

United States Senate  
WASHINGTON, DC 20510

November 24, 2014

Hon. Harry Reid  
Majority Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Hon. Mitch McConnell  
Minority Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Majority Leader Reid and Minority Leader McConnell:

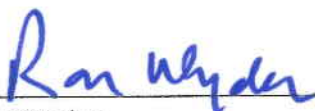
As legislative work concludes for the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress, we urge you to work with us to craft a permanent solution for funding the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF). The program supports local economies and stimulates critical investments in areas where our constituents live, work, and recreate.

This year, the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) marked its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, celebrating a half-century of success in conserving our national parks, forests, wildlife refuges, wilderness, monuments, and civil war battlefields, as well as creating and developing state and local parks in all 50 states. LWCF's current authorization will expire in September 2015. The time to act is now.

LWCF has been the solution to increasing access for hunters and anglers by making public lands public—protecting places that sportsmen enjoy from big game habitat to their own backyards. LWCF helps to ensure that our ranchers and forest owners can stay on the land, and that our local communities can have parks and outdoor recreation sites.

The Land and Water Conservation Fund guarantees a prosperous and vital future for the next generation while preserving our uniquely American way of life across this nation. Accordingly, we urge you to enact a permanent and comprehensive solution for this vital program before the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress adjourns.

Sincerely,



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United States Senator



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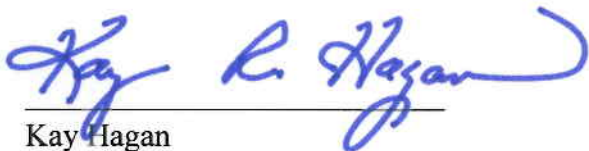
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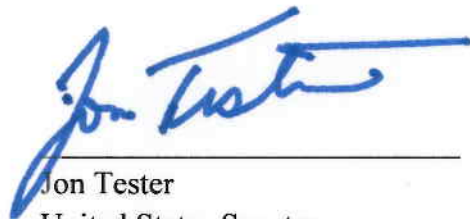
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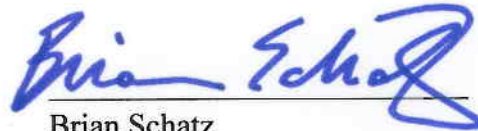
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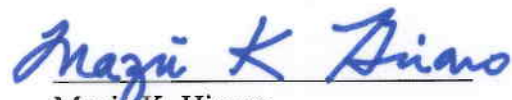
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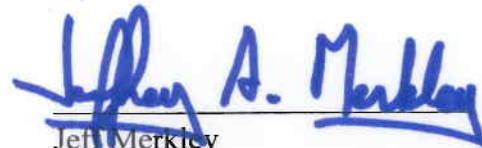
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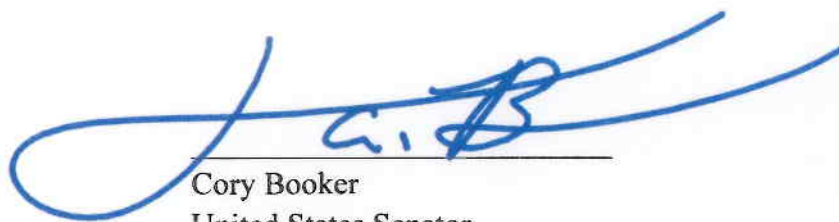
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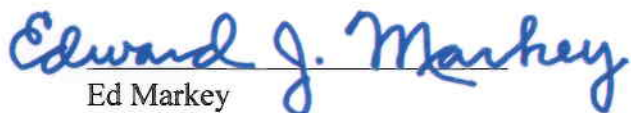
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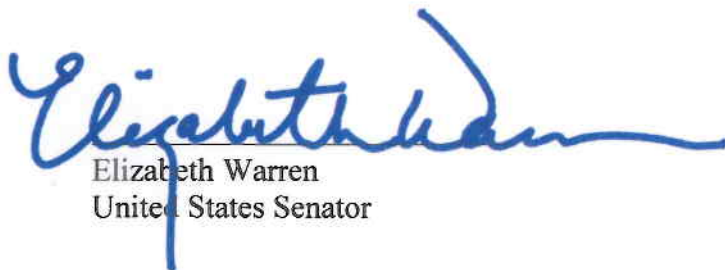
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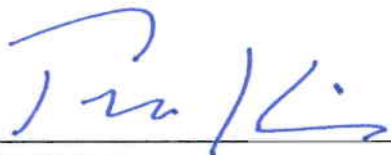
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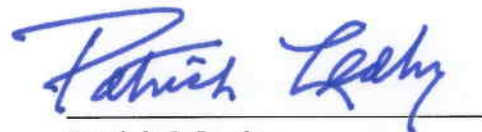
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