



From one five-acre island
grew the world's
greatest system of lands
for wildlife.....

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

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The Celebration of a Century of Conservation

100 Years of the
National Wildlife Refuge System
March 13-16, 2003
Sebastian, Florida



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President Theodore Roosevelt established the first national wildlife refuge on March 14, 1903 at Pelican Island, Florida. Today, the National Wildlife Refuge System protects nearly 95 million acres, with 540 national wildlife refuges and thousands of wetland production areas.