LAND ACQUISITION AND LEASE RENEWAL REPORT

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Kansas Statute Annotated 32-844 requires the Department of Wildlife and Parks to submit a real estate transactions report to the Legislature at the beginning of each session for the previous calendar year. K.S.A. 32-845 requires the Department to submit notification of Federal land lease renewals pending for that calendar year. This report is intended to satisfy the statutory requirement for the calendar year of 2014 with respect to K.S.A. 32-844 and the calendar year of 2014 with respect to K.S.A. 32-845.

2015 Land Acquisitions and Transactions:

Cloud County – In October, KDWPT purchased approximately 157 acres in E ½ E ½ of Sec. 4, T 5S, R 5W, in Cloud County. The tract was purchased for \$716,000 and Appraised for \$816,000. KDWPT received a \$100,000 donation from the landowner of the property, and utilized a Pittman Robertson grant through the U.S. Fish and Wildlife service for funding. State Wildlife Fee Funds, and the amount of the donation were used for the portion of the state match of 25% of the purchase price. The property remains on the counties tax roll.

– In November, KDWPT received approximately 145 acres in SE ¼, sec 31 and NE ¼, S 5, T 20S,R 25E, in Linn County Kansas. The tract was purchased by The Conservation Fund, using settlement money they had been designated to use in the area. The property will remain on the county tax roll.