The Future of Conservation

Texas is Diverse

Species

- Invertebrates
- Reptiles/Amphibians
- Birds
- Mammals
- Plants

~30,000 213 641 174 ~ 5,200

Texas has an Invasive Species Problem

Species

- Invertebrates
- Reptiles/Amphibians
- Birds
- Mammals
- Plants

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Rocky Mt. Elk U.S. Population Estimate

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	800,000			
	600,000			
	400,000			
	200,000			
	0	1930s	2010s	



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0	1930s	2010s

Wild Turkey U.S. Population Estimate

	7,000,000	 		
	6,000,000	 		
	5,000,000	 	 -	
	4,000,000	 		
	3,000,000	 		
	2,000,000	 		
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	0	1930s	2010s	

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U.S. White-tailed Deer Population Estimate

20,000,000 15,000,000 10,000,000 5,000,000 0 1930s 2010s

Number of U.S. Listed Species





Wildlife Division Budget FY16 (\$31.6M)



Sourced by hunters

Not included: Nongame Stamp = \$55,203 Sec. 6 Pass Thru = \$616,600

Percent of TX Population with Hunting License Projected to 2040





Blue Ribbon Panel on Sustaining America's Diverse Fish & Wildlife Resources



John Morris Owner/CEO Bass Pro Shops

- 24 member panel
 - Charge: Recommend a mechanism to sustainably fund the conservation of ALL fish and wildlife



Dave Freudenthal Former Gov. of Wyoming

BRP Members (Wildlife NGO)

- Glenn Olson National Audubon Society
- Collin O'Mara National Wildlife Federation
- Margaret O'Gorman Wildlife Habitat Council
- Jeff Trandahl National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
- Bob Ziehmer Missouri Dept. of Conservation
- Jim Faulstich Partners for Conservation
- John Fitzpatrick Cornell Lab of Ornithology
- Stephen Kellert Yale School of Forestry

BRP Members (Sporting Groups)

- Mike Nussman American Sportfishing Assoc.
- Steve Sanetti Nat. Shooting Sports Found.
- Jeff Crane Congressional Sportsman's Found.
- John Doerr Pure Fishing Inc.
- John Tomke Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Cons. Coun.
- Steve Williams Wildlife Management Institute
- Richard Childress National Rifle Association
- Connie Parker Theo. Roosevelt Cons. Partnership
- Charlie Potter Max McGraw Wildlife Foundation
- Rebecca Humphries Nat. Wild Turkey Foundation
- John Newman Ducks Unlimited

BRP Members (Industry)

- Bruce Culpepper Shell Americas (O&G)
- Greg Hill Hess Corporation (O&G)
- Kevin Butt Toyota
- James Walker American Wind and Wildlife Institute
- Jennifer Mull Outdoor Industry Association

Blue Ribbon Panel Final Recommendation (March 2016)

RECOMMENDATION 1

Congress dedicate up to \$1.3 billion annually in existing revenue from the development of energy and mineral resources on federal lands and waters to the Wildlife Conservation Restoration Program (16 U.S.C. 669b(a)).

Recovering America's Wildlife Act (HR 5650)



Introduced July 2016 by Cong. Young (R-AK)

Allocates up to \$1.3B annually from existing revenues into Wildlife Conservation Restoration Program

Dedicated to implement State Wildlife Action Plans to fund SGCN

Texas could receive \$50-64M annually

Recovering America's Wildlife Act (HR 5650) Introduced July 2016



- Debbie Dingell (D-MI)
- Jeff Fortenberry (R-NE)
- Mike Thompson (D-CA)
- Elise M. Stefanik (R-NY)
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- Christopher P Gibson (R-NY)
- Adam Schiff (D-CA)
- Peter DeFazio (D-OR)

- Alan Lowenthal (D-CA)
- Jeff Miller (R-FL)
- Madeleine Bordallo (D-GU)
- Patrick Meehan (R-PA)
- Ron Kind (D-TX)

Timeline

July 2016: Conservation community begins collaborating

Fall/Spr ng : National strategy developed

Spring 2017: Congr. Young re-introduces bill

Dec 2018: Congress Adjourns

TPWD Plans

Internal and external outreach
Speaking tours
Cultivate partners
Build funding model with community Communicate impact of funding

What you can do to help

Talk to your networks Get me in front of other groups Support the Coalition Activate your networks

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Revenue Source for HR 5650

Natural Resource (Federal Lands)	CY 2013 Resource Royalties	CY 2013 Rent Revenue	CY 2013 Other Revenue	CY 2013 Bonus Revenue	TOTAL
Oil & Gas Onshore	\$2,820,555,839.91	\$39,218,862.55	\$14,721,589.40	\$181,454,320.25	\$3.0 billion
Oil & Gas Offshore	\$6,185,601,097.99	\$244,796,659.1 8	\$28,118,890.46	\$1,432,958,457.0 0	\$7.89 billion
Coal	\$667,682,681.48	\$1,163,029.01	\$3,935,191.85	\$460,039,881.79	\$1.1 billion
Geothermal California, Nevada, Utah	\$12,340,958.16	\$2,587,597.00	\$13,180.33	\$96,344.00	\$0.015 billion
Wind Offshore North & Mid- Atlantic		\$1,106,665.92		\$4,713,568.50	\$5,820,234.42
Other Commodities Onshore, Offshore	159,846,745.18	114,915.00	640,272.53	504,944.00	\$0.161 billion
TOTAL	\$9.8 billion	\$.288 billion	\$0.047billion	\$2.07 billion	\$12.2 billion