Appendix AA Minimum Requirements for Supplemental Shelter - Post Oak Savannah & Blackland Prairies

NEW: Summary guidance for supplemental shelter intensity levels. The following documents are intended for guidance only, and represent what would be the desired number of supplemental shelters for various species that a landowner should strive for. Because each individual property is different and effective use of supplemental shelter for wildlife enhancement will vary based on individual site characteristics, these numbers should be used as guidance only. Additional information is available from your local biologist or on the TPWD web site at www.tpwd.state.tx.us/wildscapes. Be sure to study the general guidelines for agricultural tax valuation based on wildlife management. See Wildlife Management Planning Guidelines for your region. It's the book to which this is an appendix.

Species:	Supplemental shelter type	Min. no. of structures per area of habitat
E. bluebird, Tufted titmouse, Bewick's wren, Carolina chickadee	Nest boxes	One nest box per 3 acres of suitable habitat. Minimum number of boxes required: 6. Maximum number of boxes required: 40
	Snag development	Create or maintain one snag per 3 acres.
Screech owl	Nest boxes	One nest box per 10 acres of suitable habitat.
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Wood duck	Nest boxes	One nest box per 8 acres of suitable lake, pond, riverine or stream habitat.
Bat spp.	Bat house	Houses should be erected in groups of 3 or more per 100 acres.
Bobwhite quail	Half-cutting mesquite	One per acre, in areas where suitable woody plant cover is lacking.
	Brush piles	One per acre, in areas where suitable woody plant cover is lacking.
	Shrub planting	One group of shrubs per acre, in areas where suitable woody plant cover is lacking.
Other	Slash retention	One per acre in areas where woody plant reproduction is inadequate.