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About National Fish and Wildlife Foundation

Who We Are

- One of the nation's largest non-profit funders for fish and wildlife conservation
- Chartered by Congress in 1984 as an independent 501(c)(3)
- Governed by a 30-member Board of Directors approved by the Secretary of Interior, including the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Director and NOAA Administrator
- Transparent and accountable to Congress, federal agencies, and the public

What We Do

- Protect, restore and enhance our nation's natural heritage
- Engineer creative solutions to address conservation challenges for fish, wildlife, plants and habitats
- Create common ground between public and private sectors

How We Do It

- Provide grants to conservation organizations and agencies to implement science-based conservation plans
- Leverage public funding with private contributions (average 3:1) to achieve shared conservation outcomes.
- Manage and disburse funds that originate from court orders, settlements of legal cases, regulatory permits, licenses, and restoration and mitigation plans under IDEA (Impact Directed Environmental Accounts) program as a neutral, third-party fiduciary

Our Success

- Since 1984, NFWF has awarded more than 12,100 grants to over 4,000 organizations and leveraged \$618 million in federal funds into over \$2.1 billion for conservation
- In FY 2011, NFWF leveraged \$46 million in federal funds for a total conservation investment of \$130 million
- NFWF currently works with 14 federal partners and more than 50 corporate and foundation partners
- NFWF's IDEA (Impact Directed Environmental Accounts) program manages more than \$120 million in mitigation funds to accomplish positive conservation outcomes

Our Conservation Focus

- Restoring and protecting imperiled species
- Promoting healthy oceans and estuaries
- Improving working landscapes for wildlife
- Advancing sustainable fisheries
- Conserving water for wildlife and people

Learn more at www.nfwf.org.

Conservation Projects in the Gulf of Mexico



Across the Gulf, NFWF supports projects to protect and restore fish and wildlife and their habitats.

NFWF has been a conservation leader in the Gulf for more than two decades. Prior to the 2010 Deepwater Horizon explosion, we supported over 450 projects to protect and restore fish, wildlife and their habitats, with a total value of more than \$128 million.

After the oil spill, NFWF led an immediate response to minimize the impact on the species most at risk — sea turtles, shorebirds, water birds and migratory waterfowl. We have supported more than 75 projects and administered \$22.9 million under the Recovered Oil Fund for Wildlife and other funding sources to bolster the populations of species affected by the spill and develop conservation strategies to protect fish, wildlife and their habitats.

These projects include:

- Restoring over 500,000 acres of wetland habitat to benefit hundreds of thousands of migratory waterfowl, shorebirds and songbirds each year.
- Improving sea turtle hatchling success across 78 miles of priority Florida beaches, resulting in approximately 80,000 to 100,000 additional sea turtle hatchlings annually.
- Enhancing the capacity of 14 wildlife rescue facilities to treat injured marine mammals and sea turtles.
- Protecting critical bird nesting sites on 30 islands and beaches.
- Restoring oyster reefs which protect sensitive coastal habitat.

Learn more at www.nfwf.org/gulfresponse