

November 28, 2022

Dear Senator Risch,

Idaho Business for the Outdoors supports the passage of S. 2372; 117th Congress: Recovering America's Wildlife Act (RAWA). The Recovering America's Wildlife Act is a strong, bipartisan solution that will help thousands of at-risk species by investing in cost-effective, collaborative efforts that match the magnitude of the wildlife crisis.

Idaho Business for the Outdoors is a business member-based organization. Our mission is to provide a collective, non-partisan business voice that advocates for healthy lands, open space, and swimmable, fishable, and drinkable waterways. We value our lands and the important habitat they provide. This growing wildlife crisis poses a threat to Idaho's important outdoor economy. Hunters, fishers, hikers, campers, and other outdoor enthusiasts have created a growing outdoor consumer base that depends on healthy wildlife populations. Today, the outdoor economy contributes \$887 billion to our national economy annually, creates 7.6 million direct jobs, and generates \$124.5 billion in federal, state, and local tax revenue.

RAWA is a collaborative effort and supported by numerous national, regional and state conservation organizations, societies, federations, alliances, partnerships, foundations, and universities. Proactive conservation is good for wildlife, good for taxpayers, and good for business. We support the passage of S. 2372 which gives direct dedicated funding into the Wildlife Conservation and Restoration Program.

Best Regards,

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