

ILLINOIS

ACRES FOR WILDLIFE

APPLICATION

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\* OFFICE USE ONLY
\* REQUEST REC'D:
\* INV. MAILED:
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The Wildlife Biologist needs the information requested below, along with a photo of your property, in order to assist you.

I. COOPERATOR: Please fill in.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_
Address \_\_\_\_\_
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_
Phone - Day \_\_\_\_\_ - Evening \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer the following questions. (circle or write in)

- Are you the landowner? yes no
If not, who is? (name)
Are you the farm operator? yes no
If not, who is? (name, if any)
Do you reside on the property? yes no
If not, does anyone else? (name)
Do you plan any building construction on the property within the next 5 years? yes no
Is your property within a village or city? yes no

II. PROPERTY: Please provide the requested information about the location and current use of your property. These items are for information purposes only. There are no "right" or "wrong" answers.

Table with 6 columns: County Name, Township Name, Township Number, Range Number, Section Number, Tract Number. Each cell contains a blank line for input.

Please estimate the number of acres in each of the following habitat types on your property.

Table with 2 columns: TYPE OF HABITAT OR LAND USE, TRACT NUMBER. Rows include: 1. Row crops, small grains, or annual set-aside; 2. Grassland - grazed or cut for hay; 3. Grassland - not used for forage; 4. Woodland - used for pasture; 5. Woodland - not grazed; 6. Brush (fence rows, field borders, or odd areas); 7. Wetlands (ponds, streams, or marshes); 8. Building site (house, barn, shed, etc., lawn and surrounding area within about 200'); Total property acreage (sum of #1 to #8); Number of acres you wish to develop or improve.

III. CONSERVATION INTERESTS: Please help identify your general wildlife interests by considering the following activities. Use a total of 100 points to rate the interests important to you. You may give points to any or all categories. Again, there are no "right" or "wrong" answers.

Example: If only 1 and 4 are important and they are about equally important, each would get 50 points. If 1, 5, and 6 are important and 1 is about twice as important as 5 or 6, then 1 would get 50 points and 5 and 6 would get 25 each.

ACTIVITY	POINTS
1. Hunting or trapping for sport	_____
2. Viewing wildlife (nature walks, bird watching, maintaining nest boxes or feeders)	_____
3. Procuring wildlife for food or fur	_____
4. Knowing wildlife exists in the balance of nature	_____
5. Photographing wildlife	_____
6. Reading wildlife articles and viewing photos and films in magazines and on TV	_____
7. Other (write in) _____	_____
TOTAL	100

IV. SPECIES INTERESTS: Please rate your interest in each of the following wildlife groups by using 100 points as above. You may give points to any or all categories.

GROUP	POINTS
1. Upland game (rabbit, quail, mourning dove)	_____
2. Forest game (deer, turkey, squirrels)	_____
3. Songbirds (cardinal, bluebird, house wren)	_____
4. Furbearers (muskrat, raccoon, fox)	_____
5. Waterfowl (mallard, wood duck, geese)	_____
6. Raptors (horned owl, red-tailed hawk, falcon)	_____
7. Other (write in) _____	_____
8. All wildlife (the complete wildlife community)	_____
TOTAL	100

If you wish to manage for 1 or 2 featured species, please note below.

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V. CONSERVATION GOALS: Please evaluate the importance of these possible goals for your property. (circle)

GOAL	NOT INTERESTED	SOMEWHAT INTERESTED	VERY INTERESTED
1. Provide game for hunting.	0	1	2
2. Attract wildlife for viewing pleasure.	0	1	2
3. Manage woods for lumber or firewood.	0	1	2
4. Restore native plant and animal communities.	0	1	2
5. Provide a home for local native wildlife.	0	1	2
6. Create an attractive landscape.	0	1	2
7. Protect my streams and prevent soil erosion.	0	1	2
8. Other (write in) _____	0	1	2

VI. EQUIPMENT: Just list items you have available that might help with planting, mowing, etc. This is not intended to be a detailed inventory. (write in or circle proper answer)

Tractors:

Make	Model	3 pt. hitch		Category			Hydraulics		Horsepower
_____	_____	yes	no	1	2	3	yes	no	_____
_____	_____	yes	no	1	2	3	yes	no	_____

Mowers:

Type (sickle, bush hog, etc.)	Width
_____	_____
_____	_____

Tillage Equipment:

Type (plow, disc, harrow, etc.)	Width
_____	_____
_____	_____

Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
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VII. GENERAL COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, OR SPECIFIC ITEMS OF INTEREST:  
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**PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED APPLICATION ALONG WITH AN AERIAL PHOTO TO THE WILDLIFE BIOLOGIST**