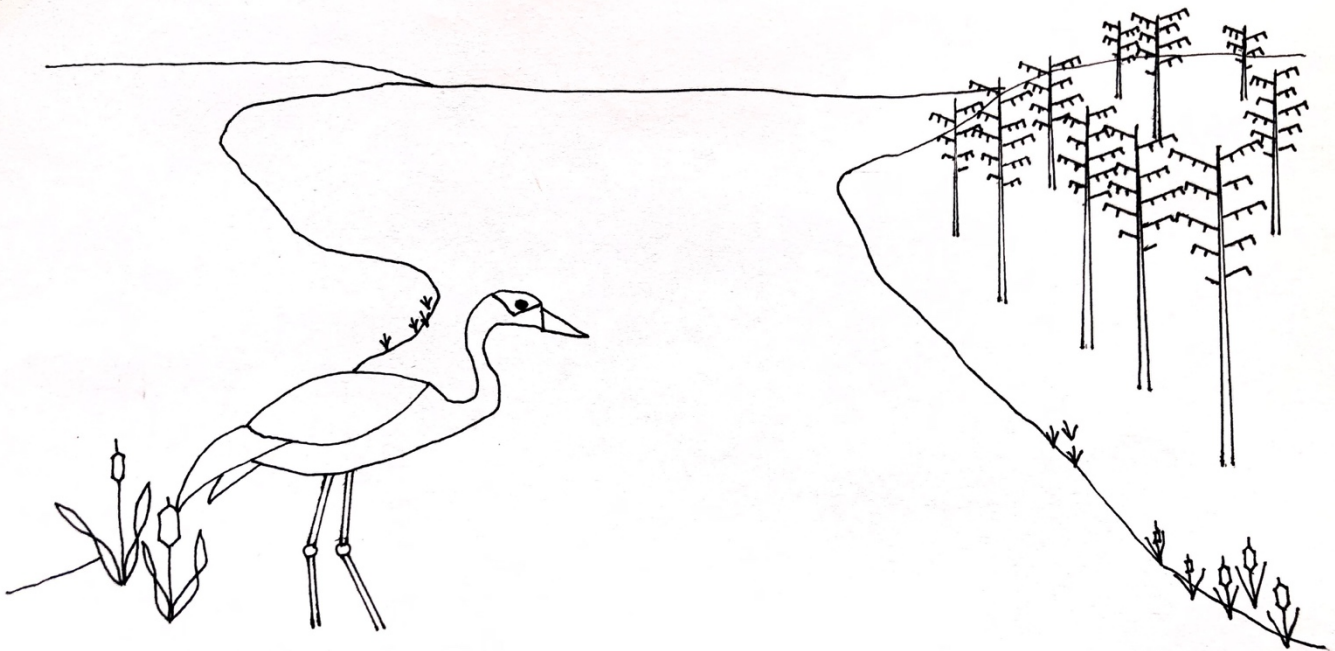


Your experience with the Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program



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INTRODUCTION

Programs that help landowners improve wildlife habitat have become more common and available to private landowners over the last few decades. HABITAT IMPROVEMENT includes establishing, restoring, enhancing, or maintaining wildlife habitat.

In this survey, we'd like to ask you about a particular wildlife habitat improvement program you participated in—the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) PARTNERS FOR FISH AND WILDLIFE (PFW) PROGRAM, which we will refer to in this survey as the Program.

Hearing your feedback about participation will help us understand how the Program is serving private landowners like you.

PROJECT DETAILS

Your Program LANDOWNER AGREEMENT describes the habitat improvement project and the management activities required to advance or maintain project outcomes during the agreement term.

<<Your agreement with the Program <<is/was>> in partnership with <<mainagreementorg>>>>. In the Program, you <<will complete/have completed>> a <<projecttype>> habitat improvement project on your parcel of land in <<county>>. This agreement started in <<startyear>> and <<will end/ended>> in <<endyear>>.

We would like to ask you specifically about your experiences with this habitat improvement project in this Program.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION!

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: We are collecting this information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501) to solicit feedback on landowner experiences in the Partners for Fish and Wildlife (PFW) Program to improve Program service and landowner support. Your response is voluntary and we will not share your response publicly. We may not conduct or sponsor and you are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. OMB has reviewed and approved this survey and assigned OMB Control Number 1040-0001.

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SECTION A: YOUR PROPERTY

Private land is used for many reasons and it means different things to people. We'd like to know a little bit about your property and how you use it.

Some landowners own multiple parcels of land in the same area. If you own multiple parcels of land in the same area, please consider them all together as your "property" for the following questions.

1. How many years have you owned or managed your property?

 years

2. Is your primary residence on your property?

No

Yes

3. Who makes most of the day-to-day decisions about your property?

Just me or me and my spouse

Me and others (family members, business partners, land managers, lessee, etc.)

Only others (family members, business partners, land managers, lessee, etc.)

4. In a typical week, how many hours do you spend on land management planning or activities on your property?

 hours

5. How many acres of your property are managed with the primary goal to provide habitat for wildlife?

 acres

6. Please indicate how well each option describes how you use your property:

| I use my property... | Does not describe | Slightly describes | Moderately describes | Mostly describes | Completely describes |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| for timber production | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| for crop production | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| for livestock production | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| to provide hunting leases to others | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| for the financial investment in land | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

7. Many people use their property for personal reasons as well as a business. Please indicate how well each additional option below describes how you use your property:

| I use my property... | Does not describe | Slightly describes | Moderately describes | Mostly describes | Completely describes |
|---|--------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| to provide wildlife habitat | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| for personal hunting (self, family, friends) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| for other outdoor recreation (non-hunting) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| for the rural lifestyle | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| to conserve/protect rare or declining species | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| very little—I'm not very involved in my land | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <i>Other</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

If you indicate some other use for your property, please specify:

SECTION B: YOUR DECISION TO PARTICIPATE

Before participating in programs like this, people often consider reasons for and against participating. In this section, we want to know more about the factors that you may or may not have considered at the time you decided to participate in this Program.

We first want to hear about the reasons that may have POSITIVELY INFLUENCED your decision.

8. The items below reflect a number of reasons landowners may have when deciding to participate in the Program. Please indicate to what degree each of the items below positively influenced your decision to participate:

| I participated because I wanted to... | No influence | Small influence | Moderate influence | Strong influence | Very strong influence |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| improve habitat for game wildlife on my land | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| improve habitat for non-game wildlife on my land | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| improve the health of my land | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| conserve/protect rare or declining wildlife | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| increase the profitability of my land | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| uphold my family connection to the land | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

9. The items below reflect reasons that may be related to needs you had on your land. Please indicate to what degree each of the items below positively influenced your decision to participate in the Program:

| I participated because the project... | No influence | Small influence | Moderate influence | Strong influence | Very strong influence |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| met an existing need I had for my land | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| was something I wanted to implement on my land anyway | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| matched my overall land management goals | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| was something I didn't know how to implement on my own | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| was something I couldn't otherwise afford to do on my own | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| was something I didn't have the resources (supplies or equipment) to do on my own | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

10. The items below reflect some landowners' experiences learning about and participating in the PFW Program. Please indicate to what degree each of the items below positively influenced your decision to participate:

| I participated because: | No influence | Small influence | Moderate influence | Strong influence | Very strong influence |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| I knew someone else who participated in the Program | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| someone reached out to me directly | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <<mainagreementorg>> was running the Program | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I had a positive previous experience with the Program | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I had a positive previous experience with another habitat improvement program | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

11. The items below reflect a number of personal reasons landowners may have when deciding to participate in the Program. Please indicate to what degree each of the items below positively influenced your decision to participate:

| I participated because: | No influence | Small influence | Moderate influence | Strong influence | Very strong influence |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| I like the feeling I get when helping wildlife | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Establishing, restoring, or enhancing habitat is a fundamental part of who I am | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| participation in the Program seemed like a reasonable thing to do | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I thought it was an appropriate thing for someone like me to do | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| helping wildlife is a fundamental part of who I am | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| it's the kind of thing someone like me should do | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I would feel guilty if I didn't do what I could to improve wildlife habitat | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I wanted recognition from others for participating in habitat improvement programs | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

While you ultimately decided to participate in the Program, we want to hear about the reasons or concerns that may have had a *NEGATIVE INFLUENCE* on your decision.

12. The items below reflect a number of practical considerations landowners may have when deciding to participate in the PFW Program. Please indicate the degree to which the following items made you reluctant to participate:

| When deciding to participate, I thought: | No influence | Small influence | Moderate influence | Strong influence | Very strong influence |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| implementing the habitat improvement project would be too burdensome | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| my personal financial contribution would be too costly | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| the agreement term length was too long | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| the paperwork and administrative process would be a hassle | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| the reimbursement process would be difficult and/or lengthy | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| the project and management activities would decrease overall profitability of my land | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

13. The items below reflect a number of personal considerations landowners may have when deciding to participate in the Program. Please indicate the degree to which the following items made you reluctant to participate:

| When deciding to participate, I considered: | No influence | Small influence | Moderate influence | Strong influence | Very strong influence |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| that I was uncomfortable receiving financial assistance to manage my land | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I was uncomfortable allowing access to my land | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <<mainagreementorg>> didn't seem trustworthy | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| the possibility that the habitat improvement project wouldn't be helpful | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| that the habitat improvement project wasn't aligned with my land management goals | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

14. The items below reflect a number of personal considerations landowners may have when deciding to participate in the Program. Please indicate the degree to which the following items made you reluctant to participate:

| When deciding to participate, I thought: | No influence | Small influence | Moderate influence | Strong influence | Very strong influence |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| I would lose the control to manage my land the way I feel is best | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I wouldn't be protected from future regulations on my land | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| working with the federal government would have hidden strings attached | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

15. We understand you may not know exactly what other landowners in your area are doing, but please answer the following questions to the best of your ability:

| About how many landowners in your area... | None | Few | Some | Most | Almost all |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| participate in the Program or any similar wildlife habitat improvement programs | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| manage their properties with a goal to conserve habitat for rare or declining wildlife | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

16. People important to me think I should manage my land to improve wildlife habitat.

- Strongly disagree
 Moderately disagree
 Slightly disagree
 Neutral
 Slightly agree
 Moderately agree
 Strongly agree

17. Regardless of what other people do, my personal values oblige me to always manage my land to improve wildlife habitat.

- Strongly disagree
 Moderately disagree
 Slightly disagree
 Neutral
 Slightly agree
 Moderately agree
 Strongly agree

SECTION C: YOUR OVERALL EXPERIENCE WITH THE PROGRAM

We are surveying Program landowners who are at various stages in their agreements—both during and beyond the life of the agreement term. Please respond to the following questions based on YOUR CURRENT STAGE in your agreement and habitat improvement project work plan.

18. Please provide your general feedback about your experience with this Program thus far:

| | Strongly disagree | Moderately disagree | Slightly disagree | Neutral | Slightly agree | Moderately agree | Strongly agree |
|---|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| The <<mainagreementorg>> has met my expectations | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I am proud of my association with the Program | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I am satisfied with my experience with the Program | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I have more knowledge of how to manage my land the way I would like | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| The Program allows me to still manage my property the way I want to | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| My involvement in the Program has increased my interest in helping rare or declining wildlife | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

19. Please respond to these items about how you would consider participating in this Program if you made the decision again:

| Knowing what I know now... | Strongly disagree | Moderately disagree | Slightly disagree | Neutral | Slightly agree | Moderately agree | Strongly agree |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| I would make the same decision to participate in the Program to do this project | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I would participate in the Program for another habitat improvement project | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

20. How would you describe the relationship with your <<PFW biologist / <<mainagreementorg>> primary contact>>?

- Very unsatisfactory
 Moderately unsatisfactory
 Slightly unsatisfactory
 Neutral
 Slightly satisfactory
 Moderately satisfactory
 Very satisfactory

21. How much do you rely on your <<PFW biologist / <<mainagreementorg>> primary contact>> for help?


- Never
 Rarely
 Sometimes
 Frequently
 Always


22. Did working with the Program to benefit wildlife make you more or less likely to want to continue conservation work on your property?

- Extremely less likely
 Moderately less likely
 Slightly less likely
 Neither
 Slightly more likely
 Moderately more likely
 Extremely more likely

23. To the best of your knowledge, please select the option that best describes where you are in your Program agreement. "Project" refers to your <<projecttype>> habitat improvement project.

SELECT ONLY ONE RESPONSE AND MOVE ON TO THE DIRECTED SECTION.

| | | |
|--|---|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Project has not started <input type="checkbox"/> Project has started, but is not yet completed |  | ... PLEASE SKIP TO SECTION E |
|--|---|-------------------------------------|

| | | |
|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Project was completed within the past year, and the agreement term has not ended <input type="checkbox"/> Project was completed over 1 year ago, and the agreement term has not ended <input type="checkbox"/> Project was completed, and the agreement term has ended |  | ... PLEASE MOVE ON TO SECTION D |
|---|---|--|

SECTION D: MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES TO SUPPORT YOUR PROJECT OUTCOMES

24. Please respond to these items about how you consider the results of your wildlife habitat improvement project in this Program:

| This project... | Strongly disagree | Moderately disagree | Slightly disagree | Neutral | Slightly agree | Moderately agree | Strongly agree | <i>Too early to tell</i> |
|---|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| helped me achieve my goals for the parcel | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| delivered intended outcomes | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| increased my income | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

After completion of the wildlife habitat improvement project, there are typically some management activities that need to continue to support the project outcomes. The questions below ask you to tell us more about the management activities outlined in your Program agreement.

25. Overall, continuing the management activities outlined in the Program agreement to support project outcomes is:

| | Extremely | Moderately | Slightly | Neither | Slightly | Moderately | Extremely | |
|------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| Easy | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Difficult |
| Quick | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Time consuming |
| Worthless | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Worthwhile |
| Expensive | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Inexpensive |
| Manageable | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Burdensome |

Below are some conditions that might influence whether or not you maintain habitat improvement project outcomes.

26. Please indicate how the following items might increase the likelihood of you continuing management activities:

| I am more likely to continue the management activities if... | No change | Slightly more likely | Moderately more likely | Much more likely |
|---|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| the activities complement my operation or land management goals | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| the financial burden of implementing the activities is low | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I was in control of the project implementation and maintenance | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I established a good relationship with contacts within the Program | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I simply enjoy keeping up with the activities | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| the project outcomes on my property are worth the cost and time | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Below are some challenges that might influence whether or not you maintain habitat improvement project outcomes.

27. Please indicate how the following items might decrease the likelihood of you continuing management activities:

| I am less likely to continue the management activities if... | No change | Slightly less likely | Moderately less likely | Much less likely |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| the project didn't produce the intended outcomes | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| the activities get in the way of my operation | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I don't have sufficient knowledge of how to continue over the long term | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| removing the activities reduces government influence on my property | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| the activities are too time consuming | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| the activities are too expensive | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| monitoring, scheduling, and carrying out the activities is too complicated | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| I know of a better way to achieve or maintain project outcomes than what the Program agreement specified | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

28. To what degree have you been able to continue management activities to maintain or advance the habitat improvement project outcomes up until now?

- Not at all
 Some
 Mostly
 Completely
 Not applicable

29. What in particular do you find challenging about continuing management activities to maintain or advance the habitat improvement project outcomes?

Maintaining wildlife habitat improvement outcomes after the Program agreement term ends requires continued maintenance and management. Wherever you currently are in your agreement, we want to know your thoughts about CONTINUED HABITAT MANAGEMENT AFTER THE AGREEMENT TERM ENDS.

30. Are you receiving the technical assistance you require to maintain or advance the habitat improvement once the Program agreement term ends?

- Strongly disagree Moderately disagree Slightly disagree Neutral Slightly agree Moderately agree Strongly disagree

31. About how long past the end of the Program agreement do you plan on continuing to maintain or advance the habitat improvement project outcomes?

- Up to 2 years 2-5 years 6-10 years 10-20 years More than 20 years

SECTION E: DEMOGRAPHICS

Your willingness to share some background information will help us appreciate landowner's considerations of managing land for wildlife habitat. Your responses are completely CONFIDENTIAL and will NOT be connected to your name or address, and we will NEVER release your personal information to anyone.

Some landowners own multiple parcels of land in the same area. If you own multiple parcels of land in the same area, please consider them all together as your "property" for the following questions.

32. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with each item related to the financial management of your property:

| My property... | Strongly disagree | Moderately disagree | Slightly disagree | Neutral | Slightly agree | Moderately agree | Strongly agree |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| is an important source of income | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| is a business | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| needs to at least financially break even | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

33. How many acres of property do you own, lease from others, and lease to others?

_____ acres owned
_____ acres leased (rented)
_____ acres leased out (rented out)

34. In a typical year, approximately what percentage of your annual household income comes from activities related to your property?

| | |
|--|---|
| | % |
|--|---|

35. Please select your gender:

- Male
- Female
- Other
- Prefer not to say

36. What year were you born?

| |
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| _ _ _ _ |
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If there is anything else you would like to share with us, please do so here:

**We greatly appreciate your time and thoughtful contributions to this survey.
Please return your completed questionnaire in the postage-paid envelope as soon as possible.**

THANK YOU!