

Wild Turkey Woodlands Recognition Program Fact Sheet



Celebrating your success and help landowners.

NWTF chapters are committed to improving habitat for wildlife on private lands. The Wild Turkey Woodlands Award program recognizes private landowners in your community for what they do for wildlife, and lets your community know about your chapter's conservation efforts through a news release.

Your chapter can nominate and recognize a local landowner, meet with the landowner and place a Wild Turkey Woodlands sign on the property, and then send in the fill-in-the-blank news release to your local newspaper. You can use the news release to tell your local community about all the other activities your chapter is involved with - JAKES, Women in the Outdoors, Wheelin' Sportsmen, upcoming banquets, and other conservation projects. The Wild Turkey Woodlands Recognition program helps you bring local awareness about the importance of managing private land for wildlife, and highlights the importance of your local chapter to the community.

Who can nominate and approve a landowner for WTWs?

NWTF Chapters, Habitat Pro-Staff, NWTF biologist, Conservation Districts, Natural Resources Conservation Service personnel, state forestry and wildlife agency personnel, or any other NWTF partner.

What landowners are eligible?

Any landowner or manager with:

- At least 10 acres.
- Allows some kind of hunting on the property.
- Has a management plan or is willing to get one.
- Is doing something for wildlife on their land.

How are nominated landowners approved?

The chapters will be provided a WTWs Landowner Certification Evaluation Form which will be filled out by the person nominating the landowner. This evaluation form will help guide the chapter in determining whether or not the landowner is truly deserving of this award. Once the landowner nomination is approved by the chapter, the form is submitted to the NWTF along with the \$15 fee to cover the sign cost.

What is the cost and what does the landowner get?

The chapters use SF to purchase the 18" x 18" Wild Turkey Woodlands signs for \$15/each. The landowner is presented with the WTWs sign and a certificate signed by Rob Keck at their local banquet. The local chapter members then help erect the sign at a high visibility location on the landowner's property. The landowner, if interested in getting a management plan for their property, will be put in touch with the appropriate agency for a free plan, if available in that state. The landowner will also receive a FREE Hunting Heritage Club membership, that includes 2 issues/year of NWTF's *Get in the Game* magazine.