CHAPTER 1. BISON HERD MANAGEMENT

§ 1–101. Purpose
A. The Director of Tribal Affairs shall prepare a Bison Herd Management Plan, which shall balance the long range goals of:
   1. Increase in herd population.
   2. Protection of Tribal lands from overgrazing.
   3. Genetic diversity of herd population.
   4. Establishing criteria for the optimum financial return to the Nation in the sale of bison not suitable to be maintained in the Tribal herd, with specific recommendations of the proper age to sell younger males and elder females.
   5. Grazing of suitable Tribal lands with no assigned use and grazing of suitable lands of Muscogee (Creek) Citizens upon request and approval.
   6. Availability of sales and/or loans or leases of individual bison to Muscogee (Creek) Citizens who wish to establish bison herds.
   7. Providing opportunities for families with inherited lands in undivided fractional ownership to establish bison herds whenever that family determines that such use would provide more economic return to the family than alternative uses of that land.

[Added by NCA 06–078, § 2, approved May 30, 2006.]

§ 1–102. Bison herd management
The Bison Herd Management Plan shall be submitted to the Speaker of the National Council, with distribution to the Tribal Affairs Committee of the National Council on or before January 15, 2007, and shall be subject to the amendment and approval of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council by ordinance.

[Added by NCA 06–078, § 2, approved May 30, 2006.]
§ 1–103. Authority for disposition

Until the approval of the Bison Herd Management Plan, the Director of Tribal Affairs shall have the authority to sell, at market price, two (2) young male bison per year to the anonymous donor, and shall deposit the proceeds into the Treasury to be reserved for future purchases and transportation of young bison which are unrelated to the present herd.

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