead (___ %)	\$ _____
Funds granted to landowners	\$ _____

Total Est. Federal Cost \$ _

DETERMINATION:

Based on these findings, I determine that the proposed project is legally authorized, that the expected benefits to the Federal trust species of the developed habitat exceed the estimated Federal costs of implementing it, and that its completion will be in the best interest of the Federal government. I also certify that the proposed project will be implemented in full compliance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act, the Endangered Species Act, and other applicable statutes including those which protect historic and cultural artifacts.

Project Manager, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

_____, 20____
(Signature)

(Name - printed or typed)