



May 23, 2023

The Honorable Debbie Stabenow  
731 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Stabenow,

The Michigan Chapter of The Wildlife Society would like to thank you for your co-sponsorship of the Recovering America's Wildlife Act.

The state of Michigan alone has 407 of the more than 12,000 at-risk species identified across the U.S. by state and tribal wildlife professionals. By co-sponsoring the Recovering America's Wildlife Act, you are empowering state and tribal wildlife professionals to address this alarming trend in population decline in a proactive, cost effective manner, and providing them with the resources needed to plan long-term conservation projects into the future.

The Michigan Chapter of The Wildlife Society, along with The Wildlife Society headquarters, work to inspire, empower, and enable wildlife professionals to sustain wildlife populations and habitat through science-based management and conservation. By helping to advance this legislation, you have shown your support for state and tribal wildlife professionals working on the front lines of conservation.

We also acknowledge and appreciate your long record of supporting legislation and funding to restore and conserve the natural resources of Michigan. We view Recovering America's Wildlife Act in a similar class as legislation like the Farm Bill and Great Lakes Restoration Initiative for conserving our natural systems and improving the quality of life for the people of Michigan.

We thank you again and look forward to working with your office on this important legislation going forward. Please feel free to reach out to our chapter executive board with any other wildlife conservation or management issues that arise in your district.

Regards,

Clay Buchanan  
Conservation Affairs Committee Chair  
Michigan Chapter of The Wildlife Society

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