



# MIDWEST

Association of  
Fish & Wildlife  
Agencies

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# Executive Secretary

*Annual Report 2014*

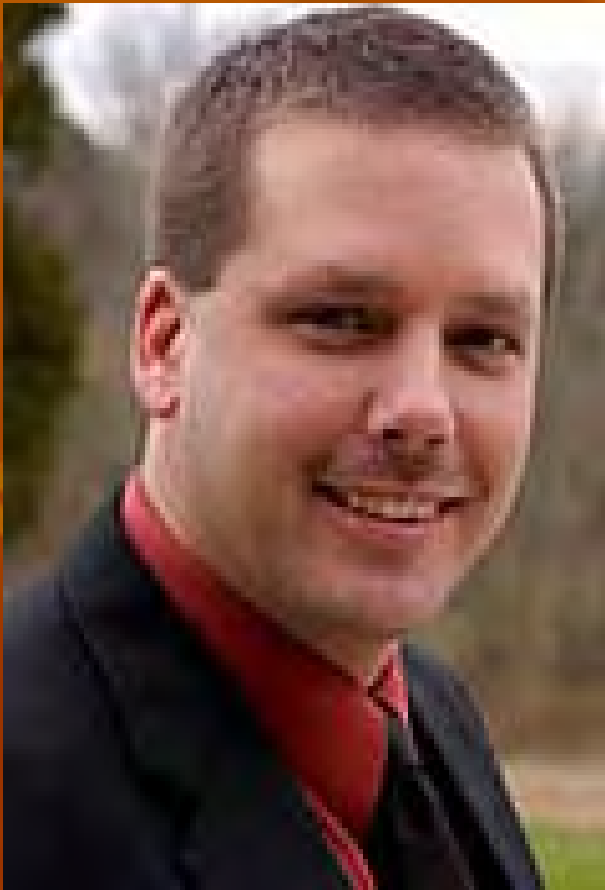
# Highlight 2014



Keith Creagh

# President Transition

Gassett



Creagh



# Farewell

## Corell





# Welcome

## Johnson



# Appointed Representatives

MAFWA By-laws Committee

MAFWA Resolutions Committee

MAFWA Investments Committee

National Bobwhite Conservation  
Initiative

AFWA Federal Budget Committee

# Director/Liaisons Needed

Midwest Private Land  
Committee

Midwest Furbearer Committee

Midwest Wildlife Action  
Committee

Midwest Law Enforcement Comm.



# Volunteers

## Gunderson



# Banking/Grants

Southern Wings

NBCI

Midwest F&W Conference

Wildlife Values National  
Grant?

# Web Site Management

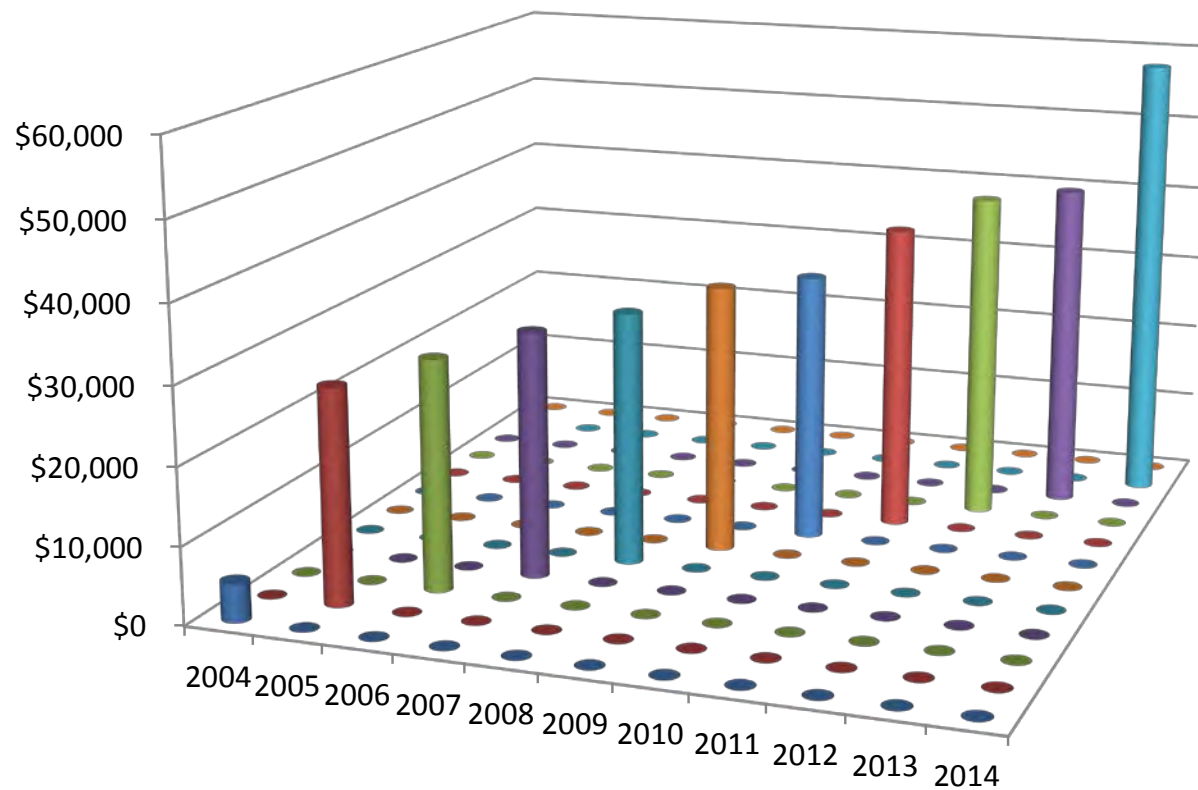


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# Sponsorship Support





# New Affiliate Member

## *Healing Our Waters Coalition*



Urge Congress to protect  
the Great Lakes



# Business Meeting Action

- Established New Technical Committee
- Established MFWC Service Policy
- Letter to Dan Ashe on LCCs
- Letter to USGS on SCWDS budget cut
- Requested Budget Proposal for Nat. Pheasant Plan Coordinator
- Established Ad Hoc Feral Swine Committee
- Wrote in support of wolf delisting

# MAFWA's Hero!



Joe Kramer

# *Thank You!!!*



Vicki Brown



Keith Creagh

# *Thank You!!!*



**Michigan  
Department of  
Natural Resources**



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*Celebrating 10+ Years of Service*



# *Thank You!!!*



Sheila Kemmis



Sharon Schafer



# Next MAFWA Conference

Duluth, Minnesota  
June 28-July 1, 2015  
Radisson Hotel



**Minnesota**

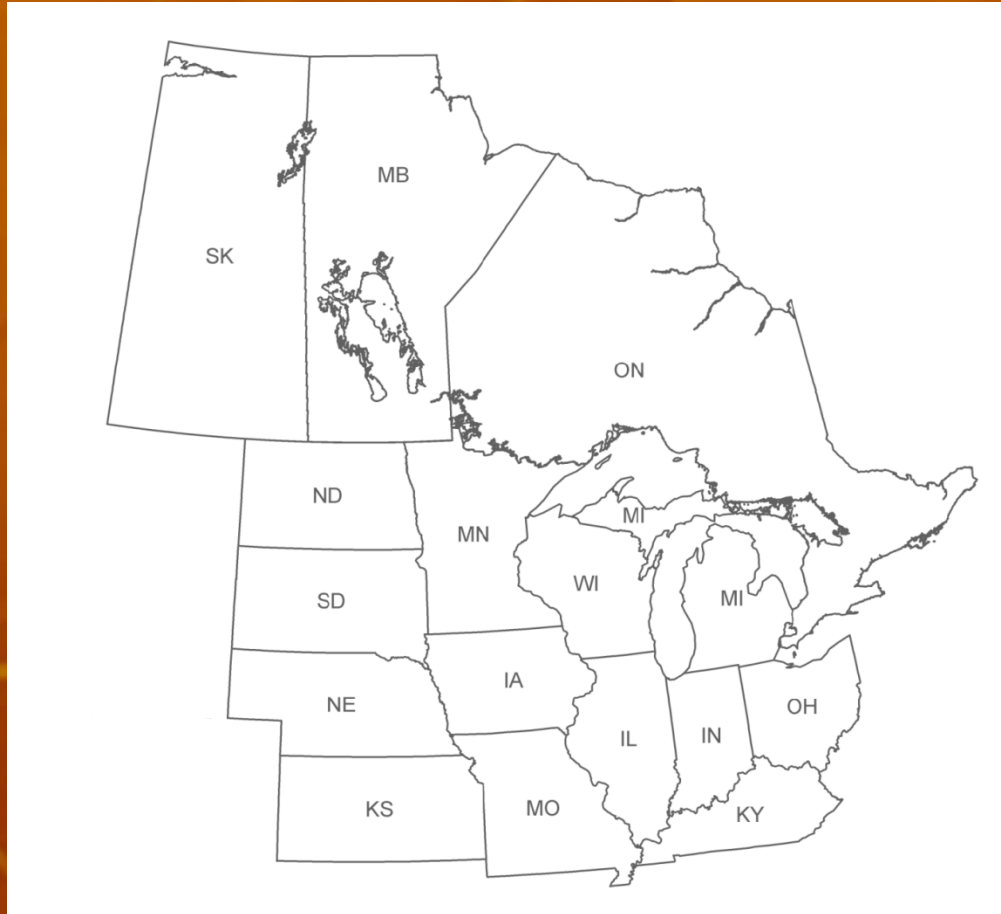
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Questions?



# CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS



**MIDWEST ASSOCIATION OF FISH & WILDLIFE AGENCIES**  
**JUNE, 201<sup>34</sup>**

The Association recognizes the following Technical Working Committees (year of automatic abolishment in parentheses):

Climate Change (2016)

Legal Committee (2014~~7~~)

National Conservation Need (NCN) Committee (2014~~7~~)

Midwest Pheasant Study Group (2015)

Midwest Private Lands Wildlife Management Group (2015)

Midwest Public Lands Technical Working Committee (2016)

Midwest Wildlife and Fish Health Committee (2016)

Midwest Deer and Wild Turkey Study Group (2014~~7~~)

Association of Midwest Fish and Game Law Enforcement Officers (2014~~7~~)

Midwest Furbearer Group (2015)

Wildlife Action Plan Technical Working Committee (2015)

Hunter and Angler Recruitment and Retention Technical Working Group (2014~~7~~)

Midwest Aquatic Habitat Conservation Committee (2016)



Amended July 2, 2008

Amended July 1, 2009

Amended --December 23, 2009

Amended June 29, 2011

Amended June 27, 2012

Amended June 26, 2013

Amended June 25, 2014

July 13, 2004

Amended July 13, 2005

Amended July 12, 2006

Amended July 18, 2007

Amended July 2, 2008

Amended July 1, 2009

Amended --December 23, 2009

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Amended June 26, 2013

Amended June 25, 2014

## **MAFWA SERVICE TO MIDWEST F&W CONFERENCE**

**The Midwest Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (MAFWA) agrees to provide the following services to any state agency member who requests MAFWAs aid in hosting the Midwest Fish and Wildlife Conference (MFWC). These are administrative services only and in no event imply that MAFWA owns the conference or intends to take over management, responsibility or liability for the event:**

**Banking Services:** MAFWA will accept and deposit start-up funding and write checks for any state agency member hosting MFWC (this does not include auditing services). Fee: 5% of funds received.

**Conference Coordinator Contracting:** MAFWA will sole source contract with a conference coordinator of the host member state's choice (this does not include auditing services), sign the hotel contract of the host member state's choice, and secure hotel cancellation and conference ~~financial-loss~~ **liability** insurance.

**Fee:** 10% of **meeting event planner** contract fees plus actual cost of insurance.

## **Purpose and Use of the Fund**

The purpose and use of the Anton Walter Jaschek fund shall be to support activities of the Midwest Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies which maintain and enhance the capability of all Midwest Association States to develop and implement comprehensive fish and wildlife programs for game, nongame, endangered species and their habitats.

1.) Activities that shall be given priority consideration are as follows:

☐ Supporting the enactment of new national legislation which will increase the funding and/or enhance state authority for the development and implementation of fish and wildlife programs such as: Teaming With Wildlife, CARA (Conservation and Reinvestment Act). Support may take the form of: direct contribution to the IAFWA for information and education efforts, supporting the expenses of state staff who are assigned temporary duty on behalf of the AMFWA to work on these issues; supporting the collection, publication and distribution of information which will have a positive impact on Congressional decision makers.

☐ Supporting re-authorization of existing national legislation such as the Farm Bill, Clean Water Act, the Endangered Species Act, for the purposes of maintaining and/or strengthening these types of legislation. Support may include: contributing to IAFWA efforts to dedicate staff to work on re-authorizations, supporting studies and evaluations to provide background information reflective of Midwest states needs; paying the expenses of staff to participate on behalf of the AMFWA on national advisory groups or study groups related to re-authorization of these types of legislation; supporting the collection, publication and distribution of information which will have a positive impact on Congressional decision makers.

☐ Supporting AMFWA participation in CITES. This should be limited to paying no more than the necessary travel expenses of state personnel who are working on behalf of the AMFWA.

☐ Sponsoring and/or co-sponsoring conferences and symposia which provide a forum for the presentation, discussion and sharing of research findings and management programs of importance to AMFWA states. A condition of sponsoring such conferences should be the timely publication of the conference proceedings in some fashion, in a form useful to practicing fish and wildlife managers.

2) Activities for which the Jaschek Fund will not be used include:

☐ Habitat projects.

☐ Fish and wildlife surveys and research not directly related to obtaining information or evaluating past programs pertaining to enactment of national legislation (i.e. Farm Bill, Clean Water Act, CARA).

☐ Books and publications not resulting from workshops, conferences or symposia sponsored by AMFWA.

☐ Buildings and interpretive exhibits.

3.) Other activities not specifically described herein may be considered if they have a direct relation to any or all of the items included in (1) above.