



## **USFWS Pollinator Conservation**

## **U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service** Sergio Pierluissi

# **Since February**

Listing Decision ESA Changes CCAA Progress



## **Pollinator Pivot**

- Internal organization
- Recognize successes
- All scales matter

## Are we here?



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•	Environment Canada
	Canadian Wildlife Service

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# Voluntary Conservation Programs





# **Coastal Program**

#### PUBLIC LAW 109-294-OCT. 3, 2006

120 STAT. 1351

Partners for Fish and Wildlife Act. 16 USC 3771

16 USC 3771.

#### Public Law 109-294 109th Congress

#### An Act

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide technical and financial assistance to private landowners to restore, enhance, and manage private land to improve fish and wildlife habitats through the Partners for Fish and Wildlife Oct. 3, 2006 IS. 2601 Program.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Partners for Fish and Wildlife Act"

#### SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.

(a) FINDINGS.-Congress finds that-

(1) approximately 60 percent of fish and wildlife in the United States are on private land;

(2) it is imperative to facilitate private landowner-centered and results-oriented efforts that promote efficient and innova-tive ways to protect and enhance natural resources; (3) there is no readily available source of technical biological information that the public can access to assist with the applica-information that the public can access to assist with the applica-information that the public can access to assist with the applica-tion.

tion of state-of-the-art techniques to restore, enhance, and manage fish and wildlife habitats;

(4) a voluntary cost-effective program that leverages public and private funds to assist private landowners in the conduct of state-of-the-art fish and wildlife habitat restoration, enhance-

01 State-of-the-art iast and winne market resonance, enhanced ment, and management projects is needed; (6) durable partnerships working collaboratively with willing private landowners to implement on-the-ground projects has lead to the reduction of endangered species listing; (6) Executive Order No. 13352 (69 Fed. Reg. 52089) directs

the Departments of the Interior, Agriculture, Commerce, and Defense and the Environmental Protection Agency to pursue new cooperative conservation programs involving the collabora-tion of Federal, State, local, and tribal governments, private for-profit and non-profit institutions, non-governmental entities,

(7) since 1987, the Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program (7) since 1987, the Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program has exemplified cooperative conservation as an innovative, vol-untary partnership program that helps private landowners restore wetland and other important fish and wildlife habitat; and

(8) through 33,103 agreements with private landowners, the Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program has accomplished the restoration of 677,000 acres of wetland, 1,253,700 acres

## Where We Work

The Partners for Fish and Wildlife (PFW) Program collaborates with private landowners to conserve wildlife habitat on their lands. Through the assistance of our partners and stakeholders, we identified focus areas where our work is prioritized. In 2018, the overwhelming majority of conserved acres were within these established focus areas.

3,598 Wetland Acres 10,554 Upland Acres 14.7 Stream Miles

594 Private Landowners

**152 Partners** 

\$2.2M in Service Contributions \$5.6M Leveraged from others

= Focus Area

= FY18 Accomplishment





Brendan Woodall is pictured above spraying encroaching woody vegetation in order to promote habitat for the karner blue butterfly. The Wisconsin Private Lands Office has worked with over 25 landowners and improved over 500 acres of habitat for the karner blue through a Cooperative Recovery Initiative grant.



The Minnesota private landowner pictured above is excited about the prairie being restored in the background. This project will aid in the recovery of the federally endangered rusty-patched bumblebee.

restored their prairie.



A prescribed fire was used at this site in Michigan to restore the prairie.



Whorled milkweed pictured above went from barely present to abundant on a prairie restoration project in Illinois.



Chris Woodson, Missouri Private Lands Biologist, pictured on the far right, presents a picture of a monarch on a sunflower to a private landowner that



# 10,554 Upland Acres Conserved!











## National Wildlife Refuge Urban Program

# Working with Producers

Working Lands for Wildlife Conference Report Continued work with NRCS Working groups w/ MAFWA Increase in conservation grazing

# State/Regional Efforts

- **Missourians for Monarchs**  $\bullet$
- Several statewide monarch plans •
- Project Wingspan •
- **Tribal Alliance for Pollinators**  $\bullet$

#### ... among many others





**MISSOURIANS FOR MONARCHS** A Collaborative for Pollinators 2019 ANNUAL MEETING

#### BUTTERFLIES, BEES, AND BOTANICALS

Cross-pollination of ideas and successes for Monarchs and Pollinators in Missouri

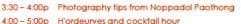
> September 10, 2019 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. **Belle-Bland Community Center** 200 Hwy 28, Belle, MO 65013



OIN US to reflect on how our members and Missouri citizens are helping to save this iconic species, what steps are needed next, and how you can help.

#### Event Agenda

- 9:00 10:00a Update on Collaborative and Monarch status 10:00 - 10:30a Collaborative members Success Stories 10:30 - 11:30a Breakout Sessions
- 11:30 1:00p Lunch served (partial working lunch) Noppadol Paothong, Wildlife Photographer 12:00 - 1:00p 1:00 - 3:30p Sassman property tours 3:30 - 4:00p Photography tips from Noppadol Paothona







Presentation by award-winning Wildlife Photographer, Noppadol Paothong

Tour the Prairie Star Restoration Farm, Bland, MO-124 ac, native monarch and pollinator habitat

> Photography Tips from Noppadol Paothong

Network with other conservationists while enjoying h'ordeurves, wine, and beer from local wineries and breweries

#### KINDLY RSVP ONLINE NO LATER THAN AUGUST 30, 2019

## **New England Pollinator Partnership**

Multi-state agreement with NRCS covering multiple species

Producer-friendly



## Wanted:

- Partnerships
- Habitat



# **GLRI Pollinator Task Force**



## **GLRI Pollinator Strategy & Action Plan**

- Interagency, collaborative
- Coordinated landscape-scale approach across the Great Lakes Basin
- Focus on native bees
- Ensure viable, resilient communities, reverse population declines, prevent listing
- Native bee & pollinator surveys, data collection, mapping/modeling & identifying priority areas, threats assessments
- With partners, enhance , restore & protect habitat-connectivity, diversity
- Education/outreach-increase awareness







## **Our Approach**

Galvanize native bee conservation by coordinating and funding actions that efficiently maximize native bee abundance, distribution, diversity and resilience with in the Great Lakes basin

### FY2019-2021:

- Compiling bee habitat, BMP, distribution, status data
- Focus area map/GIS models
- Communications strategy
- Identifying key threats/stressors in focal areas
- Expand Great Lakes native bee inventory/pollinator surveys
- Science support & partner outreach
- Habitat restoration, enhancement, protection

















# col·lab·o·ra·tion

noun

**SCHOOLS** 







Two or more people working together













## **PRIVATE LANDOWNERS**

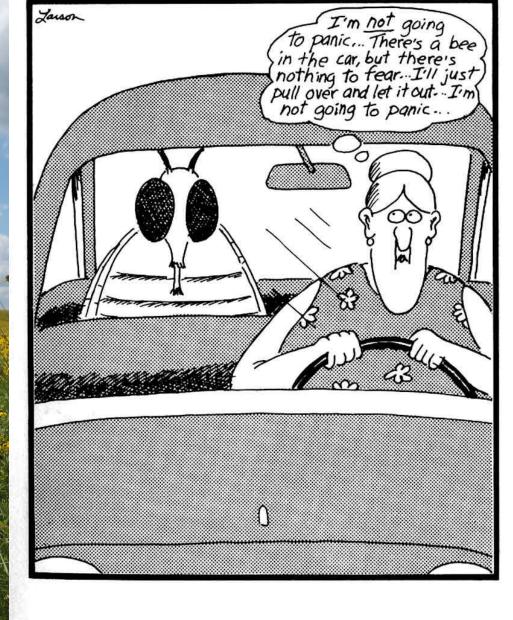
LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

towards shared goals

Service

## Thank you!

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# **Ouestions?**