

APPALACHIAN LANDSCAPE CONSERVATION COOPERATIVE GRANT 2013 PROGRESS REPORT

Quarter: (circle one) 2013 1st 2013 2nd 2013 3rd 2013 4th

Grant Program, Number and Title: Data Needs Assessment to Support Conservation Planning for the Appalachian LCC, 2009345

Organization: Clemson University

Project Leader: Dr. Robert Baldwin

Abstract: Please provide a short (1-2 paragraphs) abstract that addresses EACH of the following: the objectives of your project, accomplishments to date, future plans and timelines with an estimate for when the project will be completed.

Project objectives: To evaluate, assemble and compile various datasets relevant to the Appalachian LCC, provide identify gaps in data and research, and evaluate and identify opportunities to integrate state and local-scale efforts into the AppLCC regional conservation framework.

Accomplishments to date: We have completed task 1 (evaluate datasets) and 2 (creating datasets). The datasets have been handed over to Mr. Paul Leonard, and the descriptions of the files are attached with this report.

Task 3, 4, 5 and 6 are at various stages of progress

We are working on Task#6 (analyzing ongoing planning efforts into a systematic framework). All SWAPS have been downloaded, and the process of contacting states and other agencies is likely to begin soon.

Future plans and timelines: By the next quarter, we hope to complete Task 3, and simultaneously start working on other aspects of the project.

Estimate for when the project will be completed: Jan 31, 2014

Were planned goals/objectives achieved last quarter? Yes

Progress Achieved: (For each Goal/Objective, list Planned and Actual Accomplishments)

Task1: accomplished

Task2: accomplished

Task 3: near completion (as of 12th Aug 2013)

Task 4: ongoing

Task 6: ongoing

Difficulties Encountered:

To complete task 2 (creating the geodatabase with all the layers) took us a little more time than anticipated. We are currently about two weeks behind schedule but working hard and trying to make up for that time.

Activities Anticipated Next Quarter:

We will complete Task3 and move onto Task4 by the next quarter, and will continue to work on Task#6.

Expected End Date:

Jan 31, 2014

Costs:

Total life to date expenses (include this quarter): 35,359.47

Total Approved Budgeted Funds: \$74, 191.1

Are you within the approved budget plan and categories? Yes

Signature:

Date: 8/12/2013