



U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Mission

Our mission is to work with others to conserve, protect and enhance fish, wildlife and plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people.

FWS Federal Financial Assistance

- 44 programs in Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA)
- Additional 5 programs pending CFDA approval
- Total Federal Funds Expended in FY 2008
\$1,074,000,000

FWS Expenditure History

Financial Assistance vs. Contracts

FY	Assistance (BOC 41)	Contracts (BOC 25)
2008	\$1,073,615,103	\$232,589,123
2007	\$1,083,126,111	\$281,991,167
2006	\$1,044,622,280	\$279,857,958
2005	\$1,003,399,848	\$281,546,471
2004	\$899,601,562	\$205,813,499
2003	\$1,054,993,046	\$256,828,834
2002	\$697,770,347	\$213,808,230
1992	\$400,357,347	\$154,239,749

The Future is Here . . .

- Service's conservation business model is built on landscape level conservation
- Landscape level conservation can't be done alone - requires partners
- Partners receive support funds through cooperative agreements or grants
- Service spends over 55% of funds available on financial assistance to partners

FWS Top Ten Programs FY 2008 Expenditures

Sport Fish Restoration	\$ 347,650,000
Wildlife Restoration	\$ 258,695,000
Endangered Species Act	\$ 74,138,000
State Wildlife	\$ 71,087,000
North American Wetlands Conservation	\$ 34,046,000
Landowner Incentive Program	\$ 19,846,000
Partners for Fish and Wildlife	\$ 16,200,000
National Outreach and Communications	\$ 13,467,000
Coastal Wetlands Conservation	\$ 11,034,000
Clean Vessel Act	\$ 10,798,000



The Wildlife Restoration Program

- The Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act was signed into law on September 2, 1937
- Funds are distributed to states based on land area and number of licensed hunters
- In 2009, \$336 million was apportioned to state fish and wildlife agencies – which comes from excise taxes on hunting equipment
- Federal funds are matched with state license revenue (75/25)





Wildlife Restoration Act

11% tax on
firearms and
ammunition

10% tax on pistols,
handguns and revolvers

11% tax on
bows, quivers,
broadheads, points
\$.43 per arrow shaft

Revenue transferred or deposited to the account



Interest
earned on
fund



North American
Wetlands
Conservation Fund

Deductions from account



WSFR Administration
\$\$ based on 2000
Improvement Act

\$3 M
Multistate
Conservation
Grant Program

\$8 M
Section 10
Hunter Education & Shooting
Range Enhancement

Section 4 (c)
1/2 of taxes collected on pistols,
revolvers, bows, quivers,
broadheads, shafts, apportioned to
states/insular areas
Hunter Education

Distribution of remaining funds

Apportioned to states/insular areas
for Wildlife Restoration Program

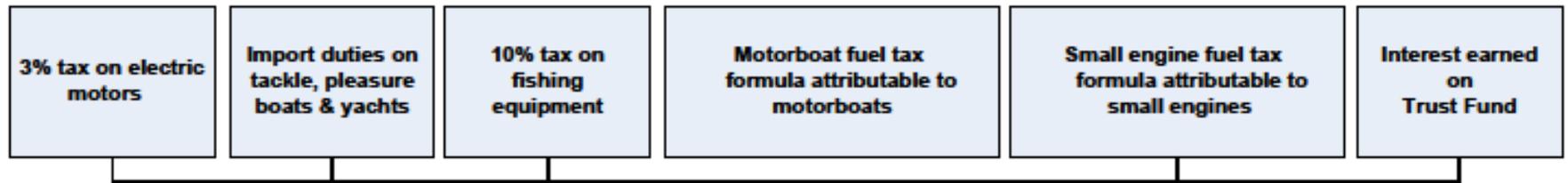


The Sport Fish Restoration Program

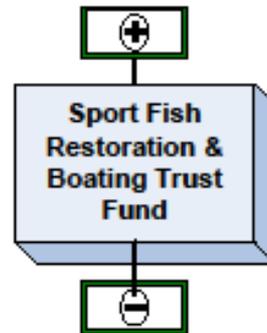
- The Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act was signed into law on August 9, 1950. Often called Wallop-Breaux for sponsors of a 1983 amendment that more than doubled the funding
- Funds are apportioned to the states based on land and water area and number of licensed anglers.
- Federal funding comes from an excise tax on angler-related equipment and from motor boat fuels
 - In 2009, over \$404 million went to state fish and wildlife agencies – which was matched with state license revenue (75/25)



Sport Fish Restoration Act



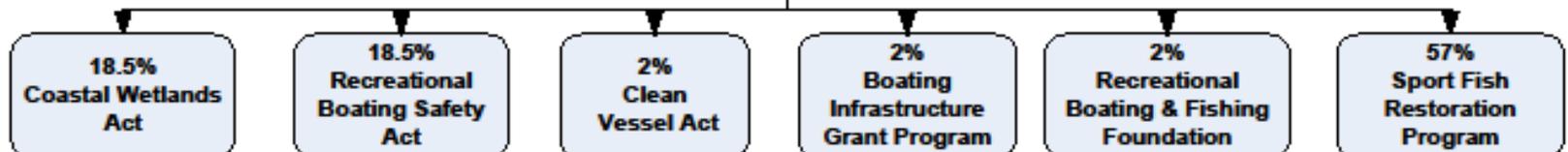
Revenue transferred or deposited to the Trust Fund



Deductions from the Trust Fund



Distribution of remaining funds



Cycle of Success in Sport Fish and Wildlife Restoration Programs



Anglers, Boaters,
Hunters & Shooters



**Purchases of
Equipment
and Boat Fuel**

- Excise Taxes on Fishing and Hunting Equipment
- Motorboat and Small Engine Fuels Taxes
- Import Duties
- Interest on Deposits

**Sport Fish & Wildlife
Restoration Trust Funds**



**State Fish &
Wildlife Agencies**



Benefits to Users

- Improved Boating, Fishing, Hunting and Shooting Opportunities
- Protection of Critical Fish and Wildlife Habitat
- Opportunities for Other Types of Wildlife-associated Recreation



Projects

- Restoration of Fish and Wildlife Species and Habitat
- Boating and Fishing Access
- Land Acquisition
- Habitat Management
- Facilities Construction
- Operation and Maintenance

2006 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation

12.5 million hunters in United States

- Annually, hunters spend 220 million days hunting and \$22.9 billion on trips and equipment etc.

30 million anglers in United States

- Annually, anglers spend 517 million days fishing and \$42.2 billion on trips and equipment etc.

71.1 million wildlife watchers in America

- Annually spend about \$45.7 billion, including \$23.2 billion on equipment



Benefits for wildlife, habitat, people...



Questions and Comments?

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