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GEORGIA WILDLIFE FEDERATION WELCOMES JANA DYKE TO BOARD AS REGIONAL DIRECTOR Experience in economic development and deep roots in the outdoor community make a perfect partnership

Covington, GA – Georgia Wildlife Federation's Board of Directors voted unanimously at the June meeting to bring Jana Dyke on as regional director for the Albany area. With years of experience in economic development and deep roots in the hunting and shooting sports community, Dyke is a perfect fit to serve as GWF's representative in southwest Georgia.

"Jana's insight into all aspects of her community will be invaluable to GWF, says Mike Worley, President & CEO of Georgia Wildlife Federation. "We are looking forward to increasing our presence in southwest Georgia with potential clay shoots and quail hunts, remarks Worley. "Jana has natural connections and talents to make these things happen and help us serve the greater Albany area."

Dyke has worked in economic development for over 20 years. Before taking on her current role as President & CEO of the Albany-Dougherty Economic Development Commission in 2020, she served stints with economic development organizations in her hometown of Leesburg as well as Walton County, GA, and Destin, FL. Under her leadership, the Albany-Dougherty team facilitated over \$74,000,000 in capital investment and created 300 new jobs in the area.

Jana inherited a passion for hunting and shooting from her parents and grandparents. Outfitted with rifles built by her grandfather, some of her earliest childhood memories are of hunting in South Georgia with her dad. Today, even with her busy schedule, she manages to find time for outings to the clay range or preferably hunts during quail season. She continues the family tradition as she and her husband, William, share their love of the outdoors with their two sons.