



AMERICA'S Grassland Exhibit



To connect more people to America's extraordinary and imperiled grasslands, WLFW worked with renowned wildlife artist Ram Papish to create the America's Grassland Exhibit.

Celebrating America's Grasslands

America's grasslands are one of the largest and most diverse ecosystems on the planet. Rolling prairies cover nearly one-third of our country. They provide abundant water, rich soils, and soul-filling beauty.

Our prairies are home to 2,900 kinds of plants, 200 species of birds, 120 types of mammals, 250 kinds of reptiles, amphibians, or fish, as well as thousands of insects.

But this remarkable landscape is disappearing fast. Grasslands are one of the most endangered and least protected biomes on Earth.

Even though America has some of the most intact grasslands left in the world, much of our original grasslands have been plowed under for crops, replaced with roads and homes, or taken over by unwanted trees like eastern redcedar.



Each year, America loses another 1 million acres of grasslands, mainly to cropland conversion and encroaching trees.

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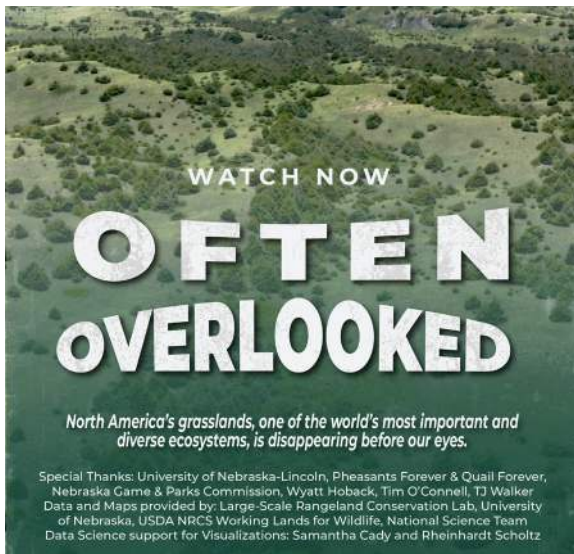
Ranchers Are Key to Conservation

More than 95% of America's grasslands are privately owned—and ranchers own most of the remaining large parcels of intact prairie.

Fortunately, ranching and healthy prairies go hand in hand. Livestock like cattle and sheep graze on native plants, keeping grasslands productive and providing habitat for wildlife. Ranchers steward the land and water and provide America with meat and other resources like leather and wool.

Working Lands for Wildlife conserves America's working lands to benefit people, wildlife, and rural communities. Our voluntary, incentive-based solutions keep land profitable and productive. They also provide wildlife habitat, clean water, and healthy soils.

Since 2010, Working Lands for Wildlife has conserved over 17 million acres of working lands by partnering with thousands of ranchers, farmers and forest owners in 48 states.



Watch How Landowners Are Working Together To Halt Woody Encroachment

A new six-minute film produced by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology with support from Working Lands for Wildlife, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, and Pheasants Forever shines a spotlight on a serious but often overlooked threat to some of the last, great grass and shrublands on Earth: the expansion of trees into productive rangelands.



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