



1-D-1 Open Space Agricultural Valuation Wildlife Management Plan for the Year(s)

2020-2024

Submit this plan to your County Chief Appraiser, not to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

Part I. Owner Information

Account Number: _____

Owner's Name: _____
 Current mailing address: _____
 City, town, post office, state and zip code: _____
 Phone number: _____
 Tract Name: PT 11 Majority County: Blanco
 Additional Counties (if any): _____

Part II. Property Description

Legal Description of Property: 20.5 acres, being a portion of lot 11, River Ridge Ranch Subdivision
 Location of Property (distance and direction from nearest town; specify highway/road numbers):
5 mi east of Blanco/Hwy 165 and 0.3 mi south on Chimney Valley Road
 Is Acreage under high fence: Yes No Partial: (Describe) _____
 Total Acreage: 20.5 Ecoregion Eastern Edward's Plateau
(refer to Comprehensive Wildlife Management Planning Guidelines)
 Habitat Types and Amounts of Acres:
 Cropland _____ Bottomland/Riparian 3 wetlands _____
 Non-native Pasture 8 Pasture/Grassland 3 timberlands _____
 Native Range/Brush 7 Other (describe) _____

III. Species targeted for management. (List all that apply. Attach additional page(s) if needed)

Deer turkey quail songbirds waterfowl doves bats
 Neotropical songbirds (List) _____
 Reptiles (list) _____ Amphibians (list) see additional page
 Small mammals (list) see Appendix A Insects (list) see additional page
 Identified species of concern (List) _____
 Other (List) _____

Part IV. Management Plan Goals and Objectives

Describe the wildlife management **goals** (*what you want the property to look like, or want to be able to do with it*) and **objectives** (*how you intend to achieve these goals*) for this piece of property. You may use an additional page if needed. (Note: This space will expand as you type.)

Restore native tallgrass prairie, slow erosion by river, and increase wildlife viewing opportunities and diversity of non-game wildlife by removing non-native invasive plant species and seeding with native & diverse grasses and forbs.

Part V. Qualifying Wildlife Management Activities

Check the wildlife management practices to be implemented on the property during the coming year that will support and achieve your management goals. A minimum of three practices is required.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Habitat control	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Provide supplemental supplies of water
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Erosion control	<input type="checkbox"/> Provide supplemental supplies of food
<input type="checkbox"/> Predator control	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Provide shelters
<input type="checkbox"/> Making census counts to determine population.	

Part VI. White tail Deer and Mule Deer Population Management

Is hunting to be a part of this wildlife management plan? Yes No

If YES, type of hunting: Lease hunting Family/guests only Both

List deer harvest for past three seasons:

Year: _____	Bucks: _____	Does: _____
Year: _____	Bucks: _____	Does: _____
Year: _____	Bucks: _____	Does: _____

Population Management Goals:

Target Density for Pre-season Deer Population (fall density) _____

Target Sex Ratio (does/buck): _____

Target Production (fawns/does): _____

Other (may be age, weight, antler measurements, browse conditions, etc.) _____

Deer Harvest Strategy (numbers, types of deer to be harvested to achieve goals): _____

Part VII. Wildlife Management Association Membership

Are you a member of a wildlife management association (co-op)? Yes No

Are you a member of a wildlife property association? Yes No

Name of wildlife property co-op/association, if YES is checked. _____

Part VIII. Wildlife Management Activities

Check the activities you intend to implement during the year to support each of the wildlife management activities listed in Part V.

<p>1. HABITAT CONTROL</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>Grazing management.</i> Check grazing system being utilized.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 herd/3pasture <input type="checkbox"/> 1 herd/4 pasture <input type="checkbox"/> 1 herd/multiple pasture</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> High intensity/low frequency (HILF) <input type="checkbox"/> Short duration system</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other type of grazing system (describe) _____</p> <p>Additional Information: _____</p>
<p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>Prescribed Burning</i></p> <p>Acres to be burned: _____ Planned burn date: _____</p> <p>Additional Information: _____</p>
<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Range Enhancement (Range Reseeding)</i></p> <p>Acres to be seeded: <u>8</u> Date to be seeded: <u>2020-2023</u></p> <p>Seeding Method: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Broadcast <input type="checkbox"/> Drilled <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hay</p> <p>Seeding mixture to be used: <u>Prairie Starter Mix from Native American Seed Company</u></p> <p>Fertilized: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Weed control needed for establishment? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Additional Information: <u>2-3 acres per year</u></p>
<p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>Brush Management.</i> Acres to be treated: _____ Check method of brush management:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Mechanical</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> grubber <input type="checkbox"/> chain <input type="checkbox"/> roller chopper/aerator <input type="checkbox"/> rhome disc</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> brush hog (shredder) <input type="checkbox"/> dozer <input type="checkbox"/> hand-cutting (chainsaw)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> hydraulic shears <input type="checkbox"/> other (describe): _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Chemical Kind: _____ Rate: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Brush management design:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> block <input type="checkbox"/> mosaic <input type="checkbox"/> strips: width: _____ Length: _____</p> <p>Additional Information: _____</p>
<p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>Fence Modification</i></p> <p>Target species: <input type="checkbox"/> pronghorn antelope <input type="checkbox"/> bighorn sheep</p> <p>Technique: <input type="checkbox"/> fold up bottom of net-wire Gap width: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> replace sections of net-wire with barbed wire. Gap width: _____</p> <p>Miles of fencing that will be modified: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> replace entire net-wire fence with barbed wire. Miles replaced: _____</p> <p>Additional Information: _____</p>

Riparian management and enhancement

Fencing of riparian area

Complete fencing Partial fencing

Deferment from livestock grazing

Complete deferment partial deferment Season deferred : _____

Establish vegetation

Trees (list species) see Appendix A

Shrubs (list species) see Appendix A

Herbaceous species (list) see Appendix A

Additional Information: both sides of Blanco River and former river bed (now dry creek)

Wetland enhancement

Provide seasonal water Provide permanent water Moist soil management

Other (describe) _____

Additional Information: _____

Habitat Protection for species of concern

Fencing Firebreaks Prescribed burning Control of nest parasites

Habitat manipulation (thinning, etc.) Native/exotic ungulate control

Other (describe) _____

Additional Information: _____

Prescribed Control of Native, Exotic and Feral Species

Prescribed control of vegetation Prescribed control of animal species

Species being controlled: Johnsongrass, Giant River Cane (Arundo)

Method of control: Spraying, digging, and reseeding with natives

Additional Information: Converting large fields of Johnsongrass to native prairie grasses at 2-3 ac per year

Wildlife Restoration

Habitat restoration Wildlife restoration

Target species: _____

Method of restoration: _____

Additional Information: _____

2. EROSION CONTROL

Pond construction and repair

Surface area (acres): _____ Number of cubic yards of soil displaced: _____

Length of dam (feet): _____ Planned date of construction: _____

Additional Information: _____

Gully shaping

Total acres to be treated: _____ Acres treated annually: _____

Seeding mix used for reestablishment of vegetation: _____

Planned date of construction: _____

Additional Information: _____

Streamside, pond, and wetland revegetation. Techniques used:

Native hay bales Fencing Filter strips Seeding upland buffer

Rip-rap, etc. stream crossings Other: _____

Planned date of construction: 2023-2024

Additional Information: Seeding with riparian recovery mix; Improve stream crossing in dry creek bed

Herbaceous and/or woody plant establishment on critical areas (erodible)

Establish windbreak Establish shrub mottes Improve plant diversity

Improve wildlife habitat Conservation/no-till practices Manage CRP cover

Additional Information: _____

Dike/Levee Construction/Management

Reshaping/repairing erosion damage Revegetating/stabilize levee areas

Install water control structure Fencing

Additional Information: _____

Establish water diversion

Type: Channel Ridge

Slope: level graded Length (feet) _____

Vegetated: No Yes

If Yes: Native: _____ Crop: _____

Additional Information: _____

3. PREDATOR CONTROL

Imported red fire ants (verify prior to application that product is labeled for pasture use)

Control of cowbirds Grackle/starling/house sparrow control

Method of control: Trapping Shooting Baiting Scare tactics _____

Coyotes Feral hogs Raccoon Skunk Bobcat Mountain lion

Rat snakes Feral cats/dogs

Method of control: Trapping Shooting M-44 (licensed applicators)

Poison collars (1080 certified, licensed, applicator) Other _____

Additional Information: _____

4. SUPPLEMENTAL WATER

Marsh/Wetland Restoration or Development

Greentree reservoirs Shallow roost pond development Seasonally flooded crops

Artificially created wetlands Marsh restoration/development/protection

Prairie pothole restoration/development/protection Moist soil management units

Planned date of construction: _____

Additional Information: _____

Well/trough/windmill overflow/other wildlife watering facilities

Drill new well Depth: _____ Gallons per minute: _____

Windmill Pump Pipeline: Size: _____ Length: _____

Modification(s) of existing water source

Fencing Overflow Trough modification Pipeline

Distance between water sources (waterers): _____

Type of wildlife watering facility:

PVC pipe facility # _____ Drum with faucet or float # _____

Small game guzzler # _____ Windmill supply pipe dripper # _____

Plastic container # _____ In-ground bowl trough # _____

Big game guzzler # _____ Inverted umbrella guzzler # 1

Flying saucer guzzler # _____ Ranch Specialties guzzler # _____

Other: _____

Additional Information: Rainwater collection

Spring development and/or enhancement

Fencing Water diversion/pipeline Brush removal Spring clean out

Other: _____

Additional Information: _____

5. PROVIDING SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD

Grazing management Prescribed burning Range enhancement

Food plots Size: _____ Fenced: Yes No

Irrigated: Yes No

Plantings: Cool season annual crops: _____

Warm season annual crops: _____

Annual mix of native plants: _____

Perennial mix of native plants: _____

Additional Information: _____

Feeders and mineral supplementation

Purpose: Supplementation Harvesting of wildlife

Targeted wildlife species: _____

Feed type: _____ Mineral type: _____

Feeder type: _____ Number of feeders: _____

Method of mineral dispensing: _____

Number of mineral locations: _____

Year round: Yes No If not, state when: _____

Additional Information: _____

Managing tame pasture, old fields and croplands

Overseeding cool and/or warm season legumes and/or small grains

Periodic disturbance (Discing/Mowing/Shredding) Conservation/no-till

Additional Information: _____

Transition management of tame grass monocultures

Overseed 25% of tame grass pastures with locally adapted legumes

Species planted: Clover Peas Vetch Other: _____

Additional Information: _____

6. PROVIDING SUPPLEMENTAL SHELTER

Nest boxes Target Species: See appendix A

Cavity type. # 6 Bat boxes. # 2 Raptor pole. # 1

Additional Information: _____

Brush piles and slash retention

Type: Slash Brush piles Number per acre: 5

Additional Information: 0.5 acre per year, along riparian areas and native brush areas (See Appendix B)

Fence line management Length: 1300 yds Initial establishment: Yes No

Plant type established: Trees Shrubs Forbs Grasses

Additional Information: 100-200 yds will be managed per year; rock piles along north & east sides

Hay meadow, pasture and cropland management for wildlife Acres treated: _____

Shelter establishment: Roadside management Terrace/wind breaks Field borders

Shelterbelts Conservation Reserve Program lands management

Type of vegetation: Annual Perennial

Species and percent of mixture _____

Deferred mowing Period of deferment: _____

Mowing Acres mowed annually: _____

No till/minimum till

Additional Information: _____

Half-cutting trees or shrubs

Acreage to be treated annually: _____ Number of half-cuts annually: _____

Additional Information: _____

Woody plant/shrub establishment

Pattern: Block Mosaic Strips: Width: _____

Acreage or length established annually: _____ Spacing: _____

Shrub/tree species used: _____

Additional Information: _____

Natural cavity/snag development

Species of snag: unknown Size of snags: varied Number/acre: 1-2

Additional Information: _____

7. CENSUS

Spotlight counts Targeted species: _____
Length of route: _____ Visibility of route: _____
Dates (3 required) A. _____ B. _____ C. _____
Additional Information: _____

Standardized incidental observations Targeted species: _____
Observations from: Feeders Food plots Blinds Vehicle Other _____
Dates: _____
Additional Information: _____

Stand counts of deer (5 one hour counts per stand required). Number of stands: _____
Dates: _____
Additional Information: _____

Aerial Counts Species counted: _____
Type of survey: Helicopter Fixed-wing
Percent of area surveyed: Total 50% Other: _____
Additional Information: _____

Track counts: Predators Furbearers Deer Other: _____
Additional Information: _____

Daylight deer herd/wildlife composition counts
Species: Deer Turkey Dove Quail Other _____
Additional Information: _____

Harvest data collection/record keeping: Deer Game birds
 Age Weight Sex Antler data Harvest date
Additional Information: _____

Browse utilization surveys (thirty 12-foot circular plots required)
Additional Information: _____

Census of endangered, threatened, or protected wildlife. Species: _____
Method and dates: _____
Additional Information: _____

Census and monitoring of nongame wildlife species. Species: _____
 Method and dates: _____
 Additional Information: _____

Miscellaneous Counts: Species being counted: _____

Remote detection (i.e., cameras) Hahn (walking) line Roost counts

Booming ground counts Time/area counts Songbird transects and counts

Quail call and covey counts Point counts Small mammal traps

Drift fences and pitfall traps Bat departures Dove call counts

Chachalaca counts Turkey hen/poultry counts Waterfowl/water bird counts

Alligator nest/census counts Other: _____

Additional Information: _____

IX. Additional Supporting Information. (Optional)

Attach any other supporting information, such as maps or photographs that you believe to be relevant to this wildlife management plan.

I certify that the above information provided by me in this application is to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and complete.

 Landowner Signature

1/17/2020

 Date

This area for use only if the wildlife management plan was prepared for the above landowner for a fee by a wildlife professional or consultant. *

_____ Signature of person preparing wildlife management plan.	_____ Date
_____ Company	_____ Phone Number
*Signature by TPWD not required for this plan to be valid.	

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Appendix A: Wildlife Management Plan

Part III. Species Targeted for Management

- Songbirds: cardinals, bluebirds, chickadees, purple martins, kingfisher, titmice, flycatchers, wrens woodpeckers
- Neotropical migratory birds: hawks, falcons, owls, kestrels, herons
- Waterfowl: unknown
- Bats: Big brown bat, evening bat, silver-haired bat, Brazilian free-tailed bat, Mexican free-tailed bat
- Amphibians: geckos, turtles, bullfrogs, toads
- Small mammals: Cottontail rabbits, wild turkeys, fox squirrels, armadillos, skunks
- Insects: fireflies, native bees, butterflies, grasshoppers, moths, flies, crickets

Part VIII. Wildlife Management Activities

1. Habitat Control
 - a. Riparian management and enhancement
 - Trees: Bald cypress, Bigtooth maple, Mexican plum, red mulberry, Carolina buckthorn, water hickory
 - Shrubs: false indigo, turk's cap, possum-haw holly, yaupon, beautyberry, spicebush
 - Herbaceous species: Maximillian sunflower, button bush, inland sea oats, bushy bluestem, other grasses
6. Providing Supplemental Shelter
 - a. Nest boxes: Barn owls, screech owls, bats, songbirds (flycatchers, bluebirds, titmice, wrens, purple martins, etc.)

Existing habitat

Appendix B shows the types of habitat currently on the property. The two main sections are made up of approximately 8 acres on the northern side of the river that is former pastureland, which is now mostly Johnsongrass, coastal Bermuda grass, and cocklebur, and approximately 10 acres on the southern side of the river that is native range/brushland. It has mainly cedars, mesquite, and grasses. The remainder of the property is riparian or along the roadside.

Additional plant species on the property (identified with the assistance of TPWD)

- Trees: Pecan, sycamore, hackberry, soapberry, mesquite, ashe juniper, little walnut, mulberry, roughleaf dogwood, false willow, osage orange
- Shrubs/forbs: Louisiana sage, mustang grape, green briar, garlic, goldenrod, frost weed, prairie tea, common button bush, snow on the mountain, clammy weed, Maximillian sunflower
- Existing undesirable species: Johnsongrass, coastal Bermuda grass, cocklebur

Appendix B: Map of 20.5 acres

