

October 25, 2024

The Honorable Joe Manchin
Chair
Senate Committee on Energy and Natural
Resources
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable John Barrasso
Ranking Member
Senate Committee on Energy and Natural
Resources
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The Honorable Bruce Westerman
Chair
House Committee on Natural Resources
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Raúl Grijalva
Ranking Member
House Committee on Natural Resources
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Tom Carper
Chair
Senate Committee on Environment and Public
Works
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Shelley Moore Capito
Ranking Member
Senate Committee on Environment and Public
Works
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairmen Manchin, Westerman, and Carper and Ranking Members Barrasso, Grijalva, and Capito:

The undersigned organizations, representing millions of hunters, anglers, recreational shooters, wildlife professionals, and outdoor enthusiasts are writing to express our support for a bipartisan agreement on a package of outdoor recreation, public land, wildlife conservation, forestry, and fisheries conservation legislation.

Your committees have made great progress on long lists of individual bills that, taken together, would expand public access to our nation's public lands and waters, enhance National Parks and public lands, accelerate forest health projects, improve fish and wildlife habitat, advance wildlife migration, and empower non-federal partners to join with federal agencies in these efforts. These bills have bipartisan and stakeholder support and merit enactment on their own.

As the challenges of passing stand-alone legislation have grown, so has our collective dependence on your leadership to work together, reach compromises, and regularly legislate much needed authorities for federal agencies. Our organizations stand ready to work with you and all Members of the House and Senate for the future of our natural resources and enjoyment of treasured public lands.

For the benefit of Americans who enjoy our great outdoor traditions, we ask that you construct a package of legislation for passage by the close of this Congress.

Sincerely,

American Battlefield Trust
American Fisheries Society
American Sportfishing Association
American Whitewater
American Woodcock Society
Angler Action Foundation
Archery Trade Association
Backcountry Hunters & Anglers
Bass Anglers Sportsman Society
Big Bend Conservancy
Boone and Crockett Club
California Waterfowl Association
Camp Fire Club of America
Chesapeake Conservancy
Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation
Delta Waterfowl
Ducks Unlimited
Fly Fishers International
Houston Safari Club
Izaak Walton League of America
Masters of Foxhounds Association
Mule Deer Foundation
National Association of Forest Service
Retirees
National Bobwhite & Grassland Initiative
Foundation

National Deer Association
National Shooting Sports Foundation
National Wild Turkey Federation
National Wildlife Federation
New York State Conservation Council
North American Falconers Association
North American Grouse Partnership
Pheasants Forever
Property and Environment Research Center
Public Lands Foundation
Quail Forever
Ruffed Grouse Society
Safari Club International
Sportsmen's Alliance
The Nature Conservancy
The Wildlife Society
Theodore Roosevelt Conservation
Partnership
Trout Unlimited
Whitetails Unlimited
Wild Salmon Center
Wild Sheep Foundation
Wildlife Forever
Wildlife Management Institute
Wildlife Mississippi