

**COOPERATIVE SERVICE AGREEMENT**  
**between**  
**Muskogee County Board of Commissioners and**  
**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**  
**ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE (APHIS)**  
**WILDLIFE SERVICES (WS)**

**ARTICLE 1**

The purpose of this agreement is to cooperate in a wildlife damage management project as described in the attached Work Plan.

**ARTICLE 2**

APHIS-WS has statutory authority under the Acts of March 2, 1931, 46 Stat. 1468-69, 7 U.S.C. §§ 8351-8352, as amended, and December 22, 1987, Public Law No. 100-202, § 101(k), 101 Stat. 1329-331, 7 U.S.C. § 8353, to cooperate with States, local jurisdictions, individuals, public and private agencies, organizations, and institutions while conducting a program of wildlife services involving mammal and bird species that are reservoirs for zoonotic diseases, or animal species that are injurious and/or a nuisance to, among other things, agriculture, horticulture, forestry, animal husbandry, wildlife, and human health and safety.

**ARTICLE 3**

APHIS-WS and the Cooperator agree:

1. The Cooperator will provide payment upon receipt of bill to "USDA, APHIS" in the amount of \$ 2,400.00.
2. The performance of wildlife damage management actions by APHIS-WS under this agreement is contingent upon a determination by APHIS-WS that such actions are in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act, Endangered Species Act, and any other applicable federal statutes. APHIS-WS will not make a final decision to conduct requested wildlife damage management actions until it has made the determination of such compliance.
3. Nothing in this agreement shall prevent APHIS-WS from entering into separate agreements with any other organization or individual for the purpose of providing wildlife damage management services exclusive of those provided for under this agreement.
4. The Cooperator certifies that APHIS-WS has advised the Cooperator there may be private sector service providers available to provide wildlife damage management services that the Cooperator is seeking from APHIS-WS.
5. The performance of wildlife damage management actions by APHIS-WS under this agreement is contingent upon a determination by APHIS-WS that such actions are in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act, Endangered Species Act, and any other applicable federal statutes. APHIS-WS will not make a final decision to conduct requested wildlife damage management actions until it has made the determination of such compliance.
6. The cooperating parties agree to coordinate with each other before responding to media requests on work associated with this project.

**ARTICLE 4**

This agreement is contingent upon the passage by Congress of an appropriation from which expenditures may be legally met and shall not obligate APHIS-WS upon failure of Congress to so appropriate. This agreement also may be reduced or terminated if Congress only provides APHIS-WS funds for a finite period under a Continuing Resolution.

**ARTICLE 5**

Pursuant to Section 22, Title 41, United States Code, no member of or delegate to Congress shall be admitted to any share or part of this agreement or to any benefit to arise there from.

**ARTICLE 6**

APHIS-WS assumes no liability for any actions or activities conducted under this agreement except to the extent that recourse or remedies are provided by Congress under the Federal Tort Claims Act (28 USC 1346(b), 2401(b), 2671-2680). This agreement is not a procurement contract (31 U.S.C. 6303), nor is it considered a grant (31 U.S.C. 6304). In this agreement, APHIS-WS provides goods or services on a cost recovery basis to nonfederal recipients, in accordance with all applicable laws, regulations and policies.

This agreement shall become effective July 1, 2021, and shall continue until June 30, 2022 [not to exceed one year for OTC]. This agreement may be amended or terminated at any time by mutual agreement of the parties in writing. Further, in the event the Cooperator does not, for any reason, provide necessary funds, APHIS-WS is relieved of the obligation to provide services under this agreement.

As required by Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996:

Cooperator's Tax ID No. (unless Over-the-Counter CSA): \_\_\_\_\_

APHIS-WS's Tax ID: 41-0696271

Cooperator Name/signer, Address

APHIS-WS State Office/signer, Address

Scott Alls, State Director  
 2800 N Lincoln Blvd  
 Oklahoma City, OK 73105

*Scott Alls* \_\_\_\_\_ Date 4.20.21

*Keith H. Noy* \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

APHIS-WS State Director's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

1<sup>st</sup> day of June 2021  
 Chairman Keith H. Noy  
 Member \_\_\_\_\_  
 Member \_\_\_\_\_  
 Attest Debra Diving  
 County Clerk



**WORK PLAN**

Description of Damage: Threats to ag producers and critical infrastructure.

**FINANCIAL PLAN**

Cost Element		Full Cost
Personnel Compensation		\$1,887.53
Travel		
Vehicles		
Other Services		
Supplies and Materials		
Equipment		
Subtotal (Direct Charges)		
Pooled Job Costs [for non-Over-the Counter projects]	11.00%	\$207.63
Indirect Costs	16.15%	\$304.84
Aviation Flat Rate Collection		
Agreement Total		\$2,400.00
The distribution of the budget from this Financial Plan may vary as necessary to accomplish the purpose of this agreement, but may not exceed: \$2,400.00 <i>[other description information to be added as desired]</i>		

Financial Point of Contact/Billing Address [as appropriate]:

Cooperator Name, Address, Phone Number, Email

Muskogee County Board of Commissioners

400 West Broadway Street

Muskogee OK 74401

APHIS-WS State Office Name, Address, Phone Number, Email

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