

Kansas Wetlands Education Center
Wish List



FORT HAYS STATE UNIVERSITY'S
**KANSAS WETLANDS
EDUCATION CENTER**

Major Items – in order of priority

1. **Production of an updated Cheyenne Bottoms informational video** (15-20 minutes) to show to visitors (\$500-\$1000 per finished minute of footage=\$7,500-\$20,000 total project)
2. **Automatic doors on front doorway for increased handicapped accessibility** (\$15,000)
3. **New bird mounts for educational programming** – Non-game birds to replace aged, degraded collection (\$5,000)
4. **Car for KWEC staff travel** (\$20,000) – Will need to check on tagging requirements with FHSU
5. **Enhance energy efficiency of KWEC building** – solar, geothermal, etc. and related exhibits to highlight the energy efficiency upgrades (\$500,000)
6. **Interactive video system in Auditorium** (\$250,000)
7. **Redo highway entrance to KWEC** – new sign near highway to make it easier for travelers to see entrance (\$100,000)
8. **Outdoor “play” (Nature Playscape) area with equipment near Nature Trail** (will require cooperation with KDWP manager to approve and consideration of maintenance plan) (\$200,000-\$300,000)
9. **Aboveground tornado shelter** (\$20,000)
10. **Boardwalk and sidewalk to connect sidewalk on South side of building to Nature Trail** (\$20,000)
11. **Outdoor raptor enclosure**
12. **Redo KWEC floors** – strip old wax, polish concrete, seal (\$50,000)

Smaller Items

1. Replace trees and shrubs along nature trail and enhance wildlife habitat and plan for maintenance
2. Additional signage for nature trail
3. Additional spotting scope and tripod for use during birdwatching tours
4. Additional binoculars for kids to use during programs
5. Bench for butterfly garden
6. Additional research equipment for lab (i.e. balances, additional microscopes, etc.)