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## LYNN GREENWALT CHOSEN TO DIRECT FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

Lynn A. Greenwalt, 42, a career employee of the Fish and Wildlife Service whose father, Ernest J., was a wildlife refuge manager for 34 years, has been chosen as director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Secretary of the Interior Rogers C. B. Morton announced today.

"We think we have found within the Department the best qualified man for this important position," Secretary Morton said. "Greenwalt's long service in the national wildlife refuge system and his work in wildlife law enforcement are experiences that will bring great benefit to the Fish and Wildlife Service leadership."

Greenwalt has been an assistant director since May 1973. Before that he headed the refuge system consisting of approximately 30,000,000 acres on 342 refuges in 49 States.

From November 1970 to October 1971, Greenwalt was supervisor of the Service's game management agents in the Pacific region headquartered at Portland, Oregon.

Greenwalt began his Federal career with summer jobs on Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge in Oklahoma, from 1946 to 1952.

Other Federal employment included work at the Arizona Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit, Tucson; Bear River Refuge, Brigham City, Utah;

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National Elk Refuge, Jackson, Wyoming; Salt Plains Refuge, Jet, Oklahoma; Bosque del Apache Refuge, San Antonio, New Mexico; Fish Springs Refuge, Dugway, Utah; Regional Division of Refuges, Albuquerque, New Mexico. He became associate regional supervisor of the Division of Refuges in Minneapolis before joining the Service's law enforcement arm.

Greenwalt attended Reedley, California, Junior College, and received his B.S. degree in zoology at the University of Oklahoma in 1953, adding an M.S. in wildlife management from the University of Arizona in 1955.

He is married to the former Judith A. Cunningham. Her father, Frederick A., was a refuge manager for 20 years before retiring in 1963. The couple met when her father was an assistant to Lynn's father at Wichita Mountains.

The Greenwalt's have three boys: Mark, 15, Scott, 13, and Grant, 9. The family resides in Rockville, Md.

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