

The following summary represents wildlife management activity that Seven Falls owners have reported to the Gillespie County Tax Appraisal office in the past.

1. HABITAT CONTROL and

Sub-category 'Grazing Management' and complete the section "Other type of Grazing System (describe) - *Deferred Grazing, mechanical mowing*

And

Sub-category 'Riparian Management and Enhancement' and mark *Deferment from livestock grazing and Complete deferment*

2. CENSUS and

Sub-category "Spotlight Counts" and complete the section:

Targeted Species: *White-tailed Deer*

Length of Route: *3 miles* Visibility of Route: *75 acres*

Date (3 Required) A. *8/2/2007* B. *10/2/2007* C. *10/3/2007*

And

Sub-category "Harvest Data and Record Keeping" and mark: *deer, weight, sex, antler data, harvest date.*

And

Sub-category "Census Miscellaneous counts." Species being counted: *Small Mammals and Birds* and mark *remote detection; time/area counts; songbird transects and counts, small mammal traps and other" track plates"*.

3. PREDATOR CONTROL and

Sub-category "Imported Red Fire Ant Control" and "other" *Fire Ant Bait Amdro.*

And

HABITAT CONTROL and

Sub-category "Habitat Protection for species of concern" and marking *control of nest parasites.*

4. If you have cut some brush or cleared some cedar you can claim several things:

HABITAT CONTROL and

Sub-category "Brush Management' and indicate # of acres treated and Mechanical and mark (as appropriate) *brush hog (shredder), dozer, hydraulic shears, hand-cutting (chainsaw)* and mark other (describe) *clearing secondary growth cedar and cactus.*

PROVIDING SUPPLEMENTAL WATER and

Sub-category "Spring development and/or enhancement" and completing "Other" *Removed Juniper/Cedar to improve groundwater and aquifer water retention.*

PROVIDING SUPPLEMENTAL SHELTER and

Sub-category "'Brush piles and slash retention" and marking *brush piles* and indicate the *number per acre*

And

Sub-category "Woody Plant/Shrub Establishment' and marking the appropriate *Pattern and acreage* and shrub/tree species used such as *Bur Oak, Shumard*

Oak, Chinquapin Oak, Mexican White Oak, etc.

5. If you have bought and spread/planted grass seed, wildflower seed, native plants or trees you can claim several things.

HABITAT CONTROL and

Sub-category "Range Enhancement" and indicate *acres seeded and date seeded* and Seeding Mixture used: *Texas/Oklahoma Mix; Texas Bluebonnet Mix. etc.*

EROSION CONTROL and

Sub-category "Herbaceous and/or woody plant establishment on critical areas (erodible)" and mark *improve plant diversity, improve wildlife habitat-* This for Rye Grass Seed or Native Grass Seed, etc.

PROVIDING SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD and

Sub-category "Range enhancement" and marking "Plantings: Perennial mix of native plants": *Native wild flowers and Forbs, etc.*

If you are considering re-seeding, here's a mixture Rodney Marburger, a Wildlife Biologist consultant recommends: a combination of K.R. Bluestem (lib/acre), Side Oats Grama (Sibs/acre), Green Sprangletop (3lbs/acre), Kleingrass (2lbs/acre) and Wilman Lovegrass (2lbs/acre). This will provide vegetation growth that will make available seed grain for quail, turkeys, doves, and song birds, as well as grazing for deer. He also suggests putting down Rye Grass in the winter on steep slopes and erodible areas to control erosion and aid in establishment of native grass in the spring.

Rodney also recommends that Bur Oak, Shumard Oak, Chinquapin Oak and Mexican White Oak trees be planted to provide food, shade, and cover for wildlife as well as preventing run off of heavy rainfall.

6. If you provide feed of any kind for birds, quail, turkey or deer you can claim

PROVIDING SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD and

Sub-category "Feeders and mineral supplementation" and marking "Purpose: *Supplementation*" and Targeted wildlife species: *Birds, Turkey, White-tailed deer or what ever is appropriate* and completing the *Feed Type, Mineral Type, Feeder Type, Number of Feeders, Method of Dispensing, etc.* Example: Birds- Black oil sunflower seed; Deer – Mineral Deer Block (14% protein) and Deer Feeder (pellets 16% protein).

7. If you have put out Bird Houses you can claim

PROVIDING SUPPLEMENTAL SHELTER and

Sub-category "Nest Boxes" and "Target Species" *Blue Birds, Fences, Wrens, etc.* and marking *Cavity Type and appropriate number of houses/boxes*

8. If you are putting out supplemental water for turkey and deer you can claim

PROVIDING SUPPLEMENTAL WATER and
Sub-category "Well/trough/windmill overflow/other wildlife watering facilities" and
completing "Other" *Galvanized steel stock water tank*.

These are Practices or activities your neighbors have used on the Wildlife
Management Annual Report form.

Do take some pictures of your place and send them in with the report.

Do save the receipts for the wildflower seeds, grass seeds, tools, equipment and
equipment rental- anything that could conceivably be used on your place for wildlife
management. Then, attach your receipts to your report when you send it in - it makes a
difference.