

### AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION TO:

US Fish & Wildlife Service

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

(check marks above indicate approval for that agency only)

Time Period of Authorization: \_\_\_\_\_

**Background:** All federal agencies, including NRCS, are required to consult with FWS prior to funding conservation practices that could affect plant and animal species listed as Threatened or Endangered under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). This form authorizes or declines NRCS consultation with the FWS on the effects of federal financial assistance to private landowners on species listed under ESA.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (participant name), hereby authorize NRCS to provide indicated agency(s) above with the appropriate information (plan maps, conservation plans, designs and/or contracts) from my NRCS case file needed for consultation regarding impacts of practices to wildlife, fishes, and plants. Specifically, this authorization applies to my

\_\_\_\_\_ Case file.  
(Year) (Program/Contract Number)

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (participant name), hereby decline authorization for NRCS to provide indicated agencies above with information required for consultation regarding impacts of conservation practices on animals and plants listed under ESA.

(Note: NRCS may be unable to provide further assistance, including project funding, should you decline authorization to provide the above information to FWS.)

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PROGRAM PARTICIPANT SIGNATURE

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DATE

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RECEIVED BY NRCS REPRESENTATIVE

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