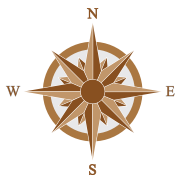


PROPOSAL FOR NEW MEXICO PROJECTS

The New Mexico Department of Game and Fish (NMDGF) requested proposals from qualified firms to provide professional architectural and engineering services for statewide projects. These projects will further the NMDGF's efforts to manage wildlife and natural resources. DU submitted a proposal to provide our services for the next one to four years on projects related to fish and wildlife habitat improvement, water management infrastructure and road and drainage improvements. If selected, services provided in this contract will be engineering designs, project administration/management, and construction oversight on various projects.



Ducks Unlimited PROJECTS

- ★ Featured Projects
- Completed Projects



HUEY WMA

Ducks Unlimited designed and is providing construction management services for wetland improvements at the William S. Huey Wildlife Management Area located in Eddy County. The 3,428-acre WMA is managed by the NMDGF as a feeding and resting area for migratory waterfowl and Sandhill Cranes in the Pecos River flyway. Management on the WMA also benefits deer, turkey, quail, and a host of non-game wildlife.

Improvements include three water control structures, rock riprap, embankment improvements, and Geo-Web and aggregate surfacing. The work also includes connecting an existing 1,800 gallon/minute well and more than 5,000 linear feet of irrigation pipeline. These improvements will create and enhance 140 acres and allow NMDGF to maintain and manage suitable habitat for Sandhill Cranes, geese, and ducks.

MAJOR SPONSOR UPDATE & HIGHLIGHT

New Mexico's Campaign Committee secured 1 upgrade in 2018, bringing in more than \$14,000 in new cash. Major sponsors understand that giving to Ducks Unlimited is the soundest investment they can make for the future of wetlands, waterfowl and waterfowl hunting.

New Mexico Ducks Unlimited hosted an Evening of Conservation in Albuquerque at Rio Bravo Brewing Company to update supporters about the recent and upcoming conservation efforts in the state. State Chair Junior



Kerns welcomed the crowd, thanked everyone for their support, and shared his DU story. Director of Development Bob Locke gave some history on New Mexico projects and conservation plans going forward before speaking about how Major Sponsors can support work in the state. Regional Director Clint Pace also gave his personal DU story and invited everyone out to the Albuquerque DU Dinner. Some attendees also attended a site visit with NMGFD the following day to La Joya and Bernardo wildlife management areas to view projects on public lands.

FUNDRAISING UPDATE & VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Volunteers are the heartbeat of Ducks Unlimited, and New Mexico has some of the best. The state has more than 1,000 members, including 74 dedicated volunteers who hosted 5 events in 2018, raising more than \$53,300 to support DU's conservation mission. Those dollars enable DU to complete conservation projects in New Mexico and on the breeding grounds that produce the state's fall flight.

Landon Eskridge is one of NMDU's most dedicated volunteers since before he had a driver's license. "My parents used to drop me off to help set up for events," he laughed.

Regional Director Clint Pace praised Landon's passion, "Landon is a great young man who loves waterfowl and Ducks Unlimited. He started the first university chapter in New Mexico, and he is hosting the first university event in April 2019!"

Twelve years ago, Landon went to his first DU event in Rio Rancho with Dennis Schneider. Soon after that, he started volunteering with the Albuquerque group thanks to the encouragement of Dave Marsh and Carol Shores. In his second semester at New Mexico State University, he started their DU chapter.

"DU has been an amazing organization," Landon said. "The volunteers I have worked with for so long have become family, and I could not be more proud to represent this organization."



NEW MEXICO BY THE NUMBERS

2018

- **5 events**
- **\$53,379 raised**

CUMULATIVE

- **4,894 acres conserved**
- **\$2,060,310 invested**

NMGFD's cumulative contributions to DU for habitat conservation in Canada (since 2016): **\$15,000.**

(Information through 1/1/19)

Ducks Unlimited conserves, restores, and manages wetlands and associated habitats for North America's waterfowl. These habitats also benefit other wildlife and people.

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