

Who We Are

Our Mission

The Fergus Falls Wetland Management District is managed by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, an agency of the Department of the Interior. The mission of the Service is to conserve, protect and enhance fish and wildlife and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service manages the National Wildlife Refuge System. The Refuge System consists of more than 550 units, including National Wildlife Refuges and Wetland Management Districts. The Refuge System encompasses 150 million acres nationwide and is considered the world's most important network of lands dedicated to wildlife.

Fergus Falls Wetland Management District Objectives

- Acquire, develop and manage habitat for waterfowl production
- Provide habitat for native plants and animals, especially prairie songbirds
- Assist private landowners with restoration of wetlands and grasslands
- Provide wildlife-dependent recreation and education

District Facts

- Established in 1962
- Waterfowl Production Areas: 215 units totaling 44,600 acres
- Northern Tallgrass Prairie Refuge Tracts: 2 totaling 270 acres
- Wetland easements: 1,155 totaling 22,875 acres
- Grassland easements: 8 totaling 800 acres
- FmHA easements: 29 totaling 2,600 acres
- Counties in District: Otter Tail, Grant, Douglas, Wilkin and Wadena

The District is a part of the Great Lakes - Big Rivers Region of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

