

MONTANA NAWCA PROJECTS

\$26,485,033 **\$114,734,090** **39** **393,295**

NAWCA GRANT AMOUNT TOTAL PARTNER CONTRIBUTION NUMBER OF PROJECTS TOTAL ACRES

Montana currently has 39 NAWCA projects either completed or underway. These projects have conserved a total of 393,295 acres of wildlife habitat. NAWCA funding of more than \$26.4 million stimulated partner contributions of over \$114.7 million. These figures do not include multi-state projects.

MONTANA HI-LINE PRAIRIE WETLAND PROJECT

The wetlands and associated uplands of the Project area in north-central and northeast Montana provide important habitat for waterfowl, particularly for mallards and northern pintail. Using the mallard model computer analysis, partners confirmed that the major factor limiting increased duck production in the Project area is wetland availability. They concluded that the management actions with the greatest potential to increase waterfowl production are restoring and creating wetlands to attract more breeding ducks and protecting existing, highly productive wetlands and associated perennial nesting cover (native prairie and Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) grasslands). With this direction, partners will acquire 14,400 acres through fee title and 18,535 acres through conservation easement.

Restoration activities will occur on 600 acres and enhancement on 26,235 acres. The fresh, brackish, and alkali wetlands will also benefit breeding and migrating shorebirds and other waterbirds. Two large white pelican nesting colonies and more than 90 percent of Montana's breeding population of the threatened piping plover are associated with these habitats. Partners will enhance and expand the plover's nesting beaches by spreading the bird's preferred nesting material, gravel, on suitable shoreline sites of alkali wetlands. The Project area's native prairie and CRP lands host continentally declining grassland birds, such as mountain plover, marbled godwit, burrowing owl, lark bunting, Sprague's pipit, and chestnut-collared longspur. Partners will enhance grassland habitats by establishing rest-rotation grazing systems on the landscape's Tribal and private lands.

	PROJECT NAME	GRANT AMOUNT	PARTNER CONTRIBUTION	TOTAL INVESTMENT	TOTAL ACRES
1.	**MONTANA HI-LINE PRAIRIE WETLAND VI	\$1,000,000	\$1,994,865	\$2,994,865	7,349
2.	**RING - NECKED DUCK CONSERVATION AREA	\$75,000	\$285,700	\$360,700	75
3.	BENTON LAKE NWR	\$75,000	\$122,000	\$197,000	2,194

WATERSHED RESTORATION PHASE II					
4.	CROWN OF THE CONTINENT EAST	\$1,000,000	\$3,283,770	\$4,283,770	8,610
5.	GLACIATED VALLEYS OF NORTHWEST MONTANA III	\$993,700	\$6,089,005	\$7,082,705	1,557
6.	MONTANA HI-LINE PRAIRIE WETLAND V	\$1,000,000	\$2,329,000	\$3,329,000	7,244
7.	BIG LAKE WETLAND RESTORATION	\$75,000	\$343,025	\$418,025	1,184
8.	HEADWATERS HABITAT PROJECT	\$75,000	\$221,700	\$296,700	388
9.	MONTANA HI-LINE PRAIRIE WETLAND IV	\$938,232	\$2,214,632	\$3,152,864	11,629
10.	CENTENNIAL VALLEY RESTORATION & PROTECTION PROJECT III	\$1,000,000	\$3,120,664	\$4,120,664	6,215
11.	MONTANA HI-LINE PRAIRIE WETLAND PROJECT III	\$1,000,000	\$1,889,686	\$2,889,686	19,976
12.	CRAZY WOMAN BISON RANCH CONSERVATION EASEMENT	\$75,000	\$155,000	\$230,000	2,466
13.	ROCKY MOUNTAIN FRONT PROTECTION PROJECT III	\$1,000,000	\$9,284,000	\$10,284,000	20,745
14.	BIG HOLE RESTORATION & PROTECTION II	\$1,000,000	\$3,793,520	\$4,793,520	10,182
15.	CENTENNIAL VALLEY RESTORATION & PROTECTION PROJECT II	\$1,000,000	\$3,540,283	\$4,540,283	9,822
16.	PILSTER RESERVOIR / WETLANDS RESTORATION & ENHANCEMENT	\$75,000	\$129,400	\$204,400	130
17.	TELLER WETLAND-RIPARIAN RESTORATION PROJECT	\$75,000	\$96,662	\$171,662	177
18.	BLACKFOOT WATERSHED II	\$1,000,000	\$4,954,553	\$5,954,553	16,560
19.	GLACIATED VALLEYS OF NORTHWEST MONTANA II	\$1,000,000	\$5,722,626	\$6,722,626	2,155
20.	ROCKY MOUNTAIN FRONT PROTECTION PROJECT II	\$1,000,000	\$3,758,668	\$4,758,668	15,915
21.	BIG HOLE RESTORATION & PROTECTION I	\$811,149	\$1,633,889	\$2,445,038	4,452
22.	CENTENNIAL VALLEY RESTORATION & PROTECTION PROJECT I	\$1,000,000	\$3,788,600	\$4,788,600	12,149
23.	MONTANA HI-LINE PRAIRIE WETLAND PROJECT II	\$1,000,000	\$1,614,687	\$2,614,687	22,997
24.	CARTER PONDS RESTORATION & ENHANCEMENT PROJECT	\$75,000	\$262,406	\$337,406	52
25.	MADISON / GALLATIN WETLANDS CONSERVATION PROJECT II	\$1,000,000	\$6,260,998	\$7,260,998	4,911
26.	THE BITTERROOT WETLAND CONSERVATION CORRIDOR	\$75,000	\$309,201	\$384,201	553

27.	MADISON - GALLATIN WETLANDS CONSERVATION PROJECT I	\$1,000,000	\$14,467,805	\$15,467,805	5,955
28.	BEAVERHEAD WETLAND PROTECTION PROJECT III	\$1,000,000	\$2,380,380	\$3,380,380	11,026
29.	GLACIATED VALLEYS OF NORTHWEST MONTANA	\$929,952	\$5,459,006	\$6,388,958	3,934
30.	BLACKFOOT WATERSHED I	\$1,000,000	\$4,929,735	\$5,929,735	16,022
31.	BULL RIVER WATERSHED PROTECTION PROJECT	\$50,000	\$150,242	\$200,242	759
32.	MONTANA HI-LINE PRAIRIE WETLAND PROJECT	\$1,000,000	\$2,747,060	\$3,747,060	60,595
33.	ROCKY MOUNTAIN FRONT PROTECTION PROJECT I	\$1,000,000	\$4,645,617	\$5,645,617	27,098
34.	WEAVER SLOUGH	\$50,000	\$100,000	\$150,000	75
35.	BEAVERHEAD WETLAND PROTECTION PROJECT II	\$1,000,000	\$4,963,300	\$5,963,300	16,775
36.	BEAVERHEAD WETLAND	\$1,000,000	\$2,690,000	\$3,690,000	4,346
37.	MILK RIVER BASIN	\$297,000	\$1,847,000	\$2,144,000	5,087
38.	NE MONTANA PRAIRIE POTHOLE II	\$640,000	\$2,337,905	\$2,977,905	28,674
39.	NE MONTANA PRAIRIE POTHOLE	\$100,000	\$817,500	\$917,500	23,264
TOTAL:		\$26,485,033	\$114,734,090	\$141,219,123	393,297

**Indicates project funded in 2016

MONTANA MULTI-STATE PROJECTS

\$1,100,000

\$7,669,455

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NAWCA GRANT AMOUNT

TOTAL PARTNER CONTRIBUTION

NUMBER OF PROJECTS

TOTAL ACRES

Montana currently has 2 multi-state projects either completed or underway. These projects have conserved a total of 3,090 acres of wildlife habitat. NAWCA funding of over \$1.1 million stimulated partner contributions of more than \$7.6 million.

PROJECT NAME	GRANT AMOUNT	PARTNER CONTRIBUTION	TOTAL INVESTMENT	TOTAL ACRES
BIOLOGICAL CONTROL OF PURPLE LOOSESTRIFE - DEMO PROJ	\$100,000	\$151,255	\$251,255	1,250
LOWER CLARK FORK RIVER / LAKE PEND OREILLE WATERSHED	\$1,000,000	\$7,518,200	\$8,518,200	1,840
TOTAL:	\$1,100,000	\$7,669,455	\$8,769,455	3,090

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