North American Grouse Partnership



The Voice of Grouse Conservation

Our mission is the conservation of North America's 12 grouse species and the habitats necessary for their reproduction and survival.

We are hunters, falconers, birders, photographers, professional biologists, wildlife managers, dedicated citizen conservationists. educators, and more. We were founded in 1999 in response to the conservation needs of several grouse species.

Our key tools are science, policy, partnerships, and outreach to create and sustain positive, landscape-scale habitat and population impacts. We focus not only on the *birds* and their *landscapes*, but also the *human connection* to them. North American grouse species, especially those inhabiting prairie, grasslands, and shrublands, have experienced serious declines. Our conservation work at this time is focused on those species at greatest risk, including lesser prairie-chicken, sage grouse, greater prairie-chicken, and sharp-tailed grouse of the Great Plains and Midwest.

We work to conserve grouse because they are an integral part of our natural and cultural heritages, native biodiversity, and outdoor recreation. They charismatically represent habitats from prairie to forest, and sagebrush to tundra. When their habitats are abundant and healthy, not only do they thrive, but a breadth of plant and animal species also thrive. Their habitats provide ecosystem services for people including carbon sequestration, healthy soils, clean water, local biomass of grass and wood, and wild spaces to recreate and rejuvenate. Grouse conservation is the premier example of why wildlife conservation is relevant to everyone.





Examples of our conservation work include:

- Establishing, leading, and participating in multi-state work groups for greater prairiechickens and sharp-tailed grouse, and for lesser prairie-chicken.
- Facilitating a landowner-leader group, the Lesser Prairie-Chicken Landowner Alliance.
- Providing scientific review of sage grouse policies and management.
- Influencing and revitalizing federal programs, such as Farm Bill 2023, the Conservation Reserve Program, and Environmental Quality Incentives Program.
- Supporting legislation such as the North American Grassland Conservation Act and Recovering America's Wildlife Act.
- Collaborating with local grouse societies to support state conservation efforts.
- Coordinating a "Grouse Trail" at National Pheasant Fest to raise the profile of grouse organizations.
- Publishing an annual fall magazine, Grouse Partnership News, filled with the latest informative and inspiring grouse conservation-related topics and updates.

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To Join the North American Grouse Partnership,

visit our website at <u>grousepartners.org</u> (or scan the QR code to right), OR complete and mail in the below membership application. Send it with a check payable to NAGP to PO Box 343, Garden Valley, ID 83622. Membership includes the annual fall magazine, a decal, and periodic information about NAGP, grouse conservation, and advocacy opportunities. NAGP is also on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u>.

Membership Application	Forest Grouse	\$35
Name	Sharp-tailed Grouse	\$100
Address	Prairie Chicken	\$250
City, State, Zip	Ptarmigan	\$500
Phone Email	Sage Grouse (Life Member) \$1,000	
	Other	\$

