

July 28, 2026

The Honorable John Boozman
Chairman
U.S. Senate Committee on Agriculture,
Nutrition & Forestry
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Amy Klobuchar
Ranking Member
U.S. Senate Committee on Agriculture,
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Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Boozman and Ranking Member Klobuchar,

On behalf of America's millions of conservationists, fish and wildlife professionals, hunters, anglers, and outdoor enthusiasts, we write to express our support for the funding allocations within the Conservation Title of the Agricultural Act of 2026 discussion draft.

Thanks to recent investments that have bolstered voluntary private lands conservation opportunities through the Farm Bill, we now have an opportunity to secure the single largest, long-term federal investment in conservation in our Nation's 250-year history. We appreciate your work through this Farm Bill to preserve and protect this funding within the Conservation Title. Furthermore, through a relatively small reallocation of these dollars within the Title, this bill provides a strong conservation investment across the pressing conservation needs for agriculture and forestry. The funding reallocations cover the costs of creating two new programs (state-focused conservation and forest easement programs), streamlining and providing important policy changes to the programs of the Conservation Title, and ensuring that most existing Conservation Title programs receive more funding than was provided in the 2018 Farm Bill. Together, these actions will help more producers voluntarily conserve working agricultural and forest lands while strengthening the profitability, resilience, and sustainability of their operations.

The Farm Bill remains one of the most consequential conservation measures considered by Congress. Voluntary, incentive-based programs authorized in the Conservation Title support the private lands that provide most of the nation's fish and wildlife habitat and public access opportunities. After the expiration of the last full Farm Bill in 2023 and years of short-term extensions, moving the legislative process forward is both urgent and necessary. While additional work remains ahead, this proposal represents a constructive and timely foundation for the bipartisan collaboration required to deliver a final Farm Bill that benefits all stakeholders.

We look forward to continuing working with you throughout the legislative process to ensure the Conservation Title continues to deliver strong outcomes for fish and wildlife habitat, working agricultural and forest lands, and the American people.

Sincerely,

Adirondack Land Trust	Land Trust Alliance
American Forests	Leelanau Conservancy
American Sportfishing Association	Legacy Land Conservancy
American Woodcock Society	Lyme Timber Company
Appalachian Mountain Club	Maine Appalachian Trail Land Trust
Appalachian Trail Conservancy	Manulife Investment Management
Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies	Timberland and Agriculture
Backcountry Hunters & Anglers	Massachusetts Forest Alliance
Bernheim Forest and Arboretum	Masters of Foxhounds Association
Boone and Crockett Club	Minnesota Forest Industries
California Waterfowl Association	Mississippi Land Trust
Catch A Dream Foundation	Mississippi River Trust
Catoctin Land Trust	Molpus Woodlands Group
Clifftop NFP	Mule Deer Foundation
Congaree Land Trust	National Alliance of Forest Owners
Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation	National Association of Forest Service Retirees
Conservation Force	National Bobwhite & Grassland Initiative Foundation
Dallas Safari Club	National Deer Association
Delta Waterfowl	National Shooting Sports Foundation
Forest Landowners Association	National Wild Turkey Federation
Forever Maryland	Natural Lands
Friends of the Rappahannock	North American Falconers Association
Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy	North American Grouse Partnership
Green Diamond Resource Company	Northern Prairies Land Trust
Houston Safari Club	Northern Virginia Conservation Trust
Ice Age Trail Alliance	Northwest Arkansas Land Trust
Kentucky Natural Lands Trust	

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Santa Fe Conservation Trust

Society for the Protection of New
Hampshire Forests

Sportsmen's Alliance

Sustainable Forestry Initiative

Texas Land Trust Council

The Carbon Fund

The Conservation Fund

The Westervelt Company

Whitetails Unlimited

The Wildlife Society

Wagner Forest Management, Ltd.

Wildlife Forever

Wildlife Management Institute

Wildlife Mississippi

Wild Sheep Foundation

Winston County Self Help Cooperative