

MISSISSIPPI NAWCA PROJECTS

\$11,874,302 **\$35,217,531** **17** **65,988**

NAWCA GRANT AMOUNT TOTAL PARTNER CONTRIBUTION NUMBER OF PROJECTS TOTAL ACRES

Mississippi currently has 17 NAWCA projects either completed or underway. These projects have conserved a total of 65,988 acres of wildlife habitat. NAWCA funding of more than \$11.8 million stimulated partner contributions of over \$35.2 million. These figures do not include multi-state projects.

MAV PUBLIC LANDS ENHANCEMENT

The MAV Public Lands Enhancement project will be the first phase of proposals aimed at protection and enhancement of priority wetlands in the Lower Mississippi Alluvial Valley (LMAV) on public lands through leveraging strategic private land conservation easements in Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi.

The LMAV supports a rich diversity of wetlands and wetland dependent wildlife species. Forested, scrub-shrub, emergent wetlands and associated uplands in the region provide migration and wintering habitat for millions of wetland dependent wildlife and associated migratory birds. However, the LMAV has lost a substantial amount of its wetlands due to human altered hydrology and conversion to agriculture.

The completion of proposed work will build on past NAWCA investments in wetland conservation in the LMAV that will set a foundation for future efforts to help mitigate some of the habitat degradations and ensure that the LMAV continues to fulfill its historical role as one of the most important landscapes in North America for continental populations of waterfowl, wading birds, shorebirds and other wetland-dependent migratory birds. The partners are working together to implement long-term wetland conservation strategies to meet regionally specific goals and objectives of these science-based plans. Grant funds will be combined with match and federal non-match funds from five partners to complete protection and enhancement of 1,631 acres on four proposal sites in the LMAV in Mississippi, Louisiana and Arkansas. All tracts are protected either as public lands or through a conservation easement and will provide wildlife habitat in perpetuity. Once implemented, all tracts will help compensate for the long-term loss and degradation of palustrine emergent, palustrine forested and palustrine scrub/shrub wetlands in the LMAV.

The projects taking place on public lands will improve the capability of managers to more efficiently manage larger wetland areas for the benefit of waterfowl, other waterbirds and wetland dependent wildlife. The enhancement work will also provide additional recreational and educational opportunities for public benefit. Protection of the privately owned tract will secure a large intact forested complex as conservation land in perpetuity through a donated conservation easement.

	PROJECT NAME	GRANT AMOUNT	PARTNER CONTRIBUTION	TOTAL INVESTMENT	TOTAL ACRES
1.	**LOWER MISSISSIPPI DELTA WETLANDS	\$999,481	\$2,027,505	\$3,026,986	3,092
2.	**MAV WETLANDS CONSERVATION I	\$999,623	\$2,125,250	\$3,124,873	4,147
3.	MISSISSIPPI WETLANDS CONSERVATION INITIATIVE	\$876,479	\$2,117,537	\$2,994,016	4,436
4.	MISSISSIPPI WETLANDS CONSERVATION INITIATIVE II	\$999,830	\$2,278,618	\$3,278,448	2,719
5.	INDIANOLA WMA WETLAND HABITAT ENHANCEMENTS	\$999,504	\$3,719,159	\$4,718,663	2,233
6.	THEODORE ROOSEVELT NWR COMPLEX WETLANDS REST & ENH III	\$1,000,000	\$2,366,518	\$3,366,518	1,347
7.	THEODORE ROOSEVELT NWR COMPLEX - WETLAND HAB REST & AG RUN-OFF ABATEMENT	\$75,000	\$106,022	\$181,022	450
8.	THEODORE ROOSEVELT NWR COMPLEX WETLANDS REST & ENH II	\$921,209	\$4,688,502	\$5,609,711	2,792
9.	MISSISSIPPI DELTA WMA WETLAND HABITAT ENHANCEMENTS	\$999,521	\$2,284,526	\$3,284,047	5,430
10.	THEODORE ROOSEVELT NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE COMPLEX WETLANDS	\$881,234	\$2,250,157	\$3,131,391	3,601
11.	MALMAISON WMA FORESTED WETLANDS ENHANCEMENT	\$591,646	\$1,417,081	\$2,008,727	2,159
12.	O'KEEFE WMA WETLANDS RESTORATION	\$652,933	\$3,174,550	\$3,827,483	5,640
13.	UPPER PASCAGOULA CONNECTOR PROJECT	\$855,842	\$2,045,766	\$2,901,608	2,754
14.	BUTLER LAKE WATERSHED REFORESTATION & WEIR STABILIZATION	\$50,000	\$105,700	\$155,700	948
15.	GRAND BAY NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE	\$533,000	\$3,800,000	\$4,333,000	2,740
16.	MISSISSIPPI DELTA II	\$239,000	\$432,200	\$671,200	11,500
17.	MISSISSIPPI DELTA	\$200,000	\$278,440	\$478,440	10,000
	TOTAL:	\$11,874,302	\$35,217,531	\$47,091,833	65,988

**Indicates project funded in 2016

MISSISSIPPI MULTI-STATE PROJECTS

\$10,898,141

NAWCA GRANT AMOUNT

\$39,317,972

TOTAL PARTNER CONTRIBUTION

15

NUMBER OF PROJECTS

356,139

TOTAL ACRES

Mississippi currently has 15 NAWCA multi-state projects either completed or underway. These projects have conserved a total of 356,139 acres of wildlife habitat. NAWCA funding of more than \$10.8 million stimulated partner contributions of over \$39.3 million.

	PROJECT NAME	GRANT AMOUNT	PARTNER CONTRIBUTION	TOTAL INVESTMENT	TOTAL ACRES
1.	BIOLOGICAL CONTROL OF PURPLE LOOSESTRIFE - DEMO PROJ	\$100,000	\$151,255	\$251,255	1,250
2.	MISSISSIPPI ALLUVIAL VALLEY	\$1,131,185	\$1,841,314	\$2,972,499	11,876
3.	LOWER MISSISSIPPI VALLEY ECOSYSTEM	\$955,898	\$2,288,736	\$3,244,634	33,187
4.	LOWER MISSISSIPPI VALLEY WETLANDS	\$1,000,000	\$4,290,292	\$5,290,292	6,035
5.	LOWER MISSISSIPPI VALLEY ECOSYSTEM IV	\$1,000,000	\$2,442,615	\$3,442,615	18,282
6.	WETLANDS PROTECTION, REST & ENH ON PVT LANDS IN LMV AND GULF COASTAL PLAIN II	\$495,000	\$5,729,797	\$6,224,797	25,698
7.	LOWER MISSISSIPPI VALLEY ECOSYSTEM III	\$999,667	\$3,592,576	\$4,592,243	45,673
8.	PRIVATE LANDS IN THE LOWER MISSISSIPPI VALLEY & GULF COASTAL PLAIN	\$450,000	\$3,550,000	\$4,000,000	20,000
9.	WETLANDS ENH. / REST. & REFORESTATION ON PRIVATE LANDS LMV II	\$686,342	\$1,554,103	\$2,240,445	32,000
10.	WETLANDS ENH. / REST. & REFORESTATION ON PRIVATE LANDS LMV	\$254,760	\$642,114	\$896,874	36,000
11.	LOWER MISSISSIPPI VALLEY ECOSYSTEM II	\$999,655	\$2,295,999	\$3,295,654	31,292
12.	WETLANDS RESTORATION PRIVATE LANDS LMV 1994	\$363,100	\$1,278,583	\$1,641,683	22,250
13.	ARK - LA - MISS WETLANDS CONSERVATION I	\$989,150	\$2,563,784	\$3,552,934	39,913
14.	MISSISSIPPI DELTA WMA WETLAND HABITAT ENHANCEMENTS II	\$999,384	\$5,900,566	\$6,899,950	9,683
15.	WETLANDS RESTORATION PRIVATE LANDS LMV	\$474,000	\$1,196,238	\$1,670,238	23,000
	TOTAL:	\$10,898,141	\$39,317,972	\$50,216,113	356,139

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