

EXHIBIT D
PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PLAN OUTLINE/TEMPLATE
RANGE-WIDE INDIANA BAT AND NORTHERN LONG-EARED BAT IN-LIEU FEE
PROGRAM

(PROJECT NAME)

The ILF Program Sponsor is responsible for overseeing and coordinating compensatory mitigation project (“ILF Mitigation Project”) implementation, including necessary implementation of restoration measures, monitoring and maintenance of ILF Mitigation Projects during the Performance Period, as required in each ILF Mitigation Project Development Plan as approved by the USFWS.

This document serves to provide a standard outline of the information that shall be contained within the Project Development Plan for each ILF Mitigation Project. This Project Development Plan template shall also serve as the proposal form for third-party ILF Mitigation Project Providers submitting projects to the ILF Program Sponsor for consideration of selection as an approved ILF Mitigation Project. The proposal shall include the information outlined below.

ABSTRACT (Briefly describe the project and its benefit to bats):

ILF MITIGATION PROJECT PROVIDER CONTACT INFORMATION

Full Legal Organization Name:

Mailing Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Organization President, CEO or Director:

Contact Person Name, Title:

Phone Number:

E-mail Address:

LONG-TERM STEWARD CONTACT INFORMATION (if different from ILF Mitigation Project Provider)

Full Legal Organization Name:

Mailing Address:

City:
State:
Zip Code:
Organization President, CEO or Director:
Contact Person Name, Title:
Phone Number:
E-Mail Address:

PROJECT DETAILS

Project Name:
Proposed Project Completion Date:
County/Counties:
State:
Nearest Township/Municipality:
Latitude:
Longitude:
Landowner Name (Please list as it appears on the deed):
Total Property Acreage:
Total Acres to be Protected by Fee Acquisition:
Total Acres to be Protected by Conservation Easement:
Total Acres to be Restored:
Proposed Acquisition/Easement Closing Date:

TYPE OF PROJECT (check one):

- Preservation
- Preservation with Restoration
- Restoration

DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Please provide the following information:

1. Goals and Objectives. Describe why this project is important for species protection, and how protection is achieved through the project. Include habitat resource type(s) and amount(s) in acres or other metrics (e.g. cave gating) and functions targeted for preservation or restoration as it relates to conservation focus area (CFA) priorities. Describe how goals and objectives will be measured, both at project completion and over the long term.
2. Site Selection. Describe factors considered during site selection.
3. Site Protection Instrument and Enforcement. Indicate Notice of Award Agreement or other protection and enforcement strategy. If Conservation Easement, state what entity will be the easement holder. Any site protection/enforcement method other than the Notice of Award Agreement is subject to approval by the applicable USFWS Field Office.
4. Determination of Habitat Acres. State number of habitat acres to be provided by the project and rationale for this determination. Provide a map that clearly delineates the project area and any features within the project area that are not considered for mitigation

acres (such as developed areas, etc.). Include other mitigation projects, restoration projects or protected lands adjacent to, or in the vicinity of, the project, and the potential impact of adjacent land uses on the project.

5. Cost and Timeline. Complete budget template below and provide a timeline for completion, noting any major milestones. If the project includes a restoration component, the budget should include specific costs related to each restoration component.
6. Baseline Site Information. Describe the ecological characteristics of the proposed site, including last known occurrence of Indiana or Northern Long-Eared Bats on the site and distance to closest documented occurrence.
7. Performance Standards. Discuss the ecological and measurable standards that the project will need to attain to achieve functional habitat objectives (see Compensation Planning Framework, Exhibit C to Program Instrument).

MAINTENANCE, MONITORING, AND MANAGEMENT

1. Maintenance and Monitoring. Provide a description and schedule of maintenance requirements to ensure the continued viability of the habitat resources once initial construction is completed. Include a description of parameters to be monitored in order to assure the project meets Performance Standards.
2. Long-term Management Plan. Provide a Long-term Management plan that describes how the project will be managed to ensure the long-term sustainability of the project, including long-term financing mechanisms and responsibilities of the Long-term Steward.
3. Adaptive Management Strategy. Provide a high-level management strategy to address potential unforeseen changes in site conditions or other components of the project, should the project not meet Performance Standards. The Adaptive Management strategy should include a communication plan for reporting the need for Adaptive Management to the Program Sponsor and/or the USFWS in accordance with Sections VII.C.3 and VII.C.4.b of the Program Instrument. An Adaptive Management Plan will be required if monitoring indicates the project is not meeting Performance Standards.

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PLAN ATTACHMENTS

The following items must be submitted with Project Development Plans for consideration for funding projects pursuant to the ILF Program:

- Project Budget (see suggested budget template below);
- Timeline/Project Schedule for Implementation (including timeframe for monitoring);
- Regional Map (show Project in the context of the surrounding landscape);
- Boundary Map (Include inset map showing location within State, Aerial Photography should be used as map background);
- Project Photos that represent the Conservation Values. Photos from the site are preferred. (Resolution: 300 dpi or greater, format: .jpeg, include photo credit in file name);
- Proposed Conservation Easement (if applicable) or site protection instrument;
- For Conservation Easements only, Calculation of Conservation Easement Monitoring and Enforcement Funds;
- Notice of Award Agreement (template provided as Attachment C to the ILF Mitigation Provider Agreement, Exhibit G to Program Instrument);

- Proposed Long-term Management Plan (template provided as Attachment D to the ILF Mitigation Provider Agreement, Exhibit G to Program Instrument);
- Most recent Audited Financial Statement; and
- IRS Determination Letter (non-profit organizations).

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Mitigation Project Budget Template

Project Name:

ITEM	AMOUNT
<i>Land Protection</i>	
Land Cost	
Conservation Easement Cost	
Due Diligence (i.e., appraisal, Phase 1, title, survey)	
Closing and Recording Fees	
Baseline Document (CE's only)	
Long-term CE Monitoring and Enforcement Costs	
Subtotal:	\$0
<i>Restoration</i>	
Land Preparation & Restoration	
Subtotal:	\$0
<i>Management, Monitoring, Maintenance</i>	
Long-term Management	
Annual Monitoring of Performance Standards*	
Subtotal:	\$0
<i>Other Qualified Expenses</i>	
Other:	
Subtotal:	\$0
*Total Project Expenses:	\$0

*Refer to Sections VII.C.2-3 of the Program Instrument for Performance Periods and monitoring expectations for preservation and restoration projects.