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ABOUT NFWF

Chartered by Congress in 1984, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) protects and restores the nation's fish, wildlife, plants and habitats. Working with federal, corporate and individual partners, NFWF has funded more than 6,000 organizations and generated a total conservation impact of \$8.1 billion.

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Herd of elk in West Virginia

OVERVIEW

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) and Walmart announced its 19th year of funding through the Acres for America program, one of the most effective public-private partnerships in the history of U.S. land conservation efforts. Ten new grants totaling \$5.6 million were awarded to projects in California, Delaware, Indiana, Kansas, Maine, Michigan, Oklahoma, Utah and Virginia toward the protection of more than 148,000 acres. These ten awards will leverage an additional \$107.3 million in matching contributions, creating a total conservation impact of \$112.9 million.

Acres for America is NFWF's premier land conservation program. Since 2005, NFWF and Walmart have supported conserving critical habitats for birds, fish, plants and wildlife; connecting existing protected lands to unify wild places and protected migration routes; providing access for people to enjoy the outdoors; and safeguarding the future of local economies that depend on forestry, ranching and recreation.

Since its inception, Acres for America has funded 119 projects in 47 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico to permanently protect 2.1 million acres — far surpassing its original goal of 100,000 acres.



Lesser prairie chickens

Conserving Rock Hill Farm to Protect Wildlife and Connectivity in White Clay Creek State Farm (DE)

Grantee: The Conservation Fund

Conserving the Sandhills Ranch to Benefit Native Rangeland Habitat (KS)

Grantee: The Nature Conservancy

Grant Amount: \$750,000
Matching Funds:
Total Project Amount:\$2,251,600
Conserve 10,086 acre Sandhills Ranch, which is the largest
remaining ranch along the Arkansas River. Project will create
a permanent anchor of high-quality wildlife habitat for a
broad range of wildlife such as mule and whitetail deer,
as well as a variety of grassland birds including the recent
Endangered Species Act-listed lesser prairie chicken.

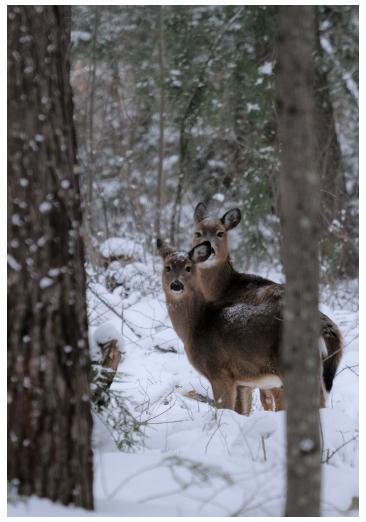
Creating a Buffer to Zion National Park for Wildlife Habitat and Recreation Benefit (UT)

Protecting Busseron Creek and Establishing a New Fish and Wildlife Area (IN)

Protecting and Enhancing Katahdin Woods (ME)

Protecting Michigamme Highlands for Sustainable Forest Management, Public Access and Habitat (MI)

Grantee: Michigan Department of Natural Resources
Grant Amount: \$550,000
Matching Funds: \$15,525,000
Total Project Amount: \$16,075,000
Acquire a working forest conservation easement over
73,000 acres of vast forests, remote lakes, trout streams,
Michigan's highest elevation, moose-inhabited swamps and



Whitetailed deer | Credit: Michigan Department of Natural Resources

the most climate resilient landscape in Michigan. Project will prevent fragmentation, ensure sustainable forest management, offer full public recreational motorized and non-motorized access, and protect habitat for a variety of game and non-game species, including both federal and state listed threatened and endangered species.

Preserving the Oklahoma Crosstimbers for the Community and Wildlife Habitat (OK)

Protecting Redwood Timberland to Create a Buffer to Redwood National Park (CA)

Grantee: The Trust for Public Land
Grant Amount: \$700,000
Matching Funds:\$5,850,000
Total Project Amount:\$6,550,000
Establish a conservation easement on 11,070 acres of
mature redwood timberland adjacent to Redwood National
Park. Project will create a buffer to the national park and
prevent future development and fragmentation of the highly
trafficked area.

Protecting a Working Ranch for the Benefit of Agriculutral Production and Wildlife Migration (UT) Grantee: Summit Land Conservancy

Reacquiring Ancestral Lands at Fones Cliff to Restore Wildlife Habitat, Phase III (VA)

Grantee: Rappahannock Tribe
Grant Amount: \$500,000
Matching Funds:\$3,000,000
Total Project Amount:\$3,500,000
Acquire and protect 964 acres at Fones Cliffs for the benefit
of wildlife habitat and public access. Project will increase
connectivity and ecological value of protected lands, protect
irreplaceable archeological resources, migratory bird
habitat, and nesting, roosting, and migration habitat for
bald eagles.