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Lt. Col. Oliver North Speaks at the National Firearm Museum

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National Firearm Museum

Fairfax, VA --(AmmoLand.com)- Thursday marked a busy day here at NRA Headquarters. In addition to the Grand Opening of the National Firearms Museum's new Gift Shop and the Oliver North book signing, the Virginia Gun Collectors Association invited Colonel North to speak at their monthly meeting.

He began telling stories from his book about our men and women serving in the Gulf. His time there, the heroes he met and the stories they told. Our photos can't do the evening justice so make sure to check back next week as we'll begin a video series of his talk.

The most moving part came at the end as he shared a story of a United States Navy corpsman three days outside of Baghdad.

Their unit came attacked by the Republican Guard — the last line of Saddam's defense.

True to his training, the corpsman rushed into the battlefield and started pulling out the wounded. Colonel North showed a picture of the third man he carried out on his back.

That man was a wounded Iraqi republican guardsman. The true act of a brave and honorable soldier.

You can find those stories more in his latest book, American Heroes.

About:

Established in 1871, the National Rifle Association is America's oldest civil rights and sportsmen's group. Four million members strong, NRA continues its mission to uphold Second Amendment rights and to advocate enforcement of existing laws against violent offenders to reduce crime. The Association remains the nation's leader in firearm education and training for law-abiding gun owners, law enforcement and the military.

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Fishersville, VA Gun Show Aug.

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Augusta Expoland
277 Expo Road
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SHOW DATES

Aug. 29 – 30, 2009

Sept. 26 – 27, 2009

HOURS

Sat : 9am-5pm

Sun : 10am-4pm

ADMISSION

Adults – \$7.00 – Get A Dollar Off Coupon

Children 12 & Under w/ Adult – FREE

Saturday admission good for both days!

TABLES

300 – 8 ft. tables available

FEES

\$50.00 each (introductory offer)

DEALER SETUP

Fri – 12-8pm, Sat – 7am-8:30pm

FEATURING

Free Parking. 24 Hour Security

CONDITIONS

All political material must be pre-approved by Show Manager.

No photography or video allowed without written permission of Promoter.

No media interviews allowed.

NO LOADED FIREARMS—NO EXCEPTIONS!

DIRECTIONS

I-64 Exit 91

From: Richmond – West on I-64 approx. 110 Miles
From: Charlottesville – West on I-64 approx. 32 Miles. Take I-64 to exit 91.
Turn left off exit. Take first right past McDonalds onto Expo Road. Go 1.2 Miles to Expo.
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From: Harrisonburg – Take I-81 S. to Exit 221 (which is I-64 East) to Exit 91 approx. 35 miles from Harrisonburg.
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This Week on Benelli Presents Duck Commander – Speak loudly and Carry-Lite

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This Week on Benelli Presents Duck Commander – Speak loudly and Carry-Lite



Benelli Duck Commander TV

ACCOKEEK, MD — -(AmmoLand.com)- On this week's Benelli Presents Duck Commander, decoys come under Phil's critical eye. Making decoys that look like ducks is tough, but making decoys that satisfy Phil Robertson is tougher.

Representatives from Carry-Lite travel to Louisiana to put the new Duck Commander line of decoys through their paces while Willie adds his own unique touch to his new trade show booth.

Benelli Presents Duck Commander invites you to meet the Robertsons, the first family of duck hunting. For 30 years, Phil Robertson's life has been dedicated to the relentless pursuit of ducks. He pioneered the modern duck call, broke new ground in hunting videos and redefined the hardcore duck hunter. Hidden away in the Louisiana backwater, the Duckmen have remained illusive and mysterious for three decades.

Now, for the first time on national television, see the men behind the legend. Benelli brings you into the blind, into their homes, and on the road with the Robertsons, as they hunt through the season, while staking their claim as the world's greatest duck hunters. Get ready for an exclusive look into the business, the blinds, and the minds that comprise Duck Commander.

Benelli Presents Duck Commander episodes air on the Outdoor Channel on Saturdays at 9:30 am (EST), Sundays at 12:30 am (EST) and 8:30 am (EST), and Wednesdays at 12:00 pm (EST). Log on to www.benellitv.com for current schedules and show times.

Upcoming episodes:

- Episode 9: "Speak loudly and Carry-Lite" – Making decoys that look like ducks is tough but making decoys that satisfy Phil Robertson is tougher.
- Episode 10: "Microbes" – the Duckmen leave the blind, and Jase attempts to institute a new social greeting, and tradeshow interrupts the middle of duck season.
- Episode 11: "A Walrus Never Says Die"– Jase brings a new face to the blind that could mark the end for "The Walrus."

For information on all Benelli TV shows log on to www.benellitv.com.

About:

Join us on the Outdoor Channel for the seventh season of top-rated Benelli's American Safari. Host Tom Knapp and his guests hunt birds and big game all over the world using a selection of Benelli firearms. Also appearing on the Outdoor Channel is Benelli's newest TV show Benelli Presents Duck Commander, showcasing the "first family" of duck hunting and featuring the original "Duck Commander," Phil Robertson. Benelli On Assignment returns to the Versus network for the third year with host, Joe Coogan traveling the globe with recognized writers and photographers, hunting large and small game, and putting the Benelli guns to the test for articles and photography appearing in top national publications. Benelli TV has the hunting shows to watch, featuring high adventure, exhilarating hunts and your favorite guns from the complete Benelli USA family of fine firearms.

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Whitetails Unlimited Unveils 3 For Three Archery Program

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Whitetails Unlimited Unveils '3 For Three' Archery Program
A new branch of WTU's successful Kids on Target program introduced.



Whitetails Unlimited

Wisconsin -- (AmmoLand.com)- Inspired by the overwhelming success of Whitetails Unlimited's Kids on Target firearm marksmanship program, WTU is now implementing the "3 For Three" archery component for young archers.

"This is a great way to get young people involved with archery in a positive, safe and supervised manner," said Whitetails Unlimited Executive Director Pete Gerl. "The firearm component of Kids on Target, which is sponsored in part by Rossi USA, has been an overwhelming success, and now we

are able to provide encouragement for youngsters to get involved outdoors in a terrific life-long activity – archery."

Designed for archers 18 and under, participants receive a free kit with official targets, program guidelines, and the 10 Commandments of Archery Safety. They are encouraged to practice as much as necessary, under adult supervision, at a public shooting range. When they are confident in their shooting abilities and ready to qualify, they then use an official target and must place three arrows within the 6-inch colored portion, from a minimum distance of 12 yards. Upon qualification the young successful archer will return the target with the completed witness verification form and receive a WTU Kids on Target gold medal and a personalized color certificate, suitable for framing. These awards will serve as a reminder of their accomplishment of hitting "3 For Three."

There is no charge to individual participants for any part of the program. For clubs or organizations interested in group participation there will be a nominal fee to help offset a portion of the expense.

"We really want to get young people out of the house and involved in the shooting sports," said Gerl, "and since the firearm branch of Kids on Target was so successful, expanding into archery was a natural second step. We'd like to get kids away from all the electronics in their lives, and get them outdoors involved in the shooting sports. Obviously, we hope some of them take up archery hunting, but even if they don't, they will learn a fun sport and some life lessons about success and accomplishment through practice and perseverance. Receiving the medal and certificate is just the kind of outside motivation that most kids respond to in a very positive way."

Gerl noted that WTU has a long history of recruiting and developing new hunters and participants in the shooting sports, and the Kids on Target program is a continuation of Whitetails Unlimited's mission of preserving an American tradition.

Participating in the program requires everyone follow the 10 Commandments of Archery Safety, and young archers must be supervised by an adult. In many situations, kids that don't have success with other sports are excited about the shooting sports. For more details about Kids on Target, visit the WTU website at www.whitetailsunlimited.com.

About:

Founded in 1982, Whitetails Unlimited is a national nonprofit conservation organization. Our mission is to raise funds in support of education, habitat enhancement and acquisition, and the preservation of the hunting tradition for the benefit of the white-tailed deer and other wildlife. When it comes to the whitetail and its environment, WTU's degree of professionalism and dedication has earned us the reputation of being the nation's premier whitetail organization.

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Michael Janich Joins Spyderco

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Spyderco Knives

Golden, CO --(AmmoLand.com)- Michael Janich, noted author, personal-defense instructor, and co-host of The Best Defense television series, is proud to announce that he has joined Spyderco, Inc. of Golden, Colorado, as their Special Projects Coordinator.

Janich is the author of more than two dozen books and instructional videos and a world-renowned personal-defense expert. He is also an accomplished knife designer and a columnist and active contributor to several national magazines.

Spyderco, Inc. revolutionized the knife industry in 1981, literally inventing the modern folding knife and pioneering all of its defining characteristics, such as the pocket clip, front lock, serrated edge, and one-handed opening via their trademark round hole. Since then, they have excelled as an industry leader, earning countless awards and patents for their knife design and innovation.

As Special Projects Coordinator, Janich will help drive Spyderco's support of the law enforcement and military communities, providing specialized consultation, product selection and training recommendations to fit unique unit policies and mission requirements. He will also assume a leading role in product education and training, ensuring that all Spyderco products are supported by the most thorough, professionally produced reference and educational materials possible.

Consistent with Spyderco's beliefs in an individual's right to ethical, responsible personal protection, Janich will continue to provide training in his acclaimed Martial Blade Concepts (MBC) system and related programs. He will also continue to share his knowledge and insights through his writing, video production, and as co-host of Outdoor Channel's award-winning The Best Defense television show.

Janich, who designed two knives for Spyderco and taught his MBC program under their auspices from 2000-2004, commented "I am extremely grateful and proud to join a company that I have always

respected as the most innovative and quality-focused in the industry. It's exciting to be part of a team that truly appreciates my capabilities and shares a strong sense of integrity and commitment."

About:

At Spyderco we've been told our knives are different, peculiar, even out there. All true. Thinking beyond established knife industry barriers allowed us to introduce new and radical innovations to the knife culture.

For more information about Spyderco and their complete line of products, please go to www.spyderco.com.

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Video Game Takes Kids Outside

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New Jersey Fish and Game

Trenton, NJ --(AmmoLand.com)- The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is

launching a new online video game aimed to encourage kids to go outside and learn about the environment. Designed for children ages 8 to 11 years old, Neighborhood Explorers is accessed through the Service's Let's Go Outside! website at <http://www.fws.gov/letsgooutside/>.

The journey through the game begins when you meet three children – Mia, Lucy and Steve – who gather in a tree house as the school year begins and talk about all the fun outdoor environmental activities they did over the summer. They form a Neighborhood Explorers Club, called the NX Club, and share information about planting gardens with native plants, backyard bird watching and urban wildlife. By exploring the tree house with your cursor, you can learn about endangered species, conservation heroes and threats to our natural world. Then you can play a fun jeopardy-style trivia game that tests your newly acquired environmental information in an entertaining and interactive venue.

Other activities include recording nature sightings in your own backyard, a race against time to find a missing praying mantis in the midst of an urban neighborhood, and identifying birds in a variety of habitats. When you finish a game, you can receive a gold, silver, or bronze patch, depending on how many points you score. Every game is a fun challenge as well as a valuable educational experience. You can also receive patches for documenting environmental projects and local wildlife, thus reinforcing the connection between the virtual and natural worlds.

When you've earned all five patches, you can receive a free tree from the Arbor Day Foundation! (A free membership to the NX Club is required so a record of your earned patches can be saved). After earning all five patches, you will be directed to the Arbor Day Foundation web site, where you can provide your name and address to get a free tree with directions for planting. There are only 450 trees available, so you should get started winning your patches right away!

Neighborhood Explorers provides an excellent educational opportunity for children and parents. By participating in this game, kids learn about nature and are encouraged to spend more time outside. Steve's summer activity, for example, is simply exploring and observing nature. Children can also learn about problems that the environment is facing, such as pollution and invasive species, and discover ways to help solve these problems.

Unstructured play and discovery outside is an important part of childhood, and Neighborhood Explorers reinforces this through a medium that kids are familiar with: a video game. This is a great opportunity to show kids how caring about conservation and the environment can make a real-life difference in the world.

About:

The mission of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is working with others to conserve, protect and enhance fish, wildlife, plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people. We are both a leader and trusted partner in fish and wildlife conservation, known for our scientific excellence, stewardship of lands and natural resources, dedicated professionals and commitment to public service. For more information on our work and the people who make it happen, visit

www.fws.gov.

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Tips for Safe Dove Hunting

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Commission Has Tips for Safe Dove Hunting



Nebraska Game and Parks Commission

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LINCOLN, Neb. --(AmmoLand.com)- Nebraskans are reminded to think safety first when hunting doves this fall.

Hunter Education Coordinator Mike Streater of the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission has suggestions for a safe and successful hunt:

- Wear hunter orange to and from your favorite stand and hang some hunter orange around the site to let others know your location.
- Each year someone is injured when a hunter fires at a low-flying dove and strikes another hunter hiding on the other side of the field. Know your target and what is beyond it.
- Watch the muzzle and never point it at anyone.
- Keep your finger off the trigger and out of the trigger guard until you are ready to shoot.
- Stay calm and take your time to set up shots. You never will hit a dove if you rush the shot. Use an open choke and let the doves get as close as possible to make good, planned shots. The best shot size for this is 7½ or smaller.

- Bring water to drink and avoid dehydration.
- Use a folding stool to sit on to reduce exposure to insects, such as spiders, chiggers and ticks. Use an insect repellent with DEET. This will make you more comfortable and increase your ability to sit still for long periods of time. Doves key off movement, so keep movement, such as fending off insects, to a minimum.

Dove season opens Sept. 1. Hunting permits may be purchased at OutdoorNebraska.org.

Dove hunters, except Nebraska residents under age 16, require a free Harvest Information Program number. Visit nehip.com or call toll-free (877) 634-8687 to obtain one. A Nebraska waterfowl stamp is not required. Shotguns must be restricted to hold no more than three shells.

Nebraska Game and Parks Commission
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Tips for Safe Dove Hunting

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Public Invited to Bird Banding at Chadron State Park Nebraska

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Public Invited to Bird Banding at Chadron State Park Nebraska



Nebraska Game and Parks Commission

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LINCOLN, Neb. --(AmmoLand.com)- The public is invited to

participate in bird banding Sept. 12 at Chadron State Park (SP).

A free open house will be held from 7-11 a.m. at the park's Sawmill Shelter. Participants will have the chance to join wildlife biologists and researchers in capturing, banding, recording, and releasing several species of woodland and prairie birds. They should bring appropriate hiking gear and binoculars.

The event is sponsored by the Rocky Mountain Bird Observatory and Nebraska Game and Parks Commission, with funding provided by the Nebraska Environmental Trust.

For more information, contact Amanda Filipi, education coordinator with Nebraska Prairie Partners, at (308) 220-0052 or amanda.filipi@rmbo.org.

Chadron SP is 6 miles south of Chadron on U.S. Highway 385. A park entry permit is required for all vehicles and will be available at the park office.

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Public Invited to Bird Banding at Chadron State Park Nebraska

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TPW Commission Finalizes Waterfowl Seasons

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Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission Finalizes Waterfowl Seasons



Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

FORT WORTH, Texas —(AmmoLand.com)- For the 14th consecutive year, duck hunters in Texas will get the liberal waterfowl season with a 74-day season and six bird daily bag limit framework during the 2009-2010 general waterfowl seasons, but mottled ducks will be off the table during the first five days. The framework was finalized by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission at its Aug. 27 public meeting.

After three years under the Hunter's Choice experimental bag, Texas will revert to a conventional six-duck limit per day in the aggregate, with the following species and sex restrictions: five mallards (of which only two may be hens), three wood ducks, two scaup, two redheads, one pintail, one canvasback, and one "dusky duck" (mottled duck, Mexican-like duck, black duck and their hybrids). Mottled ducks may not be harvested prior to Thursday, Nov. 5 in the North and South Zones and Nov. 2 in the High Plains Mallard Management Unit.

The bag limit on mergansers is 5 daily, of which only 2 may be hooded mergansers and the daily bag on coots is 15.

**2009-2010 Waterfowl Seasons
Ducks**

High Plains Mallard Management Unit

- * Saturday/Sunday, Oct. 24 — 25
- * Friday, Oct. 30 through Sunday, Jan. 24
- * Youth-only season Saturday/Sunday, Oct. 17-18

North and South Zones

- * Saturday, Oct. 31 through Sunday, Nov. 29
- * Saturday, Dec. 12 through Sunday, Jan. 24
- * Youth-only season Saturday/Sunday, Oct. 24-25
- * Falconry season for ducks is Monday, Jan. 25 through Tuesday, Feb. 8 in the North and South Zones. There is no extended season in the High Plains Mallard Management Unit.

Geese

Western Goose Zone

- * Saturday, Nov. 7 through Sunday, Feb. 7
- * The daily bag limit is 20 light geese in the aggregate and four Canada geese and one white-fronted goose. Possession limit is twice the daily bag limit for dark geese and no possession limit on light geese.

Eastern Goose Zone

- * Saturday, Oct. 31 through Sunday, Jan. 24 for light geese and Canada geese
- * Saturday, Oct. 31 through Sunday, Jan. 10 for white-fronted

geese.

- * The daily bag limit is 20 light geese in the aggregate and three Canada geese and two white-fronted geese.

Light Goose Conservation Order

- * Monday, Feb. 8 through Sunday, Mar. 28 in the Western Goose Zone
- * Monday, Jan. 25 through Sunday, Mar. 28 in the Eastern Goose Zone
- * No bag or possession limits.

Sandhill Crane

Zone A

- * Saturday, Nov. 7 through Sunday, Feb. 7
- * Daily bag limit of three birds.

Zone B

- * Friday, Nov. 27 through Sunday, Feb. 7
- * Daily bag limit of three birds.

Zone C

- * Saturday, Dec. 19 through Sunday, Jan. 24
- * Daily bag limit of two birds.
- * Possession limits statewide are twice the daily bag limits.

New this year, purchase of the Federal Duck Stamp will cost \$15-\$17 depending on where you buy. If purchased through the TPWD license system there is a \$2 administrative fee. Your license will indicate Federal Duck Stamp purchase and the physical stamp will be mailed. There are other options for purchasing the stamp, either at some major post offices or online.

Waterfowl hunters are reminded they will need to request HIP (Harvest Information Program) certification from the license clerk when purchasing their hunting license this year. HIP certification is required in order to hunt migratory game birds in Texas.

Also new this year, sandhill crane permits may be obtained in person at no cost only through TPWD Law Enforcement offices and TPWD headquarters in Austin. Permits are also available anytime online through TPWD's online license sales and by calling 800-792-1112 (option 5, menu 2) or 512-389-4820 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. For online and phone orders, a confirmation number will be issued in lieu of a permit and a \$5 transaction fee will be charged.

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TPW Commission Finalizes Waterfowl Seasons

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TPW Commission Awards \$9 Million in Local Park Grants across Texas

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TPW Commission Awards \$9 Million in Local Park Grants across Texas



Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

FORT WORTH, Texas —(AmmoLand.com)- The Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission on Aug. 27 approved more than \$9 million in competitive parks and recreation grants for city and county parks and other sites across the state. Grant project descriptions are listed by county below.

The Dallas, Austin, San Antonio and El Paso areas were awarded a combined total of \$3.8 million from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Urban Outdoor Recreation Grants program. San Antonio was also awarded \$1 million from TPWD's Indoor Recreation Grants program.

Urban Outdoor and Indoor recreation grants are reserved for communities with populations of 500,000 or more, and both provide matching grants of up to \$1 million. Urban Outdoor grants are used to acquire and develop parkland. Urban Indoor grants are for constructing public recreation centers, community centers and nature centers. Once a grant is awarded, recipients must permanently designate the site for public recreational use and agree to operate and maintain the grounds.

Eight other communities across the state were awarded a combined \$3.6 million in grants from TPWD's Outdoor Recreation Grants program, which funds acquisition and/or development of outdoor recreation sites for communities with populations less than 500,000.

Eleven communities were awarded a total of about \$750,000 from TPWD's Small Community Grants program. This program provides matching grants of up to \$50,000 for communities with a population of 20,000 or less.

These grants support the acquisition, development and beautification of city and county parks, seen as the "frontline" in the nationwide system of parks. TPWD funds can be applied to the construction and repair of trails, ball fields, fishing, boating or hunting facilities, picnic areas, playgrounds, swimming pools, camp grounds, gardens and other recreational facilities.

The Small Community, Urban Indoor, and Urban Outdoor grants are funded exclusively from the Texas Recreation and Parks Account, created by the Texas Legislature in 1993 to help cities and counties provide public recreation facilities. TRPA revenue comes from a portion of the state sales tax on sporting goods.

Outdoor Recreation Grants are funded from the TRPA and from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund, which is supported by offshore oil and gas royalties. All are 50-50 matching grants, requiring recipients to provide equal dollars to match what the state provides. The total cost of each project is thus twice the amount listed below.

For more information, including grant application forms and deadlines, see TPWD's Grants Web page or phone the department's Recreation Grants Branch at (512) 912-7124 or e-mail rec.grants@tpwd.state.tx.us.

Grants and projects listed by county:

- Bell County – The City of Holland was awarded \$75,000 to develop an additional ten acres of the existing 60-acre Recreational Complex, located in the east central area of the city. Development will include a playground, soccer field, disc golf course, and gazebo. Construction of the entry road and gazebo will be accomplished without grant assistance
- Bexar County – The City of San Antonio was awarded \$1 million to develop a 4,000 square foot Urban Ecology Center at Voelcker Park, located in the north central area of the city. The grant will fund the development of interpretive features, a classroom, offices, furnishings, restrooms, parking, water harvesting, tree planting, water connection, solar lighting and drainage.
- Bexar County received \$750,000 to renovate and further develop the 36-acre Mission County Park, located in the south central area of San Antonio. Development plans include establishing a view corridor from the San Antonio River access point to the Mission San Jose, trail expansion with entry portal with an overlook and interpretive signs, playgrounds, habitat restoration, irrigation, parking and restroom renovation.
- Brown County – The City of Brownwood was awarded \$500,000 to develop Camp Bowie Sports Complex, located in the south area of the city. The grant will fund the inclusion of lighted softball and

baseball fields, batting cages, a playscape, trail, pavilion, pool with a bathhouse, picnic tables and benches, tree plantings, Xeriscape garden with drip irrigation, 8-acre natural area and irrigation for the fields.

- Cameron County Drainage District #1 – Cameron County Drainage District #1 was awarded \$500,000 to acquire and develop approximately 8 acres to develop 45-acre Cascade Park, located in the northeastern area of Brownsville. The City will construct wetlands, basketball courts, field goals, a playground, butterfly garden, trails, bridges, fishing piers and overlooks, an amphitheater that doubles as a pavilion, waterfalls, benches, picnic tables, solar lighting, xeriscape landscaping and trees, drip irrigation, and interpretive signage, among other basic utilities.
- Dallas County – The City of Dallas was awarded \$1,000,000 to develop a trail along Five Mile Creek from College Park to Glendale Park and to make improvements at College Park, located in the south area of the city. The grant will fund a softball field, trail and connecting walkways renovation, playground and drainage improvements, and the implementation of security lighting.
- Denton County – The City of Krugerville was awarded \$75,000 to develop a first-time 3-acre City Park, located on the northern side of the Fair Meadows Drive and Sherry Lane South intersection. Playgrounds, a multipurpose playing field, concrete trail, wooden footbridge, picnic tables, benches, a parking lot, and landscaping will all be implemented.
- El Paso County – The City of El Paso was awarded \$400,000 to develop a 6.7-acre Sandstone Ranch Park, located in the northeast area of the city. Development plans include a playground, benches, picnic table, landscaping, turf, irrigation, walkways, parking and fencing.
- The City of El Paso was awarded \$150,000 to develop a 2.8-acre Dog Park at Westside Park, located in the west central area of the city. The park will include benches, dog and person drinking fountains, shade structures, utilities, turf, irrigation, plants, lighting and fencing.
- Fayette County – The City of Flatonia was awarded \$75,000 to acquire and develop the Seven Acre Park, located in the west central area of the city. Development plans include a trail, disc golf course, skate park, picnic tables with slabs and grills, and Xeriscape garden with interpretive signage and drip irrigation.
- Fort Bend County – The City of Meadows Place was awarded \$73,300 to further develop a 16.5 acre Community Park, located in the central area of the city. The park will include a trail, lighted pond with pier, bank fishing area, shaded bench, group shade shelter with tables and grill, shaded picnic tables with grills, a recreational hill, wetlands water garden, tree planting, landscaping and interpretive signage.
- Freestone County – The City of Wortham was awarded \$75,000 to acquire and develop 0.46 acres of City Park, located in the central area of the city. The park will include a group pavilion, playground equipment, picnic table with grill and arbor, picnic table with game board insert, trail, butterfly garden and shade trees.
- Hays County – The Village of Wimberley was awarded \$500,000 to further develop the 120- acre Blue Hole Regional Park and Preserve, located in the north east area of the village. The Park will include trails, soccer fields, a concrete slab for swimming access, tennis courts, primitive camping areas, picnic tables with slabs, an amphitheatre, pavilion, playscape, an open play meadow, wildlife viewing stations, and interpretive and culture resource signage.
- Hunt County – The City of Commerce was awarded \$75,000 to further develop 13-acre City Park located in the downtown area of the city. The plans include the construction of a playground, concrete trail, horseshoe courts, benches, picnic tables with grills, interpretive signs, and irrigation, and basketball court and botanical garden renovation. The removal of existing fence, playground equipment, and a restroom and some site work will be accomplished without grant assistance.
- Jefferson County – The City of Nome was awarded \$75,000 to develop 1.83 acres of city-owned land into a first-time Community Park, located in the central area of the city. Development plans include constructing roads, parking, picnic tables, benches, a basketball free throw court, splash pad, playground, trail, landscaping and fencing. Parking spaces will be implemented without grant assistance.
- Kendall County – Kendall County was awarded \$488,825 to develop 375 acres of County-owned land that comprises Springs Park and Preserve, located in the south west area of the county between Comfort and Boerne off I-10. The grant will fund the implementation of lighted fishing docks and piers, swimming area improvements, three miles of trail, benches along the trail, birding towers and decks, a picnic pavilion, picnic sites with concrete pads and grills, a playground, interpretive kiosks, and a restroom. Road improvements will be made without grant assistance.
- Kenedy County – Kenedy County received \$271,431 to expand and further develop the 4-acre Sam Noble County Park located in Sarita, in the northern area of the county. The grant will fund the implementation of utilities and irrigation, restroom repairs, an access path, a shuffleboard and horseshoe toss, an observation kiosk, lighted baseball field, covered multi-sport facility, bleachers, an announcer's box, playground, picnic tables with grills, benches, landscaping, habitat restoration and a 1.28-acre natural area dedication. A walking and equestrian trail, parking lot, and interpretive signage will be constructed without grant assistance.
- McLennan County – The City of Robinson was awarded \$75,000 to develop 7.7 acres of school district-owned property into a first-time City Park, located in the northeast area of the city. The park will

include a picnic pavilion with tables and a barbeque pit, decomposed granite trail, playscape, basketball court, shaded gazebo, picnic tables, benches, fitness equipment, sand volleyball pit, horseshoe pits, Xeriscape garden with drip irrigation, tree plantings, and interpretive signage.

- Presidio County – The City of Marfa received \$40,000 to develop 0.3 acres of school district-owned property into Blackwell School City Park, located in the south central area of the city. The grant will fund the implementation of picnic tables with grills, benches, a lighted trail with exercise station, game tables, a playground, a butterfly garden and irrigation.
- Travis County – Travis County was awarded \$1 million to acquire 68.06 acres by Waiver of Retroactivity and develop the 235.5-acre Onion Creek Greenway, located in the eastern area of the county. The grant will fund the implementation of trails, a kayak boat launch, fishing access, picnic units, playgrounds, pavilion, an open play area, habitat restoration, interpretive signs, wildlife and nature viewing areas, roads and parking.
- The City of Austin received \$500,000 to further develop the 47.3-acre Gus Garcia Park, located in the north area of the city. The City will add a multipurpose field, playground, fitness area, benches, picnic tables, landscaping, community garden and classroom gardens.
- Victoria County – The City of Victoria received \$500,000 to develop approximately 12 acres out of 125.44 acres of city-owned non-parkland to develop Lone Tree Community Park, located in the east area of the city. The grant will fund the construction of a spray ground, a pavilion with picnic tables, practice ball fields, and a 20-acre open space dedication. Utilities, parking, and restrooms will be constructed without grant assistance.
- Williamson County – The City of Thrall received \$40,000 to develop 0.29 acres of city owned property into a first-time park, located in the downtown area of the city. The development includes a pavilion, swing set, picnic tables, benches, a Xeriscape garden with drip irrigation and interpretive signage.
- Wilson County – The City of Stockdale was awarded \$75,000 to develop a 21.91-acre Central Park, located in the north central area of the city. The grant will fund the construction of soccer and t-ball fields, a trail with an exercise station, picnic areas with tables, grills, a model airplane landing strip, benches with concrete pads, water fountains and trash cans. Parking and fencing will be constructed without grant assistance.

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MINNEAPOLIS, Mn --(AmmoLand.com)- Alliant Techsystems (NYSE: ATK) demonstrated its innovative firepower capabilities at the U.S. Army's Ft. Benning Red Cloud Range, on August 27, 2009. During the live-fire event, ATK demonstrated advancements to its battle-proven Bushmaster Chain Gun systems, on a variety of platforms, with enhanced precision, lethality, reliability, and range to address current and future operational needs. ATK is a leader in integrated weapon systems capabilities that include remote-operation, electronics and fire control, and compatibility with a full-suite of ATK ammunition, including a compatible Programmable Airburst Munition (PABM) that extends operational effectiveness.

During the event, ATK fired four cannons in the following live-fire configurations:

- Lightweight 25mm Bushmaster Chain Gun (LW25) integrated into a Kongsberg mount on a Textron MSV
- LW25 integrated into a Palletized Autonomous Weapon System (PAWS), mounted onto a HMMWV
- 30mm M230 Link Fed (LF) integrated into the Viper Gun System (Viper)
- 30mm/40mm Mk44 Bushmaster Chain Gun with PABM

The LW25 is the newest member of the Bushmaster family; its compact size and low-recoil design makes the LW25 ideally suited for ground combat, surface combatant, and rotary-wing applications. The system is also compatible with the current family of remote weapon stations employed on Stryker, Bradley, HMMWV and MRAP vehicles. The LW25 system enhances operational flexibility and performance in a light-weight integrated armaments package.

PAWS is a self-contained Palletized Autonomous Weapons System that is user scalable to specific mission requirements. PAWS is designed to accommodate most small- and medium-caliber weapons and can be mounted on a wide range of vehicles, or deployed autonomously to satisfy a range of security needs. PAWS' remote weapon station also contains a self-contained sensor package and power supply.

The 30mm M230 Bushmaster Chain Gun has served as the sole gun system for the AH-64 Apache Helicopter for more than 30 years. The link-fed (LF) variant, combined with the M789 high-explosive, dual-purpose (HEDP) round, brings the Apache's devastating firepower to platforms of all kinds and can be remotely operated or fired in a crew-served configuration.

Viper, developed collaboratively between ATK and Nobles Manufacturing, Inc., is an affordable "plug and play" weapon station that incorporates a patent-pending Gun Mount Braking System (GMBS), which allows for superior weapon stabilization during firing. Viper can be installed on multiple platforms and incorporates a flex chute and ammunition magazine into a compact and versatile weapons platform while offering economy and agility to meet the security needs of U.S. and international customers.

The Mk44 Bushmaster Chain Gun is the U.S. Marine Corps' weapon of choice for its Expeditionary Fighting Vehicle (EFV). The Mk44 increases firepower and range of 25mm systems and is designed for remote operation. This chain gun is in production and in service on various international ground combat and surface combatant platforms.

The Mk44 fires the only type-classified PABM in the U.S. arsenal. This revolutionary new round can be programmed by the fire control system to function in either point detonate, point detonate delay, or air burst modes, defeating targets on contact or in defilade. ATK's airburst

technology will also be available for the company's new LW25 chain gun.

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