

# Utah NWTF Hunting Heritage State Super Fund Projects



Since 1985 over \$1,164,376 has been raised and spent by Utah chapters on projects within the state. A sampling of these projects is provided below.

## Turkey Restoration [\$574,712]

...to trap and transfer turkeys within the state, the purchase of trapping equipment such as nets, rockets and rocket charges and to reimburse other states for expenses related to the trap and transfer of 3,373 donated turkeys.

## Education [\$61,574]

...on educational programs and literature including scholarships, education boxes, 4-H and teacher workshops and educational projects for volunteers and professionals.

## Habitat Enhancement [\$59,655]

...on habitat improvement projects that have impacted more than 4,724 acres within the state.

## Outreach Events [\$54,341]

...to introduce youth, women and people with disabilities to outdoor activities, conservation and hunting through JAKES and Women in the Outdoors.



## Hunting Heritage [\$29,006]

...to protect and promote the hunting tradition including contributions to the U.S. Sportsmen's Alliance and the National Shooting Sports Foundation.

## Research [\$17,021]

...on wild turkey research including equipment related to research such as radio telemetry equipment.

## Management [\$6,016]

...on wild turkey management including the operation of wild turkey check stations, hunter success and satisfaction surveys, completion of wild turkey management plans and the purchase of equipment to support law enforcement and management activities.

## Rewards [\$2,759]

...to protect wild turkeys and other wildlife through support of state sponsored reward programs, the printing of reward signs and reward payments.

## TURKEYS FOR TOMORROW



NORTH AMERICAN  
WILD TURKEY  
MANAGEMENT PLAN

### Population Management

**Goal** Establish wild turkey populations in all suitable habitats throughout Utah.

**Goal** Continue conducting in-state trapping of over-abundant wild turkeys and transplanting them to suitable sites.

### Habitat Enhancement

**Goal** Improve the quality of wild turkey habitat throughout Utah. Use conservation permit and NWTF national project funds to target habitat improvement projects on public lands.

**Goal** Pursue and implement Forest Stewardship projects to improve habitats for wild turkeys and other wildlife on a landscape-wide basis.

**Goal** Support the Utah Watershed Initiative and Utah Wildlife Action Plan, and participate in the Utah Partnership Conservation Development (UPCD) regional coordination meetings.

**Goal** Support using prescribed burns for habitat management.

**Goal** Restore riparian ecosystems – or areas near rivers and streams – by managing invasive species and encouraging regeneration of native species

**Goal** Support Farm Bill programs that provide assistance for enhancing wildlife habitat on private lands.

**Goal** Support efforts to mitigate and enhance wildlife habitat on rights of way, energy development lands, and corporate properties to benefit all wildlife.

### Hunter Access

**Goal** Support the Utah Walk-In-Access program, which can provide public hunting opportunities to relieve depredation complaints and utilize special opportunity hunts for youth, people with disabilities, women, etc..

**Goal** Support the strategic acquisition of public hunting lands.

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

**Goal** Support and influence legislation related to access, hunting and conservation of public and private lands.

### Wild Turkey Research

**Goal** Support an ongoing turkey food habits study using stable isotopes to determine turkey food preferences in a variety of turkey habitats in Utah.

**Goal** Work with the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources and land grant universities to identify additional funding sources to compliment NWTF research.

### Outreach

**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.

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Next Event:

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Where:

Contact: