

February 26, 2025

Doug Burgum  
Secretary of the Interior  
1849 C Street NW  
Washington, DC 20240

Dear Secretary Burgum:

Congratulations on your recent confirmation as Secretary of the Interior. On behalf of the millions of hunters, anglers, recreational shooters, conservationists and professionals our organizations represent, we are encouraged by your commitment to wildlife conservation and sportsmen and women's public access issues.

To that end, the American Wildlife Conservation Partners (AWCP) recently finalized recommendations entitled *Wildlife for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*, which will bolster fish and wildlife populations, enhance the conservation of America's lands and waters, and provide crucial access opportunities for America's tens of millions of sportsmen and sportswomen. These recommendations will also help ensure the wise use of our public resources, keeping America strong, sustainable, and healthy. We look forward to working with you make the recommendations contained in *Wildlife for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century* a reality to deliver on-the-ground conservation and access to benefit sportsmen and women across the country.

As you know, hunting, angling and fish and wildlife conservation are a driving force behind local and regional economies across our great nation. Recreational shooting, hunting, and angling generate \$247 billion in economic output. Our organizations stand ready to work with you to build upon these benefits on behalf of current and future generations of Americans.

Thank you for your continued service on behalf of America's conservation and outdoor heritage.

Sincerely,

American Sportfishing Association  
American Woodcock Society  
Archery Trade Association  
Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies  
Backcountry Hunters & Anglers  
Boone and Crockett Club  
California Waterfowl Association  
Camp Fire Club of America  
Catch A Dream Foundation

Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation  
Conservation Force  
Delta Waterfowl  
Ducks Unlimited  
Houston Safari Club  
Mule Deer Foundation  
National Association of Forest Service Retirees  
National Deer Association  
National Shooting Sports Foundation  
National Wild Turkey Federation  
National Wildlife Federation  
North American Falconers Association  
North American Grouse Partnership  
Pheasants Forever  
Pope and Young Club  
Professional Outfitters and Guides of America  
Public Lands Foundation  
Quail Forever  
Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation  
Ruffed Grouse Society  
Safari Club International  
Safari Club International Foundation  
Sportsmen's Alliance  
Texas Wildlife Association  
The Conservation Fund  
The Wildlife Society  
Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership  
Whitetails Unlimited  
Wild Sheep Foundation  
Wildlife Forever  
Wildlife Management Institute  
Wildlife Mississippi