

HOW DOES DUCKS UNLIMITED CANADA CONTRIBUTE TO OUR ECONOMIC AND NVIRONMENTAL WELL-BEING?

To answer that question, Anielski Management Inc. undertook a business case analysis* that measured the return on investment for public sector dollars spent on Ducks Unlimited Canada's (DUC) national conservation program. Their analyses also included a preliminary and partial account of the total societal well-being benefits of DUC's conservation efforts. The following is a summary of their findings.

HECTARÉS (6.2 MILLION ACRES) OF WETLANDS AND UPLANDS. THESE VALUABLE HABITATS INCREASE CANADIANS' HEALTH, WEALTH AND WELL BEING.



ECOSYSTEM SERVICES WORTH \$4.3 BILLION/YEAR

\$41 MILLION IN **EROSION PREVENTION**

\$43 MILLION IN CONTROL OF PESTS AND THEIR EFFECTS

\$98 MILLION IN FOOD

\$95 MILLION IN MAINTENANCE OF GENETIC DIVERSITY

\$234 MILLION IN REGULATION OF WATER FLOW

\$387

MILLION IN POLLINATION

IN CARBON SEQUESTRATION **AND STORAGE**



IN WASTE TREATMENT **AND WATER PURIFICATION**

RECREATION AND **TOURISM WORTH** \$208.5 MILLION/YEAR



















Anielski M, Thompson J and Wilson S (2013). A Genuine Return on Investment: The Economic and Societal Well-being Value of Land Conservation in Canada. Internal report prepared for Ducks Unlimited Canada.



FOR EVERY \$1 DUC INVESTS IN CONSERVATION, CANADIANS ENJOY \$22 IN ECONOMIC, ECOLOGICAL AND SOCIETAL BENEFITS.

EACH YEAR BETWEEN 2008 AND 2012, DUC SPENT AN AVERAGE OF \$93.5 MILLION PER YEAR IN ITS CONSERVATION EFFORTS. THESE INVESTMENTS HELP KEEP CANADA'S ECONOMY STRONG AND PROSPEROUS.



\$77.1 MILLION/YR. IN GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT



\$59.6 MILLION/YR.



\$26.2 MILLION/YR.
IN TAX REVENUE TO GOVERNMENT



\$15.8 MILLION/YR. IN PROFIT FOR BUSINESSES



NEARLY 1,000 JOBS PER YEAR



CONSTRUCTION

ENGINEERING

WILDLIFE BIOLOGY

V PLANT NURSERIES



HEAVY EQUIPMENT COMPANIES

ROCK & GRAVEL QUARRIES

