



Call for Proposals NWTF KY Superfund

From: NWTF KY State Chapter Super Fund Committee, Jadd Campbell, Regional NWTF Biologist; and Steven Dobey, NWTF Technical Committee Representative/KDFWR Turkey Program Coordinator.

To: Persons interested in applying for NWTF Superfund grant monies.

Introduction

Through the Kentucky State Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF) super fund dollars will be available to fund conservation and hunting heritage projects during the year 2011. The Kentucky State Chapter of NWTF is a non-profit group of conservation-minded individuals that raise money through banquets and other activities for use in Kentucky to help ensure and promote the mission of the NWTF.

The Kentucky State Chapter would like to see dollars raised be awarded to quality conservation and hunting heritage projects that ensure mission success and accountability for dollars raised. Thus, the committee has decided to ask for "Proposals" and will be ranking projects according to the guidelines below that assure the state chapter and all NWTF members the best possible projects are being funded and monies are being spent wisely across the state.

We hope to see you at a NWTF banquet where these dollars are generated. Thank you for considering the Kentucky State Chapter Super Fund program in your work to enhance the conservation efforts in Kentucky.

Proposal Focus:

Although all projects pertaining to conservation and hunting heritage will be reviewed and considered, projects impacting actual habitat acres and addressing the creation or maintenance of turkey nesting and brood rearing habitat emphasizing native vegetation will be given higher rank. This may include a broad range of projects that entail: tree/shrub plantings, native warm season grass establishment, creation of early successional habitats, prescribed fire projects, forest management/timber stand improvement (TSI), and even equipment purchases to implement such work as described. Attention will also be given to projects associated with providing more hunting opportunities in Kentucky, and ones that may identify and support the implementation of Wild Turkey research. It is also desired that an effort be made to involve a local chapter president to make them aware of a potential project in their area. If you need location and contact information for the chapter nearest you, this information can be found at:

www.kentuckynwtf.com.

Proposal Guidelines:

Project Originators should strive to include the following attributes in proposals, see and fill out the attached NWTF KY SUPERFUND PROJECT PROPOSAL FORM for submitting:

1. Specific line item budget, including any shipping costs. (All funding requests must be for exact amounts and submitted bills can be for only approved funds.)
2. Multiple matching partners or funds (include in-kind and cash match)*
3. Specific project goals and objectives outlined (e.g. acres of expected impact).
4. Address accountability (e.g. annual status of project, signage, pictures, etc...)
5. Multiple bids for equipment purchases.

* (Quality projects with higher matching dollars will be given a higher ranking.)

Funding Availability:

Funding will vary depending on monies generated/fundraised throughout the year in the banquet system. The Kentucky Superfund may generate \$85,000 to \$120,000 annually that goes back into Kentucky helping to aid the NWTF mission. It should be noted that typically the KY State Chapter rarely approves single project allocations that require more than \$10,000 from the super fund.

Submitting a Proposal:

Submission for proposals will start effective July 1st 2010 and must be received by September 1st 2010. Project Proposal Forms should be emailed to NWTF Regional Biologist Jadd Campbell (jcampbell@nwtf.net).

Proposals will be ranked and approved by the KY State Chapter Superfund Committee at the annual mid September Board Meeting and all applicants will be notified as to the status of their proposals shortly following.

Monies awarded will be made available starting January 1st 2011 through December 31st 2011. Receipts for incurring project costs may be received by Jadd Campbell throughout the calendar year. Any unused funding for projects that have not been spent during this time period will be added back to the Superfund and made available for projects during the following year.

* Should you have any additional questions regarding the proposal process or NWTF Superfund, contact Regional Biologist Jadd Campbell for further assistance.

The NWTF looks forward to working with you towards conservation in Kentucky.

Sincerely,

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