

Water for Wildlife® Foundation



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The Water for Wildlife® Foundation (WFWF) works to preserve and protect both habitat and wildlife in areas lacking the most vital resource of all – water. Starting in 1975, water development projects were completed primarily for the benefit of Pronghorn antelope in the western United States. Over the last two

decades, the program and projects completed have expanded to include projects benefiting not only Pronghorn antelope, but all big game species, upland game birds, waterfowl, and numerous non-game species of mammals and birds. From Kansas to California, WFWF has helped provide supplemental water resources for wildlife in twelve western states to date.



Wildlife have been known to expand their ranges into previously unoccupied habitats once water has been developed. Across the West, native species and their

habitats have been adversely affected by drought. Annual precipitation in some of the arid portions of the West may be less than 6". By providing permanent and reliable supplemental water sources, Water for



Wildlife® has improved seasonal and year-round habitats for wildlife. Provide water, and wildlife will come. Types of projects include guzzlers, springs, wetlands, conversions to solar wells, etc. Each water project is uniquely designed to take maximum advantage of location, conditions, and topography.

One of the keys to success is the close cooperation with state game and fish departments, the Bureau of Land Management, other state and federal agencies, and other non-profit conservation groups to ensure the proper placement and design of

projects to achieve maximum benefit. These agencies and organizations, with the help of wildlife biologists and other natural resource professionals, have assisted Water for Wildlife® in the development of over 400 supplemental water sources throughout the West. Through the careful placement, management and maintenance of water developments, WFWF has helped hundreds of different wild species thrive in arid

western landscapes. Bighorn sheep and the Greater Sage-grouse are two iconic western species that Water for Wildlife® projects have specifically benefitted.

The Water for Wildlife® Foundation is committed to playing a pivotal role in the conservation of wildlife through the development of water resources. WFWF helps bridge the gaps between agencies and other partners to implement projects. Water for Wildlife® project applications should show at least a 1:1 cost share match. Water projects are ranked, and funding is approved based on



benefits to area wildlife, need for water, cost effectiveness, cost share partners identified, and public benefit. Funding levels vary from project to project, but typically range from \$1,500 - \$10,000. The Foundation is encouraging your agency or organization to partner with us to support our efforts of making water as accessible to wildlife as possible.

Please visit our website waterforwildlife.org or contact our office for a project proposal application.

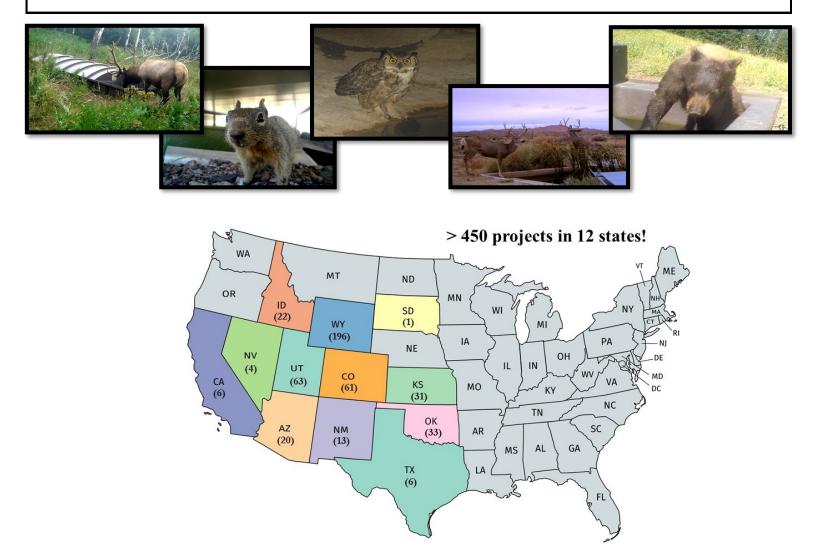
Application deadline: January 31 of each year

Notice of approval in March



Projects are developed from many different water sources:

- Placing solar powered pumps on existing wells
- Construction of guzzlers to trap and store available water from snowmelt and rain
- Improving natural springs or artesian wells through the construction of underground storage facilities
- Restoration of wetland and marsh habitats
- Stock tank overflow pond construction or reconstruction
- Improving wildlife vegetation around pre-existing water sources
- River and stream enhancements



Water for Wildlife® is looking to partner with entities in other western states to provide more water resources to wildlife!

Water Development Designs



Guzzlers (partially covered storage tank with catchment apron to collect precipitation)



















Natural spring and artesian well improvements













Restoration of wetland and marsh habitats







Solar powered wells with tanks













River/stream Enhancements (improve fish habitat, bank stability, and flood resilience)











Species Benefiting:

Amphibians

Bobcat

Badger

Blue Grouse

Bighorn Sheep

Bear

Bat

Chukar

Cottontail Rabbit

Coyote

Mourning Dove

Elk

Fish

Fox (red, gray, kit)

Golden Eagle

Great Blue Heron

Hungarian Partridge

Jackrabbit

Javelina

Migratory Birds

Mule Deer

Mountain Lion

Mountain Plover

Moose

Nongame species

Opossum

Passerine Birds

Pheasants

Pigeon

Prairie Chicken

Pronghorn Antelope

Quail

Raccoon

Raptors

Reptiles

Sage Grouse

Sharp-tailed Grouse

Skunk

Small Mammals

Squirrels

Swift fox

Waterfowl

White-tailed Deer

Wild Turkey











"Water is the driving force of all nature."
-Leonardo da Vinci



Project Partners (partial list):

Blackfoot River Bowmen

Bow Hunters of Wyoming

Brigham Young University

Bureau of Land Management

City of Lander, WY

Colorado Mule Deer Association

Colorado Wildlife Federation

Conservation Districts

Ducks Unlimited

Environmental Quality Incentive Program

Fremont County Recreation Board/Transportation

Goshen County Rooster Boosters

Habitat Partnership Program

Jonah Interagency Office/Pinedale Anticline Project

Mule Deer Foundation

Muley Fanatics Foundation of WY

National American Pronghorn Foundation

National Fish and Wildlife Foundation

National Wild Turkey Federation

Natural Resource Conservation Service

Pheasants Forever

Platte Valley Habitat Partnership

Popo Agie Anglers

Private Landowner/Permittees

Pittman Robertson-Federal Aid Funds

Rocky Mtn. Bighorn Society

Rocky Mtn. Elk Foundation

Safari Club International

South Central Sage Grouse Working Group

State Game and Fish Departments

The Nature Conservancy

Trout Unlimited

U.S. Dept. of Agriculture

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

U.S. Forest Service

Utah Chukar and Wildlife Foundation

Utah Habitat Council

U.S. Army Corp of Engineers

Wyoming Conservation Society

WY Governor's Big Game License Coalition

Wild Sheep Foundation (WY, CA Chapters)

WY Wildlife Natural Resource Trust

Wyoming Landscape Conservation Initiative

Wyoming Ranch Co.