



# Wyoming

## Contributions to the American System of Conservation Funding

Through the American System of Conservation Funding (comprised of revenue from sporting licenses and Pittman-Robertson and Dingell-Johnson/Wallop-Breaux funds), sportsmen and women contribute billions of dollars to conservation. The System is a “user-pays, public-benefits” model, wherein sportsmen and women provide the vast majority of the funding for state fish and wildlife agencies – the primary stewards of our nation’s fish and wildlife resources. The revenue generated through this System helps to conserve fish and wildlife, provide clean water and healthy landscapes, and maintain access to these resources for the public at large, not just hunters and anglers.

	Hunting Licenses	Fishing Licenses	Pittman-Robertson	Dingell-Johnson/Wallop-Breaux	Total
2017 Funding	\$24.62 M	\$6.41 M	\$13.58 M	\$5.23 M	\$49.19 M
2017 National Rankings	11	35	31	29	23
Historical Funding Total	\$745.34 M	\$191.64 M	\$194.14 M	\$140.62 M	\$1.27 B
Historical Funding US Rank	9	34	27	29	19

### Wyoming sportsmen and women’s contributions to the American System of Conservation Funding:

- 39 Habitat Management Areas that cover approximately 450,000 acres.
- In streams and riparian areas, 39 projects managed watershed vegetation, restored functioning stream channels, reduced stream bank erosion, and provided fish habitat along 85.5 miles of stream, including Muddy, Wolf and Clear Creeks.
- The Wyoming Game & Fish Department (WGFD) enrolls more than 1.1 million acres in the Department’s Hunter Management Area Program and more than 650,000 acres is in the state’s Walk-in Area program. The Department also provides nearly 98 stream miles of Walk-in public fishing access.
- Every year over 5,000 Wyoming residents graduate from the state’s Hunter Education Program.
- The Wyoming Strategic Habitat Plan (SHP) helps direct the restoration, monitoring, and enhancement activities aimed at improving 175 stream miles and over 484,000 acres of terrestrial habitats. In 2016 alone, over 44,000 trees/shrubs were planted, 11.2 miles of fish passage upstream miles were connected, and more than 24,000 acres of land received herbicide weed treatments.

This report is made possible thanks to:



**2017 Certified Paid License Holders**  
Fishing: 224,374  
Hunting: 127,198

**2017 Total Licenses/Permits/Tags**  
Fishing: 340,769  
Hunting: 240,862