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March 12, 2018

Mr. John Beneke  
Program Director  
Outdoor Recreation Grants Program  
Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism  
One Capitol Mall  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. Beneke:

This is to advise that your request for a waiver of retroactivity for the acquisition of the 40 acres adjacent to Craighead Forest Park in Craighead County, Arkansas is approved.

Since waivers are only meant to allow a project to proceed while the application is being prepared for submission, waivers should not remain outstanding for an extended period of time. This waiver shall be effective for the remaining part of federal fiscal year 2018 and all of federal fiscal year 2019.

Granting of the waiver means only that the project will not be disapproved because title to the land was received by the applicant prior to project approval and does not imply a qualitative approval of the project. The retroactive costs are incurred at the applicant's risk, since the granting of the waiver does not in any way insure approval of the project.

Sincerely,

Kelly A. Pearce  
Awarding Officer  
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February 26, 2018

Susan Ostby  
Outdoor Recreation Planner  
National Park Service  
601 Riverfront Drive  
Omaha, NE 68102

RE: Waiver of Retroactivity Request  
City of Jonesboro, AR

Dear Ms. Ostby:

I would like to request a waiver of retroactivity for the City of Jonesboro, AR. The City of Jonesboro intends to apply for a grant in August 2018. The land to be purchased is 40 acres of undeveloped woods adjacent to an existing LWCF funded park. The city intends to use this land to develop additional trails within the park. The land was originally going to be put out to auction, but the city made an agreement with the seller to purchase the land within the next 30 days.

I have attached maps of the land to be purchased as well as a letter from the Mayor of Jonesboro detailing this request.

Please feel free to call me at (501) 682-1523 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

John Beneke, Program Director  
Outdoor Recreation Grants Program



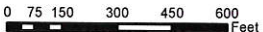
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### City of Jonesboro - Craighead Forest Property Acquisition, Waiver Of Retroactivity

<b>Legend</b>  Property Aquisition 40.00 Acres	Jonesboro, Craighead County, AR	The Arkansas Department of Parks & Tourism has provided this map as an illustration. It is not to be used as a legal instrument in any capacity.	Outdoor Recreation Grants Program Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism
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