THE BERGGREN PLAN

NEBRASKA'S MEGA PLAN IMPROVING PHEASANT HUNTING

"We're all in!"

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OUR MISSION

Our mission is to produce the best pheasant hunting experiences for the most people over the next five years.

OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Consider all manageable aspects of the pheasant hunting experience, with habitat and hunter access (particularly for youth) as cornerstone activities
- Concentrate work where it will be most effective (i.e., where habitat, hunter access, and community support come together) based on sound science
- Set realistic management targets and expectations, and use financial and human resources as efficiently as possible to meet them
- Foster strong partnerships with other public entities, private conservation organizations, and local communities in reaching shared goals

OUR GOALS

- Increase pheasant abundance
- Increase hunter access to land holding pheasants
- Increase the pool of potential pheasant hunters
- Manage hunter expectations appropriately
- Improve the funding and policy environment related to our mission

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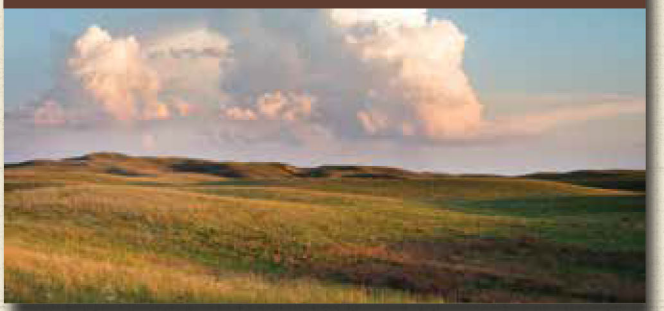
Habitat and Access Goals

$26.4 million for habitat management over 5 years
$3.5 million for access over 5 years
$6.0 million on average per year

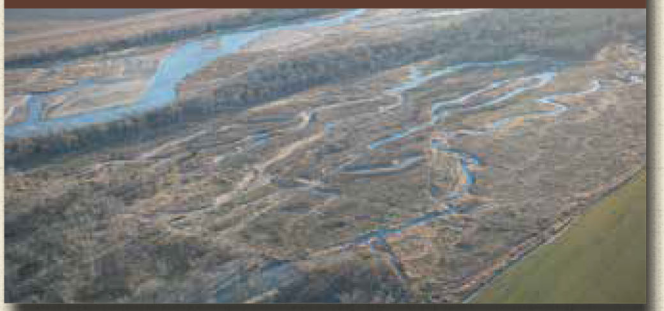
Retain, manage or gain 390,110 acres of CRP over 5 years

Encourage tall small-grain stubble on 252,585 acres per year

Manage 143,400 acres of existing grassland over 5 years



Work with conservation partners on 9,450 acres over 5 years

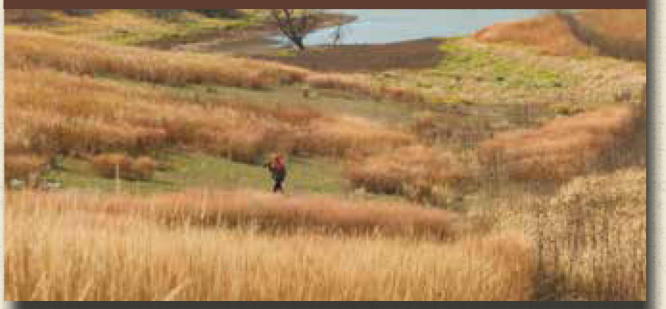


Manage 3,375 acres of short-term set-aside over 5 years

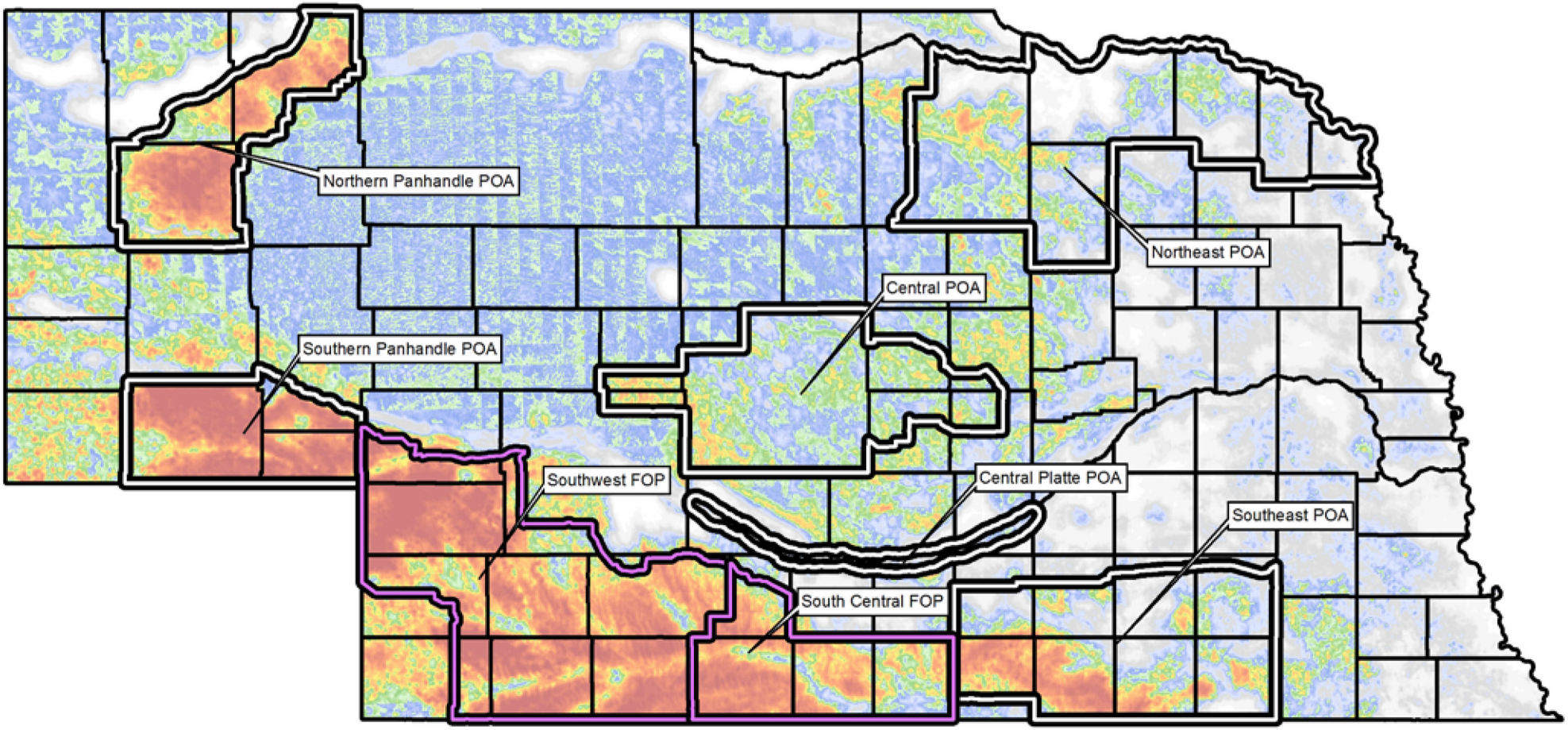
Manage or acquire 1,700 acres of wetlands over 5 years

Provide 122,930 acres of upland game hunting access per year in the focus areas

Manage 35,734 acres on 17 WMAs over 5 years



PROPOSED PHEASANT MANAGEMENT BOUNDARIES



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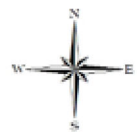
Increasing Habitat Value



Proposed Pheasant Management Boundaries (Type)

Focus on Pheasant Area (FOP) | Pheasant Opportunity Area (POA)

0 20 40 60 Miles

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