

Missouri NWTf Hunting Heritage State Super Fund Projects



Since 1985 over \$3,047,596 has been raised and spent by Missouri chapters on projects within the state. A sampling of these projects is provided below.

Habitat Enhancement [\$1,064,308]

...to purchase equipment and complete habitat improvement projects such as invasive species control, native warm season grass conversion and prescribed burning on state and federally managed lands as well as private lands through cost share programs within the state.

Education [\$469,222]

...on educational programs and literature including local scholarship contributions of more than \$25,000, education boxes, 4-H and teacher workshops and educational projects for volunteers and professionals.

Outreach Events [\$201,307]

...to introduce youth, women and people with disabilities to outdoor activities, conservation and hunting through JAKES, Women in the Outdoors and Wheelin' Sportsmen. Sponsored 610 outreach events throughout the state.

Turkey Restoration [\$173,116]

...to trap and transfer turkeys including purchasing trapping equipment and reimbursing other states for expenses related to trapping and transferring 127 donated turkeys.



Management [\$139,481]

...on wild turkey management including operating wild turkey check stations, conducting hunter surveys, completing wild turkey management plans and purchasing equipment to support law enforcement and management activities.

Hunting Heritage [\$126,312]

...to protect and promote the hunting tradition through contributing to the U.S. Sportsmen's Alliance and the National Shooting Sports Foundation and supporting the Missouri

Sportsmen's Caucus, the National Archery in the Schools Program and local youth shooting programs.

Hunter Safety [\$66,779]

...to support hunter safety classes and initiatives and purchase hunter safety materials and equipment, including interactive shooting systems.

Land Purchase [\$21,000]

...to purchase 683 acres of land or conservation easements to preserve wildlife habitat and provide additional hunting areas.

Next Event: _____

Date: _____

Where: _____

Contact: _____

TURKEYS FOR TOMORROW



Habitat Enhancement

Goal Expand and support prescribed fire efforts during the next five years in all areas of Missouri except the southeastern swamplands along the Mississippi River Alluvial Basin.

Goal Increase timber stand improvement on private forests, primarily in the Ozark Highlands in the southern portion of the state, to clear overstocked forests that dominate the landscape and keep sunlight from reaching the forest floor.

Goal Restore savanna and woodland habitat in all but the Mississippi River Alluvial Basin.

Goal Assist in the restoration and expansion of Native Warm Season Grass habitats.

Hunter Access

Goal Advocate the concept of no net loss of public hunting lands.

Goal Promote public land access and hunting in state, federal and local land management plans.

Goal Support legislation and programs that preserve hunting and/or reduce the threat of the urbanization of private lands.

Goal Work with corporate partners and other industrial landowners to provide more hunting opportunities.

Goal Reduce landowner concerns about hunting and access issues through targeted educational programs.

Goal Influence legislation and funding for programs that provide critical long-term land access opportunities for hunters.

Goal Strengthen grassroots involvement in public land management planning.

Wild Turkey Research

Goal Partner with the Missouri Department of Conservation, other agencies and local universities to address issues concerning wild turkeys, and support an existing gobbling chronology study to address concerns about season structures and investigate declining turkey populations in southwestern and northeastern Missouri.

Outreach and Education

Goal Further the NWTf's mission locally and statewide by assisting local chapters with JAKES, Women in the Outdoors and Wheelin' Sportsmen NWTf outreach events, funding local scholarships and providing schools with Wild About Turkey Education Boxes.

Goal Support shooting programs at the state and local levels through 4-H and NASP development

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