PROJECT TITLE: Survivorship of Sitka black-tailed deer fawns in Southeast Alaska

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**PROJECT NO.:** 2.14

WORK LOCATION: Ketchikan.

**STATE:** Alaska

**PERIOD:** July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2009

## I. PROGRESS ON PROJECT OBJECTIVES SINCE PROJECT INCEPTION FY09 was year one.

# II. SUMMARY OF WORK COMPLETED ON JOBS IDENTIFIED IN ANNUAL PLAN THIS PERIOD

JOB/ACTIVITY 1a: Capture and tracking of does and fawns

We intended to hire a Ph D. graduate student during summer 2008, do field reconnaissance in autumn 2008, and begin deer capture in spring 2009. Unfortunately, we were not able to find and hire a suitable student until summer 2009. We also purchased radio transmitters for fawns and some capture supplies. Because we were delayed 1 year in hiring, we will begin field inspections of our study areas in autumn 2009 and our first deer capture is planned for spring 2010.

JOB/ACTIVITY 2a: Monitor and tracking does and fawns

No activity during this period.

#### III. ADDITIONAL FEDERAL AID-FUNDED WORK NOT DESCRIBED ABOVE THAT WAS ACCOMPLISHED ON THIS PROJECT DURING THIS SEGMENT PERIOD

During the project segment, Dr. Person contributed to the authorship of publication on habitat guidelines for mule and black-tailed deer. The publication was sponsored by the Western Association of Fish and Game Agencies and was produced by members of the Mule Deer Working Group of which Dr. Person was Alaska's representative during preparation of the manuscript.

Project No. 2.14 - Fawn Mortality FY09 Annual Performance Report

#### **IV. PUBLICATIONS**

None.

### V. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THIS PROJECT

None.

#### VI. APPENDIX

None.

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