



# Charles M. Wooley

## *Biography*

### Midwest Region Quick Facts

- States in the Midwest Region: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin
- 119,553 acres of wetlands restored
- 216 miles of streams restored
- 82,454 acres of upland habitat restored
- Acres managed: 1.3 million
- More than 7.7 million people visited Refuges throughout Region 3 to hunt, fish, participate in interpretive programs, and view wildlife
- More than 150,000 school children participated in Service educational programs
- Employment: 1,110 people

Charles Wooley is the Deputy Regional Director for the Midwest Region of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. His Service career started in 1978 and includes work as a fishery biologist in Alaska, Florida and Maryland. He has also served as a Program Analyst in Washington, D.C., where he worked with the President's Domestic Policy Council Interagency Task Force on Wetlands and the House of Representatives' Merchant Marine Fisheries Committee, and participated in the Interior Department Manager Training Program.

Prior to his selection as Deputy Regional Director he was the Assistant Regional Director for Ecological Services at the Midwest Regional Office in Minneapolis, Minn. As Assistant Regional Director, he was responsible for the region's endangered species, contaminants and wetland protection programs, and various Great Lakes and Mississippi River activities. Prior to this, he was the Field Supervisor at the Service's East Lansing Field Office in Michigan for eight years and has continuously served as the Department of Interior's Trustee to the Great Lakes Fishery Trust since 1997.

Wooley is an American Fisheries Society-certified fisheries scientist, author of 15 technical papers on the biology and life history of the



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striped bass, sturgeon and ecosystem restoration. He has given numerous professional presentations on endangered species and fishery management issues at various forums throughout the country. He was named by the Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as one of Ten Unusually Outstanding Employees in the Service in 1989 and 1992. He was honored by Department of Interior Secretary Gale Norton in July 2001 with the Department's Meritorious Service Award.

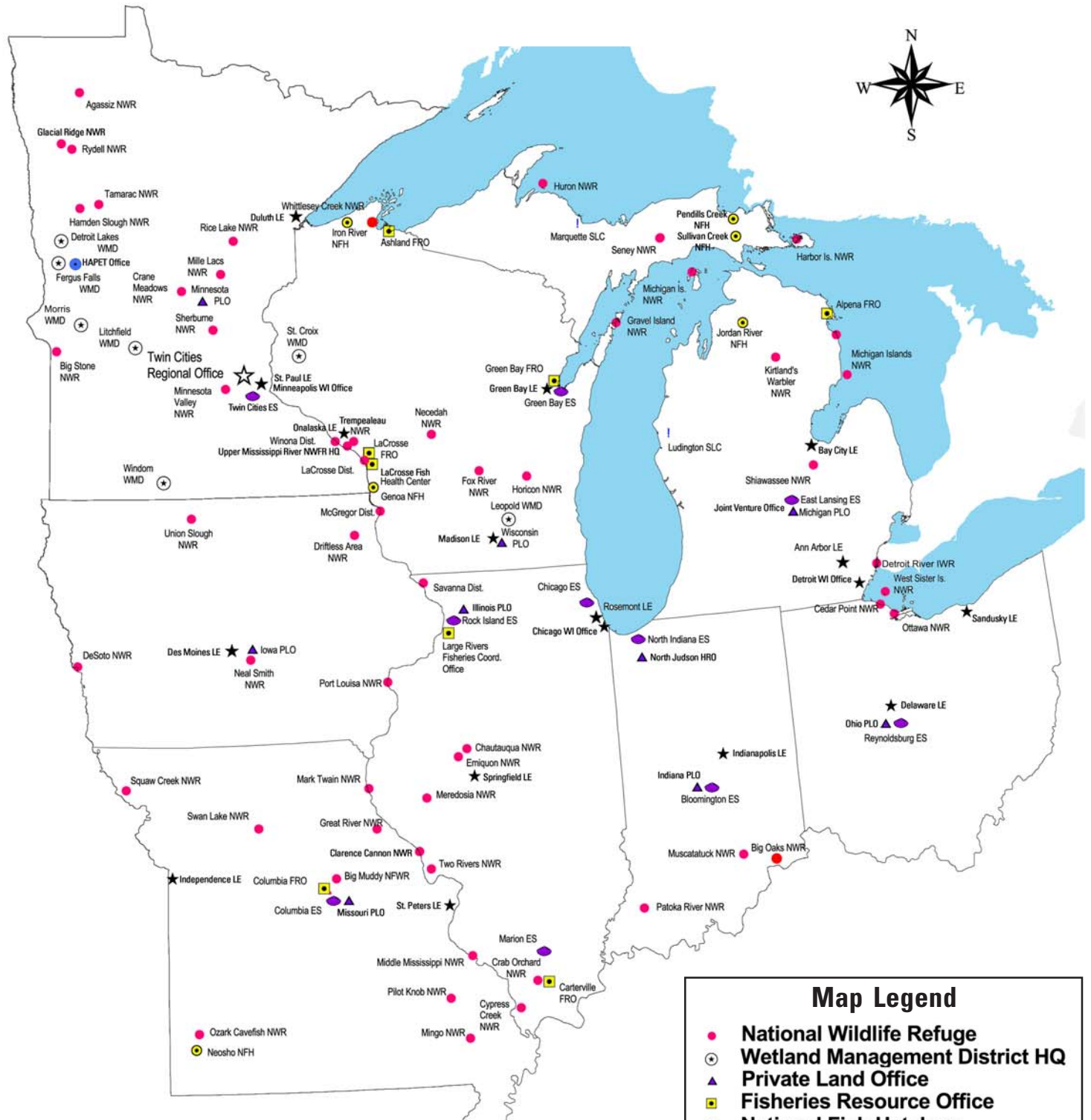
He is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. Wooley, his wife and their two daughters, reside in Lakeville, Minn.



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# Midwest Regional Offices

*Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin*



### Map Legend

- National Wildlife Refuge
- ⊕ Wetland Management District HQ
- ▲ Private Land Office
- Fisheries Resource Office
- ⊙ National Fish Hatchery
- | Sea Lamprey Control
- Ecological Services
- ★ Law Enforcement
- HAPET Office