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To: State Fish and Wildlife Agencies  
Secretary, Department of Natural Resources  
of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico  
Governor of Guam  
Governor of U.S. Virgin Islands  
Governor of American Samoa  
Governor of Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands  
Mayor of the District of Columbia

The purpose of this letter is to notify you of the Fiscal Year 2010 appropriations for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) which includes \$73,767,660 for the State Wildlife Grant program authorized by the Department of Interior, Environment and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2009, Public Law 111-88.

Please consider the following quote from the Conference Committee report in your use of these funds. "The conferees recognize the need for States, Commonwealths, the District of Columbia, Tribes, and territories to update their plans to respond to climate change, but feel that this can be done within the framework of the required plan updates. Therefore, the conferees have not included language directing a portion of these funds for additional planning efforts focused on climate change. The conferees consider climate change to be an integral component of State and Tribal Wildlife Action Plan implementation and recommend that the States use the increased funding provided for on-the-ground conservation projects to adapt and mitigate the effects of climate change on wildlife populations."

The FY 2010 apportionment includes \$299,605 in unobligated (reverted) FY 2008 State Wildlife Grant Program funds and \$2,429,261 in unobligated balances from prior year grant closures. Total funds available for the States, the District of Columbia, Commonwealths, and territories in the FY 2010 apportionment are \$76,496,527 (CFDA No. 15.634).

This program provides grants for the development and implementation of State programs to benefit species of greatest conservation need and their habitat. The apportionment, shown on the enclosed table, is for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2009, and is available for obligation until September 30, 2011. After this date, the Service will reapportion any remaining unobligated and other reverted funds to all States, the District of Columbia, Commonwealths, and territories, together with any new funds appropriated for FY 2012.

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The funds are distributed through apportionment formula in accordance with the Appropriations Act to States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealths of Puerto Rico, and the Northern Mariana Islands, and the territories of American Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands. The formula for apportionment is based one-third on the land area of each State and two-thirds on the population of each State. In accordance with the Act, no States may receive less than 1 percent of the total available for apportionment, or more than 5 percent. The District of Columbia and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico may each receive no more than one-half of 1 percent of the total, and Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and American Samoa may each receive no more than one-fourth of 1 percent of the total.

Please contact the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program in your Regional Office, if you have questions about this apportionment.

Sincerely,

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Acting  
DIRECTOR

Enclosure

# State Wildlife Grants Apportionment

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number 15.634

**FY 2010**

<u>State</u>	<u>Reverted FY08</u>		<u>2010 Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Funds</u>			
Alabama	\$ 37,168	\$	1,133,225	\$ 1,170,393
Alaska	121,463		3,703,363	3,824,826
American Samoa	6,073		185,168	191,241
Arizona	62,766		1,913,718	1,976,484
Arkansas	28,331		863,766	892,097
California	121,463		3,703,363	3,824,826
Colorado	52,256		1,593,268	1,645,524
Connecticut	24,293		740,673	764,966
Delaware	24,293		740,673	764,966
District of Columbia	12,146		370,336	382,482
Florida	109,016		3,323,873	3,432,889
Georgia	64,972		1,980,981	2,045,953
Guam	6,073		185,168	191,241
Hawaii	24,293		740,673	764,966
Idaho	29,345		894,717	924,062
Illinois	79,920		2,436,734	2,516,654
Indiana	41,860		1,276,300	1,318,160
Iowa	29,726		906,334	936,060
Kansas	35,462		1,081,228	1,116,690
Kentucky	32,262		983,646	1,015,908
Louisiana	35,044		1,068,489	1,103,533
Maine	24,293		740,673	764,966
Maryland	31,570		962,569	994,139
Massachusetts	35,537		1,083,505	1,119,042
Michigan	65,554		1,998,710	2,064,264
Minnesota	48,408		1,475,948	1,524,356
Mississippi	27,236		830,371	857,607
Missouri	48,282		1,472,105	1,520,387
Montana	42,791		1,304,695	1,347,486
N. Mariana Islands	6,073		185,168	191,241
Nebraska	29,016		884,672	913,688
Nevada	41,853		1,276,078	1,317,931
New Hampshire	24,293		740,673	764,966
New Jersey	46,133		1,406,591	1,452,724
New Mexico	41,482		1,264,783	1,306,265
New York	111,658		3,404,420	3,516,078
North Carolina	61,091		1,862,657	1,923,748
North Dakota	24,293		740,673	764,966
Ohio	69,125		2,107,588	2,176,713
Oklahoma	36,675		1,118,216	1,154,891
Oregon	44,366		1,352,710	1,397,076
Pennsylvania	75,531		2,302,922	2,378,453
Puerto Rico	12,146		370,336	382,482
Rhode Island	24,293		740,673	764,966
South Carolina	31,122		948,904	980,026
South Dakota	24,293		740,673	764,966
Tennessee	42,751		1,303,479	1,346,230
Texas	121,463		3,703,363	3,824,826
Utah	35,964		1,096,527	1,132,491
Vermont	24,293		740,673	764,966
Virgin Islands	6,073		185,168	191,241
Virginia	50,392		1,536,444	1,586,836
Washington	51,297		1,564,024	1,615,321
West Virginia	24,293		740,673	764,966
Wisconsin	43,104		1,314,232	1,357,336
Wyoming	24,293		740,673	764,966
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,429,262</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>74,067,265</b>	<b>\$76,496,527</b>