



Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES

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To: Mayor Jim Gray
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From: Jerry Hancock, Director, Division of Parks and Recreation

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Subj: Jacobson Lake: FINS program

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife (KDFWR) is seeking to formulize the fish stocking program at Jacobson Park by partnering with LFUCG Division of Parks and Recreation through Fishing in Neighborhood (FINS) program.

The FINS program will permit KDFWR to manage fish populations, including the stocking of rainbow trout and channel catfish. Fishing will be improved through stocking and habitat management at Jacobson Lake, which is listed as one of the top ten citizen priorities in the Parks Master Plan. Combined with the installation of an accessible fishing pier at Jacobson Lake this month, and the stocking of fish by the KY Department of Fish and Wildlife, Parks has greatly improved an amenity for the entire county's use.

The FINS program requires a 25% local match that can be in-kind services and includes mowing, refuse collection, maintenance of boat docks, fishing piers, and other similar maintenance activities. Since we already provide many of these services at Jacobson, the only additional workload to the division will be recording these activities on the appropriate forms for the FINS program.

Department of Law reviewed the draft agreement provided by KDFWR and noted two suggestions and one required change. KDFWR changed the agreement to reflect the required change and one of Law's suggestions. The suggestion of changing the venue of legal action from Franklin County to Fayette County was not accepted by KDFWR.

Attached is the original agreement signed by KDFWR which requires approval by the Urban County Council.

Please let me know if you need additional information.