

# Restoring America's Wetlands



## Water Quality

Wetlands serve as filters for downstream watersheds by reducing sediment and recycling excessive nutrients.



## Habitat for Wildlife

Wetlands provide migration, breeding, nesting, and feeding habitat for millions of waterfowl, shorebirds, and other wildlife.



## Floodwater Storage

Wetlands function as natural basins, storing floodwater and slowly releasing it over time, thereby reducing the extent of flooding.



## Water Supply

Wetlands store and slowly release water, helping to maintain stream flow and groundwater recharge.



## Recreation and Aesthetics

Wetlands, and the biological diversity they provide, add beauty to any landscape.

The Natural Resources Conservation Service provides leadership in a partnership effort to help people conserve, maintain, and improve our natural resources and environment.

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