



COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION



National Wildlife Refuge System

Refuge Name:

Address:

Attn: (Refuge Official)

E-Mail:

Phone #:

For Official Use Only:

Approved Permit #:

Station #:

Permit Term: from to

Note: We do not require all information for each use. See instructions at the end of the notice and contact the refuge to determine applicability of a particular item.

1a) Identify the type of Permit you are applying for: **New** **Renewal** **Modification** **Other**

1b) Have you applied, or do you intend to apply, to any other refuges for this same activity? **Yes** **No**

1c) If yes, which refuges?

Applicant Information

2) Full Name: 3) Title:

4) Business Name:

5) Physical Address:

City/State/Zip:

6) Mailing Address: (if different than above)

City/State/Zip:

7) Business Phone #: 8) Business Fax #:

9) E-mail: 10) Business Tax ID #:

11a) Within the past 5 years, has the company (entity) , its owners, or any employees who have or will be expected to operate on the refuge, been convicted, pled nolo contendere, forfeited collateral, or are currently under charges for any violations of any State, Federal, or local law, or regulations related to fish and wildlife or permit activities? **Yes** **No**

11b) If you answered "YES" to question #11a, provide the individual's name, date of charge, charge(s), location of incident, court, and action taken for each violation.



FLD_NUMBER	ACRES	CROP2026	CROP2027
1	76.7	corn	beans

**Sunken Grove
WPA**

Summit Ag

**Habitat Lease
2026-2027**

 farm_lease


OWNER

 DNR

 FWS

Statewide 2023

RGB

 Red: Band_1

 Green: Band_2

 Blue: Band_3



Yards

0 180 360



Black Hawk Wildlife Unit
IA DNR- Wildlife

Date: 12/12/2025

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**Iowa Wetland Management District
Sunken Grove Summit Ag WPA
Agricultural Bid Sheet**

Instructions:

1. Complete this bid sheet and attach (staple) to the Special Use Permit (SUP) Application with page 1 completed of the SUP Application. If you are the winning bidder you will complete the remaining portions of the Application once the bid is accepted.
2. The bid will be placed with the SUP Application and mailed or turned in to Iowa DNR 2392 230th St. Early, IA 50535 by 4:00 p.m. on February 13, 2026.
3. You will need to evaluate the bid solicitation for each unit and the cropping plan for **2027**, and place your total bid. This will be your competing bid, and highest bid will be awarded. In the event of a tie bid, the winning bidder will be randomly drawn from the tying bidders.

Year 2026	Field #	Acres	Unharvested Amount	Bid Amount
Row Crops				N/A
Small Grains				N/A
Grazing				N/A
Hay				N/A
Prairie Mowing (Three times)				N/A
Year 2027	Field #	Acres	Unharvested Amount	Bid Amount
Row Crops	1	76.7		
Small Grains				N/A
Grazing				N/A
Hay				N/A
Prairie Mowing (Three times)				N/A
Total Bid				\$

**SUNKEN GROVE SUMMIT AG TRACT W.P.A.
2027 CROP LEASE INFO**

Tenant:
Name
Address
City, State Zip Code
Phone Number

DNR LEASE # 8313-1B-10-0002

LEASING: 76.7 ACRES TOTAL IN THIS LEASE

Sunken Grove Complex WPA's

76.7 ACRES IN THE NORTH 1/2 NE 1/4 OF SECTION 17 T90N-R34W
FSA FARM #7632 TRACT #14104

76.7 ACRES OF ROW CROP AND/OR HAY/SMALL GRAINS

TERM: MARCH 1, 2027 TO FEB 28, 2028

DNR MANAGING 76.7 ACRES IN 2027

**SUNKEN GROVE SUMMIT AG TRACT W.P.A.
2027 MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Projected Field Rotations 2027

Field:	1
Acres	76.7

2027 Beans

1. Acres to be planted to corn will have a target yield of at least 120 bushels per acre, therefore, requiring appropriate inputs of seed population, cultivation, fertilizer and herbicides. These fields must be planted before May 15, of each crop year unless extreme extenuating circumstances occur. For each year, the cooperators agree to leave a maximum of 25% of total row crop acres unharvested as wildlife food plots.
2. Fields planted to beans shall have a target yield of at least 40 bushels per acre, therefor, requiring appropriate inputs of seed population, cultivation, fertilizer, and herbicides. Bean fields must be planted as early as conditions allow.
3. The cooperators will leave unharvested crop for winter food plots until March 1 of the following year. The cooperators may harvest food plots after that date as weather conditions permit. Food plot areas will be designated Sept. 1 or prior to harvest by Black Hawk Unit staff.
4. The cooperators agree to certify all crop acres under the term of this lease with the Pocahontas County F.S.A. before the deadline.
5. The cooperators are eligible for F.S.A. program benefits on these tracts.
6. The cooperators will use end rows on all crop fields & not turn on adjacent hay or grass fields.
7. Hayfields will be baled once between August 1 and August 15. Bales will be removed immediately. No storage of bales is allowed on the area.
8. Iowa DNR will supply padlocks for one side of the gated field entrance(s) and cooperators will keep gates locked at all times when not in field. This keeps the public from illegal vehicle access.

9. If noxious weeds are present on the lease area the cooperator is encouraged to notify the Black Hawk unit staff. Staff can be reached at 712-330-8414. Unit staff will be responsible for addressing the noxious weed problem in a timely manner.
10. Fall tillage is prohibited.
11. Only herbicides or pesticides from the pre-approved list may be used and the cooperator shall provide a Pesticide Use Proposal to Jeff Feisel, Iowa DNR 2392 230th Street Early, Iowa 50535. Neonicotinoids are prohibited on USFWS lands. Cooperator agrees to report all herbicide and pesticides by Dec. 1, annually. Use of any other chemical (herbicide or pesticide) without an approved Pesticide Use Proposal will constitute a Refuge violation, and revocation of any Special Use Permit. **After fields are planted, tenant's seed tags must be supplied to Iowa DNR- Black Hawk Wildlife Staff by June 15th of each year during the lease.**
12. For habitat restoration, the only GMO crops allowed are glyphosate-tolerant corn and soybean seed. All other use of GMO's is prohibited. Please contact the Black Hawk Wildlife Unit with any questions regarding the prohibited use of treated and genetically modified seed. Staff can be reached at 712-330-8414.
13. Permittee is required to implement or maintain site specific Best Management Practices, as designated by unit staff.

I have read, understand, and agree to comply with the management addenda of the agreement.

Operator's Signature and Date

Issuing Officer's Signature and Date