

Washington, D.C., June 10, 2009—Today, the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission announced that \$3,089,753 will fund **46 projects** under the **North American Wetlands Conservation Act's Small Grants Program**. The North American Wetlands Conservation Council previously approved these projects for funding. Together, these 46 projects will restore, enhance or protect more than 13,969 acres in 25 states. Partners will contribute more than \$10 million in matching funds.

The Council also recommended **five Canadian projects, two Mexican projects and one U.S. project** to the Commission for final funding approval under the **Act's Standard Grants Program**. The tables below contain summary data on each project.

U.S., Canadian, and Mexican Projects Approved



Wood duck/Tim McCabe, USFWS

North American Wetlands Conservation Act

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.

Acres that are protected, restored, enhanced and/or established may be paid for with grant, matching or nonmatching funds, or a combination of these funding sources. Matching funds must come from non-federal sources. However, federal partners may participate in NAWCA projects by providing contributions, which do not count toward the required match amount but help support project goals and activities. Activity: P = Protection, H = Habitat Management (e.g., Restoration and/or Enhancement), and O = Other

Small Grants Program: United States							
State/District	Project	Act \$	Partner \$ Match	Other Federal Contributions	Match Acres	Other Affected Acres	Activity
AK/1	Chena Flats Greenbelt	\$68,000	\$70,950	\$5,245	45	0	O,P
AK/1	Goose Bay Watershed Protection Project	\$75,000	\$175,000	\$0	286	0	P
AZ/8	Sandhill Farm Restoration	\$75,000	\$246,600	\$188,572	840	0	H,O,P
CA/11	Grasslands Wetland Enhancement Project I	\$75,000	\$117,524	\$0	598	0	H,O
CA/10	Grizzly Ranch Wetland Enhancement Project	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$0	850	0	H,O
CA/4	Northeastern California Wetland Enhancement	\$75,000	\$137,259	\$30,000	1,120	0	H,O
CT/2	Charter Marsh Restoration	\$26,250	\$36,250	\$0	128	0	H
CT/2	Zemko Sawmill Preserve	\$75,000	\$172,200	\$0	72	0	P
FL/15	Critical Bird Habitat Restoration in the Indian River Lagoon	\$68,476	\$146,640	\$0	40	0	H
FL/5	Three Sisters Springs	\$75,000	\$500,000	\$10,025,000	58	0	P

Small Grants Program: United States Continued							
State/ District	Project	Act \$	Partner \$ Match	Other Federal Contributions	Match Acres	Other Affected Acres	Activity
GA/1	Restoration of Native Species in the Lower Altamaha River Watershed	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$0	1,472	0	H,O
IL/15	Habitat Wheel	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$0	40	0	O,P
IL/8,16	Northeastern Illinois Morainal Wetlands	\$75,000	\$150,000	\$769,000	133	0	H,O,P
IL/15	Springwater Farms	\$75,000	\$335,000	\$0	105	0	O,P
KY/1	Ballard County Managed Wetlands Enhancement	\$75,000	\$169,449	\$0	101	0	H,O
MA/1	The Peter Berle Wildlife Conservation Area	\$75,000	\$1,011,688	\$240,875	201	0	O,P
MD/1	Hail Cove Shoreline Project	\$45,000	\$117,000	\$270,500	309	0	H
ME/2	Mason Bay Coastal Wetlands and Waterbird Conservation	\$75,000	\$99,800	\$295,200	95	0	P
ME/2	Old Point Easement	\$65,000	\$143,000	\$1,500	48	0	P
MI/4	Christensen Land Acquisition	\$75,000	\$629,100	\$0	200	0	P
MI/2	Muskegon River Watershed Wetland and Grassland Enhancement Project	\$75,000	\$82,600	\$0	460	0	H,O
MI/1	Pigeon River Protection: Van Campen Preserve	\$75,000	\$483,500	\$0	33	0	P
MI/4	Shiawassee NWR Moist Soil Management Unit 6	\$57,200	\$57,237	\$13,000	82	0	H,O
MN/7	Jennie Lake Enhancement	\$75,000	\$150,243	\$0	300	0	H,O
MN/7	Waterfowl Production Area Prairie Wetland Project	\$40,095	\$40,095	\$3,000	37	0	O,P
MN/7	West Central Minnesota Grasslands	\$75,000	\$79,061	\$21,425	1,471	0	H,O,P
MT/1	Dugas Farms Easement	\$75,000	\$100,000	\$800,000	800	0	P
MT/1	Riverdale Ranch Easement	\$75,000	\$150,000	\$875,000	850	0	P
NE/3	Rainwater Basin Wetland Easement Project	\$75,000	\$75,275	\$7,500	80	0	H,O,P
NH/1	Pawtuckaway River Greenway	\$75,000	\$129,000	\$700,500	149	0	P
NJ/2	Mill Creek Wetland	\$56,960	\$63,112	\$162,960	70	0	H
NY/14	Tug Hill: Great Lakes Lumber - Club Camp Journey End	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$3,250	544	0	P
OH/17	Grand River Watershed Protection-Bristolville Wetlands	\$75,000	\$658,912	\$0	294	0	H,P
PA/17	Peter's Mountain Swamp Conservation Easement	\$30,272	\$30,272	\$7,355	43	0	P
PA/3	Pymatuning WMA Wetland	\$75,000	\$76,700	\$8,000	639	0	H,O
TN/8	Wetland Enhancement at Old Hickory WMA	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$20,000	322	0	H
TX/14	GCJV Mottled Duck Conservation Initiative III	\$50,000	\$55,000	\$118,000	340	3,500	H
TX/22	Sheldon Lake State Park Coastal Prairie Wetland II	\$75,000	\$147,820	\$81,000	98	0	H
VA/4	Upton Wetland Restoration	\$67,500	\$67,500	\$7,230	82	0	H,O
VA/3	Virginia Blackwater Corridor	\$75,000	\$98,000	\$0	64	0	P
WA/2	Samish River Riparian and Wetland Protection, Phase I	\$75,000	\$108,600	\$0	26	0	O,P
WA/4	Snowden Wetlands Sandhill Crane Habitat Enhancement	\$75,000	\$154,000	\$484,000	180	0	H,O,P

Small Grants Program: United States Continued							
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WI/7	Cranberry-Lower Eau Claire Lakes Point Acquisition	\$75,000	\$350,000	\$0	48	0	P
WI/7	Cranberry Ridge-Grindstone Lake Acquisition	\$75,000	\$2,038,400	\$0	58	0	P
WI/2	Lake Ripley Preserve	\$75,000	\$198,000	\$125,000	66	0	P
WI/7	Melville Acquisition of the Hallie Marsh Wildlife Area	\$75,000	\$222,500	\$0	60	0	O,P
Totals		\$3,089,753	\$10,138,287	\$15,263,112	13,934	3,500	
Average Match Ratio		1:3.3					

Standard Grants Program: United States							
State/ District	Project	Act \$	Partner \$ Match	Other Federal Contributions	Match Acres	Other Affected Acres	Activity
MN/1,2,7	Lower Minnesota Valley Wetland Conservation Initiative II	\$1,000,000	\$2,172,880	\$0	2,739	281	P
Totals		\$1,000,000	\$2,172,880	\$0	2,739	281	
Average Match Ratio		1:1					

Standard Grants Program: Mexico							
State	Project	Act \$	Partner \$ Match	Other Contributions	Acres	Activity	
TAB, TAMPS, VER	Restoration of Critical Migratory Bird Habitat Utilizing Adaptive Measures to Reduce the Impact of Variable Climate Change on Wetlands of the Gulf of Mexico	\$769,020	\$2,586,193	\$0	192,739	H,O,P	
GTO	The 2010 Veracruz Model: An Innovative Approach of Training, Stewardship and Capacity Building for Wetland Conservation in Mexico	\$75,000	\$82,827	\$0	0	O	
Totals		\$844,020	\$2,669,020	\$0	192,739		
Average Match Ratio		1:3.16					

Standard Grants Program:Canada							
Province	Project	Act \$	Partner \$ Match	Other Contributions	Acres	Activity	
AB,BC,MB, NT,SK,YT	Canadian Prairie/Parkland & Western Boreal Habitat Program	\$17,985,615	\$17,985,615	\$12,667,000	186,444	H,O,P	
NB,NF,NS, ON,PE,QC	Eastern Habitat Joint Venture Wetlands Conservation	\$4,188,418	\$4,188,418	\$5,995,100	9,385	H,O,P	
MB	Potholes Plus Project	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$573,250	8,200	H,O,P	
BC	Pacific Coast and Canadian Intermountain Joint Ventures, British Columbia	\$2,463,781	\$2,463,781	\$2,193,000	2,255	H,O,P	
NB,NF,NS, PE,QC	Quebec and Atlantic: Protecting Wetland and Upland Habitat	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$672,500	1,500	H,O,P	
Totals		\$25,537,814	\$25,537,814	\$22,100,850	207,784		
Average Match Ratio		1:1					

More information about individual projects is on the Web at <http://www.fws.gov/birdhabitat/NAWCA> or contact Rachel Levin, Division of Bird Habitat Conservation, (703) 358-2405, rachel_levin@fws.gov

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