MEMO **F-7.c**

TO: Larry D. Voyles, Director

FROM: Mike Senn, Assistant Director
Wildlife Management Division

PRESENTER: Josh Avey, Habitat Branch Chief

TITLE: Request for the Commission to Approve the Right-of-Way Renewal Through State Land for Legal Access to Upper Verde River Wildlife Area, Yavapai County, Arizona, and to Pursue Acquisition of the Right-of-Way in Perpetuity from the Arizona State Land Department.

DESCRIPTION: The Commission will be asked to vote to approve the right-of-way renewal through State Land for legal access to the Upper Verde River Wildlife Area, Yavapai County, Arizona, and to pursue acquisition of the right-of-way in perpetuity from the Arizona State Land Department. The Commission may vote to take action on, or provide the Department direction on this item.

DATE: March 15, 2010

Summary:

The Department received a State Land Department right-of-way for legal access into Upper Verde River Wildlife Area in 2000. The right-of-way provides legal access into the Campbell parcel, the public access point for the property.

The Department is requesting approval to renew the right-of-way and to pursue acquisition of the right-of-way into the property from the State Land Department.

Recommendation:

The Department recommends that the Commission **VOTE TO APPROVE THE RIGHT-OF-WAY RENEWAL THROUGH STATE LAND FOR LEGAL ACCESS TO THE UPPER VERDE RIVER WILDLIFE AREA, YAVAPAI COUNTY, ARIZONA, AND TO PURSUE ACQUISITION OF A RIGHT-OF-WAY IN PERPETUITY FROM THE ARIZONA STATE LAND DEPARTMENT AND TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR, AS SECRETARY TO THIS COMMISSION, TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS AS MAY BE NECESSARY.**

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