## Land and Water Conservation Fund

- Created in 1965 to provide money for outdoor recreation projects and land acquisition by federal agencies
- Authorized to receive \$900 million annually of the \$5 billion in lease fees paid for offshore drilling of oil and gas.
- the FWS, NPS, FS, and BLM for land acquisition Each year, Congress appropriates a portion of the Fund to
- Since 1967, LWCF has accounted for 63% of all dollars spent to acquire lands in national wildlife refuges.

## Sources of Funding FWS Land Purchases Since FY2000

