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APPROVAL, 3 GAME REFUGE LEASES.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, April 9, 1928.

HON. D. O. THOMPSON, Chief, Division of Fish and Game, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—This will acknowledge your letter of April 3, 1928, in which you enclose the following Game Refuge Leases in duplicate for my approval:

No.	Lessor	Acres
1101	Mrs. Catherine Court, Marion County, Pleasant Township	_109
1102	Chas. Lee Almendinger, Marion County, Pleasant Township	44
1103	Orville F. Barnhart, Marion County, Pleasant Township	_ 85.75

Also a renewal lease on land in Pike County, used by the State for the purpose of propagating fish, and generally known as the Waverly State Fish Hatchery.

I have examined said leases, find them correct as to form, and I am therefore returning the same with my approval endorsed thereon.

Respectfully,
EDWARD C. TURNER,
Attorney General.

1948.

APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF OHIO AND J. R. TEETS, BELLEFONTAINE, OHIO, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF DREDGE HULL AND DECK HOUSE AT BUCKEYE LAKE AT AN EXPENDITURE OF \$8,353.79—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE METROPOLITAN CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, April 9, 1928.

HON. RICHARD T. WISDA, Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Sir:—You have submitted for my approval a contract between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Public Works, and J. R. Teets, Bellefontaine, Ohio. This contract covers the erection and completion of a dredge hull and deck house thereon, ready to receive the machinery from the old dredge hull for Buckeye Lake, and calls for an expenditure of eight thousand three hundred and fifty-three dollars and seventy-nine cents (\$8,353.79).

You have submitted the certificate of the Director of Finance to the effect that there are unencumbered balances legally appropriated in a sum sufficient to cover the obligations of the contract. You have also submitted a certificate from the Controlling Board, signed by the Secretary thereof, that in accordance with Section 12 of House Bill No. 502, 87th General Assembly, said board has properly consented to and approved the expenditure of the moneys appropriated by the 87th General Assembly for the purpose covered by this contract. In addition, you have submitted a contract

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bond upon which the Metropolitan Casualty Insurance Company appears as surety, sufficient to cover the amount of the contract.

You have further submitted evidence indicating that plans were properly prepared and approved, notice to bidders was properly given, bids tabulated as required by law and the contract duly awarded. Also it appears that the laws relating to the status of surety companies and the workmen's compensation have been complied with.

The tabulation of bids submitted with the above contract indicates that the contract was not awarded on the lowest bid but on the next to the lowest bid. The lowest bidder was J. C. Wyllie, Russells Point, Ohio. You have submitted with the papers relative to the above contract the proposal of J. C. Wyllie, which proposal contains an itemized statement of the material and labor necessary for the construction of the dredge hull in question based upon unit prices. In the separation of labor from material, the amount set down as labor in item 3 "labor on 34,749 feet of lumber" does not give the product as shown in the total column. Either the multiplier, \$78.00, is in error if the product \$2542.42 is used or the product is in error if \$78.00 is used.

The same condition exists in item 8 "labor on 12103 feet including doors."

In view of the discrepancy between the unit prices and the total in the itemized statement, I am of the opinion that there existed sufficient justification for the rejection of Mr. Wyllie's bid and the acceptance of the next lowest bid.

Finding said contract and bond in proper legal form, I have this day noted my approval thereon and return the same herewith to you, together with all other data submitted in this connection.

Respectfully,

EDWARD C. TURNER,
Attorney General.

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APPROVAL, AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DIRECTOR OF HIGHWAYS AND THE BALTIMORE AND OHIO SOUTHWESTERN RAILROAD COMPANY, PERTAINING TO ELIMINATION OF GRADE CROSSING IN THE VILLAGE OF LITTLE HOCKING, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, April 9, 1928.

HON. GEORGE F. SCHLESINGER, Director of Highways, Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Sir:—Receipt is acknowledged of your communication of March 27, 1928, enclosing for my approval, as to legality and form, an agreement by and between the Director of Highways, The Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern Railroad Company and The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, operating the property of said The Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern Railroad Company.

This agreement pertains to the elimination of a crossing at grade in the Village of Little Hocking, Ohio, and relocating State Highway No. 7 so that the same will cross the tracks of The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company by means of an overhead structure.

The provisions of this agreement have heretofore been discussed and considered by representatives of this department, the Department of Highways, and the railroad companies, and the agreement has been executed by proper officials of the railroad companies.

Finding said agreement legal and in proper form, I hereby approve the same.

Respectfully,

Edward C. Turner,
Attorney General.