RECOVERING AMERICA'S WILDLIFE ACT

Good for wildlife. Good for business. Good for Texas.



OUTDOOR RECREATION ECONOMY

Our booming outdoor recreation economy relies on healthy fish and wildlife populations. The Recovering America's Wildlife Act will help us protect and grow this important part of our state's economy. In Texas, outdoor recreation generates \$52.6 billion in annual consumer spending and directly contributes to 411,000 jobs and \$15.8 billion in salaries and wages.



NEW JOBS

By investing in our natural infrastructure, Recovering America's Wildlife Act would create thousands of new jobs—tree planting, grassland restoration, habitat work, outdoor recreation projects, and wildlife management. It has the potential to add between 23,800 and 33,600 jobs every year, while adding \$3.36 billion of national economic output. All of this would lead to a net positive gain of \$1.96 billion annually to the Gross Domestic Product.





NATURE TOURISM

People travel from all over the world to get a glimpse of our unique Texas wildlife. We have 4.4 million wildlife watchers in Texas—their activity amounts to \$1.82 billion in retail sales and supports 146,000 jobs. Many of the wildlife that brings tourists to Texas—such as coastal birds and songbirds—are rapidly declining. Recovering America's Wildlife Act will help us to stabilize and recover at-risk wildlife populations.

NATURAL CAPITAL

Wildlife and wildlife habitat enrich our lives—and we depend on them too. Native wild pollinators provide more than a \$9 billion per year service to U.S. agriculture. Through natural pest control, bats provide a \$1.4 billion per year service to Texas farmers. Wildlife habitat provides clean water, healthy soils, storm water management, and flood mitigation services. Native grasslands and forests are nature's carbon capture technology.

