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## NEARLY \$44 MILLION DISTRIBUTED TO STATES FOR FISH AND WILDLIFE RESTORATION

Federal aid distributions to the States of \$30,800,000 for wildlife restoration and \$13,105,000 for fish restoration were announced today by Acting Secretary of the Interior Fred J. Russell.

The figures announced today include preliminary apportionments of \$15,900,000 for wildlife and \$6,200,000 for fish made in June 1970.

Funds are made available by Interior's Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife to all 50 States, Guam, the Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico. Wildlife funds are derived from the 11 percent excise tax on sporting arms and ammunition; money for fish projects comes from a similar levy on certain sport fishing equipment.

States receive amounts based on a formula using the State's area and the number of its hunting and fishing license holders. Under these restoration programs, States initiate projects and are reimbursed for up to 75 percent of their cost.

Projects which qualify include acquisition of land and water for wildlife and public use, improvement of wildlife habitat, development of facilities for sportsmen, and research to aid in wildlife management.

Apportionments for fiscal year 1971 are listed in the attachments.

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# Apportionment for Federal Aid in Fish Restoration

Fiscal Year 1971

Alabama	\$ 234,792
Alaska	653,750
Arizona	269,429
Arkansas	266,509
California	653,750
Colorado	311,403
Connecticut	130,750
Delaware	130,750
Florida	287,715
Georgia	269,337
Hawaii	130,750
Idaho	222,660
Illinois	346,479
Indiana	262,305
Iowa	214,288
Kansas	225,142
Kentucky	201,077
Louisiana	204,130
Maine	130,750
Maryland	130,750
Massachusetts	130,750
Michigan	473,586
Minnesota	550,489
Mississippi	176,391
Missouri	341,439
Montana	286,912
Nebraska	187,465
Nevada	204,101
New Hampshire	130,750
New Jersey	130,750
New Mexico	233,190
New York	343,690
North Carolina	224,771
North Dakota	141,611
Ohio	298,614
Oklahoma	266,440
Oregon	327,770
Pennsylvania	280,478
Rhode Island	130,750
South Carolina	181,401
South Dakota	175,461
Tennessee	333,507
Texas	653,750
Utah	217,736
Vermont	130,750
Virginia	197,776
Washington	247,946
West Virginia	130,750
Wisconsin	456,653
Wyoming	212,807
Guam	10,000
Puerto Rico	10,000
Virgin Islands	10,000
Total	\$ 13,105,000

Apportionment for Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration

Fiscal Year 1971

Alabama	\$ 598,288
Alaska	1,538,500
Arizona	708,765
Arkansas	511,925
California	1,495,148
Colorado	779,768
Connecticut	153,850
Delaware	153,850
Florida	504,230
Georgia	590,111
Hawaii	153,850
Idaho	604,073
Illinois	660,884
Indiana	607,150
Iowa	580,170
Kansas	610,389
Kentucky	440,409
Louisiana	542,376
Maine	357,209
Maryland	224,703
Massachusetts	173,483
Michigan	1,152,210
Minnesota	843,165
Mississippi	489,991
Missouri	767,221
Montana	875,506
Nebraska	553,585
Nevada	603,725
New Hampshire	153,850
New Jersey	209,617
New Mexico	702,686
New York	927,829
North Carolina	681,928
North Dakota	419,654
Ohio	675,715
Oklahoma	550,652
Oregon	817,477
Pennsylvania	1,262,918
Rhode Island	153,850
South Carolina	363,149
South Dakota	531,914
Tennessee	627,406
Texas	1,538,500
Utah	613,425
Vermont	183,597
Virginia	575,268
Washington	654,987
West Virginia	345,198
Wisconsin	872,068
Wyoming	641,778
Guam	10,000
Puerto Rico	10,000
Virgin Islands	10,000
Total	\$30,800,000