Resolution Requiring Academic Institutions to Contribute Matching Funds on Federally-funded Cooperative Projects

WHEREAS, the Commission regularly enters into collaborative projects with academic institutions; and

WHEREAS, these collaborative projects are regularly funded through federal grants that require a funding match using non-federal funds; and

WHEREAS, the United States Office of Management and Budget modified the administrative requirements in 2 CFR 200 and no longer allows non-federal entities that receive federal grant funds to require cooperators to waive indirect or overhead costs; and

WHEREAS, the Commission relies upon academic institutions to conduct required research to make scientifically-sound management decisions; and

WHEREAS, the Commission relies on these academic institutions to provide non-federal match to leverage grant funds to their fullest extent; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Commission and academic institutions to continue to collaborate on cooperative research projects.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Carolina Wildlife Resource Commission rescinds its former resolution of No Overhead Payment to State-Supported Universities for Cooperative Projects adopted in 1995; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission hereby establishes its policy of requiring all academic institutions to provide the required non-federal funding match for all cooperative research projects, whether in the form of waived overhead or other federally-approved sources.

Approved this the 6th day of October, 2016, in an official meeting by the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission.

[Signatures]

John Litton Clark, Chairman

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