



NC Partners

NC Partners is a partnership between the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Natural Resources Conservation Service, Ducks Unlimited, and the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission to provide technical and financial assistance to private landowners who want to provide habitat for the benefit of waterfowl, shorebirds, wading birds, other migratory birds, and wetland-dependent wildlife.



Qualifying Landowners

- Private Individuals
- Family Trusts
- Partnerships
- Corporate Owners
- Non-profit Organizations
- Local Governments
- Universities

Landowners enter into voluntary agreement to provide cost share or in-kind services to build small dikes or water control structures and maintain the project in its managed state for 10 years.

Program Requirements

- Limit waterfowl hunting to three half days per week
- No release of pen reared waterfowl
- No commercial hunting
- Follow a water management plan
- Maximum cost-share is \$15,000 per landowner per year
- Average landowner contribution is \$400 per acre, but varies due to project design
- Landowners are responsible for overseeing the project and paying all costs initially



Target Habitats

- Seasonally-flooded moist soil areas
- Forested Wetlands
- Non-Forested Wetlands
- Bottomland Hardwoods



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