

STATE OF Alabama
COUNTY OF Shelby

DECLARATION OF RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS

THIS DECLARATION OF RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS is made this 13th day of March, 2007, by Shelby 39, LLC. ("Covenantor").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Covenantor is the owner of certain real property located in <u>Shelby</u> County, State of Alabama, more particularly described Property:

See Attachment A

; and

WHEREAS, the said Property possesses significant ecological values of aesthetic and environmental benefit to the people of the State of Alabama and the United States; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of the issuance of Permit Number 2006 -1726-HWL ("Permit") by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District ("Corps" or "Mobile District," to include any successor agency) pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and /or Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act authorizing certain activities in waters of the United States, and in recognition of the continuing benefit to the property, and for the protection of waters of the United States and scenic, resource, environmental, and general property values, Covenantor has agreed to perform certain mitigation and to place certain restrictive covenants on the Property, in order that the Property shall remain substantially in its natural condition forever;

WHEREAS, the natural condition of the Property will be restored, enhanced and preserved pursuant to the Mitigation Plan ("Mitigation Plan") as referenced in the Permit; and the term "natural condition" shall mean the condition of the Property at the time of this grant and as restored, enhanced, and preserved pursuant of the Mitigation plan of the Permit;

NOW THEREFORE, Covenantor hereby declares that the Property shall be held, transferred, conveyed, leased, occupied or otherwise disposed of and used subject to the following restrictive covenants, which shall run with the land and be binding on all heirs, successors, assigns (they are included in the term, "Covenantor," below), lessees, or other occupiers and users.

1. Prohibitions & Restrictions.

- a. <u>General</u>. There shall be no filling, flooding, excavating, mining or drilling; no removal of natural materials; no dumping of materials; and no alteration of the topography in any manner except as specifically provided for in the Mitigation Plan of the Permit.
- b. <u>Waters and Wetlands</u>. There shall be no draining, dredging, damming, or impounding; no impounding; no changing the grade or elevation, impairing the flow or circulation of waters, reducing the reach of waters; and no other discharge or activity requiring a permit under applicable clean water or water pollution control laws and regulations except as specifically provided for in the Mitigation Plan of the Permit.
- **c.** <u>Trees/Vegetation</u>. There shall be no clearing, burning, cutting or destroying of trees or vegetation, except as expressly authorized in the Reserved Rights; there shall be no planting or introduction of non-native or exotic species of trees or vegetation except as specifically provided for in the Mitigation Plan of the Permit.
- d. <u>Uses</u>. No agricultural, industrial, or commercial activity shall be undertaken or allowed.
- e. <u>Structures</u>. There shall be no construction, erection, or placement of buildings, billboards, or any other structures, nor any additions to existing structures.
- f. New Roads. There shall be no construction of new roads or trails without the prior written approval of the Mobile District Engineer, including the manner in which they are constructed.
- g. <u>Use of Off Road Vehicles</u>. There shall be no use of off road vehicles, 4 wheel drive vehicles, all terrain vehicles or similar vehicles except on existing roads and trails and except as necessary to manage the Property.
- h. <u>Utilities</u>. There shall be no construction or placement of utilities or related facilities without the prior approval of the Mobile District Engineer.
- i. <u>Pest Control</u>. There shall be no application of pesticides or biological controls, including for problem vegetation, without prior written approval from the Mobile District Engineer.
- j. Other Prohibitions. Any other use of, or activity on, the protected property which is or may become inconsistent with the purposes of this grant, the preservation of the protected property substantially in its natural condition, or the protection of its environmental systems, is prohibited.
- 2. <u>Amendment</u>. After recording, these restrictive covenants may only be amended by a recorded document signed by the Corps and Covenantor. Amendment shall be allowed at the discretion of the Corps, in consultation with resource agencies as appropriate, and then only in exceptional circumstances. Mitigation for amendment impacts will be required at the time of amendment. There shall be no obligation to allow an amendment.

- 3. <u>Notice to Government</u>. Any permit application, or request for certification or modification, which may affect the Property, made to any governmental entity with authority over wetlands or other waters of the United States, shall expressly reference and include a copy (with the recording stamp) of these restrictive covenants.
- 4. Reserved Rights. It is expressly understood and agreed that these restrictive covenants do not grant or convey to members of the general public any rights of ownership, entry or use of the Property. These restrictive covenants are created solely for the protection of the Property, and for the consideration and values set forth above. The Covenantor reserves the right to engage in all acts or uses not prohibited by the Restrictions and which are not inconsistent wit the conservation purposes of this covenant, that is to preserve the protected property substantially in its natural condition, and to protect its environmental systems. Notwithstanding the foregoing Restrictions, Covenantor reserves for itself, its heirs, successors, administrators, and assigns the following Reserved Rights, which may be exercised upon providing prior written notice to the Mobile District Engineer, except where expressly provided otherwise:
 - a. <u>Landscape Management</u>. Landscaping by the Covenantor to prevent severe erosion or damage to the protected property or portions thereof, or significant detriment to existing or permitted uses, is allowed, provided that such landscaping is generally consistent with preserving the natural condition of the protected property.
 - b. <u>Wildlife and Forestry Management</u>. The Covenantor will naturally manage these lands to preserve and improve the existing forest and wildlife resources. Timber harvesting and management by Covenantor is limited to the extent necessary to protect the natural environment in areas where the forest is damaged by natural forces such as fire, flood, storm, insects or infectious organisms. Such timber harvest and/or management shall be carried out only after approval by the Mobile District Engineer.
 - c. <u>Recreation</u>. Covenantor reserves the right to engage in any outdoor, non-commercial recreational activities, including hunting (excluding planting or burning) and fishing, with cumulatively very small impacts, and which are consistent with the continuing natural condition of the protected property. No written notice required.
 - d. <u>Mineral Interests</u>. Covenantor specifically reserves a qualified mineral interest in subsurface oil, gas, or other minerals and the right to access such minerals. However, there shall be no extraction or removal of, or exploration for, minerals by any surface mining method, nor by any method which results in subsidence or which otherwise interferes with the continuing natural condition of the protected property.
 - e. Road Maintenance. Covenantor reserves the right to maintain existing roads or trails. Maintenance shall be limited to: removal or pruning of dead or hazardous vegetation; application of permeable materials (e.g., sand, gravel, crushed) necessary to correct or impede erosion; grading; replacement of culverts, water control structures, or bridges; and, maintenance or roadside ditches.

- f. Other Reserved Rights. Covenantor reserves the right to engage in all acts or uses not prohibited by the Restrictions and which are not inconsistent wit the conservation purposes of this covenant, the preservation of the protected property substantially in its natural condition, and the protection of its environmental systems.
- 5. <u>Compliance Inspections</u>. The Corps, and its authorized agents shall have the right to enter and go upon the lands of Covenantor, to inspect the Property and take actions necessary to verify compliance with these restrictive covenants.
- 6. **Enforcement**. The Covenantor grants to the Corps and/or the U.S. Department of Justice, a discretionary right to enforce these restrictive covenants in a judicial action against any person(s) or other entity(ies) violating or attempting to violate these restrictive covenants; provided, however, that no violation of these restrictive covenants shall result in a forfeiture or reversion of title. In any enforcement action, an enforcing agency shall be entitled to a complete restoration for any violation, as well as any other judicial remedy such as civil penalties. These enforcement rights are cumulative, in addition to, and shall not limit enforcement rights available under other provisions of law or equity, or under any permit or certification.
- 7. **Property Transfers**. Covenantor shall include the following notice on all deeds, mortgages, plats, or any other legal instruments used to convey any interest in the Property (failure to comply with this paragraph does not impair the validity or enforceability of these restrictive covenants):

NOTICE: This Property Subject to Declaration of Restrictive Covenants Recorded at

[insert book and page references, county(ies), and date of recording].

- 8. <u>Marking of Property</u>. The perimeter of the Property shall at all times be plainly marked by permanent signs saying, "Protected Natural Area," or by an equivalent, permanent marking system.
- 9. Recording of Plat. A plat depicting the boundaries of the Property subject to these restrictive covenants shall be recorded in the deed records office for each county in which the Property is situated prior to the recording of these restrictive covenants. The plat is recorded at:

[include book and page references, county(ies), and date].

10. <u>Separability Provision</u>. Should any separable part of these restrictive covenants be held contrary to law, the remainder shall continue in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Covenantor has duly executed this Declaration of Restrictive Covenants the date written above.

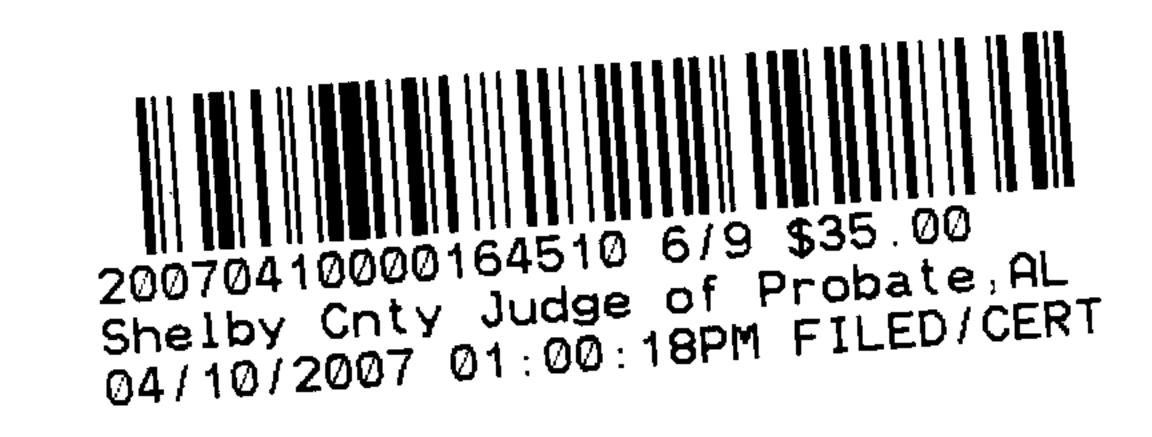
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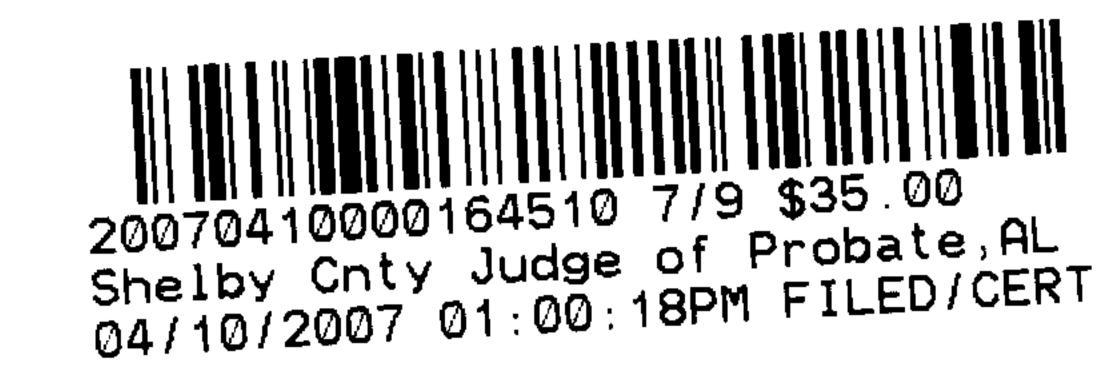
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ATTACHMENT A:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION



PERENNIAL STREAM CREDIT DESCRIPTION SHELBY COUNTY, ALABAMA

A parcel of land situated in part of the Northeast quarter of Section 18, Township 20 South, Range 1 West, Shelby County, Alabama, being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the Northwest corner of the Northeast quarter of said Section 18 and run in an Easterly direction along the North line for a distance of 1240.23 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence run along last described course for a distance of 177.83 feet; thence leaving said North line, turn an interior angle of 133 degrees 43 minutes 21 seconds to the left and run in a Southeasterly direction for a distance of 41.40 feet; thence turn an interior angle of 190 degrees 53 minutes 40 seconds to the left and run in a Southeasterly direction for a distance of 43.72 feet; thence turn an interior angle of 177 degrees 37 minutes 36 seconds to the left and run in a Southeasterly direction for a distance of 60.65 feet; thence turn an interior angle of 175 degrees 19 minutes 45 seconds to the left and run in a Southeasterly direction for a distance of 53.67 feet; thence turn an interior angle of 175 degrees 03 minutes 08 seconds to the left and run in a Southeasterly direction for a distance of 48.34 feet; thence turn an interior angle of 169 degrees 17 minutes 25 seconds to the left and run in a Southeasterly direction for a distance of 10.96 feet; thence turn an exterior angle of 153 degrees 47 minutes 04 seconds to the right and run in a Southeasterly direction for a distance of 53.80 feet; thence turn an interior angle of 194 degrees 15 minutes 34 seconds to the left and run in an Easterly direction for a distance of 103.79 feet; thence turn an interior angle of 161 degrees 18 minutes 00 seconds to the left and run in a Southeasterly direction for a distance of 94.61 feet; thence turn an interior angle of 197 degrees 33 minutes 05 seconds to the left and run in a Southeasterly direction for a distance of 42.63 feet; thence turn an interior angle of 170 degrees 28 minutes 41 seconds to the left and run in an Easterly direction for a distance of 73.62 feet; thence turn an interior angle of 158 degrees 36 minutes 41 seconds to the left and run in a Southeasterly direction for a distance of 91.00 feet; thence turn an interior angle of 198 degrees 14 minutes 39 seconds to the left and run in an Easterly direction for a distance of 130.65 feet; thence turn an interior angle of 161 degrees 55 minutes 26 seconds to the left and run in a Southeasterly direction for a distance of 125.33 feet to a point on the Westernmost right of way line of Old Chelsea Road (80' right of way); thence turn an interior angle of 110 degrees 10 minutes 55 seconds to the left and run in a Southerly direction along said right of way for a distance of 122.52 feet; thence leaving said right of way, turn an interior angle of 69 degrees 49 minutes 05 seconds to the left and run in a Northwesterly direction for a distance of 149.31 feet; thence turn an exterior angle of 161 degrees 55 minutes 26 seconds to the right and run in a Westerly direction for a distance of 130.83 feet; thence turn an exterior angle of 198 degrees 14 minutes 39 seconds to the right and run in a Northwesterly direction for a distance of 87.75 feet; thence turn an exterior angle of 158 degrees 36 minutes 41 seconds to the right and run in a Westerly direction for a distance of 42.32 feet; thence turn an exterior angle of 170 degrees 28 minutes 41 seconds to the right and run in a Southwesterly direction for a distance of 50.80 feet; thence turn an interior angle of 197 degrees 33 minutes 05 seconds to the right and run in a Northwesterly direction for a distance of 93.42 feet; thence turn an exterior angle of 161 degrees 18 minutes 00 seconds to the right and run in a Northwesterly direction for a distance of 99.23 feet; thence turn an exterior angle of 194 degrees 15 minutes 34 seconds to the right and run in a Northwesterly direction for a distance of 94.97 feet; thence turn an exterior angle of 206 degrees 12 minutes 56 seconds to the right and run in a Northwesterly direction for a distance of 26.95 feet; thence turn an exterior angle of 169

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degrees 17 minutes 25 seconds to the right and run in a Northwesterly direction for a distance of 32.59 feet; thence turn an exterior angle of 175 degrees 03 minutes 08 seconds to the right and run in a Northwesterly direction for a distance of 44.02 feet; thence turn an exterior angle of 175 degrees 19 minutes 45 seconds to the right and run in a Northwesterly direction for a distance of 53.58 feet; thence turn an exterior angle of 177 degrees 37 minutes 36 seconds to the right and run in a Northwesterly direction for a distance of 52.30 feet; thence turn an exterior angle of 190 degrees 53 minutes 40 seconds to the right and run in a Northwesterly direction for a distance of 50.17 feet; thence turn an exterior angle of 173 degrees 50 minutes 04 seconds to the right and run in a Northwesterly direction for a distance of 125.83 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Said parcel contains 121,196 square feet or 2.78 acres more or less.

