

## California Department of Fish & Wildlife

## Upland Game Bird Account Project Proposal

FY 2013/2014

Project Title: Camp Cady Wildlife Area Upland Game Crop Planting

This project proposal must clearly identify benefits to upland game birds, upland game bird hunting opportunities, or public hunting outreach (Fish and Game Code Section 3684c).

CDFW or Non-Governmental Organization project contact:

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Project start and completion dates by State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30):  $\underline{07/01/2013}$  to 06/30/2014

California Department of Fish and Wildlife Region and location of proposed project: <u>Inland Deserts Region</u>

**Objectives**: State how this proposed project will maintain or enhance existing upland game bird resources.

Maintain and increase upland wildlife communities, and provide additional special hunt opportunities for junior and family pheasant hunts at the Camp Cady Wildlife Area by continuing to plant approximately 80 acres of upland food plots. This continuing project consists of planting approximately 80 acres of upland food plots on public lands. This will help maintain and increase upland wildlife communities at the Camp Cady Wildlife Area by providing essential food for upland game species. This will facilitate an increased population of upland species, quantity and quality of habitat, and increase upland game hunting opportunities in southern California.

**Benefits**: Describe benefits to upland game bird species, upland game bird public hunting opportunities, or public outreach and education relating to upland game bird hunting. The project will provide upland species with more suitable habitat consisting of available quality food and water which will encourage the species to thrive and allow for more productive public hunting opportunities in southern California. The continued success of this program depends entirely on funding from the Department of Fish and Wildlife and Quail Forever. Camp Cady Wildlife Area contracts to have the food plots planted, irrigated, and manipulated. The success of this program has been proven by hunter and departmental surveys.

**Schedule of project tasks**: A brief project summary is required annually for multi year projects and a final project report by August 1<sup>st</sup> following the fiscal year of project completion. Please summarize your projected tasks by date:

Tasks	Start Date	Finish Date
Disc and plant 75 to 80 acres	04/15/2014	05/30/2014
Water field	04/01/2014	07/30/2014
Dry field before mowing	07/15/2014	08/15/2014
Mow strips to lay down grain for dove and pheasant	08/15/2014	08/31/2014
hunts, etc.		
Start Dove Season	09/01/2014	12/25/2014
Leave standing crop for winter feed	12/25/2014	04/01/2015

The following pages include tables that you may use to fill in your budget breakdown. Please feel free to generate your own tables, but all information must be included. Additional information such as area maps should also be included.

Project Funding Breakdown		
Item of Expense (salary & wages, equipment, supplies, etc.)	Amount	
Planting 75 to 80 acres of upland game crop, using local farmers to do the	\$3000.00	
discing and planting work as we do not have adequate equipment to do the		
job. Cost includes diesel fuel and fluids for tractor.		
Pivot irrigation system repair during growing season	\$2,500.00	
Milo, millet, and sunflower seed for planting	\$1,500.00	
Fertilizer	\$600.00	
Pivot irrigation system routine maintenance each spring	\$350.00	
Total Annual Costs	\$7,950.00	
Total Two Year Costs	\$15,900.00	

State the measurable products expected to result from this project and how the effectiveness will be evaluated.

Measurable products expected to result from this project include increased use from the hunting public. Effectiveness will be evaluated by measuring hunter use and satisfaction. Past years have yielded approximately 400 dove hunters using this field.

List any CDFG personnel participation by name and classification:

Name: <u>Troy Kelly</u> Classification: <u>Senior Environmental Scientist</u>

Name:Gerry MulcahyClassification:Environmental ScientistName:Chanelle DavisClassification:Environmental ScientistName:David BakerClassification:Wildlife Habitat Supervisor I

Non-Governmental Organization and other Agency Contributions		
	% of Matching Funds	
Organization/Agency Name	and/or Volunteer	
	Effort	
Quail Forever volunteer hours 300 hrs@\$10.00/hr (annual)	\$3,000.00	
18,000 miles per year @ \$0.50/mile (annual)	\$9,000.00	
Total Annual Contribution	\$12,000.00	
Total Two Year Contribution	\$24,000.00	

Total Project Funding		
Item of Expense (salary & wages, equipment, supplies, etc.)	Amount	
Total Requested Funding (annual)	\$7,950.00	
Total Matching Funds (annual)	\$12,000.00	
Total Annual Project Costs	\$19,950.00	
Total Two Year Project Costs	\$39,900.00	