

**UTILIZATION REPORT
FOR
MISCELLANEOUS FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAM APPROPRIATION
AND PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATION REQUEST
A.C.A. §19-7-501 ET SEQ.**

Date: 10/11/2024 Grant ID: NR24 7103XXXXC003 Legislative Review Date: _____
 Agency: Arkansas Game and Fish Commission Program Title: Farm Bill Private Land Biologist
 Granting Organization: USDA / Natural Resources Conservation Services Grant #: 10.691
 Effective Date of Authorization: _____ Beginning: 09/30/2024 Ending: 09/30/2027

Purpose of Grant / Reason for addition or change: (include attachments as necessary to provide thorough information):

This agreement, between the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission (Recipient), as a member of the Gulf Coast Cooperative Studies Unit, is to secure additional technical assistance to support NRCS in implementing Farm Bill Programs (CTA, EQIP, CSP, RCPP, ACEP and CRP). Landowners request technical and financial assistance from NRCS to solve resource concerns on their land. Wildlife habitat development and connectivity is a priority for NRCS, and this agreement will add additional capacity for conservation planning for wildlife. This agreement will provide three (3) Farm Bill Private Lands Biologists through the AGFC to provide technical planning assistance to NRCS customer.

Project-Grant Funding

Business Area Code: 0080
 Funds Center Code: New
 Fund Code: New
 Functional Area Code: REC
 Continuation of Existing Program: _____
 Change in Existing Program: _____
 New Program: X

	New Federal Funds	State Matching Funds	Other Matching Funds	Project Total
Regular Salaries	479,508			-
Extra Help				-
Personal Services Matching	164,143			-
Operating Expenses	1,350			-
Conference & Travel Expenses	14,580			-
Professional Fees				-
Capital Outlay				-
Data Processing				-
Grants and Aid (CI: 04)				-
Other:				-
Other:				-
Total	\$ 659,581	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Funding Percentages

	Federal	State	Other	Total
FY25	100%			100%
FY26	100%			100%
FY27	100%			100%
FY28				0%
FY29				0%

Type of Federal Grant

WIOA _____
 Non-WIOA X

Anticipated Duration of Federal Funds: 09/30/2027

DFA IGS State Technology Planning Date _____
 Items requested for information technology must be in compliance with Technology Plans as submitted to DFA IGS State Technology Planning.

Positions to be established: (list each position separately)

Org Unit	Pers Area	Pers SubArea	Cost Center	Position Number	Grant Item	Position Title	Class Code	Grade	Line Item Maximum *
					00	AGFC Biologist I	Q29		75,004
					00	AGFC Biologist I	4U		75,004
					00	AGFC Biologist I	Q29		75,004
							4U		
							4U		

State funds will not be used to replace federal funds when such funds expire, unless appropriated by the General Assembly and authorized by the Governor.

Approved by: Austin B. Bell 10/14/24
 Agency Secretary/Director Date

Robert Brech 10/30/24
 Office of Budget Date

Kay Bushnell
 Office of Personnel Mgmt Date

A. Shaw

CA 10/10/24 Revised 04/10/2024