# Already have gamebirds?

Gamebird hunters in Indiana know that it is becoming increasingly difficult to find places to hunt gamebirds. This has led to decreasing interest in hunting, especially among youth.

The Indiana Private Lands Access (IPLA) program is a groundbreaking new program that will pay YOU to allow very limited gamebird hunting on your property.

Depending on how intensively you manage your habitat, you can earn up to \$25/acre per year just for allowing a few closely monitored hunts each season.

If you choose to enroll your land as an IPLA hunting location, biologists will work closely with you to determine how many hunts are appropriate.



## How everyone can help:

If you don't own property, but would still like to help, you can donate to the GGS fund. Your contribution will go toward habitat creation and enhancement, benefitting bobwhite quail, ring-necked pheasant, and the endangered loggerhead shrike. Many other imperiled grassland-dwelling species will also benefit.



If you would like to donate, please send a check to the following address:

Private Lands Program, 402 W. Washington St. Rm. W273, Indianapolis, IN 46204

Make checks payable to: Natural Resources Foundation. Please include your name, address, phone number and email, and denote "GGS" in the memo for proper routing.

To find out more about IPLA or to apply for an IPLA hunt, visit our website at

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# GRASSLANDS FOR GAMEBIRDS & SONGBIRDS

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### What is GGS?

The Grasslands for Gamebirds and Songbirds Program provides technical and financial assistance to improve or develop grassland and pollinator-friendly habitat in selected regions of Indiana.



# Why grasslands?

Grasslands are declining across the U.S. and Indiana. The 2015 Indiana State Wildlife Action Plan identified the percentage of grassland habitat loss as the largest habitat decline in Indiana.

Many pollinators (bees, butterflies, etc.) are exhibiting population declines as well, and face many threats, including loss of habitat and food resources. Estimates suggest that 1 in 3 bites of food consumed worldwide are a direct result of pollination services. Healthy grasslands rich in native wildflowers and grasses can provide mutually beneficial habitat for pollinators, songbirds, gamebirds and many other wildlife species.

## What's in it for you?

Professional help and funding, just for creating some beneficial habitat.

- \$142-\$543/acre\* for planting native grasses and forbs.
- \$818-\$1,219/acre for planting pollinator species.
- \$75/acre for strip disking.
- \$757/acre for edge feathering.
- \$678/acre for planting trees and shrubs
- \* Rates are 2019 rates. Actual rates may vary year to year.

## What will GGS do?

- Develop and improve grassland and pollinator habitats.
- Improve soil and water quality.
- Increase hunting and other outdoor recreation opportunities.
- Increase funding to local economies.



# Are you eligible?

If you are interested in restoring important grassland or pollinator habitat and live within one of our focal regions, we can help. See the map below to see if you're eligible or feel free to contact us.



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