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Monday, September 30, 2019

Mr. Jake Bleed, Administrator Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget 1509 West 7th Street, Suite 401 Little Rock, AR 72203-3278

RE: FY20 Cash Letter

Business Area – 0400 Funds Center – N47 Fund – NAD0000 Functional Area – COMM Commitment Item – (590:00:46)

Dear Mr. Bleed:

The Arkansas Department of Agriculture requests Cash in Treasury appropriation of \$1,000,000.00 from the DFA Cash Fund Holding Account for the Fiscal Year 2020. We request this appropriation for the purpose of supporting grants and projects within the Buffalo River Watershed as identified by the Buffalo River Conservation Committee and subcommittees.

If additional information is required, please let us know.

Respectfully,

Wesley W. Ward

Secretary of Agriculture

State of Arkansas

Fund: NAD0000 Bal: 175,835

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STATE OF ARKANSAS ASA HUTCHINSON GOVERNOR

October 1, 2019

Senator Cecile Bledsoe, Co-Chair Representative Jeff Wardlaw, Co-Chair Arkansas Legislative Council 315 State Capitol Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Co-Chairs:

I respectfully request the approval of the Arkansas Legislative Council, as required by A.C. A §19-5-1262 (c) (2), to transfer from the Rainy Day Fund to the following fund or fund accounts authorized by the General Assembly, the following amount:

Department of Agriculture

For cash funds deposited in State Treasury—\$1,000,000

These funds will be used to support grants and projects within the Buffalo River Watershed, including but not limited to the following —voluntary best management practices for farmers and land owners, improvements to wastewater and septic systems for cities and counties within the watershed, and reduction of sediment runoff from unpaved roads within the watershed.

The Buffalo River Conservation Committee and its subcommittees will identify projects and distribute funds for the purpose of improving water quality and promoting conservation practices.

I appreciate your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Asa Hutchinson