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Animal and
Plant Health
Inspection
Service

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Dear Mr. Beckett:

Freedom of
Information

This is in response to your July 2, 2010, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for records regarding the number of beavers taken by Federal trapping practices in Scott Valley and Shasta River Watersheds in California over the last ten years (2000-2010). You also seek records regarding the funding allocated for Federal beaver taking and trapping from 2000 to 2010. Your request was received via email on July 2, 2010, and assigned FOIA 10-529.

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The Office of Wildlife Services conducted a search of their files and located the enclosed 319 pages on CD-ROM. Information (e.g. names of private ranch owners) has been withheld under FOIA Exemption 6, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6). This exemption protects information from disclosure when its release would cause a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

The enclosed pages represent all available data for your request.

You may appeal our partial denial of this information. If you choose to appeal, your appeal must be in writing and must be received within 45 days of the date of this letter. Send to:

Administrator
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
Ag Box 3401
Washington, D.C. 20250-3401

Please refer to FOIA 10-529 in your appeal letter and add the words "FOIA Appeal" to the front of the envelope. To assist the Administrator in reviewing your appeal, provide specific reasons why you believe modification of the determination is warranted.

Also contained on the CD-ROM are copies of your FOIA request, this response letter, and Adobe® Acrobat® Reader™, which is needed to view the responsive records. By opening rp505enu.exe and following the on-screen instructions, you will install Adobe Reader. After the installation, the Adobe Reader should render the PDF files correctly.

All fees for processing your request have been waived. If you have any questions, please contact the FOIA Staff at 301-734-8296.

Sincerely,

Tonya G. Woods
Director
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