



IN REPLY REFER TO:

# United States Department of the Interior

## FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

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June 17, 2015

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Dear Mr. Hester:

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) has reviewed the information supplied in your letter dated May 7, 2015, regarding the proposed construction of four broiler houses for Timothy and Terran Halliburton near the city of Maynard, Randolph County, Arkansas. Our comments are submitted in accordance with the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA; 87 Stat. 884, as amended 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) and Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668-668d).

The Service concurs with your determination that the proposed project may affect, but is not likely to adversely affect the Pink Mucket (*Lampsilis abrupta*), Indiana Bat (*Myotis sodalis*), Pondberry (*Lindera melissifolia*), Scaleshell (*Leptodea leptodon*), Rabbitsfoot (*Quadrula cylindrica cylindrica*), Ozark Hellbender (*Cryptobranchus alleganiensis bishopi*), Snuffbox (*Epioblasma triquetra*), Curtis Pearlymussel (*Epioblasma florentina curtisi*), and the Northern Long-eared Bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*).

Please be aware Bald Eagle is not protected under the ESA. Bald Eagles are protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668 et seq.).

We appreciate your interest in the conservation of endangered species. If you have any questions, please contact the Arkansas Ecological Services Staff at (501) 513-4487.

Sincerely,

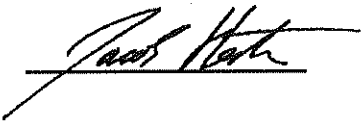
Melvin Tobin  
Acting Project Leader

An inspection of the property by AFCS personnel indicated that none of the above listed species known to occur in Randolph County will be affected in the proposed area. The Farm Service Agency and AgHeritage Farm Credit Services requests your concurrence with this proposal. A location map is attached for your use.

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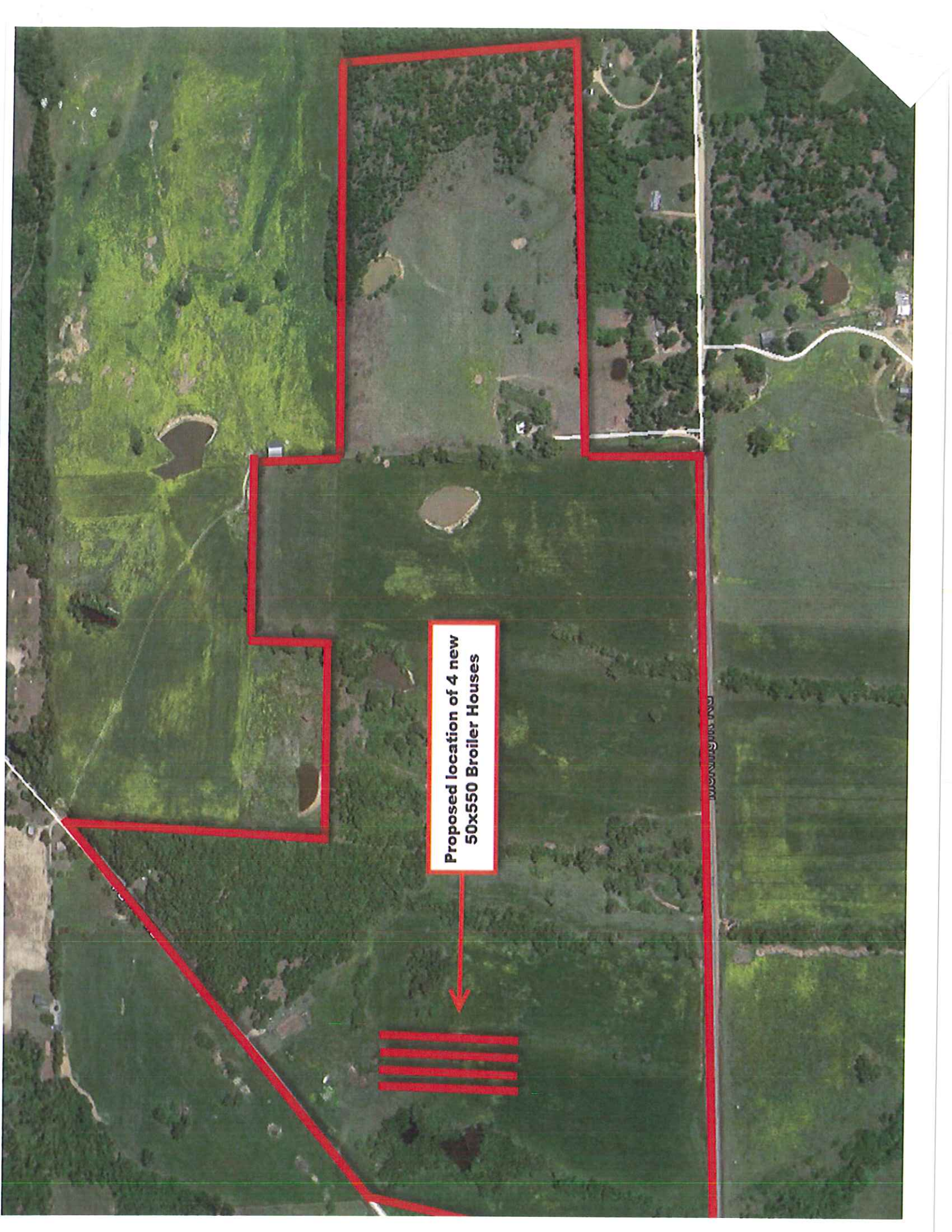
If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at (870) 892-4579.

Sincerely,



Jacob Hester

AgHeritage Farm Credit Services



**Proposed location of 4 new  
50x550 Broiler Houses**

