

Washington, D.C., March 8, 2006—
Based on recommendations from the North American Wetlands Conservation Council, the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission approved funding for **19 U.S. projects in 18 states and 16 Mexican projects in 22 states plus the Federal District** under the North American Wetlands Conservation Act Standard Grants Program. One of the Mexican projects has a national focus. The tables below contain summary data on each project.

The Act is nonregulatory and calls for voluntary partnerships to develop and implement wetlands conservation projects to benefit migratory birds and other wildlife. To be considered for funding, projects must meet certain biological criteria and grant requests must be matched 1:1 with partner funds.

Projects Approved



Brant/Glen Smart, USFWS

North American Wetlands Conservation Act

Activity: P = Protection, H = Habitat Management (e.g., Restoration and/or Enhancement), O = Other

Standard Grants Program: United States						
State/ District	Project	Act \$	Partner \$ Match	Partner \$ Nonmatch	Acres	Activity
AR/1	Bottomland Conservation	\$917,140	\$1,834,281	\$0	1,720	P,H
CA/4	Modoc Plateau/Pit River	\$1,000,000	\$2,355,661	\$368,383	5,843	P,H
CA/11,18,20	North San Joaquin Valley II	\$1,000,000	\$2,829,225	\$138,761	16,304	P,H
CO/3	San Luis Valley Wetlands III	\$1,000,000	\$3,577,422	\$85,000	13,423	P,H
IA/5 & NE/1,2	Middle Missouri River II	\$1,000,000	\$2,530,933	\$0	6,222	P,H
KS/1	Jamestown Wildlife Area I	\$999,345	\$2,192,117	\$20,500	2,570	P,H
LA/1,2,3	Lafitte Terracing	\$439,182	\$889,043	\$4,272	702	H
LA/7	Sabine Island Acquisition	\$800,000	\$2,470,000	\$0	600	P
LA/7 & TX/2,8	Chenier Plain IV	\$637,771	\$1,588,244	\$5,400	1,802	P,H
MN/1,2,7	Lower Minnesota Valley	\$1,000,000	\$2,000,113	\$155,534	2,468	P,H
MT/At large	Madison/Gallatin Wetlands	\$1,000,000	\$7,573,430	\$6,894,375	5,867	P,H
NC/1 & VA/4	Roanoke River Initiative II	\$999,920	\$2,735,686	\$60,000	2,082	P,H
ND/At large	Mouse River Watershed V	\$510,000	\$512,891	\$174,500	23,598	P,H
OR/1 & WA/3	Lower Columbia River IV	\$1,000,000	\$2,518,500	\$991,533	1,279	P,H
SD/At large	James River/Missouri Coteau II	\$1,000,000	\$1,010,571	\$840,820	8,426	P
TN/8	Lower Obion River III	\$1,000,000	\$3,387,063	\$19,800	1,900	P,H
VA/1	Lower Rappahannock River III	\$700,000	\$2,450,000	\$2,058,200	3,497	P
WA/6	Chehalis River Floodplain	\$988,425	\$1,977,000	\$5,651,000	3,968	P,H
WI/3,7	Lower Chippewa River II	\$1,000,000	\$3,110,010	\$0	2,811	P,H
	Totals	\$16,991,783	\$47,542,190	\$17,468,078	105,082	
	Average Match Ratio		1:2.8			

Standard Grants Program: Mexico					
State	Project	Act \$	Partner \$ Match	Acres	Activity
13 States*, Federal District	Inventory and Classification of Wetlands V: Central Highlands	\$306,979	\$309,737	0	O
Baja California	Bahía San Quintín: Pacific Brant, Shorebirds, Endangered Rails	\$100,168	\$114,500	0	O
Baja California	Conservation in a Maritime Zone, Bahía San Quintín	\$99,598	\$100,750	0	O
Baja California North and South	Conservation in Guerrero Negro-Ojo de Liebre Lagoon Complex	\$251,115	\$371,704	0	O
Baja California, Sonora	Joint Initiative for Restoration, Colorado River Delta	\$293,675	\$310,311	4,200	H,O
Baja California South	Management and Protection, Bahía Magdalena	\$76,154	\$96,845	0	O
Chihuahua	Development of a Watershed Management Plan, Mexicanos Lagoon	\$40,021	\$40,024	0	O
Chihuahua	Waterfowl Reserve Network	\$234,040	\$271,240	7,413	P,H,O
Coahuila	Waterfowl Refuges, Cuatrociénegas	\$159,600	\$273,760	21,547	P,H
Guanajuato	Outreach Program for Yuriria Lagoon	\$57,732	\$148,266	0	O
Jalisco	Ecotourism and Restoration, Laguna Sayula	\$98,746	\$272,376	494	P,H,O
National	Strengthening the Shorebird National Plan through Outreach	\$14,620	\$15,845	0	O
Sinaloa	Restoration Program, Ensenada de Pabellones	\$386,868	\$875,416	870	H,O
Tabasco	Environmental Education Workshops, Centla Marshes	\$155,696	\$362,300	0	O
Tamaulipas	Lagoon Restoration, Laguna Madre Natural Protected Area	\$147,224	149,760	1,976	H,O
Veracruz	Restoration and Planning for Bird Conservation, Tamiahua	\$108,169	\$118,296	0	O
	Totals	\$2,530,405	\$3,831,130	36,500	
	Average Match Ratio	1:1.5			

* States of Aguascalientes, Colima, Guanajuato, Jalisco, México, Michoacan, Morelos, Nayarit, Puebla, Queretaro, San Luis Potosí, Tlaxcala, Zacatecas.

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