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This letter was mailed to the following Representatives – Gabe Vasquez, Ryan Zinke, Debbie Dingell, Mike Simpson, Raul Ruiz, Chuck Edwards, Joe Neguse, Jen Kiggans, Emily Randall, Troy Downing, Steven Horsford, Dan Newhouse, Susie Lee and Juan Ciscomani

Below is our statement of support for the Congressional Public Lands Caucus. We want to express our appreciation to you and other members of the caucus for your continued support of keeping our National Forests and Grasslands in the hands of all Americans.

**NAFSR Support Statement of the
Congressional Public Lands Caucus**

This is a crucial time in history for the future of America's National Forests and Grasslands. The formation of the *Bipartisan Public Lands Caucus* comes at a time when decisions will be made that could affect all Americans for generations. Public lands must remain in public hands and be accessible to all Americans, because when they are gone, they are gone forever.

NAFSR thanks Representatives Vasquez, Zinke, Simpson, and Dingell and each member for their support of retaining public lands at this important moment. We believe the 160 million people who visit the National Forests and Grasslands each year will thank them as well.

Our Board of Directors and membership look forward to working with them, supporting and growing the caucus, and sharing the knowledge we have gained over many decades of managing public lands for the benefit of the American people.

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Sincerely,

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