



State Game Commission
Habitat Stamp Program Procedures

Agenda Item 17

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Program Review

Identified main issues/problems



1. Maintenance
2. Enclosure Vandalism
3. Asset Inventory
4. **Varying Agency Values**
5. Citizen Participation
6. Formula Constraints
7. Billings



Sikes Act

(Public Law 93-452)

TITLE 16--CONSERVATION

CHAPTER 5C--CONSERVATION PROGRAMS ON GOVERNMENT LANDS SUBCHAPTER I--CONSERVATION PROGRAMS ON MILITARY RESERVATIONS

Sec. 670a. Cooperative plan for wildlife conservation and rehabilitation

Sec. 670b. Migratory game birds; permits; fees; Stamp Act and State law requirements

Sec. 670c. Public outdoor recreation resources; cooperative plan between Secretary of Defense, Secretary of the Interior, and State agencies

Sec. 670e. Applicability to other laws; national forest lands

Sec. 670f. Appropriations and expenditures

Sec. 670g. Wildlife, fish, and game conservation and rehabilitation programs; cooperation between Secretary of the Interior, Secretary of Agriculture, and State agencies in planning, etc., in accordance with comprehensive plans; scope and implementation of programs



Sikes Act

Cooperative Agreements

TITLE 16– Chp. 5c, Sec. 670h, (c):

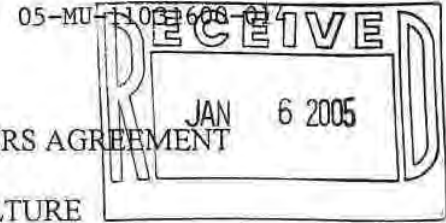
(1) Each State agency may enter into a cooperative agreement with--

(A) the Secretary of the Interior with respect to those conservation and rehabilitation programs to be implemented under this subchapter within the State on public land which is under his jurisdiction;

(B) the Secretary of Agriculture with respect to those conservation and rehabilitation programs to be implemented under this subchapter within the State on public land which is under his jurisdiction;



Interagency HSP Agreement



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING and JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT
between the
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
and the
NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF GAME AND FISH
and the
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
for the operation of the
SIKES ACT
PUBLIC LAND MANAGEMENT STAMP

This Memorandum of Understanding and Joint Powers Agreement (agreement) is made and entered into by and between the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish (Department), the USDOI/Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the USDA/Forest Service (FS).

I. Statement of Joint Objectives

A. Purpose

This agreement will establish broad policies for the operation of a Statewide Sikes Act Public Land Management Stamp (Habitat Stamp) Program in the State of New Mexico. Representatives of each party shall formulate and compile a collaborative manual of specific procedures.

B. Objective

It is the mutual objective of the parties is to cooperate through the Habitat Stamp Program in the management of land areas under this agreement in a manner that will provide for a continuing high quality of fish and wildlife habitat, other natural resources, and the recreational experiences of the users.



Interagency HSP Agreement

III. Term of Agreement

This agreement is not intended to, and does not create, any right, benefit, or trust responsibility, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or equity, by a party against the United States, State of New Mexico, their agencies, officers, or any person.

This agreement takes effect upon the signature of the FS, BLM, Department, and New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration and shall remain in effect for five years from the date of execution. This agreement may be extended or amended upon written request of any party and the subsequent written concurrence of the other(s). Any party may terminate its participation in this agreement with a 60-day written notice to the other(s).



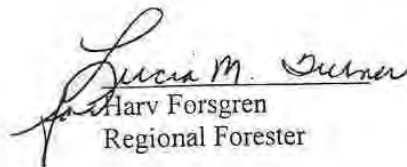
VII. Signatures/Approvals

A. BLM


Linda Rundell
State Director


12/9/04
Date

B. FS


Harv Forsgren
Regional Forester

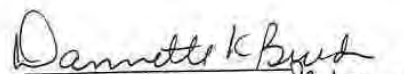
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Date

C. Department


Bruce C. Thompson
Director

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Date

D. Department of Finance and Administration


Acting Official *12/18/05*

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Date



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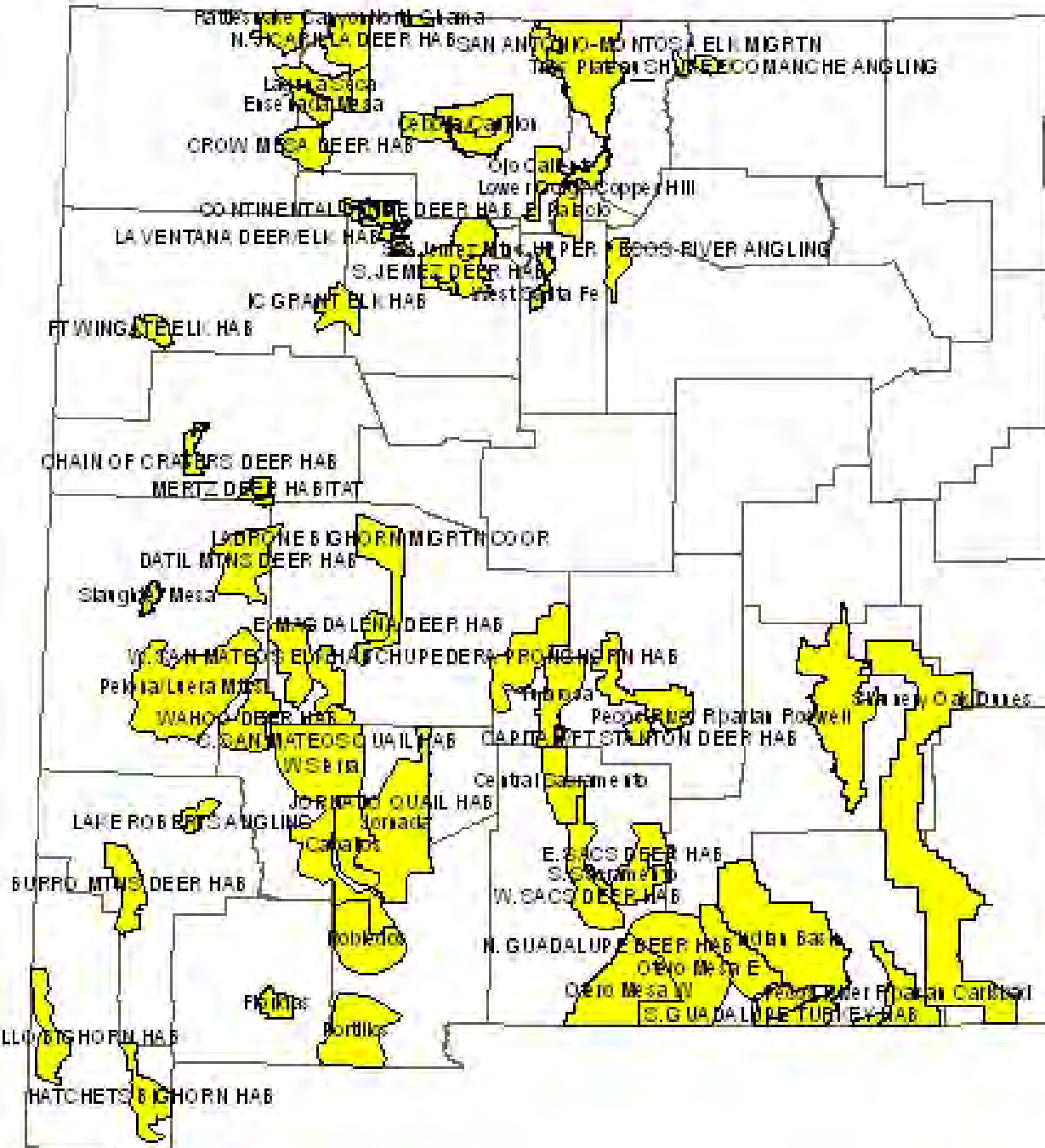
Comprehensive Plans

TITLE 16– Chp. 5c, Sec. 670h.

(a) Development by Secretary of the Interior and Secretary of Agriculture; consultation with State agencies; prior written approval of concerned Federal agencies

(1) The Secretary of the Interior shall develop, in consultation with the State agencies, a comprehensive plan for conservation and rehabilitation programs to be implemented on public land under his jurisdiction and the Secretary of Agriculture shall do the same in connection with public land under his jurisdiction.

HSP Planning Areas





Sikes Act Enforcement

TITLE 16– Chp. 5c, Sec. 670i. Public land management area stamps; agreement between State agencies and Secretary of the Interior and Secretary of Agriculture requiring stamps for hunting, trapping, and fishing on public lands subject to programs; conditions of agreement

- (a) Any State agency may agree with the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture ... that no individual will be permitted to hunt, trap, or fish on any public land within the State which is subject to a conservation and rehabilitation program implemented under this subchapter unless at the time such individual is engaged in such activity he has on his person a valid public land management area stamp issued pursuant to this section.



Historic Allocation Formula

Habitat Stamp Program							
2011 Region and Agency Funding Allocation							
2011 Budget							739,400
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Funds Available for Allocation							739,400
Regional Allocations		Percent of Total					
	Central		18.6				137,528
	Northeast		22.4				165,626
	Northwest		14.4				106,474
	Southeast		24.8				183,371
	Southwest		19.8				<u>146,401</u>
				Allocation Total			739,400