

# EVALUATING THE POTENTIAL OF USING PITTMAN-ROBERTSON (P-R) FUNDS

## SHOULD YOUR AGENCY CONSIDER USING P-R FUNDS TO INVEST IN FALL FLIGHTS? COMPLETE THE CHECKLIST BELOW TO FIND OUT.

P-R Evaluation Checklist	✓ YES	⊠ NO
<b>1.</b> Is your agency short on match for P-R funds?		
2. Would your agency be comfortable using match from Canadian partners?		
<b>3.</b> Would your agency support using funds for waterfowl habitat restoration or possibly science projects and habitat management?		
<b>4</b> . Would your agency's P-R investment be more than \$50,000, the amount needed to support a standalone P-R project? If not, there may be possibilities to combine them with other states investing P-R funds.		
5. If you checked "Yes" to all of the above, consider investing P-R funds in Fall Flights!		





### **EVALUATE THE POTENTIAL OF USING PITTMAN-ROBERTSON (P-R) FUNDS**

#### A STOP-GAP MEASURE TO SUPPORT FALL FLIGHTS

Using P-R funds is a fantastic short-term investment strategy to help you reach your agency's Fall Flights goal or achieve an investment milestone. It will then give you time to develop a long-term plan to utilize agency funds coupled with NAWCA match to support conservation delivery with fewer restrictions.

#### **MATCH OPTIONS**

Pittman-Robertson funds cannot be matched with other federal funds or used in projects that include funds from federal programs like NAWCA. However, every dollar invested can access \$3 of P-R funds, and a favorable exchange rate will add 30% to conservation work for your state! The bottom line is that your state will be able to leverage every dollar to a similar extent as when using NAWCA funds.



#### **FUNDING RESTRICTIONS**

Conservation delivery partners have successfully used P-R funds for wetland restoration, but opportunities may exist for long-term habitat projects, conservation science, or habitat management. P-R funds in Canada cannot be used for fee title or conservation easement expenditures. All match must meet the P-R match guidelines for in-state work.

#### STANDALONE PROJECTS

Because P-R funds cannot be combined with NAWCA funds, Canadian conservation delivery partners need sufficient investments to cover standalone projects. This can be accomplished in two ways. First, an individual state agency may invest \$50,000 or more to support a project. Second, multiple states may combine P-R funding to support a project.

#### INVESTING P-R FUNDS – AS EASY AS 1, 2, 3!

- **Evaluate** how much P-R funding your agency has available to invest in Fall Flights.
- **2 Contact** Howie Singer, Ducks Unlimited Canada, or Stephen Carlyle, Manitoba Habitat Conservancy, to identify potential projects that will provide the most benefit to your state.



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**Enjoy** more ducks, shorebirds, and songbirds migrating into your state!

