



United States Department of the Interior



FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

AES/TE

Reference #LOA 12-02

February 14, 2012

This letter authorizes the following individual or organization to carry out the specified activities with the legally obtained federally-listed threatened or endangered species described below.

Individual(s)/Organization: Leech Lake Band of Chippewa
Division of Resources Management
(Attn: Steve Mortensen)

Species Covered by This Authorization: Canada Lynx (*Lynx canadensis*)

Authorized Activities and Conditions:

You are authorized to possess one adult Canada lynx salvaged from a snare on January 20, 2012, by a member of the Leech Lake Band near Cass Lake, MN. The specimen was cleared for use by the Tribe for exhibition and educational purposes by Resident Agent-in-Charge Patrick Lund on February 10, 2012.

The lynx specimen identified in this LOA may be possessed indefinitely for educational purposes by the Tribe. The specimen remains the property of the United States Government and must be clearly identified as such. This office must be notified in advance if it is to be retained at another location, or will be used for a substantially different purpose than that described above.

Reporting Requirements:

As described above, changes in location or intended use must be reported and approved in advance by this office (612/713-5343). There are no other reporting requirements associated with this Letter of Authorization.

TJ Miller
Chief, Endangered Species
Ecological Services

cc: FWS/ESFO, Twin Cities, MN (Endangered Species Coordinator)
FWS/LE – St. Paul, MN
MN DNR, Endangered Species Coordinator