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## \$15,900,000 DISTRIBUTED TO STATES FOR WILDLIFE RESTORATION

Distribution to the States of \$15,900,000 in Federal Aid funds for wildlife restoration was announced today by Secretary of the Interior Walter J. Hickel.

These funds come from the 11 percent excise tax on sporting arms and ammunition levied by the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act of 1937 (Pittman-Robertson). Interior distributes the funds using a formula based on the number of hunting license holders and the area of each State.

An additional apportionment will be made in the fall. The sum announced today will enable States to continue their wildlife restoration program from July 1 until the fall payment.

Under the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration program, States are reimbursed for up to 75 percent of the cost of approved projects, including acquisition of land suitable for wildlife habitat, development and manipulation of wildlife habitat, and research to aid in the management of game species.

The program is administered by the Interior Department's Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife.

The attached table shows the distribution of funds that will be available for use July 1.

Apportionment for Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration  
Fiscal Year 1971

Alabama	\$	304,442
Alaska		793,500
Arizona		365,541
Arkansas		264,025
California		771,122
Colorado		402,163
Connecticut		79,350
Delaware		79,350
Florida		260,056
Georgia		304,350
Hawaii		79,350
Idaho		311,548
Illinois		340,853
Indiana		313,141
Iowa		299,223
Kansas		314,806
Kentucky		227,142
Louisiana		279,732
Maine		184,231
Maryland		115,892
Massachusetts		89,475
Michigan		594,260
Minnesota		434,863
Mississippi		252,713
Missouri		395,695
Montana		451,536
Nebraska		285,509
Nevada		311,366
New Hampshire		79,350
New Jersey		108,112
New Mexico		362,405
New York		478,533
North Carolina		352,026
North Dakota		216,434
Ohio		348,503
Oklahoma		283,997
Oregon		421,612
Pennsylvania		651,360
Rhode Island		79,350
South Carolina		187,295
South Dakota		274,332
Tennessee		323,588
Texas		793,500
Utah		316,372
Vermont		94,691
Virginia		296,692
Washington		337,810
West Virginia		178,037
Wisconsin		449,773
Wyoming		330,994
Guam		10,000
Puerto Rico		10,000
Virgin Islands		10,000
Total	\$	15,900,000