

**Department of Natural Resources  
Game & Fish Protection Fund - Turkey Subfund  
FY 2014 Projects/Activities**

Division	Goal	Objective	Project/Activity > \$50,000	FY 2014 Amount
Wildlife	Goal 2: Manage habitat for sustainable wildlife populations	Develop coordinated statewide and regional approaches to managing habitat by 2011, and implement by 2013	Planted warm-season grasses in the southern Lower Peninsula and food plots to maintain openings and support turkey nesting and brooding, improved forest condition through timber sales to benefit turkeys, maintained grassland plantings through the use of prescribed fire, and planted additional grasslands.  13,542 acres were accomplished in the following field units:  <i>Planted 6,989 acres of food plots - Holly (75), Cass (2,746), Allegan (1,831), Crane Pond (212), Muskegon (569), Flat River (246), and Rose Lake (1,310).</i>  <i>Maintained 5,502 acres of grasslands - Holly (169), Cass City (2,582), Allegan (1,167), Crane Pond (687), Muskegon (10), Flat River (452), and Rose Lake (435).</i>  <i>Created/maintained 1,051 acres of forest openings - Cass City (24), Allegan (904), Crane Pond (65), Muskegon (2), and Flat River (56).</i>  Cooperated with wild turkey conservation organizations through cost share to manage for winter food on private lands in the northern Lower Peninsula with particular emphasis on high-snowfall regions where over winter turkey survival is most challenging - includes planting of grains, grasses, crabapple, and other foods that have the potential to feed turkeys during the winter.  435 acres of food plots were planted on private lands in the Atlanta (371) and Traverse City (64).	\$450,052
Wildlife	Goal 1: Manage for sustainable populations	Manage game populations to provide hunting and trapping opportunities while maintaining populations in balance with available habitat, land use practices, and stakeholder values	Updated turkey management plan, set turkey regulations, trapped turkeys in southwest Lower Peninsula and relocated them to northwest Lower Peninsula, conducted turkey harvest & opinion surveys (includes printing, mailing, and staff costs for survey data entry). Conducted annual meeting to review hunting season statistics, discuss future hunting regulations, and share information on habitat management projects with Upper Peninsula. Turkey Partners, including eastern Dickinson County Sportsmen's Club, Wildlife Unlimited of Dickinson County, Bay de Noc Gobblers Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF), Menominee County Strutting Toms Chapter of NWTF, Wildlife Unlimited of Delta County, and Keweenaw Bay Cutters Chapter of NWTF	\$98,069
Wildlife	Goal 5: Improve communication with public	Increase public understanding and awareness of wildlife management and Division programs	Provided public outreach statewide and responded to public inquiry related to turkey.  Printed and shipped spring and fall turkey guides.	\$58,127

<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$606,248</b>
Wildlife	\$207,014
Executive	\$14,200
Finance and Operations	\$76,700
Accounting Service Center	\$14,600
Building Occupancy/Private Rent	\$20,600
Legal Services	\$6,500
Information Technology	\$65,800
Other departments	\$20,480
<b>Total AY 2014 Expenditures</b>	<b>\$1,032,142</b>