



CONSERVATION *Strategies* FOR THE DELAWARE BAY

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Research and Science...

DU is leading a number of studies aimed at developing biological models used to set habitat objectives for American black ducks.

The *Black Duck Research Initiative* includes evaluating food availability, habits, and energy; migratory connectivity and habitat use; and landscape analysis of habitat change.

DU is also working with the Canadian Wildlife Service, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service–Sea Duck Joint Venture, U.S. Geological Survey, and others to examine population dynamics and ecology of:

- Black scoters
- Long-tailed ducks
- White-winged scoters

...Science and Planning

Black Duck Joint Venture (BDJV)

As a member of the *BDJV Science Technical Committee*, DU helps:

- Develop science-based habitat objectives for black ducks throughout their entire range
- Identify black duck research priorities needed to fill information gaps
- Rank proposals for black duck research and BDJV funding consideration

Atlantic Coast Joint Venture (ACJV)

DU plays the same role on the *ACJV Science Technical Committee*. DU also serves as a voting member of the *Management Board*, which sets direction and develops conservation policies for migratory birds within the ACJV.

Traditional Conservation Services

Restoration and Enhancement

Technical Assistance

Land Protection

CropLife America–DU works with DOW Chemical to secure herbicide for use on private and public lands

Grant writing–DU was awarded NFWF grants in NJ (Cohansey, Marsh Master) and DE (Nanticoke)

In 2009, DU authored a NAWCA grant for Great Cypress Swamp–Phase II



Black ducks



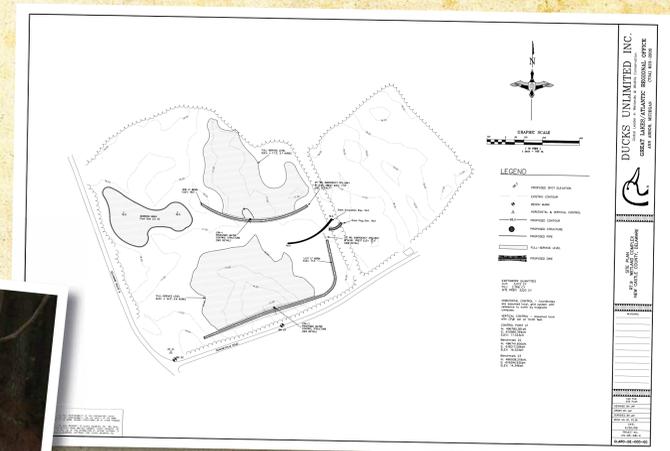
Great Cypress Swamp



Marsh Master

Engineering Science

DU Engineering Services delivers the complete package, from topographical survey and engineering design through contracting and construction management.



Augustine Wildlife Management Area, DE

Public Policy

DU is working with other NGOs to create a Delaware River Basin Restoration Program within the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service.

Goals of the DE River Basin Program include:

- Coordination of federal, state, and local restoration and protection efforts
- Implementation of additional restoration and protection activities
- Administration of a competitive grants program available to local governments, community organizations, NGOs, and universities

Delaware Bay Acres

Protected: 9,149
 Restored/Enhanced: 16,789
 Technical Assistance: 34,373