

WRD 2020-2021 TERN Proposal Review

Note: Proposals within each of the two following categories are listed in alphabetic order based on the last name of the lead author, as opposed to order of priority.

1. Highest Priority

(a) Burner Bob Brother Breakout (Shan Cammack)

--Total project cost: \$20,050

--TERN request: **The proposal requests \$8,500, but WCS asks that TERN consider funding (if feasible) just the video (\$4,000) and the travel expenses (\$900) at this time (\$4,900 total). WCS will find another source of funding to pay for the coloring books, stickers, and lanyards.**

--Partner: USFWS, LLA, Reese Thompson, The Orianna Society.

(b) Feral Hog Trapping on WMAs (Tripp Colter)

--Total project cost: \$7,995.

--TERN request: **\$6,000**. Project would be in jeopardy with a lesser amount.

--Partner: WRD Game Management Section

(c) Youth Birding Competition (Tim Keyes) Note: This is for 2021. The 2020 YBC has been postponed to August.

--Total project cost: \$9,420

--TERN request: **\$5,515**. If a lesser amount is awarded, the proponent would attempt to get additional support from GOS and AAS (not guaranteed)

--Partners: GOS, AAS, Albany Audubon Society

(d) Give Wildlife a Chance poster contest (Linda May) Note: This is for the 2020-2021 school year

--Total project cost: \$2,500

--TERN request: **\$2,500**. The proponent could reduce the number of ribbons purchased, reducing the cost to **\$1,550**, though the ribbons are very popular with the kids and teachers.

--Partner: State Botanical Garden

(e) Beneficial Bats (Trina Morris) Note: This is for 2021

--Total project cost: \$3,000

--TERN request: **\$3,000**. Fewer programs (at ~\$300 each) would be offered if a lesser amount is awarded.

--Partners: Habitat for Bats LLC and DNR State Parks

(f) Bat House Building Workshops (Trina Morris) Note: This is for 2021

--Total project cost: \$7,350

--TERN request: **\$7,350**. The proponent would still do this work if fewer workshops were held, though they would either have to charge a significant participation fee, which will discourage attendance, or reduce the number of workshops (\$200 each) held and kits (\$50 each) purchased.

--Partners: Habitat for Bats, DNR State Parks

(g) ACE Camp (Kim Morris-Zarneke) Note: This is for 2021. The 2020 camp is scheduled for this summer.

--Total project cost: \$6,700

--TERN request: **\$4,300**. Participants would have to pay a bigger registration fee if a lesser amount is awarded and therefore attendance would be reduced.

--Partners: DNR State Parks, GPCA, GA K-12 Educators, Okefenokee NWR, GA Sea Turtle Center, NERRS.

(h) OWLS (Kim Morris-Zarneke) Note: This is for 2021. The 2020 camp is scheduled for this summer.

--Total project cost: \$10,320

--TERN request: **\$7,920**. Participants would have to pay a bigger registration fee if a lesser amount is awarded and therefore attendance would be reduced or eliminated altogether (attendees are teachers).

--Partners: DNR State Parks, GPCA, GA K-12 Educators, Okefenokee NWR, GA Sea Turtle Center, NERRS.

(i) Outstanding Teacher Award (Anna Yellin)

--Total project cost: \$1,250

--TERN request: **\$1,250**. The cost could be reduced to **\$1,050** by eliminating the registration fee for attendance at the meeting of the EEA, as recent recipients of this award have not requested that fee.

2. Next Highest Priority

(a) Interpretive Signage at Altama Plantation (Eamonn Leonard)

--Total project cost: \$10,825.17

--TERN request: **\$10,825.17**. **Note: WCS reviewers have discussed the cost of this project given the expected total amount available from TERN. We ask that TERN consider funding (if feasible) just two of these signs this time at a total cost of \$7,252.**

--Partner: Coastal WildScapes

(b) Partnership for a Flora of Georgia (Nate Thomas and Lisa Kruse)

--Total project cost: \$21,000

--TERN request: **\$8,500**. Project would be in jeopardy if not fully funded. **It is possible that this project will span two or more years.**

--Partner: NCU

3. Summary

Total request from 11 proposals: **\$62,060.17 (Note: Just \$4,900 requested for Shan's project, not \$8,500.)**

Amount needed if funded the 9 highest priority projects, the suggested reduced amount (\$7,252) for the first of the two next highest priority projects, and the full amount for the Partnership for a Flora of Georgia: **\$58,487**.