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Wildlife Restoration and Basic Hunter Education

Interim Performance Report

Grant Performance Period
July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021

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INTERIM PERFORMANCE REPORT

1. **State:** Idaho

   **Grant number:** F19AF00496

   **Grant name:** Fort Boise Wetland Restoration

2. **Report Period:** July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

   **Report due date:** September 28, 2020

3. **Location of work**
   Fort Boise Wildlife Management Area, Canyon County, Idaho

4. **Objectives**
   1) Directly restore, enhance, create or manage approximately 335 acres by June 30, 2021.
   2) Acquire 1 area by June 30, 2020.

5. **Describe how the objectives were**
   Objective 1. Ducks Unlimited Inc. (DU) was awarded a contract to design the wetland enhancement and restoration project on Fort Boise Wildlife Management Area. Contracted work also included to secure the appropriate permits. Idaho Fish and Game developed a task order that included a Scope of Work and Schedule. The Schedule included 30%, 60% and 100% project design completion deadlines. DU provided weekly updates on work activities. Idaho Fish and Game and DU met in-person at the 30%, 60% and 100% project completion dates, and at other times as needed, such as on-site design discussions. DU submitted the completed project design in April 2020.

   Idaho Fish and Game conducted in-person and web-based public outreach to discuss the proposed project, and potential implications for public use of the Fort Boise Wildlife Management Area during project construction.

   In April, 2020 Idaho Fish and Game requested bids that included a Schedule of Items and Price for project construction. A contract for project construction was awarded to Aqua Terra in June 2020. Construction is expected to begin in fall 2020.

   The task order with Ducks Unlimited was amended to include DU as the project construction supervisor.

   Objective 2. Idaho Fish and Game has chosen to provide $317,500 in license match to $952,500 on PR grant funds instead of using land value as match to the PR grant as originally
identified in the grant. WSFR staff were notified of this change. The license matching funds are built into the funding PCA for the project.

7. **Discuss differences between work anticipated in grant proposal and grant agreement, and that actually carried out with Federal Aid grant funds**
   N/A

8. **List any publications or in-house reports resulting from this work.**
   N/A

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