

Tall Timbers

Fire Ecology Field Office



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Station Facts

- Established: 1990.
- FY 02 budget: \$670,000.
- Staff: 5 FTE's.

Station Goals

- Conserve, protect, and enhance Federal trust resources and their habitats including National Wildlife Refuges, wetlands, endangered species, migratory birds, and interjurisdictional fishes.
- Gather and distribute wild and prescribed fire effects information to Service field stations to aid in protection, restoration, and management of fire dependent and influenced habitats.
- Identify needed fire research and field studies, prepare research proposals, and serve and liaison between field stations and the Interior Fire Research Committee.
- Serve as a national fire resource during national emergencies.

Services provided to:

- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service field stations.
- Private citizens.
- Federal, state and local agencies.
- Universities.

Activity Highlights

- Annually review and provide guidance on fire management programs on approximately 50 Fish and Wildlife Service field stations, 10 State management areas, five military installations, and five private foundations.
- Provide assistance for habitat enhancement, maintenance and restoration on approximately 100,000 acres annually, through the use of prescribed fire.

- Prepare and/or review 20-30 fire research proposals annually.
- Serve as Region 4's primary contact with contracted fire researchers.
- Serve on biological teams to promote wise use of fire as a management tool.