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USET Resolution No. 2010:009

SUPPORT OF UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE LANDSCAPE CONSERVATION COOPERATIVES

- WHEREAS,** United South and Eastern Tribes Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-five (25) federally recognized Tribes; and
- WHEREAS,** the actions taken by the USET Board of Directors officially represent the intentions of each member Tribe, as the Board of Directors comprises delegates from the member Tribes' leadership; and
- WHEREAS,** the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service recently established Landscape Conservation Cooperatives (LCC) to enable members of the conservation community to plan, design and deliver conservation in ways that integrate Local, State, Tribal, Regional, National and International efforts and resources; and
- WHEREAS,** Tribes are uniquely positioned to contribute to the LCCs through the use and sharing of cultural and traditional ecological knowledge and other scientific expertise; and
- WHEREAS,** with over 55 million acres of Tribal land in the United States, engaging Indian Tribes within the LCC framework presents a tremendous conservation opportunity; and
- WHEREAS,** sharing resources through the LCC framework can help build capacity for Tribal fish and wildlife management; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED** the USET Board of Directors encourages Tribal representation and participation in the United States Fish and Wildlife Service Landscape Conservation Cooperative initiatives.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Impact Week Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Arlington, VA, on Thursday, February 11, 2010.

Brian Patterson, President
United South and Eastern Tribe, Inc.

Robert McGhee, Secretary
United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.