



Environmental Stewardship

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At the Fund, we believe that conservation should work for America.

By creating solutions that make environmental and economic sense, we are re-defining conservation to demonstrate its essential role in our future prosperity. Top-ranked for efficiency and effectiveness, we have worked in all 50 states since 1985 to protect more than 7.5 million acres of land.



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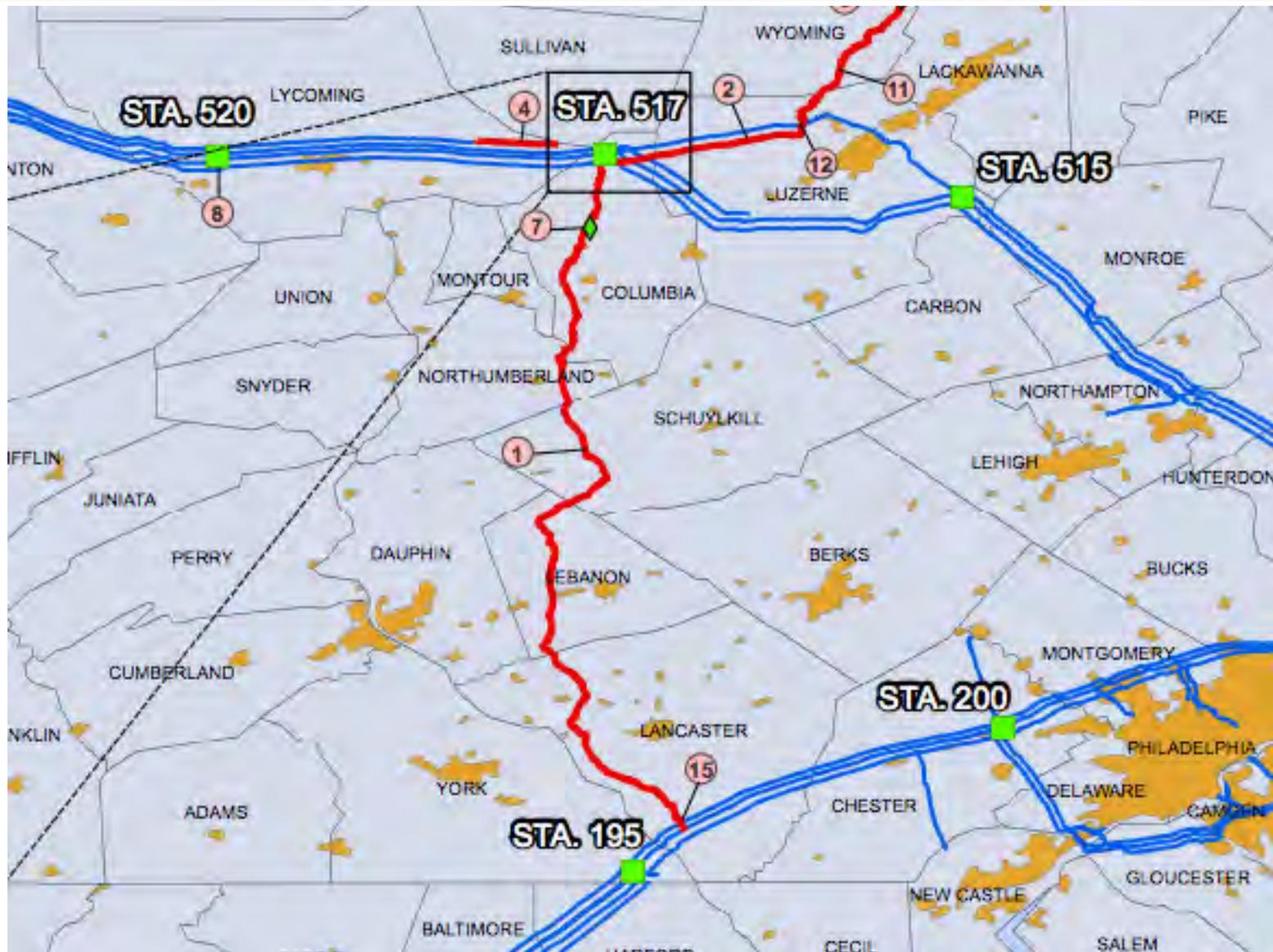
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We bring diverse constituencies together to forge solutions on-the-ground. Our goal is to achieve common ground for our partners using training, sustainability consulting, technical assistance and capacity building tools.





Atlantic Sunrise Project

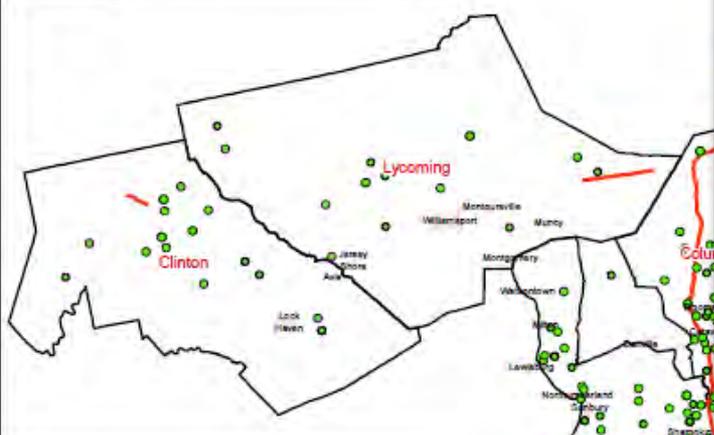


Challenges

- **Augment compensatory mitigation requirements with additional investments that benefit local communities.**
- **Obtain input from local communities on environmental stewardship priorities.**
- **Develop a science-based, transparent process for Williams to evaluate and select environmental stewardship projects.**
- **Optimize the selection of environmental stewardship projects that maximize benefits per dollar spent.**

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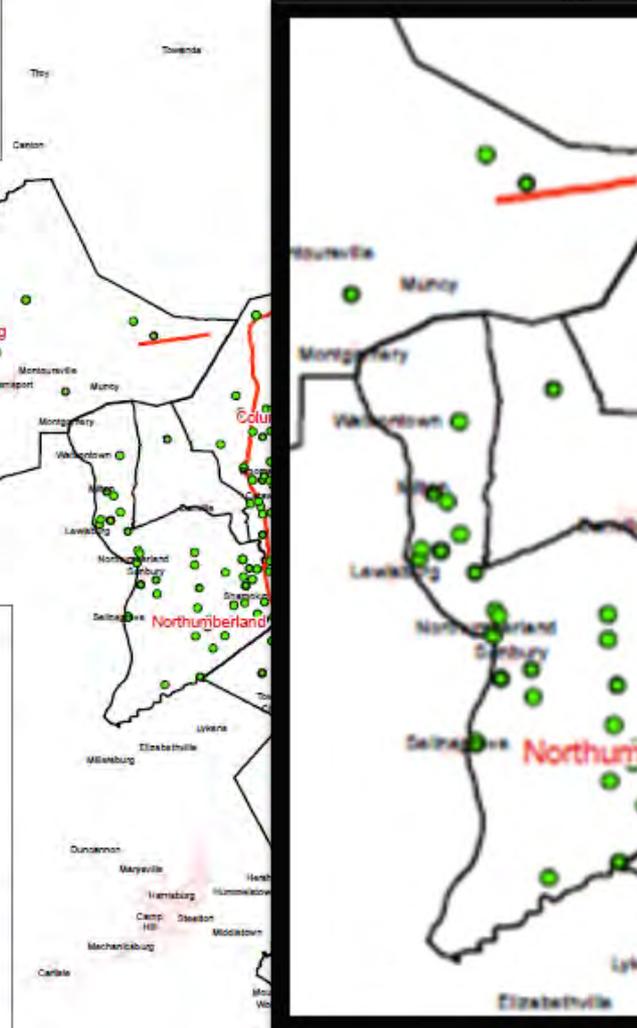
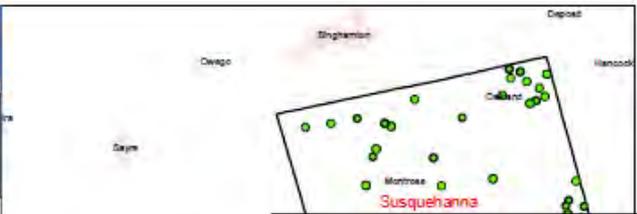
Natural Resource Environmental Stewardship Needs
 Updated: 12/5/2014



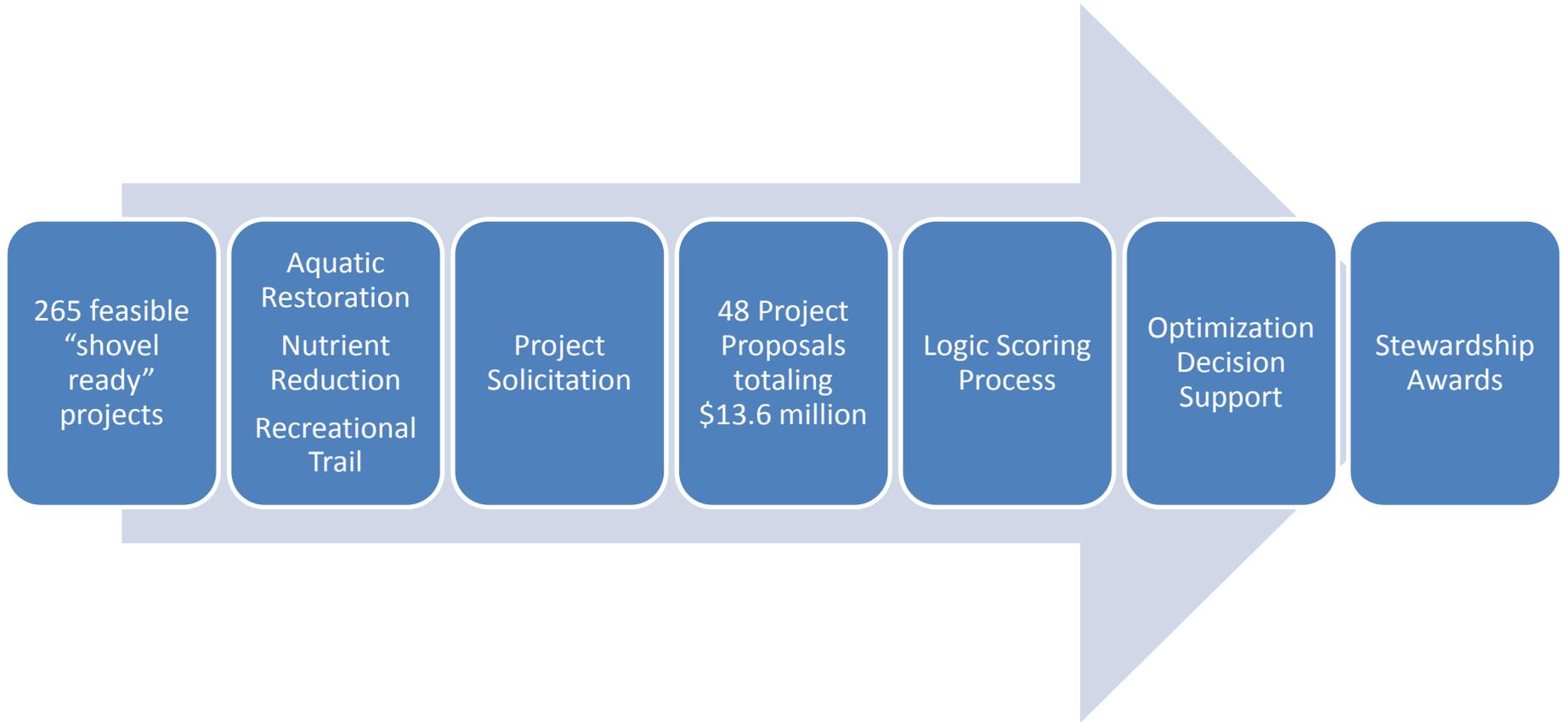
- Focus Group ES Needs Dots (All)
- Proposed Pipeline Alignment
- Urbanized Areas
- Proposed Pipeline Counties

Environmental stewardship (ES) is an approach to the planning and development of linear projects that helps companies like Transco proactively maximize the enhancement, protection and management of natural resources. Environmental stewardship programs are purely voluntary and do not supplant traditional compensatory mitigation requirements that may be required to off-set potential impacts. Stewardship activities go above and beyond the mitigation required by law to address resource impacts.

Transco and The Conservation Fund are partnering in the development of the Atlantic Sunrise Environmental Stewardship Program. The Conservation Fund, a national non-profit conservation organization, is specifically tasked with providing an objective and scientifically based identification and evaluation of natural resource stewardship needs within the project area based upon the policies and priorities of the potentially impacted communities and other stakeholders. The Conservation Fund will compile a list of potential environmental stewardship opportunities for Transco's consideration.



Process



"We appreciate the guidance we received from The Conservation Fund and are confident this formal approach to environmental steward ship will greatly benefit the project area."

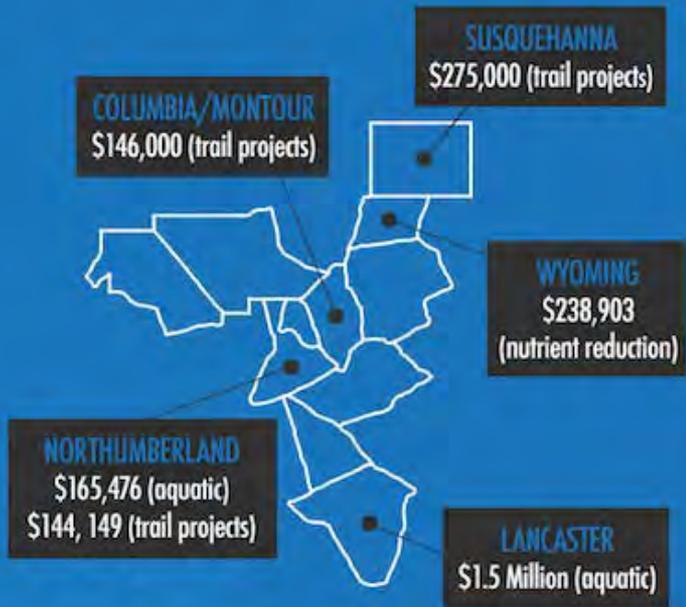
--Chris Springer, Atlantic Sunrise Project Director, Williams

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP AWARDS



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
THE CONVERSATION FUND

\$2.5 MILLION



17 PROJECTS

- 8 AQUATIC RESTORATION
- 6 NUTRIENT REDUCTION
- 3 TRAIL PROJECTS

WILL RESULT IN:

-  **10 MILES** OF STREAM FRONTAGE RESTORED
-  **30 ACRES** OF RIPARIAN AREA RESTORED
-  **8 MILES** OF NEW TRAILS INSTALLED
-  **200,000** TRAIL USERS TO BENEFIT ANNUALLY
-  **925 TONS** OF MANURE STORED ANNUALLY



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Southern Company Stewardship Program A&WMA Conference

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We're committed to reducing our impact on the environment through environmental stewardship activities, our efforts to protect valuable natural resources, our partnerships with public and private partners to protect wildlife and their natural habitats and our compliance with applicable environmental regulations.

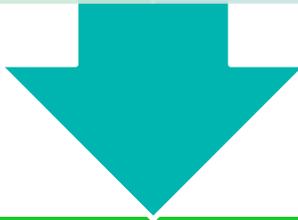
Southern Company/National Fish & Wildlife Foundation: Stewardship Partnership Accomplishments



Funding (2003-present)

Southern Co.
investment
\$14M

NFWF +
grantee match
\$112M



Outcomes

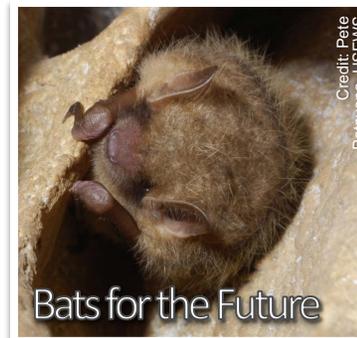
303 projects
136 entities

1.7M acres
restored or
enhanced

Recovering
imperiled
species



Total Stewardship Impact
\$126 million





Southern Company

Thank You!



Stakeholder Engagement: Benefits for Industry

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ABOUT NFWF

Who We Are

- Chartered by Congress in 1984
- 30 member Board appointed by Secretary of the Interior
 - Includes FWS Director and NOAA Administrator

What We Do

- Sustain, restore and enhance wildlife
- Bring collaboration among federal agencies and private sector

How We Do It

- Leverage public funding with private money – average 3:1



Bald eagle

NFWF is

- An implementer – we fund projects

NFWF is not

- An advocacy organization that engages in lobbying or litigation



HOW WE DO IT

Non-Federal Partners

- Corporations
- Foundations
- Private Donors
- Mitigation and Settlements
- States
- NGOs

\$



NFWF

Convener of focused, leveraged funding and leadership for priority wildlife and habitat conservation through grant making

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Federal Partners

- Appropriations
- Cooperative Agreements

Competitive Grants/Strategies



Private Lands



Voluntary

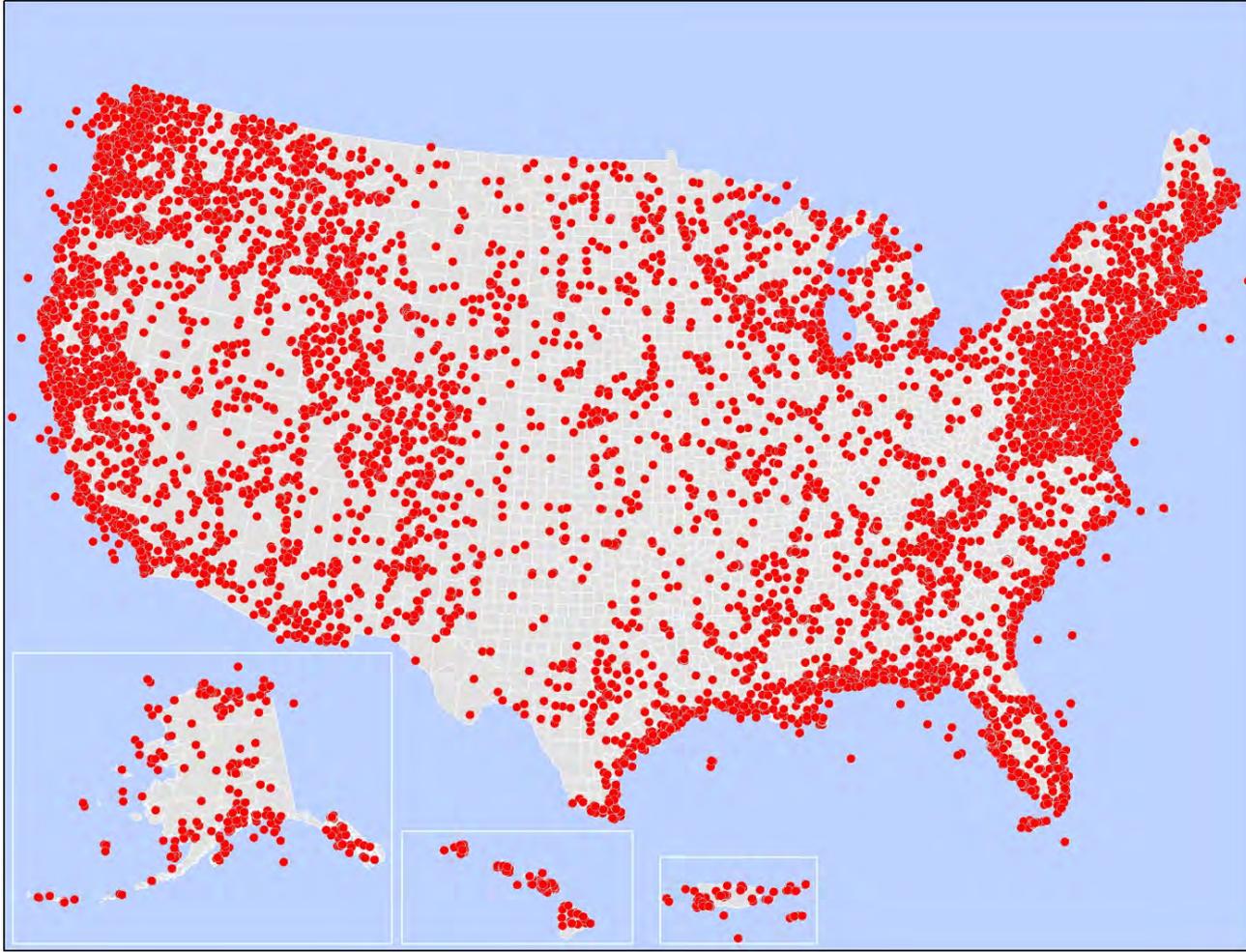


Economic Opportunity



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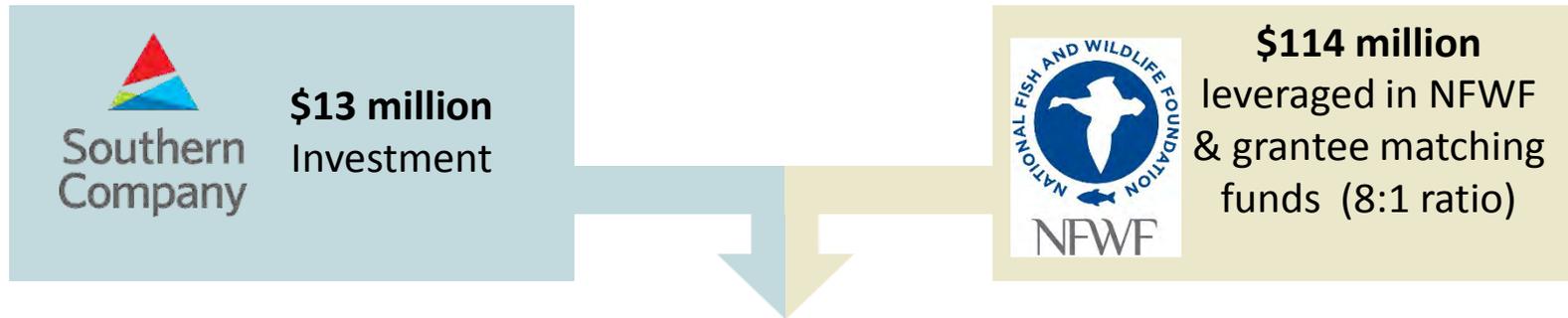
NFWF CONSERVATION INVESTMENTS (1984 – 2016)



FY 1984 – FY 2016

- 16,318 Investments
- 4,500 organizations
- All 50 states

NFWF & SOUTHERN COMPANY: 15 YEARS OF PARTNERSHIP



- Supported 281 grants; 128 organizations
- Over 1.5 million acres restored or enhanced
- Species benefitted: Red-cockaded woodpecker, coastal and grassland birds, gopher tortoise

Total Impact: **\$127 million**



BUILDING A CONSERVATION COMMUNITY



STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT



Stewardship Partners Meeting



Grantee Recognition Ceremony

GULF COAST CONSERVATION GRANTS



Assessing Predator Control
Techniques for Nesting
American Oystercatcher along
the Georgia Coast

LONGLEAF STEWARDSHIP FUND



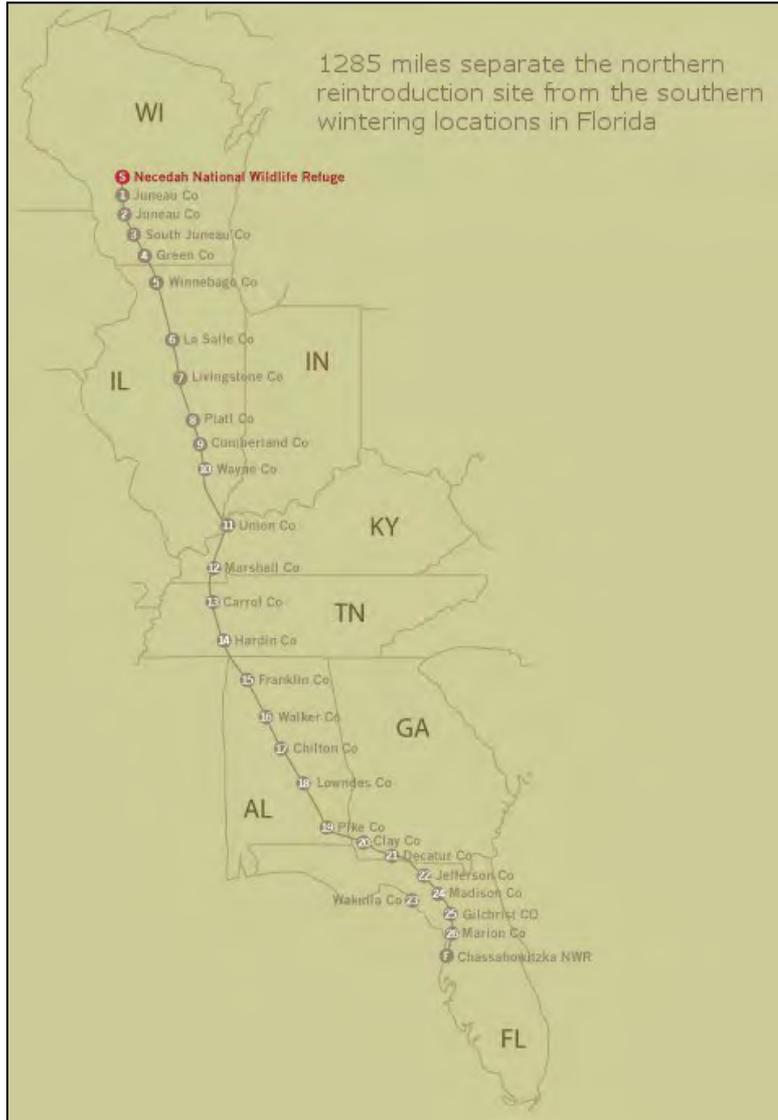
Prescribed Burn:
Gulf Coastal Plain
Ecosystem Partnership

FIVE STAR & URBAN WATERS



Gulf Conservation
Corps Restoration
Program

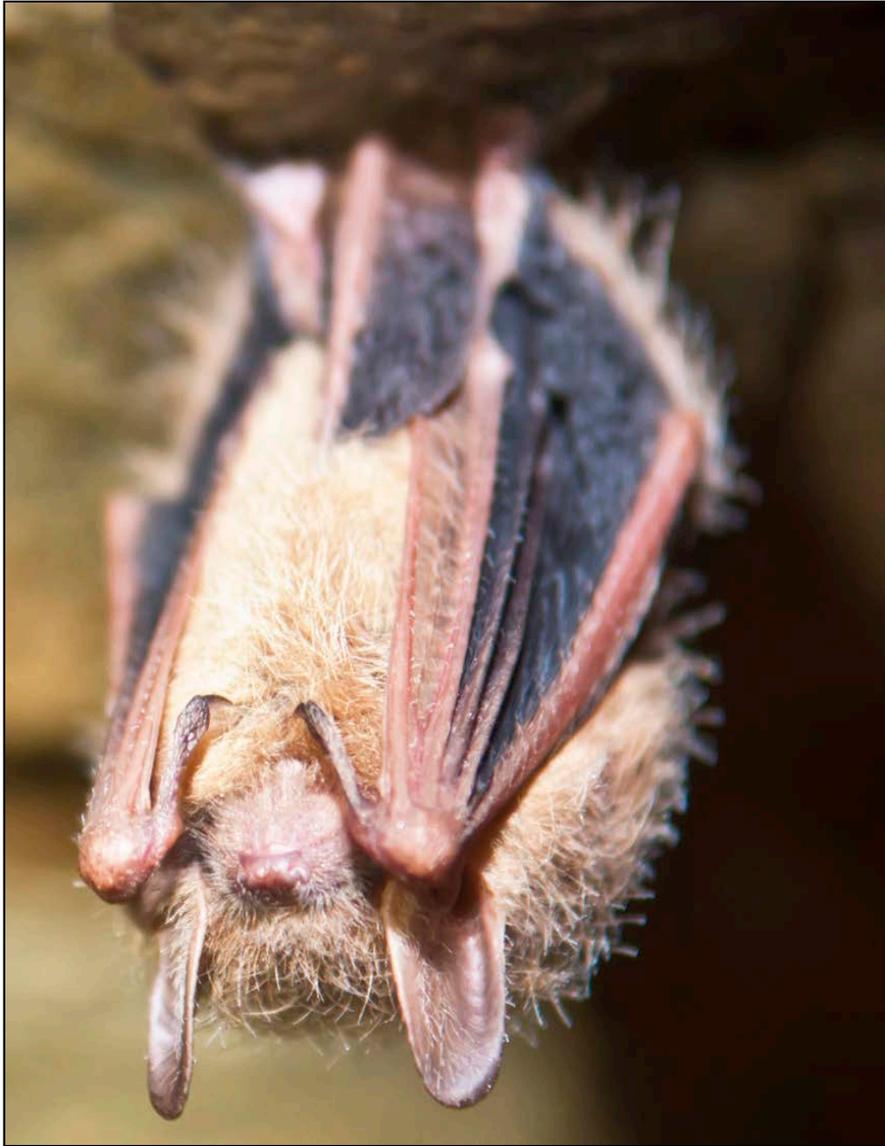
POWER OF FLIGHT INITIATIVE



Returned to the wild - eastern population of whooping crane makes historic recovery; reaches goal of 100 free-ranging cranes (from zero)



BATS FOR THE FUTURE



POLLINATORS



PECOS WATERSHED CONSERVATION INITIATIVE



Occidental Petroleum Corporation



RECOVERED OIL FUND



HURRICANE RESPONSE AND RECOVERY

CORAL TRIAGE – FLORIDA KEYS



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