What's good for RICE is good for DUCKS

Over half of North America's dabbling ducks winter in one of the following regions:



Texas and Louisiana Gulf Coast

Which overlap with virtually all of the rice lands in America.

Water is precious to both rice and waterfowl. Limits on farmers' access to water has dramatic harmful effects on wildlife habitat.



Rice farmers manage and pay for winter-flooded rice habitats providing



of all food energy for dabbling ducks that winter in rice growing areas.

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The cost of replacing existing rice habitat with managed natural wetlands is more than **\$3.5 billion**.



original price tag of the North American Waterfowl Management Plan.



Mark Petrie. Estimating the Biological and Economic Contributions that Rice Habitats Make in Support of North American Waterfowl Populations. 2014.