

STATE OF KANSAS



PROCLAMATION
BY THE
GOVERNOR

TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS:

WHEREAS, Kansas' Flint Hills represent the majority of remaining contiguous tallgrass prairie in the world;

WHEREAS, the preservation of Kansas' unique heritage ecosystem is vital to native wildlife, tourism, education and future enjoyment;

WHEREAS, the importance of wind energy development must be balanced with the protection of the unique ecosystems and natural scenery of the Flint Hills region;

WHEREAS, wind developers have long been tremendous partners with Kansas communities in the responsible and environmentally conscious development of wind energy in Kansas;

WHEREAS, Governor Kathleen Sebelius, on the advice of the Kansas Geological Survey, first declared a moratorium on wind development in areas of the Flint Hills in 2004;

WHEREAS, Governor Sam Brownback, in consultation with the Kansas Wind Coalition, reaffirmed this commitment to protecting the Flint Hills by expanding the moratorium to an area that includes parts of 12 Kansas counties called the "Tallgrass Heartland";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Laura Kelly, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby proclaim a continued moratorium on the development of wind power infrastructure be observed in the previously established Tallgrass Heartland.

DONE: At the Capitol in Topeka
under the Great Seal of
the State this 28th day of
July, A.D. 2020

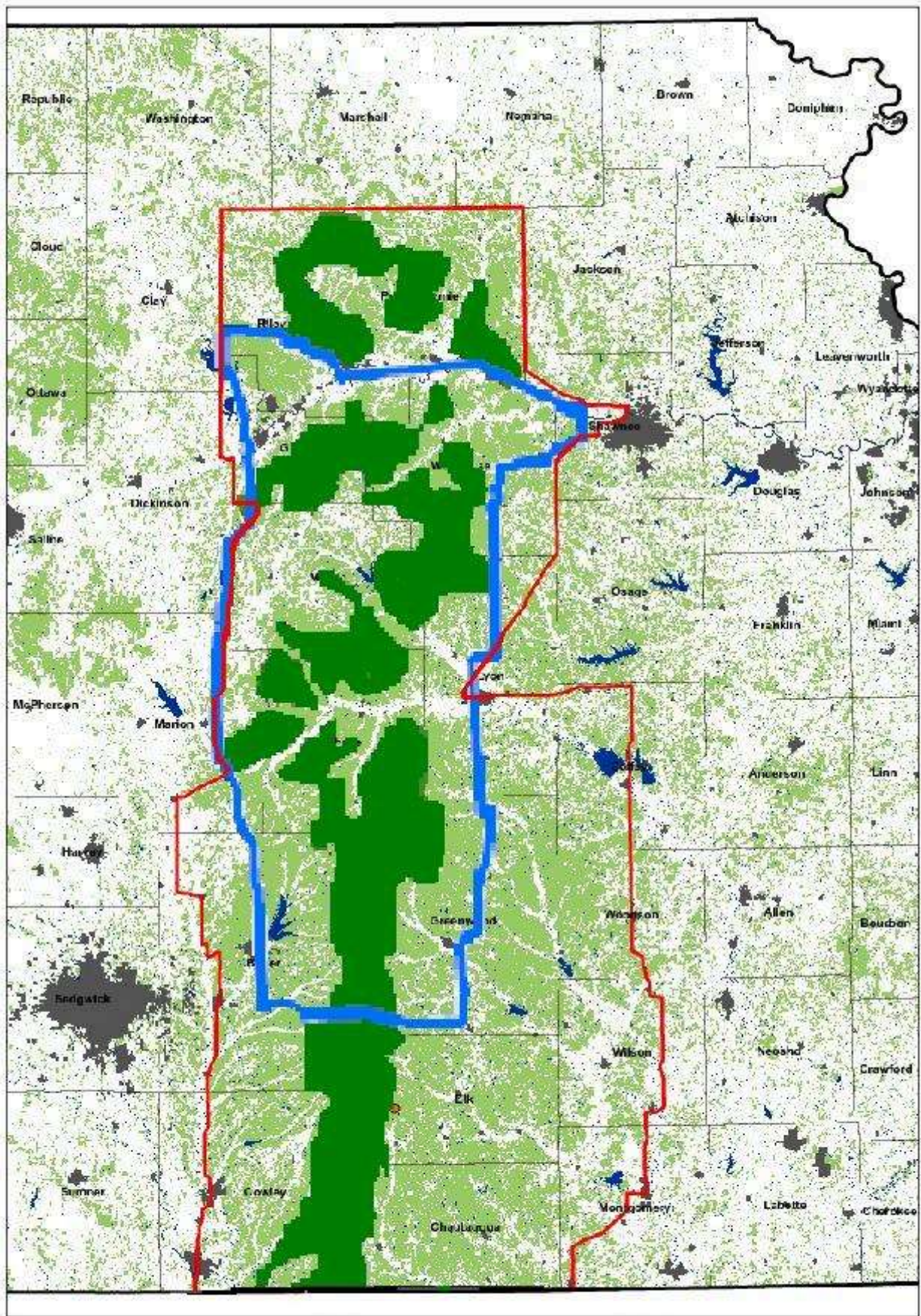
BY THE GOVERNOR:

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Handwritten signature of Scott Schwab in blue ink.
Secretary of State

Handwritten signature of Bryan A. Cook in blue ink.
Assistant Secretary of State





USFWS Legacy Conservation Area **Original Flint Hills Moratorium Area** **New Flint Hills Conservation Area**