

Donna Collier Bio:

Donna Collier is the Chairwoman of the National Environmental Banking Association. She is also Founder and Manager of Valencia Wetlands Trust, an environmental banking partnership. Collier purchased the degraded Louisiana Pacific sawmill property in Priest River, Idaho, in 2001, with the intention of developing a residential golf course community. After learning about the wetland banking program from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, she decided to develop a wetland bank instead. Valencia, a 291-acre property that has been restored to a high quality, for-profit wetland bank with a score of 11.8 out of a possible 12 environmental functional units, is the first and largest wetland bank in Idaho. Valencia now provides public recreational fishing and educational tours for schools and other groups.

Prior to Valencia, Collier had a wide range of development and management experiences that include permitting sizable residential development projects, supervising and training over 40 hospital and surgical center office managers, liaising with Medicare, leading a corporate-wide project to revolutionize physician billing, and de-bugging a medical office accounting system which was subsequently marketed nationwide. Donna has also managed a multi-national marketing group and administered large U.S. Government and International contracts