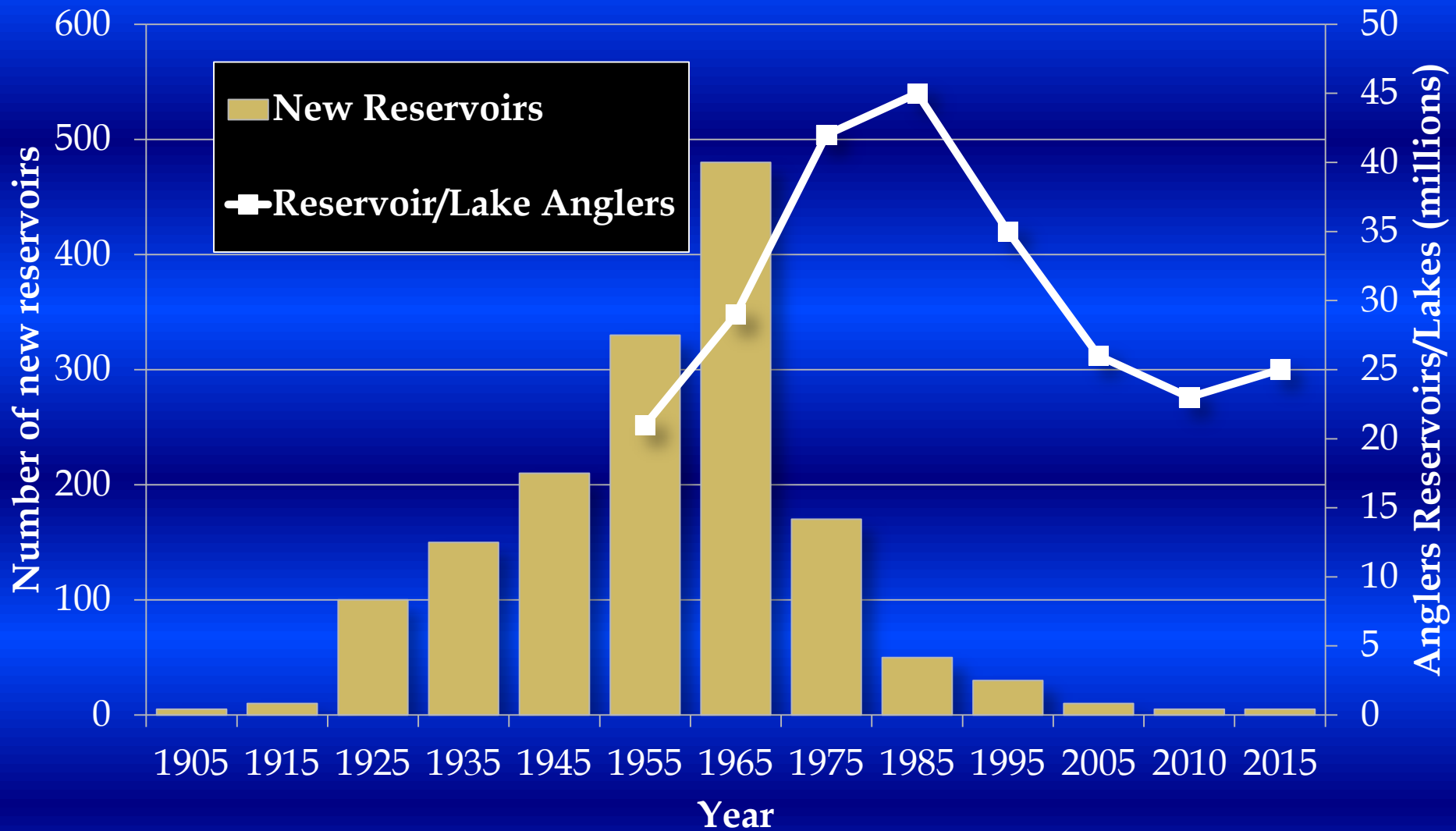


Funding Sources for Reservoir Fisheries Habitat Restoration Projects

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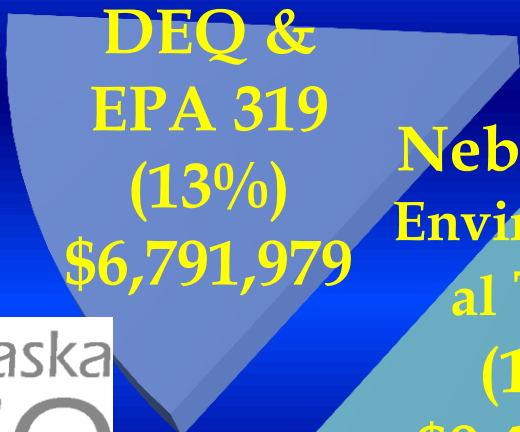
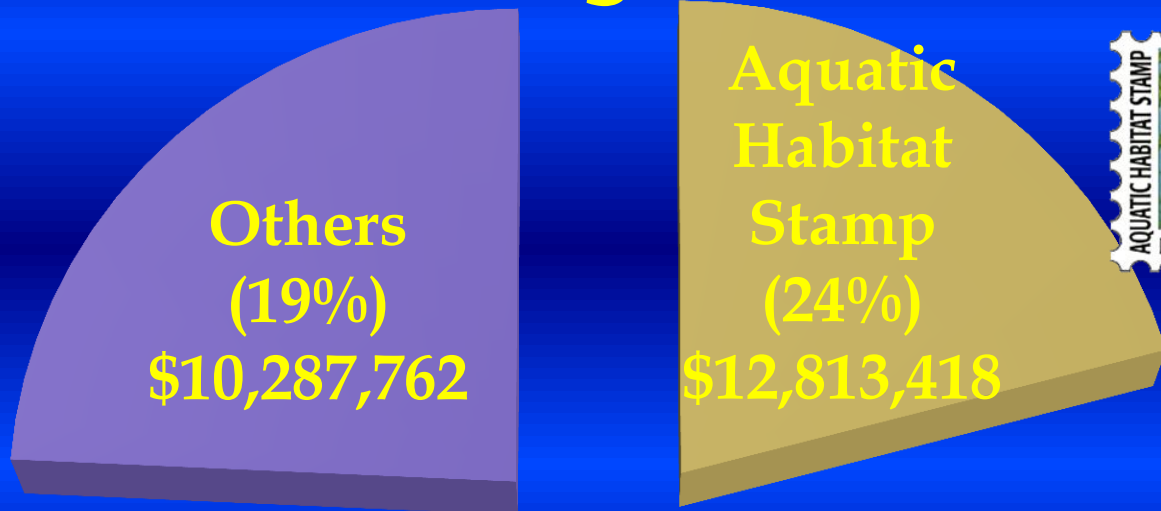


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Nebraska's Aquatic Habitat Program

Total Program Expenditures 1997-2012 = \$53,194,391







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Reservoir Work

Watershed/Coastal





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- **Work through local USACE Project Office**
- **Coordinate with State Fish and Wildlife Management Agency**

Most common projects:

- ▣ **Shoreline stabilization (USACE provides materials, equipment and labor)**
- ▣ **Partners provide funding for habitat restoration in conjunction with the shoreline restoration work**



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- ▣ Section 206, Water Resources Development Act of 1996, as amended – Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration.....
- ▣ Section 1135, Water Resources Development Act of 1986, as amended – Project Modifications for Improvement of the Environment

Sustainable Rivers Program



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<https://www.iwr.usace.army.mil/Missions/Environment/Sustainable-Rivers-Project/>

- ▣ The Sustainable Rivers Projects is a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and The Nature Conservancy partnership. It represents an ongoing effort to reoperate Corps dams to achieve more ecologically sustainable flows, while maintaining or enhancing project benefits. The project is being carried out under a Memorandum of Understanding between the Corps and the Conservancy.

Technical Assistance



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Water Operations Technical Support Program

- ▣ Provide engineering support for restoration techniques that have national implication
 - Engineer Research and Development Center, Vicksburg, MS

<https://wots.el.erdc.dren.mil/>

Outreach



OUTDOOR DAYS



US Army Corps
of Engineers



The Ozarks

Branson, MO





WaterSmart

<https://www.usbr.gov/watersmart>

27 projects \$2.6 million in WaterSMART Cooperative Watershed Management Program grants

Funding supports the establishment or further development of watershed groups to address water quantity and quality issues in the West





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- ▣ Cost sharing for fish and wildlife enhancement facilities
 - 75:25 for habitat work
 - 50:50 for boat ramps, shelters, playgrounds
- ▣ Work through local BOR office for project feasibility



Sport Fish Restoration Program

National Fish Habitat Partnership

- Provides funding for Reservoir Partnership
 - \$140,000 in project funds for FY2019
 - RFP goes out in May
 - \$30,000/project



- ▣ Partners for Fish and Wildlife
 - Private landowners and tribes
 - ▣ Imperiled ecosystems and species
- ▣ National Fish Passage Program
 - Reconnecting habitats (stream oriented)
- ▣ Coastal Programs



319 Funding

- **Water quality improvement funding**
 - **State water management agencies**
 - **Funding has been used for aquatic vegetation**



Urban Waters Small Grants

<https://www.epa.gov/urbanwaterspartners/urban-waters-small-grants-101>

Projects should meet the following objectives:

- Address local water quality issues related to urban runoff pollution;
- Provide additional community benefits;
- Actively engage underserved communities; and
- Foster partnership



Regional Conservation Partnership Program- Farm Bill

<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/farmbill/rcpp/>

- ▣ **\$228 million in 2018**
- ▣ **Most successful projects:**
 - *innovate,*
 - *leverage additional contributions,*
 - *offer impactful solutions, and*
 - *engage more partners*



Rise to the Future – National Fish and Wildlife Aquatic Strategy

- ▣ Forest Service's fisheries program, is founded on the knowledge and cooperation of government agencies, private industry, researchers, and the angling public to enhance fishery resources and improve fishing.
- ▣ Contact local USFS office



NFWF

National Fish and Wildlife Foundation

<https://www.nfwf.org/whatwedo/programs/Pages/home.aspx>

NFWF focuses on several approaches to restore and maintain freshwater species and their habitats:

- ▣ **Passage: Eliminate barriers to fish movement**
- ▣ **Water quality: Reduce pollution to restore clean water**
- ▣ **Water quantity: Ensure that stream flows are maintained at healthy levels**
- ▣ **Spring systems: Protect springs and other unique ecosystems for freshwater species**
- ▣ **Control of invasive species: Restore the natural balance of the ecosystem**



American Sportfishing Association

Leading the Way for Sportfishing's Future

www.asafishing.org/fish-america-foundation.

- ▣ Up to \$25,000
- ▣ Wisconsin, Minnesota, Florida, Indiana, Missouri, Tennessee, or Washington (state).
- ▣ 501 (c) (3); state and local governments

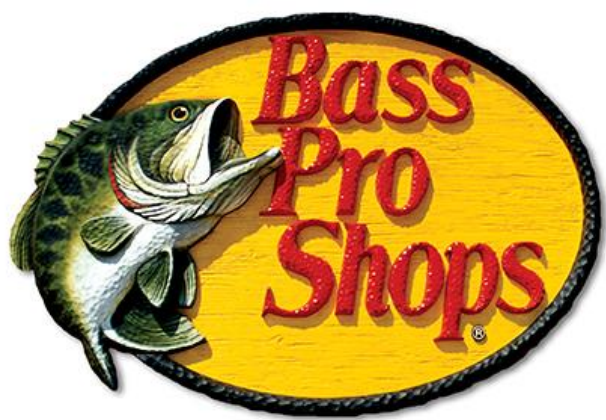
- ▣ Objectives to include improve sportfish populations, aquatic habitat or water quality



AFTCO / B.A.S.S. NATION CONSERVATION GRANT

<https://aftco.com/pages/bass-conservation-grant>

- ▣ B.A.S.S. Nation Clubs
- ▣ \$5,000
- ▣ Make a significant contribution to protect or enhance natural or artificial fish **habitat**; or...
- ▣ Prevent, manage or eliminate **aquatic invasive species** via action or education/outreach; or...
- ▣ Demonstrate best-practices in **tournament fish care** to maximize survival of released fish; or....
- ▣ Protect or enhance angler or boater **access to public waters**; or...
- ▣ Address an acute or chronic aquatic resource **pollution** issue; or....
- ▣ Demonstrate a new or innovative approach to **conservation education**



<http://community.basspro.com/apply-for-support/>

Limited to 501 (c) (3): FOR can apply for these grants on your behalf

- **Conserving fish and wildlife:** Initiatives that ensure the health of our precious fish and wildlife resources including habitat improvement and restoration, water quality and species health.
- **Introducing new audiences to the outdoors:** Programs that foster passion in the next generation including youth and family outdoor adventures, outdoor skills training and multicultural outreach.
- **Protecting our hunting and fishing heritage:** Projects that protect our hunting and fishing heritage including second amendment rights, outdoor recreational access and conservation advocacy.
- **Military and veterans:** Initiatives that care for our military and veterans in honor of their service to our country and our freedom, particularly programs that help military and veterans enjoy the outdoors.



<https://www.shell.us/sustainability/request-for-a-grant-from-shell.html>

Limited to 501 (c) (3): FOR can apply for these grants on your behalf

Shell makes monetary grants to nonprofit organizations within the U.S. Priority consideration will be given to organizations in or near communities where Shell Oil Company or its affiliates in the United States have a major presence.

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- CA: Martinez; Southern
- LA: Ascension Parish; Baton Rouge; St. Charles Parish
- WA: Puget Sound
- AL: Mobile
- TX: Deer Park, West

Shell Grant





<http://giving.walmart.com/walmart-foundation/community-grant-program>

Community Grants range from a minimum of \$250 to the maximum grant of \$5,000 (limited to 501 (c) (3))

- Quality of life: Improving access to recreation, arts or cultural experiences for low income individuals and families in the United States
- Environmental sustainability: Preventing waste, increasing recycling or supporting other programs that work to improve the environment in the United States

75% of Nonprofit Funding Comes from Private Donations

Crowd Funding Sources:

- Kickstarter
- Indiegogo. ...
- Crowdfunder. ...
- RocketHub. ...
- Crowdrise. ...
- Somolend. ...
- appbackr. ...
- AngelList.

Google: Conservation Grants

- www.grants.gov (federal grants)
- www.foundationcenter.org (fee)
- www.foundation-center.com (fee)
- www.neefusa.org/grants (National Environmental Education Foundation)
- www.tgfc.com (The Grantsmanship Center)

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