REAL ESTATE LEASE

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into between the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas, (hereafter referred to collectively as "Lessor"), and the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission (hereafter referred to as "Lessee").

1. <u>Leased Premises.</u> For and in consideration of the rents, covenants and agreements herein entered into and agreed upon by the Lessee as obligations to the Lessor, the Lessor lets, leases and demises unto the Lessee, subject to the terms and conditions contained herein, the following described property situated in Craighead County, Arkansas:

A part of the North 1 of Section 22, Township 14 North, Range 4 East, Craighead County, Arkansas, being more particularly described as follows; Begin at the North 1 Corner of Section 22, Township 14 North, Range 4 East; thence \$10°08"31"W 241.05' to the point of beginning proper; thence \$66°58'01"E 460.88'; thence \$42°27'00"E 278.70'; thence \$47°33'00"W 115.00'; thence \$50°18'00"W 290.0'; thence \$42°27'00"W 188.0'; thence \$47°33'00"W 30.00'; thence \$47°33'00"W 20.00'; thence \$47°30'; thence \$47°30'

Also more commonly known as the south 6,700sf of Building 13 at the Jonesboro Airport, in Craighead County, Arkansas. See Exhibit A for complete survey.

Subject to covenants, easements and other restrictions of record.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said premises unto the said Lessee for and during the term herein stated, subject to the covenants, terms, conditions and liens herein contained.

2. <u>Term.</u> This lease shall commence on June 1, 2011, and shall extend for a term of fifteen (15) months, ending at midnight on August 31, 2012. Lessee may elect to terminate the lease at any time prior to August 31, 2012, without penalty upon condition that (1) Lessee provides Lessor with written notice, no less than sixty (60) days prior to the date of termination, that Lessee intends to elect to terminate the lease and (2) Lessee pays Lessor the rent, pro-rated on a monthly basis, incurred through the date of termination. Additionally, Lessee shall have a right to extend this lease on a month-to-month

basis for not more than twelve (12) months upon condition that (1) Lessee provides Lessor with written notice, no less than sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of the term of the lease, that Lessee intends to exercise such right to extend the lease and (2) Lessee continues to pay Lessor the same amount of rent, pro-rated on a monthly basis, as agreed between Lessor and Lessee herein.

- 3. Rent. Lessee agrees to pay to Lessor as rent a SIXTEEN THOUSAND DOLLAR (\$16,000.00) upfront payment to Lessor for improvements, including changing door locks, installation of a locking door between Lessee and the FAA space, and changing electrical service to include a separate meter for lessee. Monthly rental is in the amount of TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$2,500.00) per month, due by the tenth (10th) each month hereafter. Lessee may prepay all or part of the rent without penalty.
- 4. Right of First Refusal. If Lessor, during the lease term, or any extension thereof, elects to sell all or any portion of the premises, whether separately or as a part of the larger parcel of which the premises are a part, Lessee shall have a right of first refusal to purchase the premises on such terms and conditions as may then be negotiated between Lessor and Lessee. If Lessor has been presented with a bona fide offer of sale from an unaffiliated third party ("third party offer"), Lessor shall be entitled to purchase the premises on the same terms and conditions as the third part offer. If within ninety (90) days after written notice of such third party offer, Lessee does not agree to purchase the premises on terms and conditions at least as favorable to Lessor as the third party offer, Lessor may sell the premises or any portion thereof to such third person in accordance with the terms and conditions of the third party offer.
- 5. Signs. Lessee shall not erect or install any exterior signs or advertising without first consulting with and obtaining the approval of the Lessor, such approval not to be unreasonably withheld. Lessee agrees that it will not, without first consulting with and obtaining the approval of the Lessor, utilize any form of advertising disruptive to the surrounding area and the general public, including but not limited to, loudspeakers, phonograph or related electronic equipment, radios, compact discs, or similar devices which will be operated in such a manner as to project sound outside of the leased premises.

- 6. Maintenance and Repairs. Lessor shall be responsible for reasonable maintenance and repair of the premises. Lessee shall contact Lessor in the event any repairs to the premises are required. Lessor shall be responsible for all plumbing, heating, and air conditioning repairs, provided that such repairs are not occasioned by the act, neglect or omission of Lessee or its agents or invitees. Lessee shall maintain the premises in good order at all times and shall return the premises in the same condition as existed at the commencement of this lease, reasonable wear and tear excepted. Lessee shall be solely responsible for the construction, maintenance and repair of any improvements made by Lessee to the premises. Lessee shall be the owner of such improvements during the pendency of the lease. Lessee covenants that any improvements to the property will be constructed, maintained and repaired consistent with the Lessor's ordinances rules and regulations. All improvements shall become the property of the Lessor at the expiration of this lease (as such lease term may be extended or modified from time to time) or upon final termination of the lease. Personal property that can be removed from the premises without material damage to the premises shall remain the property of Lessee and may be removed by Lessee upon termination or expiration of this lease.
- 7. <u>Taxes.</u> The premises are currently improved and have been assessed for real property or other taxes. It is anticipated that the use of the property by Lessee will not result in the property being subject to taxes of any nature. Lessor agrees that it will join with Lessee in opposing any tax assessments levied against the leased premises so long as the premises shall be used only for public purposes.
- 8. <u>Use.</u> Lessee agrees to use the leased premises for the purpose of operating a regional office, which may include administrative offices, meeting room, classroom facilities, vehicle parking and other uses associated with a regional office open to the public, but for no other purpose or use unless the written consent of the Lessor has been obtained in advance to the different purpose or use.
- 9. <u>Assignment.</u> Lessee shall not assign this lease or sublet the leased premises without prior written consent of the Lessor.
- 10. <u>Lessee's Default.</u> If Lessee defaults in the payment of the rent for a period of ninety (90) days or longer, or as to any covenant herein provided for a period of ninety (90) days or longer after

receipt of written notice from Lessor specifying such default, or the Lessee fails to take possession of the leased premises within a reasonable time after commencement of the lease, or should the Lessee abandon the premises or cease operation of the regional office, then Lessor shall have the right to reenter the leased premises and take possession of same and all improvements thereon, and this lease shall terminate. Lessee agrees that in such event it will vacate the leased premises promptly.

- 11. <u>Non-Waiver</u>. It is agreed that the failure of the Lessor to invoke any of the available remedies under this lease or under law in the event of one or more breaches or defaults by Lessee under the lease shall not be construed as a waiver of such provisions and conditions and shall not prevent Lessor from invoking such remedies in the event of any future breach or default.
- 12. <u>Holdover.</u> Lessee agrees that it will peaceably deliver possession of the leased premises to Lessor upon expiration or earlier termination of the lease. In the event it should become necessary for Lessor to institute any action at law or in equity to recover possession of the leased premises from Lessee at the time of expiration or earlier termination, Lessee agrees that it will pay Lessor's reasonable court costs.
- 13. <u>Compliance with Laws.</u> Lessee shall conduct its activities and operations on the leased premises in compliance with applicable regulations, rules and laws of any governmental authority with jurisdiction over the leased premises. Provided, however, that Lessor shall adopt no ordinance, regulation or resolution imposing specific conditions on Lessee's operation on the leased premises that are more stringent than generally applicable throughout the City of Jonesboro or Craighead County.
- 14. <u>Trash, Janitorial and Grounds.</u> Lessor agrees at their expense to provide receptacles for the disposal of trash, litter, refuse and debris, and will employ reasonable clean-up measures to keep the leased premises free from same, janitorial service 5 days a week and grounds maintenance (lawn care) on a weekly/monthly basis.
- 15. <u>Utilities.</u> Lessee agrees to be responsible for all electrical and water services, including usage, for the regional office for the duration of this lease.

- 16. Title and Quite Enjoyment. Lessor covenants and warrants that it is the legal owner of the leased premises and may lease said premises as herein provided. Upon payment by the Lessee of the rents herein provided and upon the observance and performance of the covenants, terms and conditions upon Lessee's part to be observed and performed, Lessee shall peaceably and quietly hold and enjoy the demised premises for the term hereby demised without hindrance of interruption by Lessor or any other person or persons lawfully or equitably claiming by, through, or under Lessor, subject to the terms and conditions of this lease. Lessee may restrict access to the leased premises by such means as necessary to operation of the nature center and security of the improvements and Lessee's personnel on the property.
- 17. <u>Succession</u>. This lease agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective heirs, successor and assigns.
- 18. <u>Waste.</u> Lessee agrees not to commit waste, nor permit waste to result or to be done to or upon the aforesaid property and premises; nor store or permit to be stored thereon or therein any explosives which would increase the fire hazard; and not to operate or cause to be operated, or allow to exist thereon or therein, any public or private nuisance.
- 19. <u>Severability.</u> Each paragraph of this lease agreement is severable from all other paragraphs. In the event any court of competent jurisdiction determines that any paragraph is invalid or unenforceable for any reason, all remaining paragraphs will remain in full force and effect.
- 20. <u>Interpretation.</u> This lease agreement shall be interpreted according to and enforced under the laws of the State of Arkansas.
- 21. <u>Notice.</u> All notices, requests, demands and other communicatious required by or permitted hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given when received by the party to whom directed; provided, however, that notice shall be conclusively deemed given at the time of its deposit in the United States Mail when sent by certified mail, postage prepaid, to the other party at the following addresses (or at such other addresses designated in writing by the parties).

LESSEE:

To:

Arkansas Game and Fish Commission

Attention: Director

#2 Natural Resources Drive Little Rock, Arkansas 72205

And copy to:

Arkansas Game and Fish Commission

Attention: Northeast Arkansas Regional Office

Jonesboro, AR 72401

LESSOR:

To:

City of Jonesboro Attention: Mayor

410 W. Washington Ave. Jonesboro, Arkansas 72401

- 22. <u>Multiple Originals</u>. This agreement may be executed in all or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- 23. <u>Complete Agreement</u>. This lease agreement constitutes the complete agreement of the parties and supersedes all prior agreements, contracts and understandings between the parties relating to the subject matter hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto set their hands and seals on the date found next to their respective signatures.

CITY OF JONESBORO

ARKANSAS STATE GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

v: Co - Color

LOREN HITCHCOCK, DIRECTOR

DATE:

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF ARKANSAS COUNTY OF CRAIGHEAD

ON THIS DAY appeared before me, a Notary Public, duly commissioned and acting in the state and county aforesaid, Harold Perrin and Donna Jackson, known to me as the Mayor and City Clerk of the City of Jonesboro, Arkansas, respectively, who stated that they had executed the foregoing Real Estate Lease in their official capacities for the purposes and consideration therein set forth.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF ARKANSAS COUNTY OF PULASKI

ON THIS DAY appeared before me, a Notary Public, duly commissioned and acting in the state and county aforesaid, Loren Hitchcock, known to me as the Director of the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission, who stated that he had executed the foregoing Real Estate Lease in his official capacity for the purposes and consideration therein set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal this 4th day of

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:

April 1,2019

KIM TAYLOR
SALINE COUNTY
NOTARY PUBLIC - ARKANSAS
My Commission Expires April 01, 2019
Commission No. 12370726

Exhibit A

