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Flint Hills Resources surpasses \$1 million in giving to Ducks Unlimited for conservation efforts

More than 250,000 acres preserved and protected across North America

ST. PAUL, Minn. – Ducks Unlimited recognized Flint Hills Resources at its annual banquet Wednesday for reaching the \$1 million milestone in giving to the organization. For more than 30 years, the Flint Hills Resources Pine Bend refinery in Rosemount, Minnesota has partnered with Ducks Unlimited to conserve more than 250,000 acres across North America.

Flint Hills Resources' contribution to Ducks Unlimited now totals nearly \$1.3 million. The company is a primary supporter of the Living Lakes Initiative, a Ducks Unlimited program to enhance shallow lakes, restore and protect small wetlands and prairie uplands, and acquire and restore additional habitat from willing landowners to increase public holdings. This work has recently expanded beyond Minnesota to Iowa, Nebraska, Wisconsin, Texas and Georgia.

“We are incredibly proud of this honor and our longstanding partnership with Ducks Unlimited because we all benefit from the work they do to preserve and enhance cherished natural habitats,” said Geoff Glasrud, vice president and manufacturing manager of the Flint Hills Resources Pine Bend refinery. “Ducks Unlimited is an effective champion for the outdoors and we are grateful to be their longtime partners.”

In 2019, support from Flint Hills Resources will help Ducks Unlimited enhance more than 1,900 acres of shallow lakes, restore nearly 800 acres of wetland and upland habitat, and acquire and restore more than 700 acres of land that will be added to the state's holdings for public use in Minnesota.

“Ducks Unlimited is stronger because of its partnerships with companies that share our appreciation for the outdoors,” said Adam DeHaan, senior director of development for Ducks Unlimited. “Flint Hills Resources is one of our longest standing corporate sponsors. Their commitment to conservation has allowed us to make major ecological impacts across North America, and for that we are thankful.”

To celebrate this milestone, Flint Hills Resources and Ducks Unlimited unveiled a new video about their partnership at Ducks Unlimited's annual Capitol Banquet in Saint Paul on Wednesday. [Click here](#) to watch the video.

About Ducks Unlimited

Ducks Unlimited Inc. (DU) is the world's largest nonprofit organization dedicated to conserving North America's continually disappearing waterfowl habitats. Established in 1937, Ducks Unlimited has conserved more than 14 million acres thanks to contributions from more than a million supporters across the continent. Guided by science and dedicated to program efficiency, DU works toward the vision of wetlands sufficient to fill the skies with waterfowl today, tomorrow and forever. For more information on our work, visit ducks.org.

About Flint Hills Resources Pine Bend refinery

Flint Hills Resources Pine Bend refinery produces transportation fuels used throughout the Midwest, including most of Minnesota's gasoline, diesel fuel, jet fuel, as well as other products people rely on such as propane and asphalt. Located 17 miles southeast of Minneapolis, Pine Bend has a capacity of 345,000 barrels per day and is among the cleanest, most efficient, and safest oil refineries in the country. Flint Hills Resources directly and indirectly supports more than 4,000 Minnesota jobs and has invested nearly \$1.7 billion in upgrades and improvements to its Minnesota facilities since 2010. With 1,000 full-time employees, the Flint Hills Resources Pine Bend refinery is one of the largest employers in Dakota County. More information about the company is available at pinebendrefinery.com.

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