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Dear Friend of Land Between The Lakes,

The US Forest Service Land Between The Lakes National Recreation Area (LBL) is seeking your involvement in a proposed prescribed fire project. I am requesting your input early in the process, in accordance with National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) 40 CFR 1500-1508.

Proposed Action

LBL is proposing a prescribed burn of 4,845 acres surrounding Pryor Hollow, using a “Categorical Exclusion from further documentation in an Environmental Analysis.” The purpose of this burn is to improve wildlife habitat according to the Vision and Goals of the 2004 LBL Land and Resource Management Plan (Area Plan), and to reduce the number of and competition from non-native invasive species, which displace many native plant species. The proposed burn project is located in Trigg County, Kentucky, bounded by US Highway 68/80 to the north, Lake Barkley to the east, and Forest Service Roads 160, 165, and 346 to the west and south (see attached map).

Category of Action

The category of these actions is Forest Service Handbook 1909.15, Chapter 30, 31.2 Category Number 6, “Timber Stand and/or wildlife habitat improvement activities which do not include the use of herbicides or do not require more than one mile of low standard road construction.”

Public Involvement

This proposed action is in the developmental stage and is not a decided action. I invite your comments and suggestions to improve this proposed action. To foster a collaborative approach to managing LBL please provide your input, with supporting information, specific to the proposed Pryor Hollow prescribed fire. With this letter I am beginning the public scoping, notice and comment process to gain your insight on this project.

Thank you for your interest in resource management at LBL. Email your comments to comments-southern-land-between-lakes@fs.fed.us with “Pryor Hollow Prescribed Fire” in the subject heading, or send comments through regular mail to Land Between The Lakes, Attn: Trent Girard, 100 Van Morgan Drive, Golden Pond, KY 42211. If you have questions on technical aspects of this proposed project, contact Area Acting Fire Management Officer Trent Girard at 270-924-2092.

Sincerely,

/s/ Wm. Patrick Fowler

for WILLIAM P. LISOWSKY

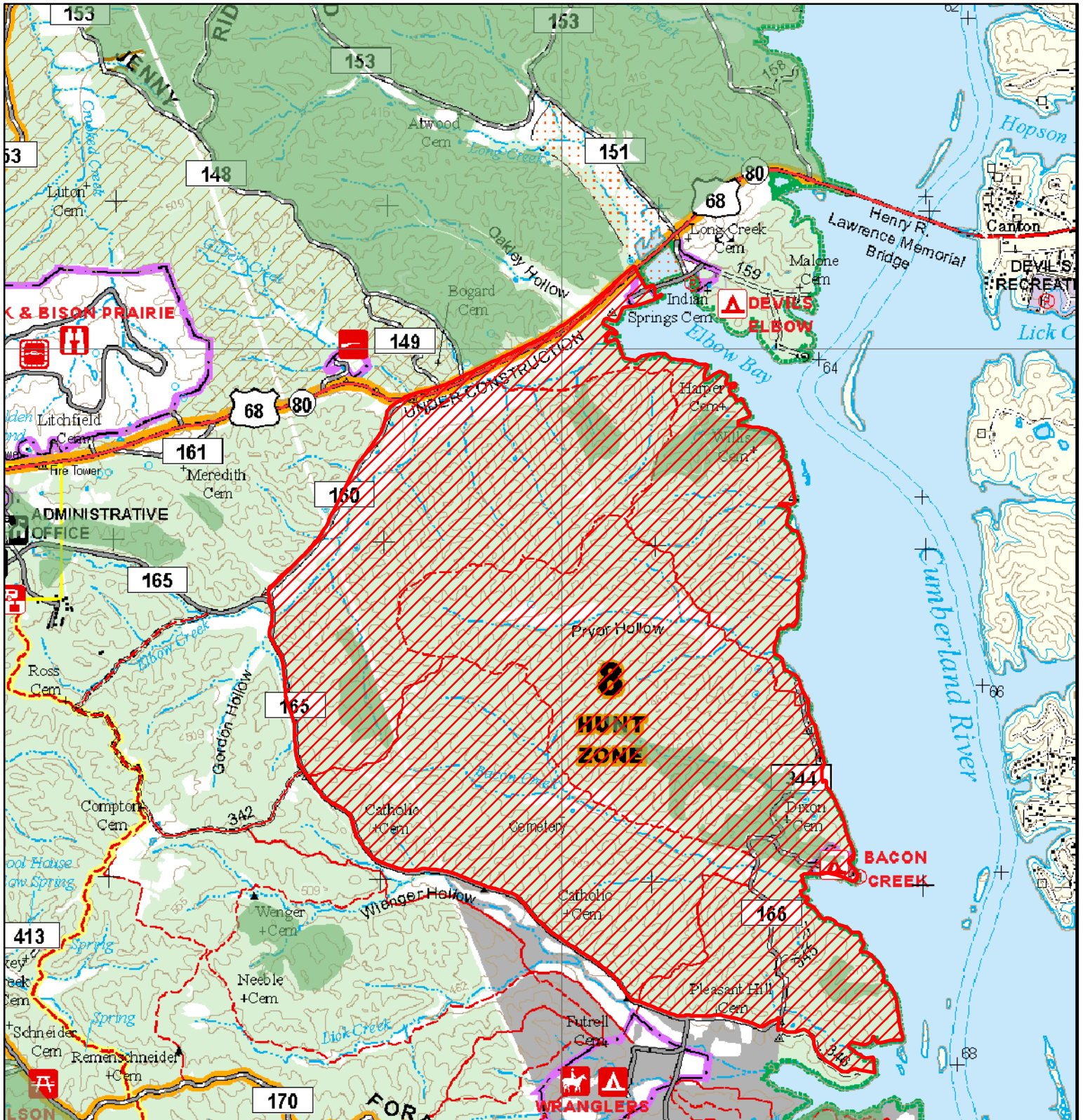
Area Supervisor

Enclosure



Pryor Hollow Prescribed Fire

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Note: Project area shown outlined in red with red cross-hatching.
Core Areas shown in green.

