

**GULF COAST
COOPERATIVE ECOSYSTEM STUDIES UNIT**

**AMENDMENT FOUR TO
COOPERATIVE and JOINT VENTURE AGREEMENT**

between

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Indian Affairs
Bureau of Land Management
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
U.S. Geological Survey
National Park Service**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
U.S. Forest Service, Southern Research Station
Natural Resources Conservation Service**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers–Civil Works**

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

and

**TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM (HOST)
Texas A&M AgriLife Research – Texas A&M Natural Resources Institute (lead)
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station
Texas A&M University–College Station
Texas A&M University–Corpus Christi
Texas A&M University at Galveston
Texas A&M University–Kingsville
Texas A&M University–San Antonio
Tarleton State University**

Auburn University

**Columbus State University
Florida State University
Houston Advanced Research Center
Lamar University
Louisiana State University
Louisiana State University Agricultural Center
Mississippi State University
New College of Florida
Sam Houston State University
Southern University and A&M College
Stephen F. Austin State University
Sul Ross State University
Troy University
Tulane University
University of Alabama
University of Arkansas at Monticello
University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff
University of Arkansas, Division of Agriculture
University of Florida
University of Georgia Research Foundation, Inc.
University of Louisiana at Lafayette
University of Mississippi
University of New Orleans
University of South Alabama
University of South Florida
University of Southern Mississippi
University of Texas at Austin
University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
University of Texas at Tyler
University of West Florida
Valdosta State University
Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Bat Conservation International
Dauphin Island Sea Lab
Gulf Coast Bird Observatory
The Nature Conservancy–Texas
Three Rivers Resource Conservation and Development Council, Inc.
White Buffalo, Inc.
Ducks Unlimited, Inc.
St. Edward’s University
Quest Foundation
Arkansas State University
The Longleaf Alliance**

Adding:

**Alcorn State University
Eckerd College
Nicholls State University
The University of West Alabama
Wildlands Conservation, Inc.**

With the exception of the changes below, all terms and conditions of the Gulf Coast CESU Cooperative and Joint Venture Agreement apply to this Amendment, and this Amendment is hereby made part of the Agreement.

ARTICLE I. BACKGROUND AND OBJECTIVES

P.4. Alcorn State University, Eckerd College, Nicholls State University, The University of West Alabama, and Wildlands Conservation, Inc. are hereby included in the Gulf Coast CESU as Partner Institutions.

ARTICLE III. TERM OF AGREEMENT

- A.1. The effective date of the Gulf Coast CESU Cooperative and Joint Venture Agreement is 02 August 2017.
- A.2. The effective date of this Amendment to the Gulf Coast CESU Cooperative and Joint Venture Agreement shall be determined from the date of the last signature.

ARTICLE IV. KEY OFFICIALS

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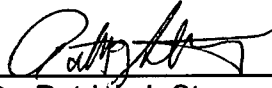
ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES

Per Article III.C., the following authorizing signatures are attached:

- M. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM (HOST)
Texas A&M AgriLife Research, Texas A&M Natural Resources Institute
- OOO. Alcorn State University
- PPP. Eckerd College
- QQQ. Nicholls State University
- RRR. The University of West Alabama
- SSS. Wildlands Conservation, Inc.

ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES (cont.)

M. Texas A&M AgriLife Research, on behalf of Texas A&M University System (HOST)



Dr. Patrick J. Stover
Vice Chancellor and Dean for Agriculture and Life Sciences
Texas A&M AgriLife Research

1-21-2020
Date



ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES (cont.)

OOO. Alcorn State University

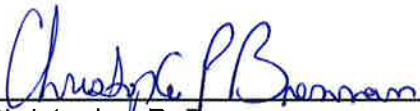
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Felecia M. Nave
President

Date

ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES (cont.)

PPP. Eckerd College



Christopher P. Brennan
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Date

ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES (cont.)

QQQ. Nicholls State University



Debi Benoit
Director, Office of Research and Sponsored Programs

1.21.2020
Date

ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES (cont.)

RRR. The University of West Alabama



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Date

ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES (cont.)

SSS. Wildlands Conservation, Inc.



David Sumpter
Executive Director

1/20/2020

Date