

New York

Ecological Services Field Office

Fact Sheet for Members of Congress

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Profile

Established: 1974
Staff: 21
FY 2003 budget: \$1,617,379

Purpose

The New York Field Office works in partnership with other federal and state agencies, non-government organizations, and private landowners to conserve, protect and enhance fish and wildlife resources in New York State.

Cooperative Assistance Activities

- Recover populations of federally listed threatened or endangered species
- Restore wetland, riparian and grassland habitats on private lands
- Identify and mitigate the effects of contaminants on fish and wildlife and restore contaminated ecosystems
- Provide technical assistance to other federal agencies on fish and wildlife resource issues
- Promote public stewardship of fish and wildlife resources through education and information transfer

Highlights

Establishing partnerships with private citizens, environmental groups and local, state and federal agencies to conserve fish and wildlife resources in the Connecticut River-Long Island Sound, Hudson River-New York Bight, and Great Lakes ecosystems

Restoration of 14,000 acres of wetland habitat and 40 miles of riparian habitat on private lands

Restoration of riverine habitat and improved fish passage through participation in the federal licensing of hydropower facilities



Issues

Recovery of threatened and endangered species

Loss of fish and wildlife habitats, including fresh and saltwater wetlands and coastal ecosystems

Environmental contaminant impacts to aquatic resources

Loss of fisheries habitats because of blockages in streams and rivers from culverts, dams and other structures

Management of double-crested cormorants

The mission of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is working with others to conserve, protect and enhance fish, wildlife, plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people.

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