

**2025**  
CONSERVATION  
PUBLICATION

# **A NORTH CAROLINA WILDLIFE HABITAT FOUNDATION PROGRESS REPORT**



**“DON’T LET THE DREAM DIE”**

-MR. EDDIE BRIDGES, FOUNDING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A View from the Blue Ridge Parkway  
in Western North Carolina



## MISSION STATEMENT

The North Carolina Wildlife Habitat Foundation, Inc., is a Nonprofit Organization formed to assist in the acquisition, management and protection of wildlife habitat within the State of North Carolina and to promote conservation education for the benefit of future generations.



## FOUNDER'S VISION

In 1992 Mr. Eddie Bridges established the North Carolina Wildlife Habitat Foundation (NCWHF) in Greensboro by creating an unexpendable endowment fund to sustain wildlife habitat and to conduct habitat preservation projects that affect a broad range of species throughout the state.

Mr. Bridges envisioned the principle would always be maintained and only the earnings were designated for habitat preservation and improvements based on the donor's pledges. Mr. Bridges achieved his vision and the Foundation continues to operate on his principle concept today.

The Founder also invested in wildlife habitat conservation to ensure our future generations will have access to wildlife habitat in North Carolina. The NCWHF is managed by an all-volunteer Board of Directors (Trustees) with only one paid full-time employee, the Operations Director.



### Founding Executive Director

Eddie Bridges (1933 – 2021)

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## 2025 CHAIRMAN’S LETTER

Dear NCWHF Supporters, Sponsors, and Volunteers,

Welcome to the Progress Report! Reflecting on the previous year, I am excited to share with you some stories of our success. NCWHF continues to maintain and grow each of the three pillars that come together to define this organization.

In 2024, the NCWHF continued methodical expansion of our conservation easement holdings. We now hold 83 deeded easements protecting 4305 acres of wildlife habitat in perpetuity across North Carolina. We are especially thankful to partner with: Restoration Systems – A Davey Mitigation Company, Resource Environmental Solutions, Greene Environmental, and Clearwater Mitigation Solutions. Our conservation program is central to our charter and provides much-needed public benefits such as: water quality, wildlife habitat, education, and natural preservation.

The NCWHF’s Future Generations program is our direct connection to youth and young adults enabling us to provide meaningful opportunities to develop leadership skills and positively impact our local environment. This pillar of the foundation is active throughout the year with a diverse spread of activities across North Carolina. Highlights include a youth turkey day event at Summerfield Farms in partnership with the National Wild Turkey Federation, Supporting the McLeansville Wildlife Club’s Fishing Day for young fishermen, NCWHF’s own 2 day Youth Sportsman Camp held at Beaver Pond Sporting Club with staff support from the North Carolina Wildlife Resource Commission along with sponsors and volunteers. We supported the Rockingham County Youth Outdoor Day and Coastal Conservation Association of North Carolina’s Fishing for the Future Tournament in Swansboro for over 100 young anglers. In addition to the regular stream clean ups that remove trash from our waterways, our future generations have helped to plant bulbs creating a beautiful pollinator habitat project. This year’s efforts made this bee habitat in Greensboro grow to a count of ten thousand bulbs planted!

The NCWHF origins, which was Eddie Bridges’ dream of a wildlife savings account continues to effectively protect and preserve wildlife habitat through funding important projects with public and private partners. In 2024 we recognize successful results that include a \$25,000 contribution toward the National Wild Turkey Federation’s project to acquire a 209-acre Payne Branch Tract in Forsyth / Stokes Counties. This project will enable permit hunts for deer and turkey in an underserved region in our state. In December 2024, we contributed \$115,000 to the City of New Bern for the Broad Street Public Fishing Pier on the Neuse River. This project will provide the public with the opportunity to conduct wildlife observation and fishing on one of our state’s most significant waterways. Finally, we remain fully engaged with the North Carolina Wildlife Resource Commission-led project to restore flood plain connectivity on the Upper Roanoke River along Pollock’s Ferry game land tract in Halifax County. In 2021, Johnny Morris, honored Mr. Eddie Bridges, our Founder, by pledging One Million Dollars toward coastal habitat restoration in North Carolina. We subsequently received \$200,000 of this incredibly meaningful grant from the Bass Pro Shops and Cabela’s Outdoor Fund as our initial contribution to the multi-phased project to benefit many species of fish in the Roanoke River. We anticipate construction plan approval and contractor selection to be followed by the restoration work in Halifax County this year.

Looking ahead in 2025, we’re focusing on Western North Carolina. Last September, Hurricane Helene caused unprecedented storm damage, creating an urgent need for significant habitat restoration. We’re actively researching project proposals to address the impact in this severely affected region.

NCWHF’s success is thanks to the combined efforts of our partners, volunteer board members, staff, and supporters like you. We sincerely appreciate your continued support of the North Carolina Wildlife Habitat Foundation.



Sincerely,

*Gregory Erwin*

CHAIRMAN, NCWHF



## CONSERVATION EASEMENT PROGRAM

The North Carolina Wildlife Habitat Foundation monitors a broad portfolio of 83 Conservation Easements in order to protect **over 4,305 acres wildlife habitat** in partnership with the landowners. A Conservation Easement is a voluntary legal agreement between a landowner and a land trust or government agency that permanently limits uses of the land in order to protect its conservation values. Landowners retain many of their rights, including the right to own and use the land, sell it and pass it on to their heirs. Conservation Easements must provide public benefits, such as: water quality, farm and ranch land preservation, scenic views, wildlife habitat, outdoor recreation, education, and historic preservation.

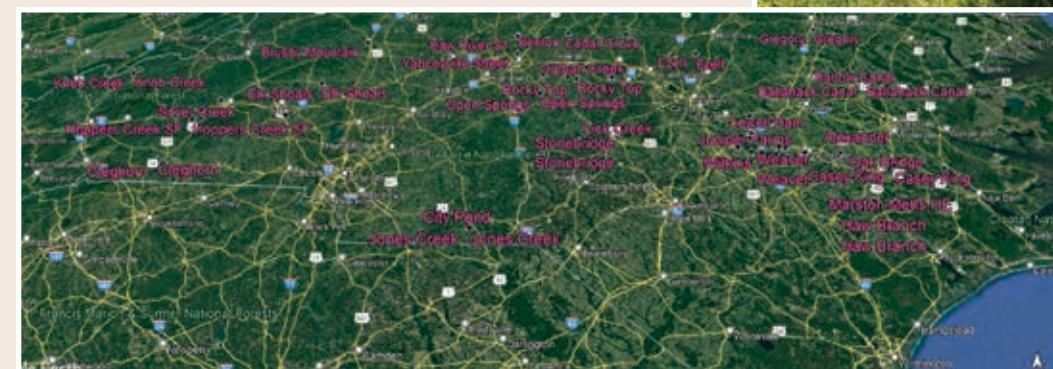


On June 25, 2024, Connor Bruning, a rising freshman who will study Natural Resource Management at Montreat College, volunteered to assist the NCWHF Operations Director monitor Conservation Easements in Guilford, Randolph and Alamance Counties. >>



## CONSERVATION EASEMENTS PROTECT WILDLIFE HABITAT IN PERPETUITY

As a Conservation Easement steward, the NCWHF is responsible for ensuring the specific terms of all Conservation Easements are fully honored. The NCWHF Operations Director conducts annual site visits to our Conservation Easements to ensure compliance with all legal requirements and restrictions specific to each property. The NCWHF works in partnership with the landowners to protect and preserve wildlife habitat across the state.



The Operations Director monitors over 60 Conservation Easements on an annual basis throughout North Carolina.



## ANNUAL YOUTH SPORTSMAN CAMP AT BEAVER POND SPORTING CLUB IN SNOW CAMP

In keeping with the Founder's vision, the North Carolina Wildlife Habitat Foundation continues to promote conservation education for the development of our Future Generations. The NCWHF, in close partnership with the National Wild Turkey Federation, Ducks Unlimited, North Carolina Bowhunters Association, Boy Scouts of America, and North Carolina Wildlife Resource Commission, conducts an annual 2-day Youth Sportsman Camp

at the Beaver Pond Sporting Club in Snow Camp, North Carolina. State Wildlife Officers and Subject Matter Experts volunteer to provide youth with firearms safety training; as well as instruction on: tree stand safety, fishing techniques, conservation techniques, and how to call for waterfowl and turkeys. Our volunteers and sponsors are the key to enabling this meaningful educational experience.



2018: 65 Youth Trained  
2019: 89 Youth Trained  
2020: Cancelled / Pandemic  
2021: 84 Youth Trained  
2022: 65 Youth Trained  
2023: 70 Youth Trained  
2024: 65 Youth Trained



### NORTH CAROLINA WILDLIFE HABITAT FOUNDATION YOUTH SPORTSMAN CAMP

<< James Neumann provided a highly educational falconry display for 65 Future Generations at the 2024 NCWHF Youth Sportsman Camp at Beaver Pond Sporting Club in Snow Camp.

## FUTURE GENERATIONS PROGRAM

The North Carolina Wildlife Habitat Foundation's Future Generations Program offers volunteer opportunities for young adults to develop leadership skills and positively impact the environment through local clean ups and habitat projects. The Future Generations also volunteer at the Annual Wildlife Extravaganza, the Annual Youth Sportsman Camp, and at various fundraising and community events.

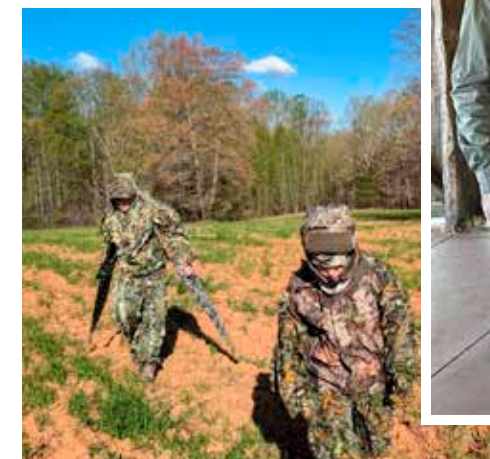
### FUTURE GENERATIONS STREAM CLEAN UP IN GREENSBORO

**March 16, 2024:** The NCWHF hosted a stream clean up with Page High School's Honor Society. A total of 31 volunteers picked up trash along Cone Boulevard and the adjacent lakes. Thank you to Michelle Sharpe for your leadership at this event!



### YOUTH TURKEY EVENT

**April 6, 2024:** NCWHF, in partnership with the National Wild Turkey Federation, supported the Carolina Strutters Youth Turkey Event for 35 youth hunters throughout the state followed by a reception and awards ceremony at Summerfield Farms.





### MCLEANSVILLE WILDLIFE CLUB FISHING DAY



**June 6, 2024:** The NCWHF, North Carolina Bowhunters Association, and Guilford Bowhunters all supported the McLeansville Wildlife Club's hosting the McLeansville Elementary 5th Grade Graduation Fishing Day. A total of 50 students enjoyed fishing, archery and local fire department events. In addition, the young anglers received Zebco Rods & Reels and hats to commemorate their special day.

### ROCKINGHAM COUNTY YOUTH OUTDOOR DAY

**September 28, 2024:** Our Board Member, Sandy Brady, coordinated with David Griffin III to enable our foundation's support for this event. The NCWHF supported the youth day activities consisting of: Firearm Safety, Hunting Safety, Archery, Fishing and Water Safety at the Reidsville Police Training Facility.



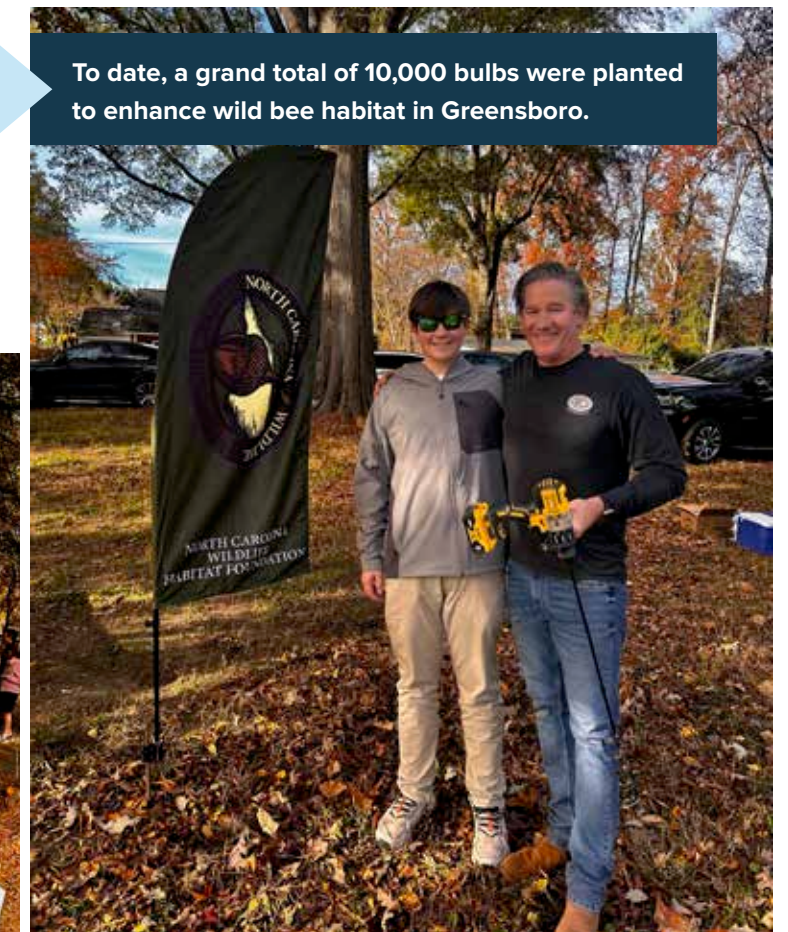
### COASTAL CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION - NORTH CAROLINA FISHING FOR THE FUTURE TOURNAMENT IN SWANSBORO



**October 5, 2024:** NCWHF funded \$5,000 to the Coastal Conservation Association-NC, Onslow Bay Chapter, Fishing for the Future Youth Tournament for over 100 young Anglers.

### BULB PLANTING IN LATHAM PARK

**November 24, 2024:** Kelly Harrill, Jess Washburn, and volunteers enabled the NCWHF Future Generations to plant 3000 bulbs at Latham Park bringing the grand total count to 10,000 bulbs enhancing wild bee habitat in Greensboro. Of note, the local FOX8 news provided an informative feature on this impressive event!



To date, a grand total of 10,000 bulbs were planted to enhance wild bee habitat in Greensboro.



## HABITAT PROJECTS

The NCWHF conducts a diverse range of habitat projects in partnership with other reputable conservation groups to protect wildlife habitat and enhance conservation education throughout North Carolina. Grants and sponsorships are the source for the NCWHF to conduct meaningful habitat projects as well as provide for conservation education opportunities that benefit our Future Generations. We are so thankful for the corporations, government organizations, groups, and individuals who graciously donate to the NCWHF and enable us to “Keep the Dream Alive”.



In May 2021, noted conservationist and Bass Pro Shops founder Johnny Morris announced the expansion of White River Marine Group with the acquisition of Hatteras Yachts. To honor the legacy of dear friend and North Carolina conservation hero Eddie Bridges, Morris announced a \$1 million conservation pledge focused on the coastal area of North Carolina. Specifically, a portion of this incredible pledge was dedicated to the North Carolina Wildlife Habitat Foundation. Mr. Eddie Bridges enjoyed a very meaningful personal and professional relationship with Mr. Johnny Morris. The NCWHF will ensure Mr. Morris’ pledge in honor of Mr. Eddie Bridges will have a lasting impact on Coastal Habitat in North Carolina.



## CURRENT HABITAT PROJECT: RESTORING THE GAME LANDS ON THE UPPER ROANOKE RIVER ALONG POLLOCK’S FERRY UPDATE



**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:** On October 4, 2022, the North Carolina Wildlife Habitat Foundation (NCWHF) was approved for the first \$200,000 payment as part of a \$400,000 total grant amount to fund the North Carolina Wildlife Resource Commission (NCWRC)-led project in partnership with The Nature Conservancy (TNC) to Restore the Game Lands on the Upper Roanoke River along Pollock’s Ferry located in Halifax County, North Carolina. The project was originally estimated to start in February 2023 with a planned completion date of October 2024. The project is currently working through the State Construction Office Interscope Process with an anticipated completion date of April/May 2025.

### SCOPE OF WORK:

The Outdoor Fund’s financial contribution to this project will greatly assist NCWRC and TNC, in achieving a multi-part restoration project to improve floodplain connectivity on the Roanoke River with the primary goals to: significantly increase diadromous fish habitat, reduce flooding, and improve water quality. The proposed work includes restoring four impediments to stream flow on the Pollock’s Ferry Tract of the Upper Roanoke River Wetlands Game Lands property. This project will open over 3 miles of Looking Glass Run and connect the surrounding floodplains. The Roanoke River is a large alluvial river that boasts the largest and least fragmented systems of bottomland forests on the Atlantic Coast and hosts diverse populations of diadromous fish. Yet, even with its exceptional status, improperly sized culverts, incised river guts, and other barriers reduce the viable habitat for diadromous fish. These same barriers have also caused road flooding to neighboring communities, and trapped water in the back swamps which leads to low dissolved oxygen that harms aquatic life.



**MEDIA CAMPAIGN:** On February 18, 2023, The NCWHF themed our annual fundraiser “A River Runs Through It” and hosted the Executive Director of the NCWRC as our Guest Speaker to highlight this significant project to our supporters. On February 17, 2024, the NCWHF once again updated our donors on the status of this *high-priority project* during our annual fundraiser. The NCWRC will work with the NCWHF to ensure the project is promoted and shared with the public. The NCWRC plans to promote the completed project through social media and highlight project successes their magazine titled “Wildlife in North Carolina”. This media campaign will highlight the benefits of this project to the river and aquatic life as well as highlight the importance of the public-private partnership between the NCWRC, TNC, the NCWHF, and Bass Pro Shops and Cabela’s that enabled this project to be a success.





THE BASS PRO SHOPS AND CABELA’S OUTDOOR FUND

**CONTRIBUTION:** The Outdoor Fund assisted the NCWHF by providing funding for the NCWRC to ultimately install a bridge, appropriately sized culvert, and low water passage infrastructure at the Pollock’s Ferry Tract in Halifax County. This infrastructure is critical for diadromous fish passage, public access, and NCWRC management operations.

There are nine diadromous fish species present in the Roanoke River basin, including the Atlantic Sturgeon (*Acipenser oxyrinchus oxyrinchus*), Shortnose Sturgeon (*Acipenser brevirostrum*), Alewife (*Alosa pseudoharengus*), Blueback Herring (*Alosa aestivalis*), American Shad (*Alosa spadissima*), Hickory Shad (*Alosa mediocris*), American Eel (*Anguilla rostrata*), Striped Bass (*Morone saxatilis*), and Sea Lamprey (*Petromyzon merinus*). All these fish have experienced significant declines in their populations during the past century. For instance, river herring populations are only at 15-26% of healthy numbers in the Roanoke. Yet, the Roanoke is still one of the best rivers to increase diadromous fish populations, leading NOAA and the US Fish and Wildlife Service to publish a Roanoke River Diadromous Fishes Restoration Plan in 2016 that has the goal to restore diadromous fish populations to levels that sustain viable fisheries. Most of the diadromous fish use the small tributaries and back floodplains for at least one important life stage. Yet, small barriers, like improperly sized, perched, or blocked culverts, can restrict access to these habitats. The goal of this work is to improve the most critical downstream road crossings, culverts, and guts to open habitat for diadromous fish. Secondary benefits include reducing flooding and improving water quality conditions. Of equal importance is the significance of the partnership between public and private entities consisting of: NCWRC, NCWHF, TNC, and Bass Pro Shops and Cabela’s. This partnership sets an excellent example for other group to get directly involved in hands-on projects that benefit wildlife and fishery resources, while also providing increased outdoor opportunities for the public to enjoy.



**PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP:** The NCWRC and TNC established a Memorandum of Agreement to formalize the terms of the partnership. TNC continues to contract and oversee the work, and NCWRC remains involved in planning as well as decision making. TNC has a prefabricated design for the bridge. The project construction for the bridge is expected to last 5 weeks, depending on weather and site conditions. Once the bridge project is complete, TNC and NCWRC will meet to assess remaining funding and prioritize the additional culvert replacement projects. The NCWRC will report to the NCWHF on outcomes after project completion. The NCWHF will subsequently report to the Bass Pro Shops and Cabela’s Outdoor Fund Team.

TIMELINE:

**Pre-agreements:** In the summer of 2023 ahead of formal agreements with NCWRC, TNC began weekly eDNA sampling for blueback herring at the Pollock’s Ferry impediment.

**September 2023:** TNC and NCWRC signed a Memorandum of Agreement to launch the restoration effort and allow TNC to formally work on the property.

**October 4, 2023:** TNC did a site visit with the civil engineer to get measurements to design a bridge.

**November 2023-January 2024:** The civil engineer was designing the bridge which would replace the culvert.

**February 1, 2024:** TNC sent NCWRC the draft drawings of the bridge.

**February 2024- June 2024:** TNC launched extensive fish sampling. This included weekly eDNA sampling, water quality measurements, and bi-weekly backpack electro-shocking and/or fish traps based on water levels.

**March 26, 2024:** NCWRC sent modest design change needs for TNC to bring to the engineer. TNC immediately re-engaged the engineer.

**April 2024:** TNC installed hydrology monitoring equipment to gather hourly water level data at the restoration site.

**March-July 2024:** TNC worked with federal partners to get National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) clearance and Clean Water Act approvals.

**April 2024:** TNC was alerted that the engineer would need to submit final engineering drawings to the State Construction Office (SCO).

**May 2024 to current:** TNC is working with the NCWRC, SCO, and Mosely Engineering to get the project through the SCO’s Interscope process. The team is trying to understand and comply with the Uniform Floodplain Guidance requirements.

**July through the end of summer:** TNC continues eDNA sampling, water quality measurements, and electrofishing on a 1x/month schedule.



**Location:** Halifax County, North Carolina  
**Length of the culvert being removed is 50 feet.**  
**The diameter of the culvert is 62.5 inches.**  
**Culvert distance from Roanoke River is 0.65 miles or 3,472 feet**



Once State Construction Office permitting is complete, it will take 1 month to bid the construction contract and 2 months to remove the culvert and build a bridge (if the site is dry enough for equipment to enter).



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RESTORING THE GAME LANDS ON THE UPPER ROANOKE RIVER ALONG POLLOCK'S FERRY

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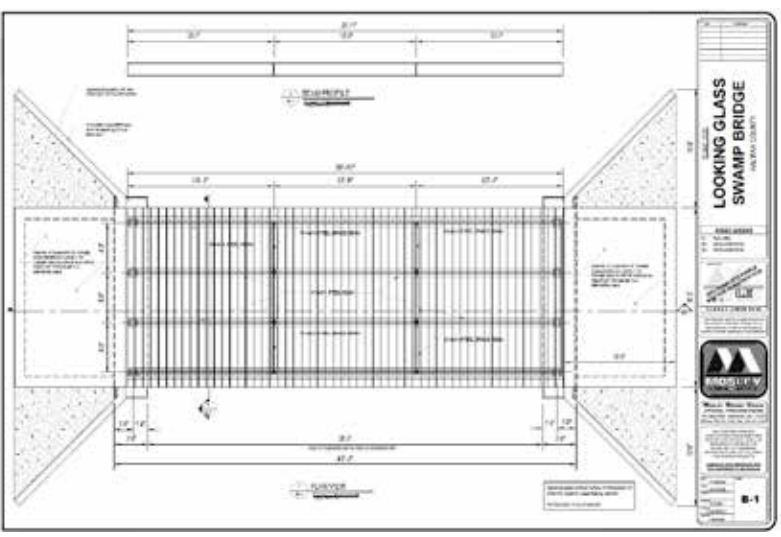
FISH CAUGHT ABOVE THE CULVERT:

- Bluegill
- Fliers
- American Eel
- Mosquito Fish
- Pirate Perch
- Eastern Mud Minnow
- Banded Sunfish
- Chain Pickerel
- Warmouth
- Brown Bullhead

FISH CAUGHT BELOW THE CULVERT:

- Bluegill
- Fliers
- Eastern Silvery Minnow
- Mosquito Fish
- Pirate Perch
- Eastern Mud Minnow
- Banded Sunfish
- Red-Finned Pickerel
- Warmouth
- Yellow Bullhead
- Mud Sunfish
- Blue Spotted Sunfish

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT



Mosley Bridge Design

The NCWHF greatly appreciates Bass Pro Shops and Cabela's Outdoor Fund *continued* support for this significant project. The improvement in water flow will have a dramatic impact on multiple diadromous and other aquatic species through improved water quality. This project will increase the opportunity for fishermen and all aquatic lovers to enjoy the hundreds of acres directly affected, as well as miles of river that will benefit from this project. Of equal importance is the significant Public-Private Partnership that will set an example for other groups to get directly involved in hands-on conservation projects. This is a special project and this is our future. Thank you again for your enduring support.

CURRENT PROJECTS

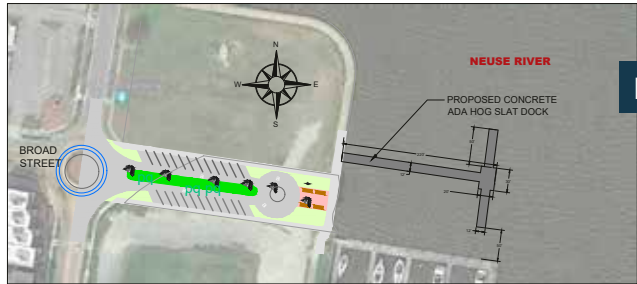
PAYNES BRANCH TRACT

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NEW BERN PUBLIC FISHING PIER

**December 23, 2024:** The NCWHF contributed \$115,000 to the City of Bern for the Broad Street Public Fishing Pier on the Neuse River. This pier will provide an excellent opportunity for the public to access the Neuse River for sightseeing, nature observation, and of course - fishing!



NEW RIVER OYSTER HIGHWAY

In 2018, the NCWHF originally partnered with the City of Jacksonville and the NC General Assembly to create the New River Oyster Highway that achieved scientifically measurable success. On April 11, 2022, the Bass Pro Shops and Cabela's Outdoor Fund announced a grant to the NCWHF, as part of a larger donation in honor of the late Mr. Bridges. The NCWHF subsequently funded \$100,000 to the City of Jacksonville to expand the New River Oyster Highway in Jacksonville from 6 total acres to 12 total acres. The New River Estuary Oyster Highway is creating oyster habitat stepping stones in the central portion of the New River Estuary that support biogenic reefs via local hard-substrate subsidies, as well as river-wide enhanced oyster larval supply. The improved oyster reef fitness in the upper and middle New River Estuary improves biofiltration of sensitive estuarine waters, as well as supports a diverse aquatic animal community of ecologically and economically prized species via provision of essential fish habitat.

**Benefit of Oyster Reefs:**  
Increased oyster biomass in the New River improves water quality



## RECENT PROJECTS

### Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Compliant Kayak and Canoe Access at Sutton Lake

On October 11, 2021, the NCWHF contributed \$15,000 to the North Carolina Wildlife Resource Commission to build the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Compliant Kayak and Canoe Access at Sutton Lake.



### Scouts Fishing Pier for Camp Durant, Boy Scouts of America

On May 12, 2022, the NCWHF provided \$15,000 to Occoneechee Council, Camp Durant, Boy Scouts of America, to build a Scouts Fishing Pier at Lake Nello Teer in Carthage, North Carolina. The staff at Camp Durant train over 45,000 scouts a year and the new pier provides them access to bass, crappie, brim, bluegill, and catfish at Lake Nello Teer.



### Riparian and Flood Plain Restoration along the Little Tennessee River

On October 11, 2021, the NCWHF provided \$15,000 to the North Carolina Wildlife Resource Commission to enhance riparian and flood plain connectivity along the Little Tennessee River in Macon County, North Carolina.



### Courthouse Wildfield Project in the Pisgah National Forrest

On May 31, 2022, The NCWHF provided \$15,000 to the Pisgah Conservancy, a nonprofit organization, for the Courthouse Wildlife Field Project in the Pisgah National Forest in Transylvania County. The project consisted of clearing 3-acres of fully forested field in order to create habitat for a diverse group of species such as deer, grouse, and turkey.

### Causey Farm Wildlife Habitat Study

On August 15, 2022, the NCWHF provided \$25,000 to the Greensboro Science Center to study Wildlife Habitat at our Conservation Easement Causey Farm in Liberty. The study seeks to determine how wildlife responds to habitat change on stream / wetland restoration projects. This is the most comprehensive baseline study ever conducted on stream and wetland restoration in North Carolina.



## LEGACY PROJECTS

### The Black Bear Study

The North Carolina Wildlife Habitat Foundation supported Tim Langer's research at NC State to determine the effectiveness and efficiency of monitoring black bear populations with hair sampling and genetic identification. The study was subsequently presented to the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission as part of Tim Langer's dissertation.



### Jordan Lake Bass Habitat Project

The NCWHF funded \$25,000 for researchers at North Carolina State to lay gravel beds that enhance the survival of bass and bluegill populations.



### Core Sound Waterfowl Museum, Willow Pond Restoration

The NCWHF joined with the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission and Ducks Unlimited to restore a public waterfowl viewing site and resting area at Core Sound Waterfowl Museum, Harkers Island.



### Trout Stream Restoration in Peak Creek, North Carolina

The NCWHF and Trout Unlimited funded a project to stabilize stream banks and protect fish on Peak Creek in Ashe & Alleghany counties.



### Adopt an Acre Land Acquisition Project

The NCWHF created the Adopt-an-Acre program to purchase additional land for the North Carolina Game Lands program.



### Sandhills Quail Habitat Project

The NCWHF contributed \$43,000 toward a cooperative effort to improve quail habitat at the J. Robert Gordon Sandhills Field Trial area.



### Wildlife Enhancement Project in Cataloochee Valley

The NCWHF partnered with the National Park Service and Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation to support a prescribed burn project that improved forage for elk, bear, grouse and small game in the Great Smoky Mountains.



### Frank A. Sharpe, Jr. Wildlife Education Center at Bur-Mill Park

The NCWHF contributed \$150,000 toward the \$300,000 Frank A. Sharpe, Jr. Wildlife Education Center at Bur-Mill Park as a joint effort with the city of Greensboro and Guilford County.





## LICENSE TAG PROGRAM

If you love wildlife, you can help wildlife conservation by purchasing a North Carolina Wildlife Habitat Foundation license plate from the NC DMV.



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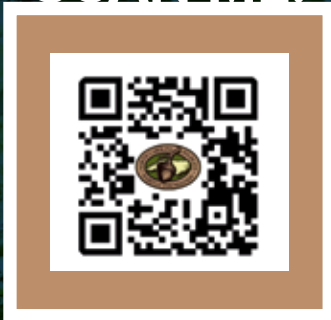
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Please explore the benefits of providing an estate giving contribution to the North Carolina Wildlife Habitat Foundation through your will or a living trust. A gift from your estate can provide on-going financial support as if you were continuing to make annual contributions in perpetuity. The principle of a gift to our Endowment Fund is never spent, so a portion of the earnings will always be available for habitat projects. Your estate planning attorney can draft a codicil, which is a legal document that amends an existing will, to include a gift to the NCWHF. Your contribution will help sustain wildlife habitat, support preservation projects that affect numerous species, and ensure our Future Generations will have access to numerous natural wonders throughout North Carolina.

For more information on the NCWHF, please contact Beau Bethea,  
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