

September 14, 1964

Des Moines County Conservation Board
601½ "Corner" Main and Court Streets
Burlington, Iowa

Attention: Mr. John C. Welter
Executive Officer

Dear Mr. Welter:

Thank you for your letter of September 9th. In accordance with your request, I am enclosing several copies of the instruction sheet which I give to people who are interested in knowing how to build a wood box for nesting Wood Ducks. It also has some instructions for the equipping and hanging of these boxes.

I am interested in your program and would be glad to be helpful in any way that I can. I think I should tell you that in other areas, a successful method of attracting Wood Ducks has been developed by mounting or placing the boxes above water in swampy or marshy areas. The principal advantage here is the control of predators which can be substantially eliminated by mounting the box on a pole and rigging the pole so that predators cannot climb it. If you are interested in this kind of work, please contact me and I can get the proper information for you or tell you where to go to get it for yourself.

Please call on me if you think I can help you further.

Yours very truly,

THE LEOPOLD COMPANY

Frederic Leopold
President

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