

## MINUTES OF THE HOUSE AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Faber at 3:30 P.M. on February 11, 2008, in Room 783 of the DSOB.

All members were present except:

Representative John Grange- excused  
Representative Tom Moxley- excused

Committee staff present:

Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research Department  
Ryan Hoffman, Kansas Legislative Research  
Gordon Self, Revisor of Statutes  
Kristen Kellems, Revisor of Statutes  
Florence Deeter, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Dr. Fred Cholick, Dean of Agriculture, Kansas State University  
Dean Buchholz, Associate Director of Cooperative Extension  
Chris Tymeson, Chief Legal Counsel, Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks  
Brandon Helk, Allen, Kansas

Others attending:

See attached list.

It was noted that committee minutes from January 22, 23, 24, and 28, were sent electronically and, by consensus, were approved on February 11, 2008.

Brandy Carter, Kansas Cattlemen's Association, requested a resolution in regard to the beef check-off. There being no objection, the resolution will be introduced.

The Chair welcomed Dr. Fred Cholick, Dean of Agriculture, Kansas State University, who reported on the work of the Kansas Center for Sustainable Agriculture and Alternative Crops, an initiative to assist family farmers and ranchers and enhance rural communities (Attachment 1). He stated that the Center is used by producers, professionals, and organizations and provides aid in increasing farm income through value-added products, through establishing farmers' markets, and by conserving natural resources.

Daryl Buchholz, Associate Director, Kansas State University Research and Extension, explained that Research and Extension has offices in every Kansas county and is a member of the Extension Disaster Education Network. These facts allowed Extension and Research to play a key role during the past year's multiple disasters in Kansas. He listed ways in which his office provided assistance throughout the state (Attachment 2).

Without objection, the Chair brought **Substitute for SB 89** off the table for consideration and then opened the hearing on **HB 2748 - tagging of big game and wild turkey**.

Chris Tymeson, Chief Legal Counsel, Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks, spoke as a proponent for **HB 2748**, (Attachment 3). He said wild turkeys are one of the great stories of successful conservation in Kansas; a high population for hunting exists in every county in the state, obviating the need for tagging carcasses.

Steve Swaffar, Director of Natural Resources, Kansas Farm Bureau, provided written testimony in support of the bill (Attachment 4).

Brandon Houck, Certified Wildlife Biologist with the National Wild Turkey Federation, speaking as a neutral person, recommended several changes to management and law enforcement before addressing the bill: without carcass tags, population balance in the four different units of Kansas will be difficult to manage and maintain without the statistical assistance that tagging provides, especially in southeast Kansas, where the population is declining (Attachment 5).

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE House Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee at 3:30 P.M. on February 11, 2008, in Room DSOB 783 of the Capitol.

The Chairman closed the hearing on **HB 2748** and re-opened the discussion on **Sub for SB 89** - Republican River, disposition of litigation moneys. Two documents showing the Interstate Water Litigation Reserve Fund/Account from the Kansas Water Office were distributed to the committee (Attachments 6 & 7).

A motion was made by Representative Powell, seconded by Representative Aurand, to recommend amending the bill, capping the fund at \$20 million, with two-thirds of the proceeds going to the affected areas, and one-third to the State Water Fund.

After some discussion, Representative Knox made a motion to table the issue until drafted amendments were complete. Representative Powell seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for February 12, 2008 at 3:30 p.m.

# HOUSE AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE GUEST LIST

DATE: February 11, 2008

NAME	REPRESENTING
Bryan J. Brauer	SEAC
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Randy Smith	KBA
Stephen Murray	SEAC - K - State
Brandon Houch	Natl. Wild Turkey Federation
Tresa Jones	KEAC - KSU
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Paula Peters	KSU Extension
Penny Donaldson	SEAC - K State
Joe Lund	KWB
Andy Sranek	SEAC
John Ericson	SEAC
Don Montgomery	SEAC
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Daryl Buckley	KSU



January 14, 2008

TO: Kansas Legislators

FR: Dr. Fred A. Cholick  
Dean, College of Agriculture  
Director, K-State Research and Extension  
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RE: Kansas Center for Sustainable Agriculture and Alternative Crops Annual Report

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The Kansas Center for Sustainable Agriculture and Alternative Crops (KCSAAC) was established by Senate Bill 534 and passed by the 2000 Kansas Legislature to enhance the future survival of family farms in Kansas. KCSAAC, a center within Kansas State University Research and Extension, works in partnership with state and federal agencies, nonprofit organizations, and agricultural organizations to assist family farmers and ranchers to increase farm profitability, protect natural resources and enhance rural communities. KCSAAC and its partners have identified needs, designed programs, and sought outside resources to benefit the citizens of Kansas. Partners include Kansas Department of Agriculture, Kansas Department of Commerce, and non-profit organizations, such as the Kansas Rural Center and the Kansas Graziers Association.

KCSAAC is used by producers, professionals and organizations to obtain information about diversifying agricultural production, increasing farm income through value-added products, establishing farmers' markets and other local food delivery systems, and enhancing and conserving natural resources.

The Center is required to provide an annual report to the Senate and House Agriculture Committees. The 2007 annual KCSAAC report is enclosed and we will stand for any questions during our regular agriculture briefing.

Contact the KCSAAC Director or Coordinator if you have questions regarding the Kansas Center for Sustainable Agriculture and Alternative Crops.

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Attachment 1

**Farmers' Markets Receive Assistance and Training**

- The *Grow Your Farmers' Market* project hosted seven conferences. These conferences provided an overview of the research, marketing techniques, regulations and management approaches necessary to develop successful farmers' markets. These conferences directly impacted 494 market leaders, managers and organizers. Thirty-five mentoring partnerships between master marketers and apprentices were coordinated and a business planning curriculum for farmers' market organizers was developed and delivered to 371 leaders in 28 farmers' markets. *Grow Your Farmers' Market* was a joint project with the Kansas Rural Center, funded by the North Central Region Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE) program.
- After attending a Grow Your Farmers' Market workshop, the T-Bones baseball organization established a farmers' market at the CommunityAmerica Ballpark in Wyandotte County.
- As a result of training and technical assistance, the Emporia Farmers' Market Coordinator assisted two vendors to extend the growing season of fresh vegetables with the use of high tunnels (low-cost fabric covered greenhouses). The addition of early season vegetables resulted in a 20 percent sales increase for the Emporia Farmers' Market and 400 additional shoppers attending the market.
- As a result of technical assistance, the Smith Center Farmers' Market was established in 2006 and increased local producers' market access by 50 percent. In the second year, the product selection increased by 25 percent and 25 percent of Smith County residents learned about the benefits of farmers' markets and local food systems. The market created social and community involvement activities for citizens.



Top to bottom: T-Bones market, peppers and produce at Manhattan market, and vendors at Smith Center market.

 **Kansas River Valley Local Foods Web Site**

Newly developed in 2007, the Kansas River Valley Local Foods Web site is a joint K-State and Kansas Rural Center initiative designed to connect local farmers and ranchers with institutions, school systems, restaurants, and buying clubs that are looking to purchase larger quantities of local foods in the Kansas River Valley area. <http://www.kansasrivervalley.com>

*The Center collaborates and facilitates with partners to develop multidisciplinary projects and activities directed towards research and outreach needs expressed by Kansas producers and other stakeholders.*

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Lee Bigam, Blue Rapids, shows tour participants the regrowth on his eastern gamagrass pasture.

### Successful Grazing Tour Series Reaches 263

- A total of 263 people attended five grazing tours hosted by KCSAAC, K-State Research and Extension, the Kansas Rural Center and the Kansas Graziers Association.
- The tours were aimed at increasing the adoption of practices that reduce over-grazing, improve wildlife habitat and improve water quality.

#### 2007 Summer Grazing Tour Series

**June 1** Flint Hills Grazing Tour

**August 11** Marshall County Grazing Tour

**August 24** Washington County Grazing Tour

**September 6** North Central Kansas Grazing Tour

**September 18** Land and Water Stewardship Tour

#### Other 2007 Conferences and Workshops

- The Well Being of Rural Kansas: Paths to Healthy People, Healthy Environment and Healthy Economies Conference (approximately 100 people attended)
- Cultivate and Grow Your Farmers' Market Workshop (89 people attended)
- Low Stress Animal Handling Workshop (90 people attended)
- Farmer/Rancher Grant Writing Workshop (9 people attended)

#### Upcoming 2008 Conferences and Workshops

- Kansas Graziers Association Winter Grazing Conference - January 19, 2008
- National SARE Conference - Kansas City, MO, March 25-27, 2008. KCSAAC assisted in organizing farm tours for the conference.
- Eastern Kansas Forage School - April 15-16, 2008

#### Role of the Center

KCSAAC serves as a resource center for producers, organizations and agricultural professionals in search of information related to sustainable agriculture.

#### KCSAAC receives an average of 55 requests for assistance each month.

The most common requests involve livestock/grazing systems, farmers' market and labeling information, grant sources and grant writing resources, and value-added processing. 50 percent of calls and emails are received from producers and 50 percent from non-profit organizations, extension, and state agency staff.

#### The KCSAAC web site receives an average of 2089 visitors per month.

The calendar and reference library are the most commonly visited pages.

#### Visit the KCSAAC web site

<http://www.kansassustainableag.org>

~~Senate~~ House Ag Committee - January 2008

Thank you for this opportunity to come before you and talk briefly about the natural disasters that hit Kansas in 2007, and the support network of K-State Research and Extension and our response. My name is Daryl Buchholz, and I am Associate Director for K-State Research and Extension.

In 2007, Kansas was hit hard by natural disasters, as we are all aware, beginning with the snow and ice that hit western Kansas in January, followed by the devastating late spring freeze for crops, the tornados that hit Greensburg and several other areas of central Kansas, and the floods of May through July and most notably in southeast Kansas. By the time the year ended, essentially every Kansas county was part of some disaster declaration.

K-State Research and Extension, with offices in every county, is staffed with agents familiar with the county, the local citizens, and the questions arising through such disasters and the recovery processes. K-State Research and Extension is also a part of the Extension Disaster Education Network, a national clearinghouse of information on disaster preparation, response, and recovery through the Cooperative Extension system network nationwide.

Then came the tornados followed by floods. As a component of our education and facilitation function, K-State Research and Extension agents provided leadership in organizing a series of informational meetings. These meetings brought together all the various state and federal agencies and organizations with disaster response programs, and agricultural producers and landowners. Those presenting included USDA's Farm Service Agency, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Risk Management, Rural Development, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Animal Health, along with congressional and state legislative leaders. Three such meetings in Macksville, Haviland, and Kinsley, were held following the tornados in Greensburg and the surrounding area. Four such meetings were held following the floods in Southeast Kansas in the communities of Parsons, Paola, Independence, and Fredonia. These informational meetings provided a forum for understanding the programs and opportunities available to individuals in their recovery process, with a focus on the agricultural and rural interests. Additionally, packets of resource information was handed to key local leaders and public officials in the flooded communities to help them to know what educational resources were readily available through our local Extension offices.



Winter snow and ice in western Kansas.... K-State Research and Extension was called upon to give some indications of livestock losses and issues facing the crop and livestock producers as a result of the severe weather. Through our network of extension agents and their local connections, we can quickly gain a first hand assessment of the situations. Through our faculty and the expertise they possess, we can get information and education on the ground accurately and quickly. Through our connections with producers, industry, agencies, and organizations, we often facilitate the flow of program information or other opportunities for the producers. An example of our specialists, Drs. Twig Marston and Larry Hollis being able to locate some free antibiotics for use by cattle producers in the snowstorm affected area.

When the spring freeze hit, decisions with respect to the future of the wheat crop needed attention. Through training, observations, experience, and knowledge, agronomists were able to assess wheat damage. Newsletters, radio, television, producer meetings, and weekly e-updates helped producers throughout the freeze affected region to evaluate and make informed decisions. Dr. Jim Shroyer and other agronomists continually evaluated the crop situation and the historical knowledge-base on crop development and resulting damage from the freeze.

K-State Research and Extension also comes in following such disasters to provide continuing needs of the producers, families, and communities. This response comes in the form of food safety decisions, emotional and mental health support, farm enterprise and financial decision processes, community improvements, continued planning and developments, and mobilizing the broader resources of K-State and the higher education network in support of response and recovery following natural disasters.

K-State Research and Extension with its county network is positioned well bring the knowledge resources of K-State and the broader land-grant University and USDA systems to bear on local issues with information, educational programs, knowledge, consultations and experience to help the citizens in making informed decisions on critical issues resulting from the natural disasters.

**Testimony on HB 2748 regarding the Possession of Wildlife  
To  
The House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources**

**By Christopher J. Tymeson  
Chief Legal Counsel  
Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks**

**11 February 2008**

HB 2748 seeks to amend two statutes related to the possession and tagging of wild turkeys. The provisions of the bill would be effective on publication in the statute book. **The Department supports the provisions contained in HB 2748 and requested introduction of the bill.**

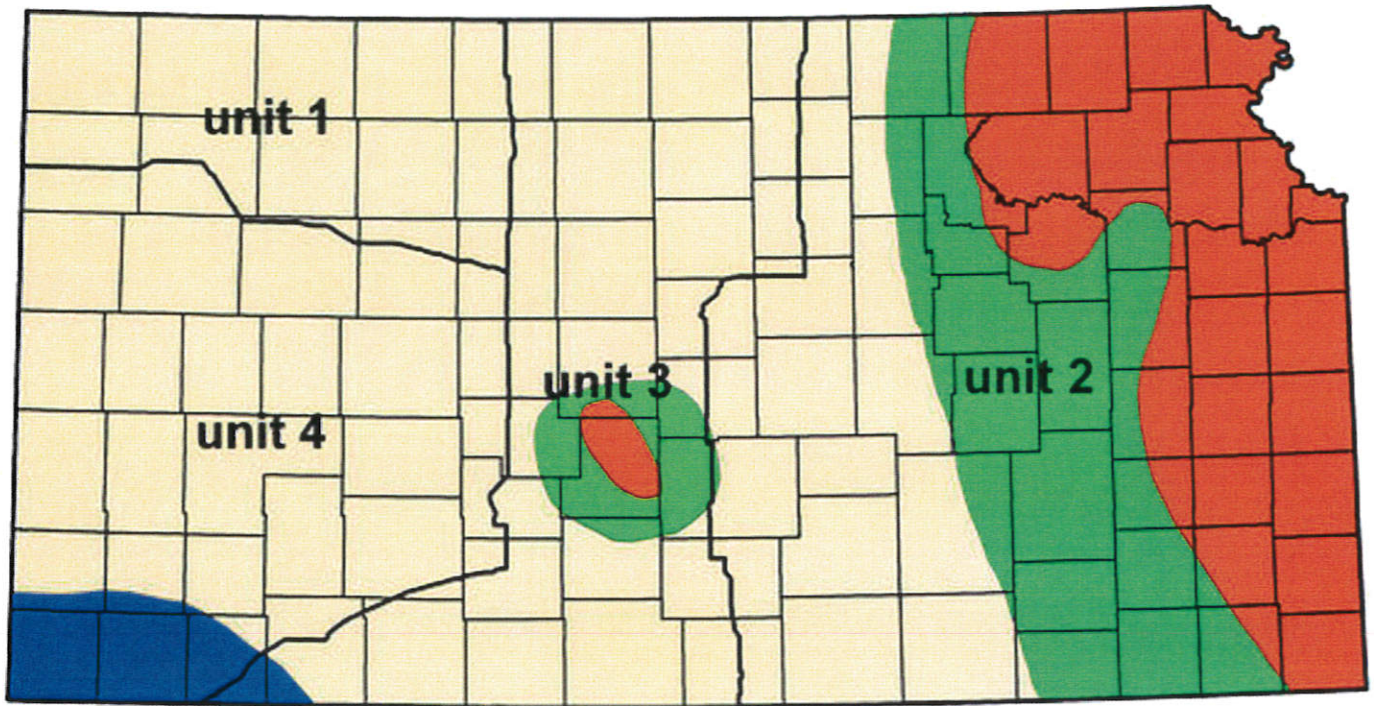
HB 2748 would amend K.S.A. 32-969 and K.S.A. 32-1004 to allow the secretary authority to determine the necessity of tagging wild turkeys on harvest by regulation. With the enactment of this bill, the Department can begin exploring options for a fall season that would not require tagging of carcasses.

Wild turkeys are one of the great stories of conservation success in Kansas. Wild turkey populations exist today such that huntable populations exist in every county of the state. The first modern spring turkey season began in 1974 with a nine day firearms season and the first modern fall season began in 1979 with a sixteen day archery season. Since that time, season lengths and bag limits have dramatically expanded to meet turkey populations. The current spring turkey season begins April 1 and runs through May 31. The current fall turkey season begins October 1 and runs through January 31, closing only during the firearms deer seasons. Kansas has some of the longest wild turkey seasons in the country. Bag limits have also expanded to allow 2 bird harvests in the spring and 4 bird harvests in the fall in certain management units.

The Department appreciates the opportunity to address the bill and the support of the Committee in making these modifications to the statutes as we determine the next phase of wild turkey management.



# Approximate Turkey Subspecies Distribution in Kansas



- Eastern
- Eastern - Rio Grande hybrids
- Rio Grande
- Rio Grande - Merriam hybrids

**Kansas Farm Bureau**  
**WRITTEN POLICY STATEMENT**

**House Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee**

**HB 2748; an act concerning possession of wildlife**

**February 11, 2008**

**Submitted by:**

**Steve M. Swaffar**

**Director of Natural Resources**

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Chairman Faber and members of the committee, thank you for this opportunity to offer comments on House Bill 2748, providing an opportunity for the Department of Wildlife and Parks to remove the requirement for a carcass tag on turkeys. Kansas Farm Bureau (KFB) is the state's largest general farm organization representing more than 40,000 farm and ranch families through our 105 county Farm Bureau Associations.

Although KFB does not have direct policy on the tagging system, we believe this may be an opportunity to relax the regulations on turkey seasons, including the bag limit. Many of our members are concerned about the perceived and real damage caused by turkeys to crops. KFB does have policy which supports adequate control of wildlife to minimize property and crop damage from wildlife. If revising this statute loosens the tagging regulations and results in thinning turkey flocks our members will benefit from it. Thank you for this opportunity to provide these comments.

*Kansas Farm Bureau represents grassroots agriculture. Established in 1919, this non-profit advocacy organization supports farm families who earn their living in a changing industry.*

**Testimony By Brandon Houck**  
**Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee**  
**February 11, 2008**  
**HB 2748, Tagging of Wild Turkey**

I am Brandon Houck, Certified Wildlife Biologist, with the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF). NWTF is a nonprofit conservation organization with 36 local chapters in Kansas. Our mission is conservation of the wild turkey and preservation of the hunting tradition.

Wild turkeys are a valuable natural resource in Kansas. A 2003 economic impact study (attached) of spring turkey hunters in Kansas documented over \$18 million in retail sales, creation of 413 Kansas jobs, and over \$1 million in state sales and income taxes as a result of spring turkey hunters. More than 76,000 permits are issued to spring and fall hunters for a combined harvest of over 40,000 birds. While many Kansans perceive wild turkeys to be a nuisance to agriculture, all research conducted on crop damage in agricultural states (e.g., Iowa, Wisconsin, Indiana) has shown that other wildlife species (e.g., rodents, deer, raccoons) are responsible for damage attributed to wild turkeys.

Carcass tagging is an important law enforcement and population management tool. Tags specify what sex of turkey may be taken and in which of the four wild turkey hunting units the tag is valid. Hunting units are used to distribute harvest among variable turkey populations across the state. Fall harvest allows either sex of turkey to be harvested and has the potential to decrease local population size if a significant percentage of hens are harvested. Turkey harvest in Kansas is managed by 4 different hunting units and small isolated populations in the western part of the state call for conservative regulations. Without carcass tags it would be impossible to enforce season bag limits as well as hunt unit limits and certain populations could potentially be threatened by the more liberalized harvest. A game warden checking a hunter with a wild turkey in the field would have no way to determine whether that was the hunter's first or tenth bird taken in that unit.

Additionally, wild turkey populations are declining in southeastern Kansas. Flooding and heavy rain for several consecutive summers has hampered reproduction. Hunter numbers in this region continue to increase and it may become necessary to further regulate harvest if hunt quality is to be maintained. The high level of quality that Kansas offers attracts >20,000 non-residents each year and brings millions of dollars into the Kansas economy. Without carcass tags it may be difficult to maintain a high level of hunt success because it will be more difficult to regulate harvest.

I respectfully ask that these challenges to management and law enforcement be addressed by Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks before this bill is passed. KDWP must provide assurance that they have a plan for a new system to maintain the ability to enforce unit bag limits without carcass tags.

Thank you on behalf of the more than 4,000 members of NWTF in Kansas for considering my testimony.

# Economic impacts of spring turkey hunting in Kansas, 2003.

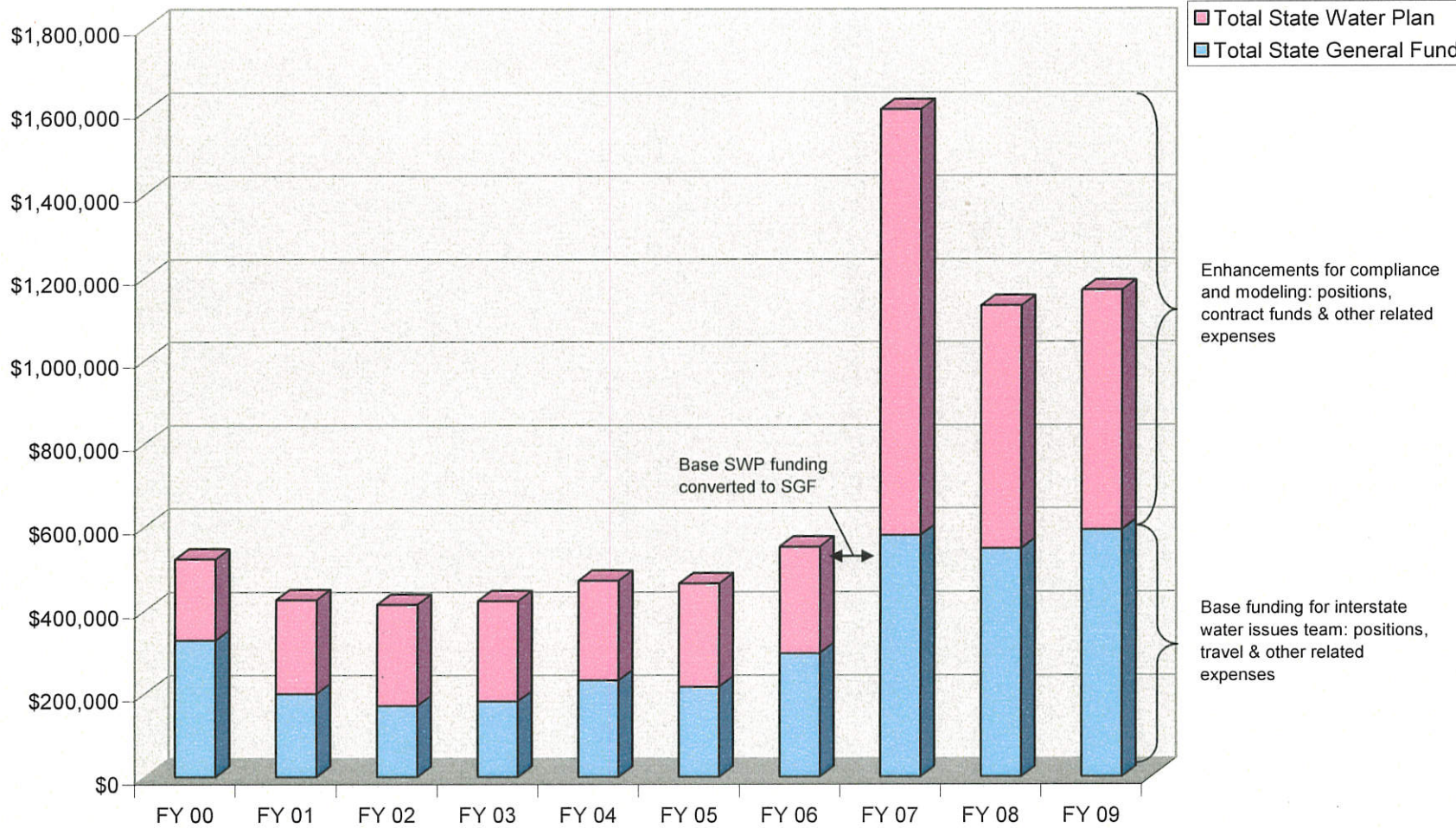
**TABLE C-4**

**Kansas**

Category:	RETAIL SALES	TOTAL MULTIPLIER EFFECT	SALARIES & WAGES	JOBS	STATE SALES TAX	STATE INCOME TAX	FEDERAL INCOME TAX
Food, Drink & Refreshments	\$1,809,991	\$4,489,989	\$976,718	45	\$88,690	\$34,378	\$93,245
Lodging (Motels, Lodges, Campgrounds, Etc.)	\$406,672	\$786,097	\$213,137	14	\$19,927	\$10,774	\$29,224
Public Transportation (Air, Car Rental, Etc.)	\$1,741,580	\$3,405,136	\$863,823	31	\$85,337	\$24,054	\$65,247
Transportation By Private Vehicle	\$125,410	\$243,164	\$37,712	1	\$19,595	\$1,140	\$3,092
Guide Fees, Pack Trip Or Package Fees	\$437,478	\$787,329	\$206,577	16	-	\$11,963	\$32,449
Public Land Use Or Access Fees	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	-	\$0	\$0
Other Trip Expenditures	\$165,269	\$280,974	\$70,438	3	\$8,098	\$2,127	\$5,770
Firearms	\$1,937,798	\$3,465,392	\$927,784	43	\$94,952	\$33,006	\$89,530
Archery Equipment	\$479,038	\$915,072	\$247,684	10	\$23,473	\$7,822	\$21,217
Sights, Scopes, Etc.	\$230,840	\$433,151	\$120,116	5	\$11,311	\$3,732	\$10,122
Turkey Calls	\$572,664	\$1,093,919	\$296,093	12	\$28,061	\$9,351	\$26,384
Ammunition	\$449,059	\$829,862	\$221,917	11	\$22,004	\$8,362	\$22,681
Handloading Equipment And Supplies	\$24,316	\$44,937	\$12,017	1	\$1,192	\$453	\$1,228
Decoys	\$300,766	\$574,531	\$155,509	6	\$14,738	\$4,911	\$13,321
Camping Equipment	\$97,217	\$185,707	\$50,266	2	\$4,764	\$1,587	\$4,306
Binoculars	\$380,059	\$713,147	\$197,762	8	\$18,623	\$6,144	\$16,665
Special Clothing	\$1,181,093	\$2,173,908	\$552,494	24	\$57,874	\$18,552	\$50,323
Taxidermy & Processing	\$482,745	\$987,478	\$264,351	12	\$23,654	\$9,552	\$25,910
Books & Magazines	\$207,853	\$384,679	\$95,129	4	\$10,185	\$2,808	\$7,616
Dues And Contributions To Non-Profits	\$604,145	\$1,213,243	\$367,380	31	-	\$23,833	\$64,647
Miscellaneous Items (Knives, Gun Cases, Etc.)	\$190,910	\$364,682	\$98,709	4	\$9,355	\$3,117	\$8,455
Boats	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Trucks, Campers, Travel Trailers, etc.	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Habitat Improvement Expenditures	\$1,834,612	\$2,509,055	\$896,440	59	\$89,896	\$45,094	\$122,320
ATV & Off-road Vehicles	\$1,020,781	\$1,826,488	\$396,128	16	\$50,018	\$12,176	\$33,028
Other Special Equipment (Ice Chests, GPS, Etc.)	\$45,947	\$88,653	\$22,559	1	\$2,251	\$731	\$1,982
Licenses, Tags, Permits And Other Fees	\$1,399,975	\$2,952,407	\$654,348	24	\$68,589	\$18,525	\$50,250
Land Owned Primarily For Spring Turkey Hunting	\$1,215,216	\$1,901,084	\$288,492	16	-	\$12,323	\$33,426
Land Leased Primarily For Spring Turkey Hunting	\$1,081,542	\$1,891,965	\$256,758	14	-	\$10,967	\$29,749
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$18,422,978</b>	<b>\$34,242,052</b>	<b>\$8,480,344</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>\$752,596</b>	<b>\$317,478</b>	<b>\$881,168</b>



## Kansas Department of Agriculture / Division of Water Resources Interstate Compact Compliance & Enforcement Budgetary History



## Interstate Water Litigation Reserve Fund/Account Attorney General Office

- 2005 Legislative Session; HB2482 Appropriated \$20,173,363 from the Interstate Water Litigation **Fund** in the Attorney General's Office to the Interstate Water Reserve Litigation **Account** of the State General Fund in accordance with K.S.A. 82a-1801 et seq.
- May 24, 2005, Attorney General expended \$722,107.59 from the Interstate Water Litigation Fund for Attorney Fees and Experts (comprised of 16 vouchers)
- 2006 Legislative Session; SB480 Appropriated \$560,000 from the Interstate Water Litigation Reserve Account (w/in SGF) to the Attorney General for Fiscal Year 2007 for Interstate Water Rights.
- 2007 Legislative Session; SB357 Appropriated \$1,560,000 from the Interstate Water Litigation Reserve Account (w/in SGF) to the Attorney General for Fiscal Year 2008.
- Interstate Water Litigation Reserve Account (w/in SGF) contains an uncommitted balance of \$17,246,501.41
- February 1, 2008, Attorney General's Office has an Encumbered balance of \$1,816,453.38 within their Interstate Water Litigation Reserve Fund.

Prepared by the Kansas Water Office  
with input from the Attorney General's Office  
February 7, 2008

Attch #7