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## **CITY OF SPANISH FORT**

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February 13, 2025

The Honorable Matthew P. McKenzie Baldwin County Commission 312 Courthouse Square Suite 12 Bay Minette, Alabama 36507

RE: BRATS Service

Dear Chairman McKenzie:

The 15<sup>th</sup> annual Delta Woods and Waters Expo will be held at 5 Rivers Delta Resource Center on the Causeway on April 24-26, 2025. As in the past, April 24-25 will be open to our school children for field trips, while April 26<sup>th</sup> will be open to the public. We are estimating that there will be a large crowd on the 26<sup>th</sup> for our public event. In that past, the County Commission has graciously always allowed the use of one of its BRATS buses for that day, and I would like to request that the Commission allow a BRATS bus to be available Saturday, April 26th from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. to shuttle guests on the 5 Rivers property.

Please let me know if the Commissioners can fulfill my request. If you need any additional information, please give me a call at 251-626-4884.

Sincerely,

Michael M. McMillan

Mayor

Just the Bridge Will

## REQUEST FOR BRATS TRANSIT SERVICE

Date of Request: 2/13/2025

Name of Organization: City of Spanish Fort, Alabama

Contact Person: Rebecca A. Gaines Email Address: cityclerk@spanishfortal.gov
Phone Number: 251-410-6525 Billing Address: 7361 Spanish Fort Blvd., Spanish Fort, Alabama 36527 Do you currently
have an approved account with Baldwin Regional Area Transit System? Yesx No
POTENTIAL EXEMPTIONS OR EXCEPTIONS
EXEMPTION: Rural Program Purpose
Is the origin of the proposed trip outside the MPO Urbanized Area (see attached map)? $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ $lacktriangle$ No
Will the proposed transportation be for a human service organization or for elderly, disabled, or low income
passengers.   • Yes • No  • No  • No  • EXCEPTION 1: Service for Qualified Human Service Organizations (QHSO)
Is the requested service for individuals in one of the following three categories (check all that apply)?
$X\square$ Those with mobility limitations due to advance age $\square \Phi$ Those with disabilities $\square \Phi$ Those with low income
Does one of the following apply to your entity (check all that apply)?
$\square$ Receives funding from federal program listed in attachment $\square$ Is a registered QHSO on the FTA charter website
EXCEPTION 2: Service for Government Officials on Official Government Business
Will the proposed trip occur within BRATS service area (currently all of Baldwin County)? x□ Yes □ No
Will the proposed involve official government business? □ • Yes □ No
Will at least one elected or appointed official be on each provided trip? ☐ Yes x☐ No
EXCEPTION 3: Service When Private Charter Service Not Available
Would you like BRATS to initiate exceptions by issuing a notice to determine whether any registered charter provider are interested in providing your entity with charter service? $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No
NOTE: if you mark "yes" above, BRATS will issue the required notice to registered charter service providers within Baldwin County
any provider responds with interest in providing the service, Baldwin County cannot provide your entity with the requested service
<u>EVENT INFORMATION</u>
Name of Event: Delta Woods and Waters Expo  Date of Event: April 26, 2025
Contact Person at Event: Rebecca A. Gaines Cell Phone Number: 251-232-4133
Number of Vehicles Needed: 1 Number of Passengers: Several Hundred
Number of Wheelchairs: unknown Number of Lift Assist Passengers: unknown
Time to Begin Event: 8:00 Time Event Will End: 5:00
Pick Up Location & Physical Address: Delta Woods Resource Center, 30945 5 Rivers Blvd, Spanish Fort, Alabama. Shuttle service may also occur across the street at Meaher State Park is parking is full at 5 Rivers
Destination Location and Physical Address: Delta Woods Resource Center, 30945 5 Rivers Blvd, Spanish Fort, Alabam Shuttle service may also occur across the street at Meaher State Park is parking is full at 5 Rivers.
A timed itinerary with address details must be supplied for multiple stops.
We acknowledge there will be additional charges for excessive cleanup or damage to the vehicle caused by passengers. We understar charges will include pre and post safety inspections of vehicle and travel times to and from event. We will not hold BRATS responsible for breakdowns, accidents, bad road conditions, inclement weather, and other conditions beyond its control.
Signed:  (Authorized Signature)  For:  City of Spanish hart  (Company Name)
Trip Scheduled:/ Approved Cost:
(scheduler signature) (date)