



2025 ANNUAL PROGRAM REPORT



Jan. 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025



Build A Wildlife Area®

Build a Wildlife Area® is Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever's permanent habitat protection program delivering fee-title habitat and public hunting access endeavoring to create a landscape of quality upland habitat supporting wild, sustainable populations of upland birds and other wildlife.

From January 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever completed 52 Build A Wildlife Area® projects totaling 8,096 acres. Working with willing sellers, many of whom had a legacy vision for their property to become a public wildlife area, along with our partners, chapters, donors, and supporters, we achieved \$39.1M in critical upland habitat protection projects now perpetually benefiting wildlife and providing public hunting access.

Since inception, PF and QF's Build a Wildlife Area® program has permanently protected 243,716 acres across 17 states. These strategic land acquisition projects provided 28,010 hunter days during the 2024-25 hunting season.

There are currently 140 Build a Wildlife Area® projects in development across 17 states, totaling over 42,000 acres. All donations to Build a Wildlife Area leverage partner funds, enhancing our collective effort to get more high-quality projects completed in bird country.

If you are interested in protecting critical wildlife habitat through Build A Wildlife Area, please scan the QR code to see our program website at

www.pheasantsforever.org/habitat/build-a-wildlife-area

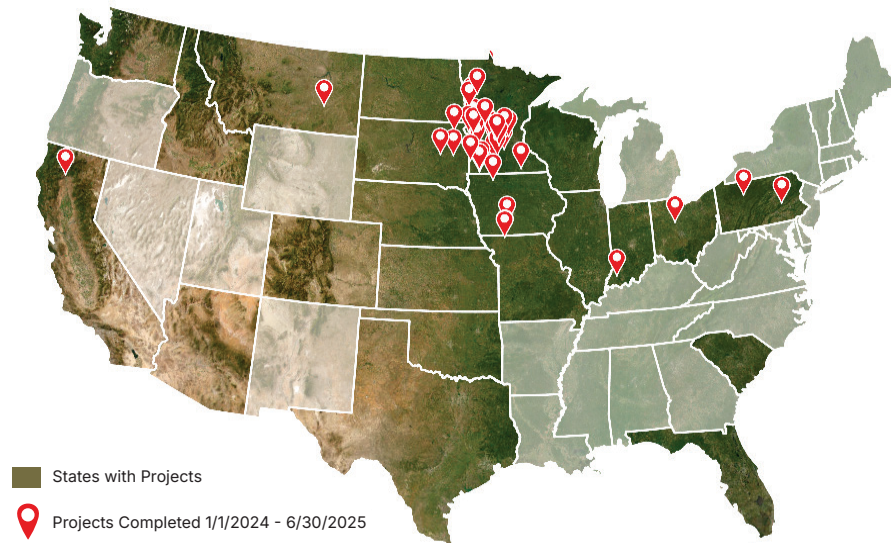
Keep an eye out for opportunities to engage with our program throughout the year as we build momentum towards Build a Wildlife Area Week – September 22-26, 2025 and September 21-25, 2026!



To donate, please contact a member of Pheasants Forever, Inc. and Quail Forever's Permanent Habitat Protection Team.

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January 2024 – June 2025 Completed Projects

Acres	Property Name	County / State
10	Shasta Co BLM Addition Tract 2	Shasta, CA
129	Patoka NWR Addition	Pike, IN
422	Jim Wooley Family Tract	Madison, IN
67	Blue Wing Marsh WPA Addition	Palo Alto, IA
75	Blazing Prairie Conservation Area	Harrison, MO
160	Pawnee Prairie Conservation Area	Harrison, MO
186	Audobon WPA Addition	Becker, MN
101	Hillman WPA Addition	Big Stone, MN
171	Thielke Lake WPA Addition	Big Stone, MN
127	Karsky WPA Addition	Big Stone, MN
157	Karsky WPA Addition	Big Stone, MN
81	Artichoke WPA Addition	Big Stone, MN
83	Meadowlark Acres WMA Addition	Brown, MN
40	Middle Creek WMA Addition	Brown, MN
82	Bashaw WMA Addition	Brown, MN
101	Rosenau-Lambrecht WMA Addition	Brown, MN
74	Doran Lake WPA Addition	Clay, MN
93	Doran Lake WPA Addition	Clay, MN
321	Haymakers WMA	Clay, MN
77	Forada WPA Addition	Douglas, MN
132	Stoneberg WPA Addition	Grant, MN
137	Shakopee WPA Addition	Kandiyohi, MN
79	Cabinrock WMA Addition	Kandiyohi, MN
197	Bur Oak Lake WPA	Kandiyohi, MN
280	Lessard Anderson WMA	Koochiching, MN
1,289	Carp Swamp WMA Addition	Lake of the Woods, MN
932	Haggman WPA Addition	Mahnomen, MN
40	Rich Valley HMA Addition	McLeod, MN
74	Ras-Lynn WMA Addition 1	McLeod, MN
82	Ras-Lynn WMA Addition 2	McLeod, MN
129	Youngstrom Lake WPA	Meeker, MN
156	Murphy Lake WMA	Mower, MN
30	Ransom Ridge WMA Addition	Nobles, MN
47	Ransom Ridge WMA Addition	Nobles, MN
59	Lone Tree WMA Addition	Nobles, MN
20	Lone Tree WMA Addition	Nobles, MN
71	Blue Bird Prairie WMA	Nobles, MN
159	Troy WMA Addition	Pipestone, MN
81	Little Chippewa River WPA Addition	Pope, MN
150	Arlington WMA Addition	Sibley, MN
80	Loen WPA Addition	Swift, MN
40	Rothsay WMA Addition	Wilkin, MN
164	Pelican Lake WPA Addition	Wright, MN
214	Suxonnix WMA Addition	Wright, MN
14	Tyro WMA Addition	Yellow Medicine, MN
328	Wildcat North WMA	Rosebud, MT
44	Big Island Wildlife Area Addition	Marion, OH
71	SGL 44 Addition	Elk, PA
119	SGL 229 Addition	Schuylkill, PA
90	Weaver WPA Addition	Beadle, SD
5	Krause Farm WPA Addition	Day, SD
230	Shutler WPA Addition	Kingsbury, SD

*BLM – Bureau of Land Management — *NWR – National Wildlife Refuge

*WMA - Wildlife Management Area — *WPA – Waterfowl Production Area

Major Donors (\$100,000 or more)

Bass Pro Shops and Cabela's Outdoor Fund
Don Livingood
Karen and Nicole Stengle
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Montana Fish & Wildlife Conservation Trust
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Spirit Lake Protective Association
The John L Neisen Trust

Major Partners:

Illinois Department of Natural Resources
Indiana Department of Natural Resources
Iowa Department of Natural Resources
Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation
Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks
Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
Minnesota Outdoor Heritage Fund
Minnesota Pheasants Inc.
Minnesota Prairie Chicken Society

Minnesota Sharp-tailed Grouse Society
Missouri Department of Conservation
Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks
Nebraska Game and Parks Commission
North American Wetlands Conservation Act
Ohio Department of Natural Resources
Pennsylvania Game Commission
Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever Chapters
Prairie Pothole Joint Venture

Re-invest In Minnesota – Critical Habitat Match
South Carolina Conservation Bank
South Carolina Department of Natural Resources
South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks
United States Army Corps of Engineers
United States Fish and Wildlife Service
United States Forest Service
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

Top Contributing Chapters:

\$50,000 - \$100,000

Metro Area (MN) - 0011
Mower Co Habitat & PF (MN) - 670
Northern Polk (IA) - 0282

\$25,000 - \$49,999

Covered Bridge (IA) - 0174
Goodhue County (MN) - 0003
Iowa County (IA) - 0082
Iowa State Council (IA) - 7009
Kandiyohi County (MN) - 0002
McCleod Co (MN) - 0007
Meeker County (MN) - 0123
Nobles County (MN) - 0014
Pheasant Country (SD) - 0872
Pipestone County (MN) - 0062
Rathbun Lake (IA) - 0284
Sibley County (MN) - 0272
Traverse County (MN) 0044
Wright County (MN) - 0095

\$10,000 - \$24,999

Audubon County (IA) - 0066
Brookings County (SD) - 0699
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Brown County (MN) - 0166
Cedar Creek (IA) - 0070
Dickinson County (IA) - 0020
Dubuqueland (IA) - 0080
East Medicine (MN) - 0215
Fayette County (IA) - 0048
Fox River Valley (WI) - 0585
Gallatin Valley (MT) - 0541
Hardin County (IA) - 0114
Iowa Capitol (IA) - 0121
Jasper County (IA) - 0092
Kinnickinnic (WI) - 0140
Mahaska County (IA) - 0245
Martin County (MN) - 0049
Mercer County (OH) - 0745

Mission Valley (MT) - 0134
Mississippi Longtails (MN) - 0385
Missouri River Valley (MO) - 3152
Murray County (MN) - 0991
Nobles County (MN) - 0014
North Country (MN) 0609
Northern South Dakota (SD) - 0077
Northwest Suburban (MN) - 0839
Southeastern Wisconsin (WI) - 0190
Todd County (MN) - 0381
Warren County (IA) - 0168
Yankton Area (SD) - 0323

\$5,000 - \$9,999

Auglaize County (OH) - 0167
Black Hawk County (IA) - 0058
Bremer County (IA) - 0096
Brown County (MN) - 0166
Buffalo Ridge (MN) - 0551
Cedar-Wapsi (IA) - 0081
Cherokee County (IA) - 0103
Chippewa County (MN) - 0034
Chippewa Valley (WI) - 0544
Clinton County (IA) - 0172
Crawford County (IA) - 0164
Dakota Ringnecks (MN) - 0562
Delaware County (IA) - 0105
Douglas County (MN) - 0684
East Medicine (MN) - 0215
Erie/Ottawa/Sandusky (OH) - 0291
Flint River (GA) - 3187
Four Seasons (IA) - 0063
Glacial Ridge (MN) - 0758
Golden Triangle (MT) - 0505
Greater Columbus (OH) - 0897
Hardin County (OH) - 0212
Headwaters (MT) - 0563
Henry County PF/QF (IA) - 0246
Iowa County (IA) - 0082
Isanti County (MN) - 0334

Itasca County (MN) - 0723
James Valley (ND) - 0891
K-16 Quail Forever (KS) - 3220
Lone Star (TX) - 3225
Lyon County (MN) - 0006
Marion County (IA) - 0188
Marshall-Tama County (IA) - 0054
Mercer County (OH) - 0745
Miami County (OH) - 0676
Minnesota Public Lands (MN) - 1004
Murray County (MN) - 0991
Nicollet County (MN) - 0763
North Butler County (IA) - 0320
North Central Kansas (KS) - 0406
North Central Pennsylvania (PA) - 0630
Northeast Florida (FL) - 3207
Northern Prairie (IA) - 0084
Otter Tail County (MN) - 0010
Outagamie Area (WI) - 0792
Pelican River (MN) - 0690
Pierre/Fort Pierre (SD) - 0218
Pine to Prairie (MN) - 0678
Platte Area (SD) - 0361
Pottawattamie County (IA) - 0128
Prairie Creek (IA) - 0068
Red Hills (FL) - 3173
Rice County (MN) - 0821
Ringneck Rustlers (KS) - 0578
Rock River Valley (WI) - 0254
Sac County (IA) - 0142
St Louis/Carlton (MN) - 0633
Stearns County (MN) - 0009
Top O' Texas (TX) - 3222
Twin Rivers (IA) - 0046
Ventura County (CA) - 3182
Wapello County (IA) - 0155
Winnebago/Hancock (IA) - 0021
Wyandot County (OH) - 0490
Yellowstone Valley (MT) - 0434