Section 6 (Texas Non-traditional) Report Review

Attachment to letter dated

Project Title: Conservation of Star Cactus & Other Rare Species from the Starr County Ramaderos

Final or Interim Report? Interim

Grant #: E-36-RL

Reviewer Station: Corpus Christi ESFO

Nontraditional Program (check one):
- Recovery Land Acquisition
- HCP Land Acquisition
- HCP Planning Assistance
- Safe Harbors / CCAAs

Lead station was contacted and concurs with the following comments:
- Yes
- No
- Not applicable (reviewer is from lead station)

Interim Report (check one):
- is acceptable as is
- is acceptable as is, but comments below need to be addressed in the next report
- needs revision (see comments below)

Final Report (check one):
- is acceptable as is
- is acceptable, but needs minor revision (see comments below)
- needs major revision (see comments below)

Comments:

We appreciate the conservation efforts by The Nature Conservancy and understand that management for the Star cactus and other rare species found on the 416 acre site will be in perpetuity.
INTERIM REPORT

State: Texas  Grant Number: E-36-RL

Grant Title: Conservation of Star Cactus and Other Rare Species from the Starr County Ramaderos

Grant Program: Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation (15.615)

Contract Period: November 1, 2002 through October 31, 2005

Reporting Period: November 1, 2003 through October 31, 2004

Objective: To acquire a 416-acre site in Starr County, Texas containing the federally listed endangered star cactus (*Astrophytum asterias*) and other globally rare species by fee simple acquisition.

Accomplishments:

Fish and Wildlife Service purchase conditions in letter (R2/FA, E-36-RL) dated October 28, 2002 were met by the subgrantee, The Nature Conservancy. The Conservancy was approved to proceed with acquisition of the 416.0-acre site in Starr County, Texas August 19, 2004.

Significant Deviations:

The goal to complete the acquisition by the end of March 2004 was not obtained, but did happen by November. Documents required by the Fish and Wildlife Service and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department will be prepared during the last reporting period for reimbursement.

Total Cost Billed: $0.00

Prepared and Approved by: [Signature]  Date: January 20, 2005

Neil E. Carter  Federal Aid Coordinator
Federal Aid Project
Summary of Land Costs

State: Texas  County(ies): Starr

Grant No.: E-36-RI  Segment No.: 1  Grant Period: 11/01/02 to 10/31/05

Grant Title: Conservation of Star Cactus and Other Rare Species from the Starr Co Ramaderos

Acquisition Name: Guerrero Tract

Grantor: The Nature Conservancy

Date Acquired: 11/10/04

Acreage: 415.292 Acres

Appraised Value: $291,000

Purchase Price: $228,800

Appraisal Costs: $0

Relocation Costs: $0

Survey Costs: $0

Closing Costs: $0

Salaries, Per Diem, and Associated Costs: $0

In-kind Value (if applicable, describe in-kind contribution): $0

Miscellaneous (Lands Donated Value): $62,200
(Other): $0

Total Costs to Acquire Property: $291,000

Total Allowable Grant Costs: $275,777

Grant Cost Share Percentages: Federal 58.3%  State 41.7%

Total Federal Reimbursement: $160,773

Excess Match: $13,223