

# Partnership Scenarios

## 1. Multiple Partners Development Project:

- This is a three-way partnership between the Corps of Engineers, an All-Terrain Vehicle Association and a motorcycle dealership.
- The purpose of the partnership is to erect a new vault toilet, renovate trails and construct a sediment retention area for a designated ATV area.
- The Corps will provide all plans and specifications and work direction as needed.
- The ATV Association will provide labor associated with the construction activities.
- A construction company, Ajax Company, willingly became the project sponsor, eager to support the local community. The company agreed to apply for grants to the State Recreation Trails program and to finance the purchase of materials to be reimbursed from grants.
- The total cost of the partnership project is \$375,000.

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**2. Joint Operation of Visitor Center:**

- This is a partnership to jointly operate an interpretive center located on Corps property.
- The partnership is between the Corps of Engineers, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and a non-profit 501c(3) organization.
- Both Federal agencies will provide staffing and the non-profit will provide financial support through grants and contributions.
- The Corps will provide funding for O&M and approximately half of the exhibits costs.
- The USFWS will provide the other half of the exhibit costs.
- The non-profit will provide volunteers and operate a concession/gift store.
- The total cost of this is \$1.2 million

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**3. GIS Database:**

- The USDA Forest Service and the Corps would like to cooperate in developing a GIS database for the Lost Creek Lake project in the Rogue River Basin.
- The Corps managers and Forest Service personnel will jointly develop a plan to prepare the GIS database.
- The Forest Service will research and gather existing data and the Corps will identify data needs.
- The Forest Service will compile the data and produce GIS maps and associated data fields.
- The Corps will provide consultation and review of the data as needed.
- The Corps will reimburse the Forest Service for their labor costs of no more than \$20,000

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**4. Museum Displays:**

- The Corps project was authorized to create a new visitor center by WRDA 1992, with \$2.5 million in appropriations to construct the building
- Partnering donors were necessary to provide exhibits.
- The interpretive prospectus included suggestions for twenty-five interactive exhibits, theater presentations, a gift shop, and a classroom.
- The Meeting of the Rivers Foundation was created to initiate a fund-raising campaign for the exhibits.
- Both parties agreed to cost share this 50/50.

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**5. Multiple Partner Wetland Complex:**

- The Corps of Engineers will work jointly with the Pennsylvania Game Commission, Ducks Unlimited, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to establish two separate 10-acre wetland complex projects on mitigation lands located on Corps fee title land.
- The purpose of the partnership is to collaborate for the protection, restoration, and management of wetlands.
- Local groups will provide labor for design and planting.
- The Corps will provide permits, materials, seed and labor.
- The Pennsylvania Game Commission will provide the design
- Ducks Unlimited will provide funding for heavy equipment
- The total project cost is \$22,000.

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**6. Multi-use Trail Management:**

- This is a partnership between the Triangle Rails to Trails Conservancy, North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission, North Carolina Department of Transportation, North Carolina Horse Council, and the Corps to manage the American Tobacco Trail (ATT)
- The ATT extends 23 miles, passing through three counties. Five segments of the trail (3 miles total) and two trailhead facilities are located on Corps property.
- The Corps will collaborate with the counties and the NC Wildlife Resources Commission to operate the portions of the trail on Federal property.
- NCDOT has a railway corridor easement on Federal property.
- Congressman Price has sponsored legislation to provide Federal funding for portions of the trail in all three counties.
- The total project cost is \$1.4 million

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**7. Cave Access:**

- This is a partnership between the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) and the Corps to construct a gate system to restrict human access at one of the caves on project lands.
- The cave is licensed to MDC, but the license does not cover responsibility to protect endangered species (this is still the Corps' responsibility).
- The Corps lacks the expertise to design the gate and would like to enlist the expertise of the America Cave Gating Association.
- The cost for the design consultation and supervision of the construction of the project is estimated at \$10,000.
- The partnership between the Corps and MDC is to jointly fund the consultation and supervision on a 50-50 split.
- Both agencies intend to share in hired labor to complete the construction.
- The Corps will furnish the materials.

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**8. Archaeological Data Recovery:**

- This is a partnership that involves the Kansas City District, the Kansas State Historical Society, and the Kansas Anthropological Association to conduct additional archaeological data recovery investigations at Kanopolis Lake.
- Over 185 volunteers will participate in the excavations.
- The Kansas State Historical Society will contribute the professional services of three staff archaeologists.
- This partnership will make it possible to recover significant data from portions of the site endangered by looters and riverbank erosion.
- The total project cost is \$17,000.

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**9. Wetland Development:**

- This is a partnership between the Corps and Clay County conservation agency to build a wetland at Smithville Lake.
- The Corps will provide all plans, specifications and materials.
- The conservation agency will provide a contract to supply equipment and labor to construct the wetland and then operate and maintain the wetland structures for several years to make sure it functions correctly.
- Total project cost is \$85,000.

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**10. Boat Launch Improvements:**

- Alaska Department of Fish and Game has offered to construct infrastructure for a new PSA at the Chena River Lakes Flood Control Project.
- AK Fish and Game will fund construction of the parking area, concrete boat launching ramp, vault toilet, and other improvements incidental to the project through reimbursable service agreements with the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (ADOT/PF) and the Alaska Department of Natural Resources Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation (DPOR).
- The estimated cost of these improvements is \$309,000.
- The source of funding will consist of 75% from the Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration Act (Dingell-Johnson/Wallop-Breaux) and 25% from state matching funds.
- Alaska Fish and Game offered this opportunity on Corps land as a part of an ongoing partnership with the Corps and State DOT.
- The Corps has been asked to sign an agreement that requires a 5% payback if we close the area for every year up to 20 years.
- The Corps plans to manage the boat ramp with volunteers in perpetuity

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