# ServCat Tools: Abstract Templates for Annual Narrative Reports

These abstract templates were developed using the table of contents from a variety of narrative reports. Specific details do not need to be included here, only broad concepts. The bold text represents major headings from the report, and the subheadings- highlighted in green- need to be filled in. Information can be added to or removed from these abstracts as necessary. When entering several narratives from a refuge it is advisable to fill in the template, make the necessary adjustments from one narrative to the next, and then copy and paste the text into ServCat.

#### 1942 to 1972

This narrative report for [INSERT REFUGE NAME] summarizes Refuge accomplishments from [INSERT DATES]. The report begins with a summary of the weather and habitat conditions during this period. Water conditions and food and cover are described in this summary. Wildlife- including [INSERT WILDLIFE]- is also covered. The report includes a Refuge development and maintenance section which discusses [INSERT DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES]. Resource management is outlined; topics include [INSERT RESOURCE MANAGEMENT TOPICS]. A progress report on field investigations and applied research is also provided. The public relations section of the report discusses [INSERT PUBLIC RELATIONS TOPICS]. Items of interest, N-R forms, and photographs are provided at the end of the report.

## Planning and Accomplishment Narrative (FY 1973)

This narrative report for [INSERT REFUGE NAME] summarizes Refuge **highlights and accomplishments** for the 1973 fiscal year. [INSERT HIGHLIGHTS] are discussed in the highlight statement. The **Refuge accomplishments** section covers [INSERT REFUGE ACCOMPLISHMENTS].

#### **Fiscal Year 1974 to 1975**

This narrative report for [INSERT REFUGE NAME] summarizes Refuge accomplishments during the [INSERT YEAR] fiscal year. The report begins with a summary of the weather and habitat conditions during the year. Water conditions and food and cover are described in this summary. Wildlife-including [INSERT WILDLIFE]- is also covered. The report includes a Refuge development and maintenance section which discusses [INSERT DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES].

Resource management is outlined; topics include [INSERT RESOURCE MANAGEMENT TOPICS]. A progress report on field investigations and applied research is also provided. The public relations section of the report discusses [INSERT PUBLIC RELATIONS TOPICS]. Items of interest are provided at the end of the report.

#### 1976 to 1980

This annual narrative report for [INSERT REFUGE NAME] summarizes Refuge accomplishments during [INSERT YEAR]. The report begins with an **introduction to the Refuge** and a summary of the year's **climatic and habitat conditions. Land acquisition** is also covered in this section, as is the **system status**.

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A construction and maintenance section is provided next. Habitat management is also covered; [INSERT HABITAT MANAGEMENT TOPICS] are discussed. The wildlife section of the report discusses [INSERT WILDLIFE TOPICS]. Interpretation and recreation are also described; topics include [INSERT RECREATION TOPICS]. Field investigations, cooperative programs, items of interest, and safety information are provided at the end.

#### 1981 to 2004

This annual narrative report for [INSERT REFUGE NAME] summarizes Refuge accomplishments during the [INSERT YEAR] calendar year. The report begins with a summary of the year's highlights and climatic conditions. Land acquisition-including [INSERT LAND ACQUISITION TOPICS]- is also covered. The report includes a planning section which discusses [INSERT PLANNING ACTIVITIES]. Refuge administration is outlined; information about [INSERT ADMINISTRATION TOPICS] is given. Habitat management is also covered. Subjects include [INSERT HABITAT MANAGEMENT SUBJECTS]. The wildlife section of the report discusses [INSERT WILDLIFE]. The public uses of the Refuge described in this report include [INSERT PUBLIC USES]. The equipment and facilities section of the report provides information about [INSERT EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES TOPICS]. Items of interest are provided at the end.

### 1997-2004 (Alternative Format)

This annual narrative report for [INSERT REFUGE NAME] summarizes Refuge accomplishments during the [INSERT YEAR] calendar year. The report begins with an introduction to the Refuge and a summary of the year's highlights and climatic conditions. Information about monitoring and studies- including [INSERT SPECIFIC STUDIES]- is provided next. Habitat restoration and management projects are also covered; activities include [INSERT HABITAT MANAGEMENT PROJECTS]. Fish and wildlife management are discussed next with emphasis on [INSERT WILDLIFE TOPICS]. Coordination activities, such as [INSERT ACTIVITIES] are outlined. The resource protection section provides information about [INSERT TOPICS]. Information about public education and recreation is given including [INSERT PUBLIC EDUCATION] TOPICS]. Finally, Refuge planning and administration are discussed.