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August 8, 2022

Canyon Bass Club of San Marcos C/O Mr. Dave Terre Habitat Project Coordinator Canyon Bass Club 6505 Freesia Ct. Austin, TX 78739

Re: Reservoir Fisheries Habitat Partnership Grant Support and Commitment

Dear Mr. Terre,

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) would like to express our support and commitment to the Canyon Bass Club Friends of Reservoirs (FOR) Chapter in its application for the Canyon Reservoir Habitat Enhancement Project through the Reservoir Fisheries Habitat Partnership – Small Grants Program. TPWD understands that the Canyon Bass Club FOR Chapter will use this grant to increase and enhance the existing littoral shoreline habitat available for native fish species, including several recreationally important sport fish, thereby increasing angling opportunities and contributing to angling success in Canyon Lake.

The Canyon Bass Club has been a strong partner and contributor for several years in the ongoing Canyon habitat project, which started in 2005. These habitat sites provide excellent structure, otherwise limited in this rocky, canyon-type reservoir that is historically known for tough fishing. Anglers have reported increased fishing success at these sites and tournament anglers are known to target them to improve their chances of heavier bags. The project initiative and the associated objectives address a management need identified in the latest TPWD fisheries management report for Canyon Reservoir https://tpwd.texas.gov/publications/pwdpubs/media/lake_survey/pwd_rp_t3200_1264_2019.pdf

The project is part of a coordinated partnership between TPWD, Canyon Bass Club FOR Chapter, Texas BASS Nation, Water Oriented Recreational District of Comal County, and U. S. Army Corps of Engineers to make long term habitat improvements at Canyon Reservoir. The grant funding will allow for the purchase of fish habitat materials for deployment and use within the littoral zone of Canyon Reservoir.

TPWD fully supports this project and will provide boats and equipment, technical guidance and expertise, as well as volunteer labor in the amount of \$1,551.



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I look forward to continuing our partnership with the Canyon Bass Club FOR and other project collaborators on the Canyon Reservoir habitat enhancement project, and fully support the Canyon FOR efforts in the application for this grant.

Sincerely,

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