

Grass Planning Workshop  
ND Chapter of the Wildlife Society  
6 February 2024  
1-5PM

Purpose of Workshop

This facilitated workshop is designed to identify and discuss challenges and barriers facing land managers when restoring grasslands. The workshop will focus on planning and objectives of restorations as well as future management of restored grasslands. The outcome of the workshop will be to identify actionable items to address the challenges.

Introduction and opening remarks – NDCTWS President-elect, Phil Mastrangelo

Planning Considerations for grassland restorations – Moderator, Kevin Kading, ND Game and Fish Department, Private Lands Section Leader

- Facilitated Exercise – What challenges or barriers do you face implementing grass restorations or enhancements?
- *Make Grass Make Cents*. Whitney Huesers, USDA-NRCS, Bottineau, ND
- *Measuring Success: Evaluating Native Seedings*. Cami Dixon, USFWS
- *Considerations for Seeding Grass on Private Land*. Dan Duchscherer, United States Fish and Wildlife Service

Management Considerations for grassland restorations – Moderator, Curt Francis, ND Game and Fish, Private Lands East Region Supervisor

- Facilitated Exercise – What challenges do you face implementing management?
- *Overcoming our Fear of Fire*. Kelli Kuska, Pheasants Forever
- *Challenges of Audubon's Working Lands Programs: Restoration Projects*. Juli Bosmoe, Audubon Great Plains
- *NDGF Grassland Management Strategies: Public & Private Lands*. Andrew Ahrens, ND Game and Fish Department

Final discussion/Wrap Up from exercises.

- Facilitated Exercise – Outcome: Build consensus while identifying actionable items to address barriers.