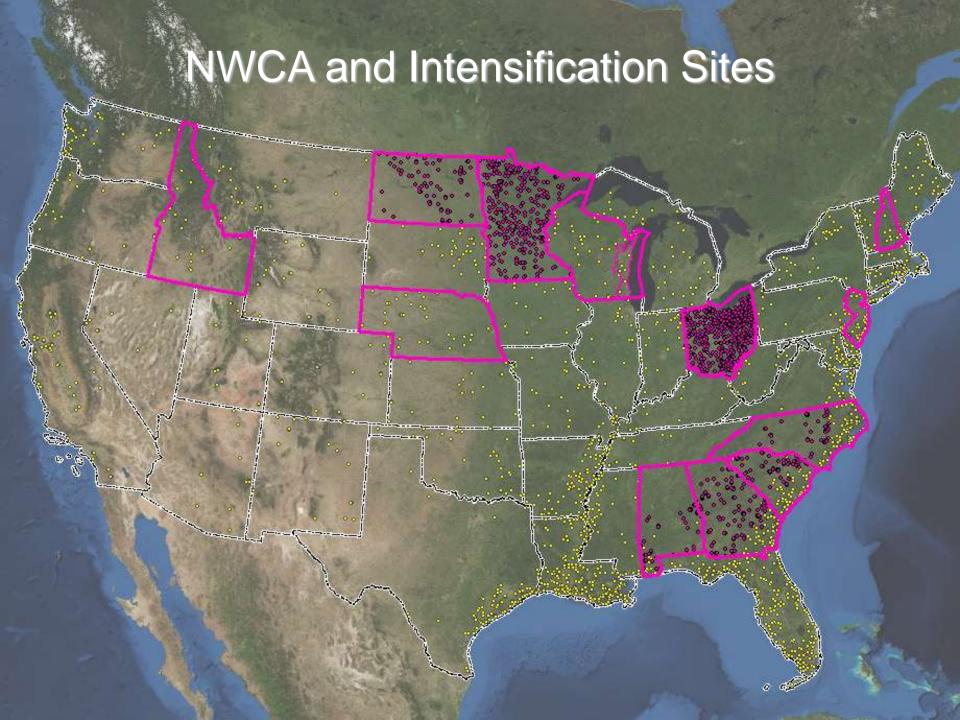
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PANEL TOPICS

- >OBJECTIVES, DESIGN & INDICATORS
- >SURVEY LOGISTICS
- > USE OF DATA & REPORTING
- >STUDY CHALLENGES



OBJECTIVES, DESIGN & INDICATORS

- ➤ GOALS & OBJECTIVES OF STUDY
- > DESIGN
 - Target Population
 - Geographic Scope
 - Sample Frame
 - Number of Sites
- > INDICATORS



Goals and Objectives

- 1. Objective 1. Develop a plan for the long-term assessment of Nebraska's wetlands by 2012.
- 2. Objective 2. Establish a network of 110 assessment sample locations for 11 different Nebraska wetland complexes that will be used to track changes in the health and condition of wetlands. Collect assessment data for these sites in 2011-2013 to establish a baseline and to track changes seasonally, and yearly.
- 3. Objective 3. Develop a geo-spatial database by 2011 of wetlands where past assessment work has been done and revisit a subsample of these sites to track changes that have occurred since the original assessments were done.

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- 110 sites in 11 different wetland complexes state-wide
- Digital NWI data used for sample draw
- Wetland types selected will be same HGM subclass, community, and Cowardin type
 - NWCA suite + invertebrates, amphibians, added hydrology sampling



SURVEY LOGISTICS

- > FUNDING
- > PERSONNEL
- > PARTNERS
- >TIME-FRAME



USE OF DATA & REPORTING

- >HOW WILL YOU USE DATA?
 - Assess status and trends (quality, quantity)
 - Integrate into other watershed assessments
 - Inform program management
- >HOW WILL YOU REPORT DATA?
 - Scientific / public reports
 - Online



- >STUDY CHALLENGES
- >UNRESOLVED ISSUES
- >HELP!