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The Honorable Joe Manchin  
306 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Manchin:

On behalf of the Northeast Section of The Wildlife Society, thank you for co-sponsoring the Recovering America's Wildlife Act (S. 3223).

The Wildlife Society was founded in 1937 and is an international non-profit professional scientific and educational association dedicated to excellence in wildlife stewardship through science and education. Our mission is to enhance the ability of wildlife professionals and wildlife students to conserve biodiversity, sustain wildlife populations, and ensure responsible use of wildlife resources and habitats. The Northeast Section of The Wildlife Society is comprised of 7 State Chapters and 19 Student Chapters, representing nearly 1,000 wildlife managers, biologists, ecologists, botanists, hydrologists, geologists, and students from Maine to West Virginia – all devoted to the sustainable conservation of wildlife and wildlife habitat in the northeastern United States.

The Northeast has many of the more than 12,000 Species of Greatest Conservation Need identified across the country by state agency wildlife professionals. By cosponsoring S. 3223, you are enabling wildlife professionals to keep these species' populations stable and address this alarming trend in population decline in a proactive, cost effective manner.

We again thank you and look forward to working with your office on this important legislation going forward. Please do not hesitate to reach out to our Northeast Section with any other wildlife conservation or management issues that arise in your district.

Sincerely,

The Northeast Section of The Wildlife Society

Michael Fishman, CWB  
President