

TARGET RANGE DEVELOPMENT & OPERATIONS

Wildlife Restoration funds (manufacturer's federal excise taxes) generated from the sale of firearms, ammunition, and archery equipment, support the construction, operation, and maintenance of over **850** public target ranges in the United States. This represents a significant investment in safe, structured environments where the public may participate in all kinds of target shooting.



RECENT STATUS

In the last six months, there are **3** new ranges being built as well as **22** ranges being upgraded or expanded.

Participation Rates

According to the National Survey of Fishing, Hunting and Wildlife-Associated Recreation

47,021,609 people (age 6 & up) participated in firearms target shooting in 2021
15.6% of U.S. residents participate

19,226,787 people (age 6 & up) participated in archery target shooting in 2021
6.4% of U.S. residents participate



SOURCE: The National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, & Wildlife-Associated Recreation. Scan the QR code on the left to read the full report.

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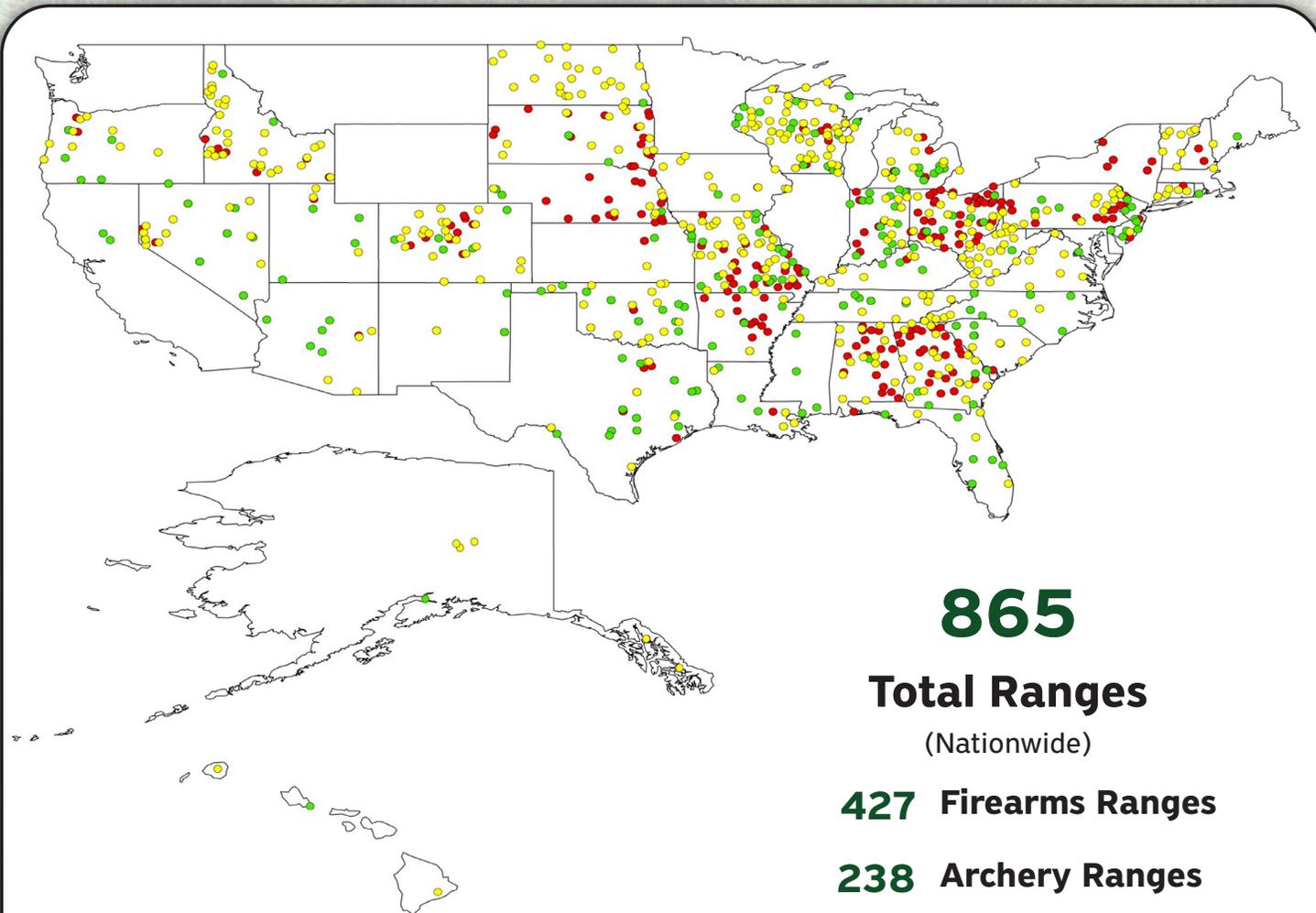
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Wildlife Restoration Supported Ranges in the United States

Range Map Key

- Firearms
- Archery
- Combined



865

Total Ranges

(Nationwide)

427 Firearms Ranges

238 Archery Ranges

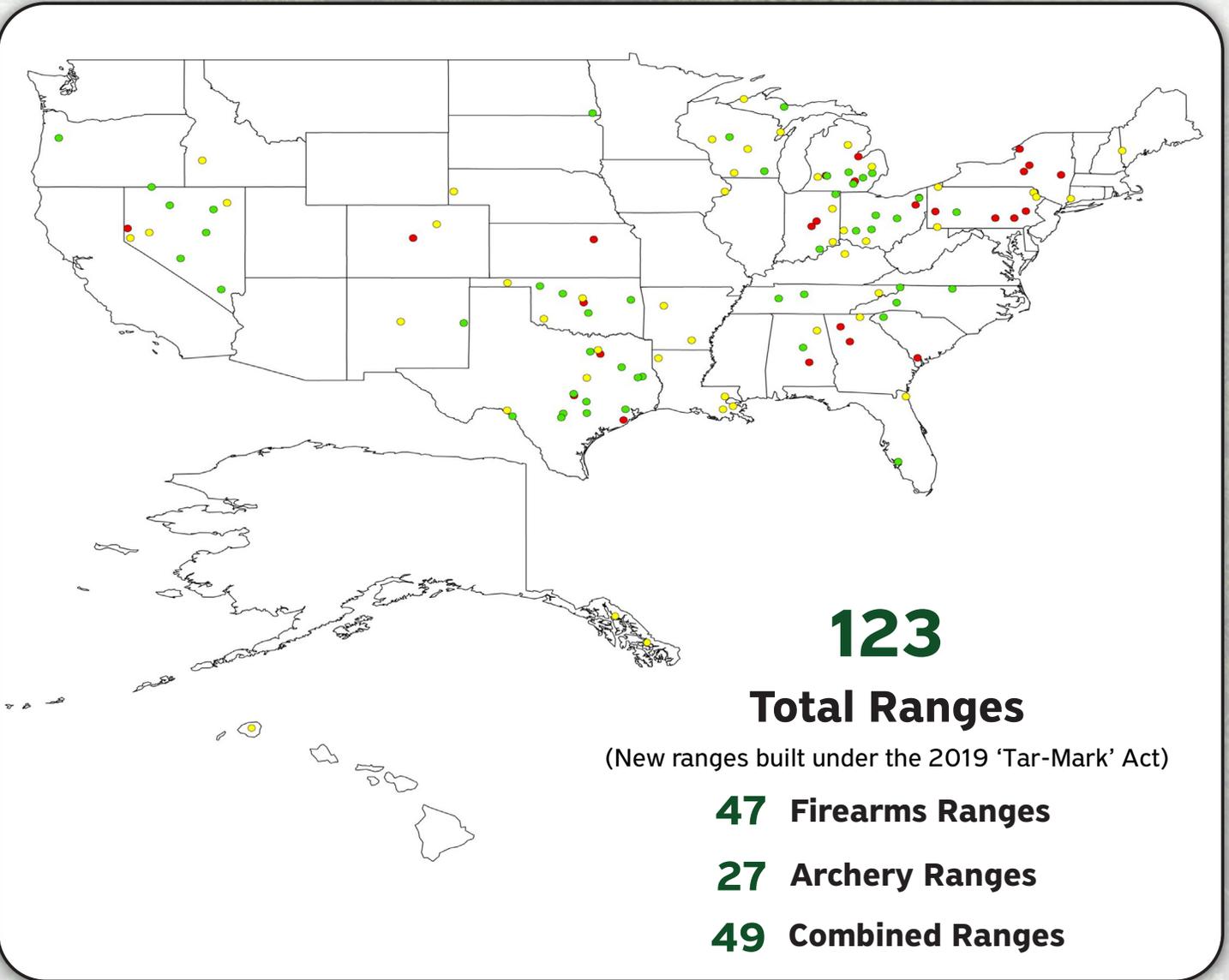
200 Combined Ranges

Wisconsin	80	Oklahoma	26	Arizona	10	New Hampshire	2
Missouri	76	Texas	24	Louisiana	9	California	2
Ohio	61	West Virginia	24	Utah	9	U.S. Virgin Islands	1
Georgia	52	Nevada	23	Virginia	8	Massachusetts	1
Colorado	41	Arkansas	19	Vermont	8	Delaware	1
Idaho	38	Oregon	16	Alaska	7	Maryland	1
South Dakota	33	Tennessee	14	Connecticut	6	Rhode Island	1
Alabama	32	North Carolina	14	New York	5	Washington	0
Indiana	32	Iowa	12	Kansas	5	Illinois	0
Pennsylvania	32	New Jersey	12	Mississippi	4	Minnesota	0
North Dakota	28	Kentucky	11	Hawaii	3	Montana	0
Nebraska	28	South Carolina	11	New Mexico	3	Wyoming	0
Michigan	27	Florida	11	Maine	2		

Wildlife Restoration Supported Ranges Funded through the 2019 'Tar-Mark' Act

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- Firearms
- Archery
- Combined



Since the 2019 'Tar-Mark' Act, there have been **416** grants submitted to build new ranges or upgrade/expand pre-existing ranges throughout the United States.

\$243M
IN GRANTS SUBMITTED

Check out these maps online by scanning the QR code on the right or by visiting:
partnerwithapayer.org/funded-target-shooting-ranges/

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Sources for Matching Funding

MidwayUSA Foundation's Range Development Grants

While the Range Development grants are meant for MidwayUSA Foundation Team and Agency endowment holders, certain non-endowment organizations such as conservation groups and universities may apply. Such applications must directly benefit local youth shooting teams, thus enabling greater youth involvement in shooting sports.

NRA Public Range Grant Funding

This matching grant program encourages city and county governments, and state or federal agencies, to work with the NRA to build and improve public ranges. At the NRA's sole discretion, grants assist with the acquisition, development, and improvement of public shooting facilities. Grants also assist qualifying agencies or governments with projects designed to improve community relations and to address environmental issues related to range operations.

NRA Foundation State Fund Capital Improvement Grants

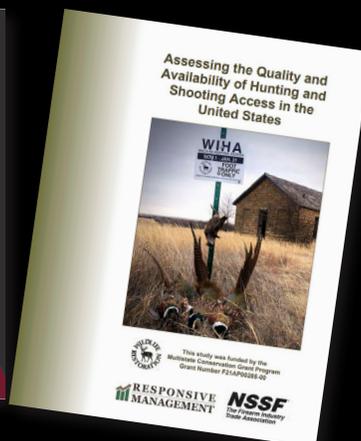
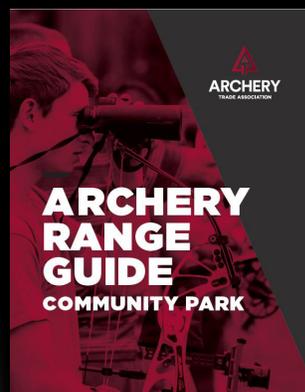
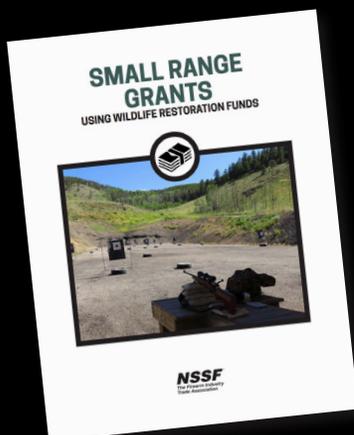
The NRA Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. As such, funded projects must promote an allowable 501(c)(3) purpose. If your range is owned by a government agency or is incorporated as a nonprofit entity or has an IRS 501(c) Determination Letter, your range may qualify for the grant.

Easton Foundation Grants

The Easton Foundations offer grants to qualified nonprofit and public organizations for equipment, operational support, and program expansion, with all funded projects required to directly advance community archery participation. At the January 2026 ATA Trade Show, the Easton Foundations announced a new \$50 million grant initiative, significantly expanding national opportunities for youth and community archery development.

There are many resources available to state agencies for planning and developing ranges.

Here are a few documents to get started:



To access these documents, please scan the QR code or visit partnerwithpayer.org

New Target Range Signage Available

There is an expectation that state fish and wildlife agencies will accurately and consistently identify infrastructure funded through WR and SFR grants. Industry partners fully support this effort to strengthen and modernize Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration (WSFR) grant acknowledgment. By using the new sign templates and following consistent branding and placement standards, states help the public understand how these funds are invested and reinforce the shared commitment that sustains wildlife conservation and outdoor recreation nationwide.

To help State fish and wildlife agencies meet acknowledgment expectations, standardized sign templates have been developed for infrastructure funded through the Wildlife Restoration (WR) and Sport Fish Restoration (SFR) programs. These signs are designed to replace outdated “Federal Aid Project Funding” signs with clear, modern messaging that connects the public to the programs that make these sites possible.

Ready, aim, and enjoy!

Thanks to manufacturer-paid federal excise taxes on firearms, ammunition, and archery equipment, along with state hunting license fees, we can build, maintain, and expand target shooting ranges, ensuring everyone has a fantastic place to hone their skills. Every shot downrange is an investment in the future of safe, secure target shooting facilities to enhance public opportunities.

Whether it's your first day or you're a range regular, welcome!

We appreciate your support!



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Editable PDF versions of each sign are available for states to modify with their own logos, QR codes, or site-specific text. Consistent use of these designs will help ensure that WSFR-funded facilities are identified uniformly across the country.

Range Spotlight

Fryeburg Shooting Range (Fryeburg, Maine)

The Fryeburg Shooting Range at the Greg Sanborn Wildlife Management Area recently underwent major upgrades supported by the Wildlife Restoration Program. Improvements completed in 2025 included constructing modern 100 yard and 25 yard shooting bays with overhead canopies, paving walkways and the parking area to improve accessibility, and adding 20 foot sound walls to reduce noise impacts for the surrounding community. The project also incorporated a limestone lined stormwater system for lead containment and recovered more than 1,800 pounds of lead from historic berms. These enhancements significantly improved safety, environmental stewardship, and user comfort, culminating in a public grand opening in August 2025.



E.E. Wilson Wildlife Area Shooting Range (Monmouth, Oregon)

The E.E. Wilson Wildlife Area Shooting Range in Monmouth, Oregon recently received significant upgrades funded through the Wildlife Restoration program under a TarMark grant. Improvements included installing a 15-by-80-foot covered concrete pad at the shooting line, adding a 15-by-40-foot covered concrete spectator area, widening and paving the existing gravel walking path, and adding a concrete parking pad within the lot. These enhancements were designed to improve safety, comfort, and accessibility, ensuring the range is more inclusive for visitors, including those with mobility impairments.



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