LETTER OF NOTIFICATION – 5

DELETION

(Certificate, Degree, Option/Emphasis/Concentration, Organizational Unit)

1. Institution submitting request: University of Arkansas Fayetteville
2. Contact person/title: Dr. Terry Martin, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs
3. Phone number/e-mail address: (479) 575-2151/tmartin@uark.edu
4. Proposed effective date: Fall 2017
5. Title of certificate, degree program, option/emphasis/concentration, or organizational unit: Wildlife Habitat Minor
6. CIP Code: 03.0601
7. Degree Code:
8. Reason for deletion: One of four main required courses that is outside the home department will no longer be supported due to impending retirement (BIOL 4734 Wildlife Management Techniques). We can consolidate with the ESWS minor to delete the WLHA minor and revise the ESWS minor to create one minor with enough flexibility that should appeal to students with interest in wildlife habitat and environmental resource management that can be well supported with existing courses.
9. Number of students still enrolled in program: 29
10. Expected graduation date of last student: 5/2019
11. Name of courses that will be deleted as a result of this action: none
12. How will students in the deleted program be accommodated? We will define any substitutions needed for students already enrolled in the minor to complete the minor in a timely fashion. The only anticipated course substitution needed will be for BIOL 4734, which we will substitute CSES 4553 (Wetland Soils).
13. Provide documentation of written notification to students currently enrolled in program.

We will email students enrolled in the minor to let them know that the minor will be discontinued for incoming students, but we will continue to support students enrolled in the minor. Students will be instructed to substitute BIOL 4734, which will not be taught after spring 2016 because of instructor retirement, with CSES 4553 (Wetland Soils).

Below is the text that will be sent to students enrolled in the WLHA minor:

“You are receiving this email because you are currently enrolled in the WLHA minor. This email is to let you know that the minor is being discontinued; however, the CSES Department and the University of Arkansas remain committed to helping you complete the requirements for the minor and earn the minor as part of your degree plan. Required courses except BIOL 4734 will continue to be taught on the expected rotation schedule; however, CSES 4553 will be the accepted substitution for BIOL 4734. Please plan accordingly if you have not completed BIOL 4734. Options in Groups B and C remain and so each student should be able to complete the minor in a timely manner without any problems. Please continue to work with your major and minor advisor each semester to complete your degree. Check the degree audit in UAConnect to monitor your progress towards degree completion.”

1. Indicate the amount of program funds available for reallocation: The ESWS minor is being reconfigured into the Natural Resources Management minor and resources used to support the WLHA minor will be directed towards the Natural Resources Management minor.
2. Provide additional program information if requested by ADHE staff. Not applicable

President/Chancellor Approval Date:

Board of Trustees Notification Date:

Chief Academic Officer: Date: