APPLICANT: Page numbering is automatically set to start with the Financial Table as Page 1.

Do NOT submit a separate cover/transmittal letter with the proposal. After you have read the additional instructions (in pink), please delete them from your proposal.

# **NORTH AMERICAN WETLANDS CONSERVATION ACT PROPOSAL**

# **PROJECT OFFICER’S PAGE**

Project Officer’s Page is required to be in 1-inch margin with 11 Time Roman Font Size/Style.

**What is the proposal title?**

**What is the date you are submitting the proposal?**

**What are the geographical landmarks for the proposal?**

1. State(s):
2. County(ies): List all counties in alphabetical order
3. Congressional District(s):
4. JV(s):
5. BCR(s):

**Project Officer Information:**

1. Name: The Project Officer MUST be the primary point of contact for the project and must be affiliated with/employed by the grantee’s organization. List the person who will be managing the project activities, filing reports, and communicating with DBHC.
2. Title:
3. Organization: Full, legal name of Applicant Organization. If the organization entered here is not the grantee organization, please explain. (See Eligibility Criteria and Processes)
4. Applicant Organization Address: City, State, Zip + 4 where available (No P.O. Box Address)
5. Project Officer Address: City, State, Zip + 4 where available (No P.O. Box Address)
6. Telephone number:
7. E-mail address:
8. Additional Contacts: We require a single Project Officer, but please list another contact who may communicate with us pre- or post- award about the project if the Project Officer is unavailable. Provide name(s), email(s), and phone number(s).
9. Unique Entity ID Number:

**Please answer the following questions:**

**2010 Gulf of Mexico Deepwater Horizon Macondo Oil Spill**

**Are you requesting that this proposal be considered for funding using BP Gulf Spill funds?** *Yes/No*

If yes, you must demonstrate a nexus between your project and the migratory bird species and other wildlife and habitat affected by the Gulf spill. Furthermore, provide the best available science-based information (banding information, telemetry, etc.) indicating that the population(s) of species targeted in this proposal also use habitats along the Gulf of Mexico that were affected by the Spill.

**Is an Optional Matching Contributions Plan (MCP) submitted with the proposal?** *Yes/No* **Or**

**Does the proposal contain match associated with a previously submitted MCP?** *Yes/No*

**Are you requesting that this proposal be considered as a continuation of a previous grant agreement (a Programmatic Project Proposal)?** *Yes/No*

If yes, provide the title and grant agreement number of the previous grant agreement.

**Do you expect this project to be the first phase of a Programmatic Project?** *Yes/No*

**How many more proposals are planned for the same proposal area?**

**Will any of the NAWCA funds requested as part of this proposal be received or spent by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service or another Federal agency?** *Yes/No*

If yes, which agency (ies) will receive these funds and what is the fund amount:

Agency\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Amount\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(add additional lines as necessary and include accounting code if possible)

**Does this proposal include acquisition activities that will add to the National Wildlife Refuge System (NWRS)?** *Yes/No*

If yes, please indicate which NWRS program the acquisition(s) will be added to: National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) and which one(s), Waterfowl Production Area (WPA) and which one(s), or Small Wetland Acquisition Program (SWAP).

**Are carbon sequestration credits involved in your proposal?** *Yes/No*

If yes, please highlight and provide details in the appropriate financial plan narrative/work plan section. Include information about whether the credits will generate program income (Described in Grant Administration Standards).

**Will any portion of any tract or activities associated with any tract be used to satisfy wetland or habitat mitigation requirements under Clean Water Act, Rivers and Harbors Act, Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, Water Resources Development Act, ecological service credits or other related statutes now or in the future?** *Yes/No*

If yes, please highlight and provide details in the appropriate financial plan narrative/work plan section.

**Have you confirmed that all partners, key personnel, and contractors are eligible to participate in Federal grants?** *Yes/No*

**Briefly describe qualifications and experience of key personnel (1-2 sentences per individual) who**

**will be providing project implementation assistance (e.g., financial officer, project officer, key field**

**staff, etc.):**

**To ensure that the proposal complies with available guidelines and that partners are aware of their responsibilities, the Project Officer certifies to the following statement:** I have read the 2023-2 U.S. Standard Grant proposal instructions, eligibility information, and applicable U.S. grant administration policies and informed partners or partners have read the material themselves. To the best of my knowledge, this proposal is eligible and complies with all NAWCA, North American Wetlands Conservation Council, and Federal grant guidelines and the information submitted herein is true and correct. The work in this proposal consists of allowable and eligible work and costs associated with long-term wetlands and migratory bird habitat conservation.

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Sign & date

**Audit reports.** If the applicant organization expended more than $750,000 of federal funds during the last calendar year, please include a copy of your most recent of SF-FAC that was submitted to the Federal Audit Clearinghouse. If your organization did not expend more than $750,000 of federal funds last year, please certify that the Single Audit (formerly A-133) was not required. Please provide a response.

**Required Overlap/Duplication Statement:** Applicants must provide a statement that address whether there is any overlap between the proposed project and any other active anticipated projects in terms of activities, costs, or time commitment of key personnel. If any overlap exists, applicants must provide a description of the overlap in their application. Applicants must also state if the proposal submitted for consideration under the program is/is not in any way duplicative of any proposal that was/will be submitted for funding consideration to any other potential funding source (Federal or non-Federal). If such a circumstance exists, applicants must detail when the other duplicative proposal(s) were submitted, to whom (entity name and program), and when funding decisions are expected to be announced. If at any time a proposal is awarded funds that would be duplicative of the funding requested from the Service, applicants must notify the Service point of contact for this funding opportunity immediately. Please provide a response.

**Do you have any comments about, or suggestions for, the NAWCA program?**

**NORTH AMERICAN WETLANDS CONSERVATION ACT** PROPOSAL SUMMARY

Proposal Title, State

Proposal Summary is required to be in 1-inch margin with 11 Time Roman Font Size/Style.

COUNTY(IES), STATE(S), CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT(S): In alphabetical order

GRANT AMOUNT $

Allocation: $

MATCHING PARTNERS $

List all matching partners, beginning with the grantee organization (if applicable). Note: Private landowner(s) partner contribution letter(s) need to be separate and not lumped to achieve the 10% match.

Grantee/Partner: $

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GRANT AND MATCH - ACTIVITIES, COSTS AND ACRES $/acres

Delete activities not involved with your proposal

Fee Acquired $/acres

Fee Donated $/acres

Easements Acquired $/acres

Easements Donated $/acres

Leases Acquired $/acres

Leases Donated $/acres

Restored $/acres

Enhanced $/acres

Wetlands Established $/acres

Other $

Indirect Costs $

NON-MATCHING PARTNERS $

List all non-match partners and contributions in the same format as the matching partners

Grantee/Partner: $

PROPOSAL PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION:

HABITAT TYPES AND WILDLIFE BENEFITTING:

PUBLIC BENEFITS/PUBLIC ACCESS:

NEW PARTNERS:

RELATIONSHIP TO PREVIOUSLY FUNDED NAWCA PROPOSALS:

THREATS AND SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES:

If your grant request exceeds $1,000,000, include 1-page maximum justification after Summary Page.

**FINANCIAL TABLE AND WORK PLAN**

Include Financial Table here. Applicant: A Word table is given below. If you prefer to use an Excel table, one is available on the NAWCA website. In either case, delete these instructions and delete activity rows that do not pertain to your proposal.

**PROPOSAL FINANCIAL TABLE**

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| ACTIVITIES | GRANT $ | MATCHING PARTNERS | TRACT ID | NON-MATCH $ |
| ABBREVIATED PARTNER NAME | OLD MATCH $ | NEW MATCH $ | TOTAL GRANT + MATCH $ |
| Land Costs: Fee Acquired | $  |  | $ | $  | **$** |  | $ |
| Appraisals & Other Acquisition Costs | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| Non-Contract Personnel & Travel | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| **A. TOTAL FEE AQUIRED** | **$** |  | **$** | **$** | **$** |  | **$** |
| Land Costs: Fee Donated | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| Appraisals & Other Acquisition Costs | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| Non-Contract Personnel & Travel | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| **B. TOTAL FEE DONATED** | **$** |  | **$** | **$** | **$** |  | **$** |
| Land Costs: Easement Acquired | $  |  | $ | $ | $  |  | $ |
| Appraisals & Other Acquisition Costs | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| Non-Contract Personnel & Travel | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| **C. TOTAL EASEMENT ACQUIRED** | **$** |  | **$** | **$** | **$** |  | **$** |
| Land Costs: Easement Donated | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| Appraisals & Other Acquisition Costs | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| Non-Contract Personnel & Travel | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| **D. TOTAL EASEMENT DONATED** | **$** |  | **$** | **$** | **$** |  | **$** |
| Land Costs: Lease Acquired | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| Appraisals & Other Acquisition Costs | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| Non-Contract Personnel & Travel | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| **E.TOTAL LEASE ACQUIRED**  | **$** |  | **$** | **$** | **$** |  | **$** |
| Land Costs: Lease Donated | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| Appraisals & Other Acquisition Costs | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| Non-Contract Personnel & Travel | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| **F. TOTAL LEASE DONATED** | **$** |  | **$** | **$** | **$** |  | **$** |
| **G. TOTAL ACQUIRED****(Sum of A,B,C,D,E,F)** | **$**  |  | **$** | **$** | **$** |  | **$** |
| Contracts | $ |  | $  | $ | $  |  | $ |
| Materials & Equipment | $ |  | $ | $  | $ |  | $ |
| Non-Contract Personnel & Travel | $  |  | $ | $ | $  |  | $ |
| **H. TOTAL RESTORED** | **$**  |  | **$**  | **$**  | **$**  |  | **$** |
| Contracts | $ |  | $ | $ | $  |  | $ |
| Materials & Equipment | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| Non-Contract Personnel & Travel | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| **I. TOTAL ENHANCED** | **$** |  | **$** | **$** | **$** |  | **$** |
| Contracts | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| Materials & Equipment | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| Non-Contract Personnel & Travel | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| **J. TOTAL ESTABLISHED WETLANDS** | **$** |  | **$** | **$** | **$** |  | **$** |
| Grant Administration | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| **K. TOTAL OTHER DIRECT** | **$** |  | **$** | $ | $ |  | $ |
| **L. PREVIOUSLY APPROVED MCP** |  |  | **$** |  | **$** |  |  |
| **M. GRAND TOTAL DIRECT****(Sum of G and H,I,J,K,L)** | **$** |  | **$** | **$** | **$** |  | **$** |
| Indirect Costs | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  | $ |
| **N. TOTAL INDIRECT** | **$** |  | **$** | **$** | **$** |  | **$** |
| **GRAND TOTAL****(Sum of M and N)** | **$** |  | **$** | **$** | **$** |  | **$** |
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| PARTNER INFORMATION | GRANT $ | MATCHING PARTNERS | TRACT ID | NON-MATCH $ |
| ABBREVIATEDPARTNER NAME | OLDMATCH $ | NEWMATCH $ | TOTAL GRANT +MATCH $ |
| Partner 1 | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  |  |
| Partner 2 | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  |  |
| Partner 3……. | $ |  | $ | $ | $ |  |  |
| **GRAND TOTAL** | **$** |  | **$** | **$** | **$** |  |  |

Explain any abbreviations in the Financial Plan Table here

**If any match was previously approved by the Council via an Optional Matching Contributions Plan, did you include a copy of the letter or email approving the Matching Contributions Plan and give the following information: tracts affected, how much of each partner’s match has been used in previous proposals, how much is being used in this proposal, and how much will remain after the current proposal is funded?**

**WORK PLAN**

Work Plan is required to be in 11 Time Roman Font Size/Style.

**TRACT #- Name**

**OVERALL ACRES AFFECTED:**

**CENTRAL LOCATION: (**in decimal degrees)

**STATE/FEDERAL AGENCIES HOLDING INTERESTS:**

**Acreage Summary of Grant/Match Activities on the Tract:**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Acquisition** |  | **Restoration** |  | **Enhancement** |  | **Establishment** |  |

**Describe all grant/match activities occurring on the tract here:**

**Tract #-Name: Acquisition Financial Plan Justification - $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ acres**

**Grant - $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Match - $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Non-Match - $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Completion:**

LAND ACQUISITION DISCLOSURE

 Type of acquisition: (fee title, easement, lease, etc.)

 Holder of NAWCA conservation interest: (fee title, easement, lease, etc.)

 Grantor/Seller of conservation interest: (if Grantor/Seller is conservation organization, explain

 below how sale/transfer increases conservation value)

 Tenure of conservation interest: (10 years, perpetuity)

 All funding sources for acquisition: (include landowner if acquisition involved a donation or

 bargain sale)

 Are mineral rights severed or included? If severed, explain.

 Are water rights severed or included? If severed, explain.

*EASEMENTS:*

 What organization will monitor the easement?

 Should the easement holder cease to exist, to what organization will the easement revert?

 Has the easement holder adopted the “Land Trust Standards and Practices” developed by the

 Land Trust Alliance? If so, provide the date of that action. If not, describe the standards used to

 ensure adequate easement management and monitoring.

 Is there a stewardship endowment dedicated to maintaining and managing the easement? If so,

 what is the amount?

 Is subdivision of the easement property permitted? If so, with what limits?

 List all other allowed activities, allowed structures, or reserved rights not described above.

*LEASES:*

 What is the nature of the lease?

 What activities are allowed/prohibited?

 How does this contribute to long-term conservation of the property?

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| **Item & Work** | **Units** | **$/unit** | Total $ | **Schedule****(month, year)** | **Funding Source****(Grant or Partner name)** |
| **LAND COSTS** |
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| Subtotal Land Costs | $ |
| **APPRAISALS and OTHER ACQUISITION COSTS** |
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| Subtotal Appraisals and Other Acquisition Costs | $ |
| **NON-CONTRACT PERSONNEL and TRAVEL** |
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| Subtotal Non-Contract Personnel and Travel | $ |
| **TOTAL ACQUISITION DIRECT COSTS** | $ |

**Tract #-Name: Restoration Financial Plan Justification - $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_ acres**

**Grant - $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Match - $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Non-Match - $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Completion:**

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| **Item & Work** | **Units** | **$/unit** | Total $ | **Schedule****(month, year)** | **Funding Source****(Grant or Partner name)** |
| **CONTRACTS** |
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| **MATERIALS and EQUIPMENT** |
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| Subtotal Materials and Equipment | $ |
| **NON-CONTRACT PERSONNEL and TRAVEL** |
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| Subtotal Non-Contract Personnel  | $ |
| **TOTAL RESTORATION DIRECT COSTS** | $ |

**Tract #-Name: Enhancement Financial Plan Justification - $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ acres**

**Grant - $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Match - $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Non-Match - $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Completion:**

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| **CONTRACTS** |
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| Subtotal Contracts | $ |
| **MATERIALS and EQUIPMENT** |
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| Subtotal Materials and Equipment | $ |
| **NON-CONTRACT PERSONNEL and TRAVEL** |
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| Subtotal Non-Contract Personnel  | $ |
| **TOTAL ENHANCEMENT DIRECT COSTS** | $ |

**Tract #-Name: Establishment Financial Plan Justification – $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_ acres**

**Grant - $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Match - $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Non-Match - $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Completion:**

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| **Item & Work** | **Units** | **$/unit** | Total $ | **Schedule****(month, year)** | **Funding Source****(Grant or Partner name)** |
| **CONTRACTS** |
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| Subtotal Contracts | $ |
| **MATERIALS and EQUIPMENT** |
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| Subtotal Materials and Equipment | $ |
| **NON-CONTRACT PERSONNEL and TRAVEL** |
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| Subtotal Non-Contract Personnel  | $ |
| **TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT DIRECT COSTS** | $ |

**Tract #-Name: Indirect Costs Financial Table Justification - $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Grant $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Match $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Non-match $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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| **Allowable Category from I.C Rate Agreement** | **Specific Financial Plan Line Items to Which Indirect Cost is Applied** | **Direct Cost Base Amount** | **Approved Rate (%)\*/ Agreement Date** | **Partner to which I.C. Rate Applies** | **I.C. Grant Amount** | **I.C. Match Amount** | **Total****Indirect Cost** |
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**OTHER DIRECT GRANT/MATCH ACTIVITIES FINANCIAL TABLE**

**JUSTIFICATION – $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Grant - $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Match - $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Non-Match - $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Describe in detail other activities associated with implementing the grant that cannot be assigned to one or more tracts. Include continuing Matching Contribution Plan information (if applicable). Costs under this section may be disallowed if such costs appear to be unnecessary, unreasonable, duplicative, or allocable to a particular tract.**

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| **Item & Work** | **Units** | **$/unit** | Total $ | **Schedule****(month, year)** | **Funding Source****(Grant or Partner name)** |
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| **TOTAL OTHER ACTIVITIES DIRECT COSTS** | **$** |

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**OTHER ACTIVITIES INDIRECT COSTS FINANCIAL TABLE JUSTIFICATION $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Grant $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Match $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Non-match $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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| **Allowable Category from I.C Rate Agreement** | **Specific Financial Plan Line Items to Which Indirect Cost is Applied** | **Direct Cost Base Amount** | **Approved Rate (%)\*/ Agreement Date** | **Partner to which I.C. Rate Applies** | **I.C. Grant Amount** | **I.C. Match Amount** | **Total****Indirect Cost** |
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Technical Assessment Question Section must be no more than 14 pages, including all text and tables. Margins must be 1 inch with Times New Roman size 11 font throughout (not including tables). To stay within the page limit, avoid adding links to lengthy documents, such as publications. These additional links will be considered in the 14-page maximum length.

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**TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT QUESTION #1**

**How does the proposal contribute to the conservation of waterfowl habitat?**

Under A, B, and C below, list species that will be affected by the **grant and match work** (do NOT include non-match). In the narratives that follow, succinctly explain how the proposal will impact waterfowl species. The responses in the narrative section should address the **grant and match activities only.** If the proposal is a phase of an ongoing project, address only the current phase activity/acreage.

**A. High priority species:** Tule Greater White-fronted Goose, Dusky Canada Goose, Southern James Bay Canada Goose, Northern Pintail, Mottled Duck, American Black Duck, Mallard, Lesser Scaup, Greater Scaup.

**B. Other priority species:** Pacific Greater White-fronted Goose, Wrangel Island Snow Goose, Atlantic Brant, Pacific Brant, Wood Duck, Redhead, Canvasback, Ring-necked Duck, Common Eider, American Wigeon, Cackling Goose.

**C. Other waterfowl:**

**D. Narrative**

1. Describe how the proposal activities will aid in meeting objectives of waterfowl conservation plans.

2. For the species listed above, and using the table format below (see TAQ # 1 example), describe how many individuals/pairs will use the grant and match tracts after the proposal is completed and for what life cycle stage(s).

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| Species | Numbers affected and life cycle stage (Breeding, Migration, Wintering) | Tract Importance*(highlight importance of specific tracts when unique differences exist)* |
| High Priority |  |  |
| Species (under each category, add additional rows for each applicable species) |  |  |
| Other Priority |  |  |
| Species (under each category, add additional rows for each applicable species) |  |  |
| Other |  |  |
| Species (choose up to 5 species in this category, add additional rows for each applicable species) |  |  |

3. Describe how the proposal will benefit species listed and/or improve habitat quality. If waterfowl abundance on grant and match tracts is expected to increase due to grant and match activities, please describe how this will occur.

4. If tracts are not yet identified, briefly explain what procedure will be used to ensure that high quality habitat is targeted.

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**TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT QUESTION #2**

**How does the proposal contribute to the conservation of other wetland-associated migratory birds?**

Using a table format, succinctly describe the impact of the grant and match work on each selected species. Do NOT include benefits from non-match work, and address only non-waterfowl species.

• Which species or population will benefit and in which plan(s) is it a priority?

• How many individuals/pairs are expected to use the grant and match tracts and, if the grant or match tracts are being restored or enhanced, what is the expected increase in population numbers?

• How will the proposal activities positively affect the species and improve habitat quality?

• What is the importance of each tract (or logical grouping of tracts) in the proposal to the species or population, and for what life cycle stage (If tracts are not yet identified, explain what procedure will be used to ensure that the high quality habitat is targeted)?

**A. Priority bird species:**

**Identify up to ten priority bird species from the BCR lists (Attachment A) included at the end of the US Instructions document** that best demonstrate the benefits of the proposal activities to non-waterfowl species. Use habitat and population objectives from the bird conservation plans listed below (with contact information for the plan coordinators), and the species in the Bird Conservation Regions (reference the BCR lists at the end of these instructions; for more information on BCRs, see <http://nabci-us.org/resources/bird-conservation-regions-map/>

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| **Species/Plan** | **Numbers Affected** | **Benefits of Project** | **Tract Importance** |
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**B. Other wetland-associated bird species:**

**Identify up to ten bird species not included in the priority species lists provided in Part A** above that help demonstrate the benefits of the project activities to non-waterfowl species.

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| **Species/Plan** | **Numbers Affected** | **Benefits of Project** | **Tract Importance** |
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**TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT QUESTION #3**

**How does the proposal location relate to the geographic wetland priorities described by the North American Waterfowl Management Plan, Partners In Flight, the U.S. Shorebird Conservation Plan, and/or the North American Waterbird Conservation Plan, along with regional priorities?**

1. **National wetland conservation priorities:**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **National Bird Plan Priority Areas** | **In** | **Partially In** | **Out** |
| NAWMP |   |   |   |
| PIF |   |   |   |
| Wading Birds |   |   |   |
| Shorebirds |   |   |   |

**B. Regional wetland conservation priorities:**

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**TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT QUESTION #4**

**How does the proposal relate to the national status and trends of wetlands types?**

(Do not include non-additive acres in this table. Wetland code definitions can be found in the proposal instructions)

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| ACTIVITY AND TRACTS IN THE PROPOSAL | STATUS, TYPES, AND ACRES OF WETLANDSNote: Types subsidiary to types listed below have the same status. | UPLANDS | TOTAL |
| DECREASING | STABLE | INCREASING | NO TRENDDATA |
| PEM | PFO | E2Veg | E1 | L | R | M2, PSS,PUB, E2US | PML,PRB,E2AB |
| SECTION A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fee  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Easement  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lease  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |   |
| ACQUIRED TOTAL |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| RESTORED  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ENHANCED |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ESTABLISHED |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TYPE TOTALS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| STATUS TOTALS |  |  |  |  |  |
| GRAND TOTALS |  |  |  |
| SECTION B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tract ID: (funding) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tract ID: (funding) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Tract ID: (funding) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Funding Categories:(G = Grant, OM = Old Match, NM = New Match, NO = Non-Match)

Provide a brief narrative to describe upland habitats (e.g., cropland, grassland, forest) and the relationship to wetlands and migratory bird conservation (i.e., reason for including in proposal).

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**TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT QUESTION #5**

**How does the proposal contribute to long-term conservation of wetlands and associated uplands?**

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| ACTIVITY | ACRES BY LONGEVITY OF BENEFITS \* Includes water control structures made of material other than wood. \*\* Includes wood water control structures and pumps. | TOTALACRES |
|  PERPETUITY | \*26-99 | \*\*10-25 |  < 10 |
| SECTION A |
| Fee  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Easement  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lease  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TOTAL ACQUIRED |  |  |  |  |  |
| RESTORED |  |  |  |  |  |
| ENHANCED |  |  |  |  |  |
| ESTABLISHED |  |  |  |  |  |
| TOTAL |  |  |  |  |  |
| SECTION B |
| Tract ID: (funding) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tract ID: (funding) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tract ID: (funding) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tract ID: (funding) |  |  |  |  |  |

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Provide a brief narrative describing the significance of the proposal to:

* How the project area and tracts might be affected by climate change and other changing environmental conditions within the next 30-50 years,
* How the activities proposed will address, in a resilient and adaptive manner, any effects caused by climate change and other changing environmental conditions.

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**TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT QUESTION #6**

**How does the proposal contribute to the conservation of habitat for wetland associated, Federally listed or proposed endangered species; wetland associated state-listed species; and other wetland-associated fish and wildlife that are specifically involved with the proposal?**

**A. Federally Threatened, Endangered, or Proposed candidate species:**

How many individuals/pairs will use the proposal area and for what life cycle stage and whether this is an improvement in population numbers over the current situation:

How proposal will improve habitat quality (describe the before - and after - proposal environment):

Whether proposed actions and proposal area are identified in a recovery plan or other species plan:

Whether the completed proposal will contribute towards relieving the need for any special protective status for the species:

Importance of each tract or logical groupings of tracts in the proposal to the species (if tracts are not yet identified, explain what procedure will be used to ensure that high quality habitat is targeted):

Additional information:

**B.** **Wetland-dependent species of greatest conservation need (SGCN) from the appropriate State Wildlife Action Plan (SWAP):**

List a MAXIMUM OF 10 Species: Do NOT list species listed in A, TAQ #1, or TAQ #2. *The SWAP for each State can be found here: https://www1.usgs.gov/csas/swap/index.html*

How many individuals/pairs will use the proposal area and for what life cycle stage and whether this is an improvement in population numbers over the current situation:

How does the species rely on wetland habitats and how does the proposal improve key habitat and community types essential to the conservation of those SGCN (describe the before- and after-proposal environment):

Do the proposed activities and/or proposal area identify factors that may assist in the restoration and improved conservation of the SGCN:

Whether the completed proposal will contribute toward reducing or eliminating the Conservation Need status for the species:

Importance of each tract or logical groupings of tracts in the proposal to the species (if tracts are not yet identified, explain what procedure will be used to ensure that high quality habitat is targeted):

Additional information:

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**TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT QUESTION #7**

**How does the proposal satisfy the partnership purpose of the North American Wetlands Conservation Act?**

**A. Ratio of the Non-Federal Match to the Grant Request:**

**B. 10% Matching Partners:** Private landowner(s) partner contribution letter(s) need to be separate and not lumped to achieve the 10% match.

**C. Partner Categories** (includes non-match)

**State agencies:**

**Non-governmental conservation organizations:**

**Local governments, counties or municipalities:**

**Private landowners:**

**Profit-making corporations:**

**Native American governments or associations:**

**Federal agencies:**

**Other partner groups:**

**D. Important Partnership Aspects** **(new grant recipient, significant new partners, unique partners, large numbers of partners under any category in C above, non-financial contributions):**

**E. Public Access:** (Please make sure to answer the following questions per tract: Please explain the nature of the public access per tract. How much acreage will be open to public access? Explain what public access activities will occur and on what acres. How much acreage will be closed to public access and why?)

**ATTACHMENTS**

**Tract Table:**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Tract ID | Activity Type | Wetland Acres | Upland Acres | Riparian Miles | Public Access | Funding Category | Funding Source | County and State | Central Tract Location in Decimal Degrees | Final Title Holder |
| Tract |  |  |  |  | # Open Acres |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tract |  |  |  |  | # Open Acres |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tract |  |  |  |  | # Open Acres |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Total Acres** |  | **Total # Wetland Acres** | **Total # Upland Acres** |  | **Total # Open Acres** |  |  |  |  |  |

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**FINAL TITLEHOLDER SUMMARY:**

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**Partner Contribution Letter Template:**

Note: Begin each partner letter on a new page. Private landowner(s) partner contribution letter(s) need to be separate and not lumped to achieve the 10% match.

**NORTH AMERICAN WETLANDS CONSERVATION ACT PROPOSAL**

**PARTNER CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT**

**What is the title of the proposal that you are contributing to?**

**What is the name of your organization (private landowners/individuals indicate “Private”)?**

**When will you make the contribution?**

**What is the value of your contribution and how did you determine the value? Does the contribution have a non-Federal origin? If this is based on a fund-raising event or other future action, if that future action fails, will you still provide the contribution amount?**

**What long-term migratory bird and wetlands conservation work will the contribution cover?**

**Does the proposal correctly describe your contribution, especially the amount?**

**If applicable to the proposal, is your organization competent to hold title to, and manage, land acquired with grant funds and are you willing to apply a Notice of Grant Agreement or other recordable document to the property?**

**Please confirm that your contribution has not been used to meet any other federal programs match or cost share requirements.**

**Will the project benefit tribal hunting and fishing treaty rights and if so, how?**

**Do you have any additional comments?**

**Signature:**

**Name (printed), Title, and Affiliation:**

**Date Signed:**

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**OPTIONAL MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS PLAN**

**What is the Match Plan Amount and Purpose?**

**What is the Match Plan Intent?**

**What is the Match Plan Need?**

**Is there a Match Plan Chart?**

**Where is the location of the MCP acquisition tract?**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Match Plan Partner** | **Current Proposal** | **Proposal II** | **Proposal III** | **Total $** |
| Partner name | $ | $ | $ | $ |
| **Current Proposal Total $** |  |  |  |
| **MCP Future Total** | **$** | **$** | **$** |

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**OPTIONAL PROGRAMMATIC PROJECT PROPOSAL REQUEST**

* The existing grant agreement number and title (must be no more than 24 months old).
* The number of proposals previously added to the existing grant agreement, if any (a maximum of 3 awards can be combined into a programmatic project).
* The relationship between the existing and proposed project boundaries.
* How the new proposal is part of a long-term strategic planning and programmatic effort.
* How the additional project is related to warrant consideration as a continuation of the existing grant agreement.
* The evidenced progress that has been made on the original grant agreement.
* How the grantee organization and Project Officer have performed on prior and current NAWCA grants.
* The planned termination date of the revised grant agreement.

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**SF-424 APPLICATION, ASSURANCES, AND PROJECT ABSTRACT SUMMARY**

Currently, SF-424 applications do not apply to all federal applicants. All other applicants, complete SF-424 forms and project abstract summary within GrantSolution’s application. See US Instructions page 40.

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**MAPS**

Provide at least two maps. See Proposal Instructions for more details.

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**PROPOSAL EASEMENT, LEASES, AND INDIRECT COST RATE AGREEMENT**

**Have you included the following?**

* **Copies of easements and leases**
* C**urrent approved negotiated indirect cost rate agreement**