

# Blue Goose Alliance Bulletin

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## **Alliance Mission Featured on High Country News Radio**

Recently, High Country News devoted its weekly radio program to the Blue Goose Alliance and our campaign to promote the establishment of a National Wildlife Refuge Service. Betsy Marston interviewed John Martin, Vice President of the Alliance and asked some excellent questions about our proposal. In addition, she interviewed Noah Matson, Don Barry, and Dan Ashe to obtain contrary points of view.

As one listens to the critics of our campaign, it is clear that many believe our efforts are only about getting more money for the Refuge System. No one knowledgeable of the Refuge System disputes its critical need for additional funding. But, funding is not the fundamental issue. The systemic problems of inadequate organizational stature, lack of focused leadership, and absence of public visibility continue to plague the Refuge System. A separate bureau would lead to the resolution of those problems which, in the long term, is critical to the future protection and management of the Refuge System. Only then will the Refuge System become America's premier wildlife conservation agency.

The radio broadcast is available on the High Country News' website at:

<http://www.hcn.org/radio/>

This web page will describe this week's and last week's programs. Presently, the refuge program is found under "This Week's Program". Presumably, when the next radio program is uploaded, the refuge program will migrate to "Last Week's Program".

For those with RealPlayer already installed, simply click on the "Real Audio Listen" button. Real Player will load, and the program will begin (after a 'connecting' and 'buffering' process).

Those who do not have RealPlayer can go to the bottom of the <http://www.hcn.org/radio/> page to a button titled "Free RealPlayer G2". This button calls the home page of Real.com ([www.realaudio.com](http://www.realaudio.com)). Near the bottom of that page is a download button for RealPlayer 8 Basic. This player is free. That button will call yet another screen describing other RealPlayer products. Again, look for the free RealPlayer 8 Basic download button. That button will call a screen which asks for information prior to download. This screen contains the button to download the program. It also contains a link to read the system requirements for RealPlayer 8 Basic. An earlier version of RealPlayer Basic is available for computers which do not meet the minimum requirements of RealPlayer 8 Basic.

The RealPlayer 8 Basic download page can also be reached directly at:

[http://scopes.real.com/real/player/player.html?src=010413realhome\\_1,010413rpchoice\\_h1&dc=418417416](http://scopes.real.com/real/player/player.html?src=010413realhome_1,010413rpchoice_h1&dc=418417416)

Don't confuse RealPlayer 8 Basic with RealPlayer 8 Plus or RealPlayer GoldPass. The former is free. The latter two cost \$29.70 and \$29.85, respectively. They have many features not found in RealPlayer 8 Basic. However, they are not needed to listen to the refuge program.