

Support for the Bureau of Land Management Public Lands Rule

A. Elected Officials

- 1) [Nearly four dozen Democrats](#) asked Interior Secretary Deb Haaland to strengthen a plan elevating conservation on public lands Bicameral Congressional Letter (June 12, 2023).
 - [Huffman, Heinrich, Degette, and Lawmakers](#) *call on interior to Implement and Strengthen Proposed Conservation and Landscape Health Rule*, press release, (June 12, 2023).
- 2) [Representative Melanie Stansbury](#) (New Mexico) Press Release and Testimony before the House Natural Resources Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations (May 24, 2023).
- 3) [Colorado Senator John Hickenlooper](#) letter in support of the Public Lands Rule, (July 5, 2023).
- 4) [Over 80 Colorado Local Officials](#) *Call for More Protections for Bureau of Land Management Lands*, Media Release w/ Quotes, Mountain Pact Letter (May 23, 2023).
- 5) [New Mexico Local Elected Officials](#) Urge Bureau of Land Management to Prioritize the Conservation of our Shared Public Lands, The Mountain Pact (May 23, 2023).
- 6) [La Plata County Board of Commissioners, Colorado](#) in support of the BLM's proposed Public Lands Rule, Letter (June 13, 2023).
- 7) [California Secretary of Natural Resources Wade Crowfoot](#), Testimony in Opposition to H.R. 3397, (June 13, 2023).
- 8) [Grand County Commission, Utah](#) Support for BLM's Proposed Public Lands Rule, Letter (June 20, 2023).
- 9) [New Mexico Cabinet Secretary for Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources Department](#) Sarah Cottrell Propst (June 30, 2023).
- 10) [Members of the California Legislature](#) Support for the Draft Public Lands Rule, Letter, (August 15, 2023).
- 11) [Western Governors Support Letter](#), The State of California, Colorado, New Mexico, Oregon and Washington support the proposed conservation and land health rule, Oct. 31, 2023.
- 12) [Colorado Senator Michael Bennet Letter](#), Supports much needed guidance to manage lands for conservation uses, Nov. 29, 2023.

B. Editorials

- 1) [The Salt Lake Tribune](#), *The BLM Public Lands Rule is a common-sense solution*, (June 25, 2023).
- 2) [The Denver Post](#), *BLM rule puts conservation on equal footing with oil and gas on public lands*, (June 5, 2023).
- 3) [Albuquerque Journal](#), *Rule allows BLM to better balance conservation, O&G*, (June 12, 2023).
- 4) [The Durango Herald](#), *Our View: Proposed BLM rule conservation timestamp in history*, (May 25, 2023).
- 5) [The Grand Junction Sentinel](#), *Let's not let our land get caught up in a culture war*, (June 11, 2023)
- 6) [Santa Fe New Mexican](#), *BLM at a crossroads: Manage Lands for all the People*, (June 15, 2023).
- 7) [The Bend Bulletin](#), *Conservation land should be an option for BLM*, (October 11, 2023).

C. Op-Eds

- 1) [A much-needed change to public land management](#), Bozeman Chronicle, Montana (April 6, 2023).
- 2) [Conservation Rule Proposed for BLM](#), The Durango Herald, Colorado (April 16, 2023).
- 3) [Proposed conservation rule builds on states leadership in land management](#), Casper Star Tribune, Wyoming (May 7, 2023).
- 4) [BLM conservation rule will safeguard wildlife, cherished lands and watersheds](#), Carlsbad Current Argus, New Mexico (May 11, 2023).
- 5) [BLM's new public lands rule good for wildlife, hunters, outdoor enthusiasts](#), The Nevada Independent (May 12, 2023).
- 6) [BLM Public Land Rule Comment Period is open](#), Keith Baker, Chaffee Board of County Commissioners, Ark Valley Voice, Colorado (May 12, 2023).
- 7) [Why this hunter, angler and rancher supports the proposed BLM Conservation Rule](#), Missoulain, Montana (May 16, 2023).
- 8) [Close to Home: A new priority for public land](#), Keith Hammond, The Press Democrat, California (May 25, 2023).
- 9) [Charting the course for the future of America's public lands](#), Leah Wzientek, Reno Gazette Journal, Nevada (May 25, 2023).
- 10) [Opinion: Public has a chance to make difference on land management](#), Greg Peters, Santa Fe New Mexican (May 27, 2023).
- 11) [BLM rulemaking is a once-in-a-generation opportunity to reshape conservation policy](#), Colorado Newslane (May 30, 2023).
- 12) [Billings sportsmen weigh in on BLM public lands rule](#), Jake Schwaller, The Billings Gazette, Montana (June 4, 2023).

- 13) [BLM rule elevating conservation benefits us all](#), The Salt Lake Tribune, Utah (June 8, 2023).
- 14) [Utahns can – and must – help the federal government improve public land management](#), The Salt Lake Tribune, Utah (June 12, 2023).
- 15) [Proposed federal rule could improve public lands management](#), The Salt Lake Tribune, Utah (June 15, 2023).
- 16) [New BLM Public Lands Rule a Win-Win for Montana](#), Flathead Beacon, Montana (June 15, 2023).
- 17) [Proposed conservation rule is good news for wildlife, public lands, hunters and anglers](#), Vail Daily, Colorado (June 15, 2023).
- 18) [Public Lands Rule would benefit wildlife and sporting traditions](#), South Dakota Searchlight (June 14, 2023).
- 19) [Utahns have only a few days left to act on public lands](#), The Park Record, Utah (June 16, 2023).
- 20) [We must protect our tremendous assets - Public Lands](#), Truckee Vice Mayor, Sierra Sun California (June 16, 2023).
- 21) [Arizona is growing but what about conservation?](#) Elaine Zielinski, Arizona Daily Star, (June 30, 2023).
- 22) [BLM should enact a strong public lands rule](#), Anna Hansen, Santa Fe County Commission Chair, The Santa Fe New Mexican (June 30, 2023).
- 23) [On public lands, conservation is just as valuable as extraction](#), Chair Eagle County Commission, The Colorado Sun, (July 10, 2023).
- 24) [This proposed rule would bring balance to public lands in Idaho and around the West](#), The Idaho Statesman, (July 24, 2023).
- 25) [BLM Rule Will Protect Public Lands from Contamination and Neglect](#), The Flathead Beacon, (August 11, 2023).
- 26) [Arizonans know best: protecting ecosystems is a win-win](#), Arizona Daily Star, (August 12, 2023).
- 27) [Ensuring the health of our public lands today, for tomorrow amid climate change](#), Albuquerque Journal, (August 13, 2023).
- 28) [A more balanced conservation approach for the Bureau of Land Management](#), The Hill, (August, 20, 2023).
- 29) [Peter Metcalf: A long overdue effort to protect our public lands](#), The Salt Lake Tribune, (October 7, 2023).

D. Business Support

- 1) [Patagonia Action Works Release](#), 3+ million members reached, (May 20, 2023).
- 2) [Outdoor Alliance Blog](#) and Call to Action, BLM's Public Lands Rule Would Benefit Outdoor Recreation and Conservation (May 30, 2023).

- 3) [REI Cooperative Action Network](#), Call to Action, (June 5, 2023).
- 4) [Outdoor Industry Support for BLM Public Lands Rulemaking Process](#), Outdoor Alliance, The Conservation Alliance, Outdoor Industry Association, Letter (June 15, 2023).
- 5) [Over 100 Businesses Call on BLM to Complete a Strong Public Lands Rule](#), The Conservation Alliance and Conservation Communications, [Press Release w/ Quotes](#) (July 20, 2023).
- 6) [The Conservation Alliance, Outdoor Alliance, Outdoor Industry Association](#), Full Page Ad, Politico, (September 19, 2023).

E. Support Letters

- 1) [Law Professors Support the Bureau of Land Management Public Lands Rule](#), sign-on & press release (May 22, 2023).
- 2) [Over 75 Organizations](#), Oppose H.R. 3397, (June 20, 2023).
- 3) [27 Law Professors](#) weigh in on the proposed BLM Public Lands Rule (June 15, 2023).
- 4) [Conservation Community Sign-On Letter](#), Comments on the proposed Rule, (July 2, 2023).
- 5) [Over 130 Organizations Support](#) the BLM's Public Lands Rule and focus on protecting western watersheds, (July 5, 2023).
- 6) [Attorneys General from eight states in support of the Proposed BLM Public Lands Rule](#), Letter (July 5, 2023).
- 7) [70 Scientists support the draft "Conservation and Landscape Health" Rule](#), (July 5, 2023).
- 8) [Local Community Groups from Across the West](#) Support the Rule, Friends Grassroots Network Letter, (July 5, 2023).

F. Reports

- 1) [Why Conservation Leasing on Public Lands Is a Win-Win for Renewables and Wildlife](#), Center for American Progress (June 1, 2023).
- 2) [What Biden's Proposed Conservation Rule Would Mean for America's Most Vulnerable Public Lands](#), Center for American Progress (June 14, 2023).
- 3) [Protecting Vulnerable Public Lands Could Address U.S. Outdoor Recreation](#), Center for American Progress, (September 20, 2023).

G. Miscellaneous

- 1) [Elected Officials, NGOs, retired BLM Officials and others](#) in support of the Proposed Public Lands Rule, Quotes (March 30, 2023).
- 2) Paid Ads in support of the Rule w/ local support:
 - a) [Idaho Statesman](#),

- b) [Albuquerque Journal](#),
- c) [Denver Post](#); and
- d) [Reno Gazette](#)
- 3) [A BLM veteran weighs in on the agency's proposed conservation leasing rule](#), Jim Kenna, Podcast, Center for Western Priorities (June 13, 2023).
- 4) [Analysis: Public comments overwhelmingly support BLM Public Lands Rule](#), Center for Western Priorities, (July 5, 2023).
- 5) [BLM's Conservation Rule and Conservation as a "Use"](#), Legal Article, Environmental Law Reporter, Nov. 2023.

H. General support for increased conservation on BLM lands (Prior to the release of the draft rule).

- 1) [Paid Ad](#), Over 80 groups support BLM conservation, Grand Junction Sentinel.
- 2) Elected Leaders:
 - a) [40 Members of the House of Representatives](#) Support BLM increasing conservation on public lands, letter (2/15/23).
 - b) [Secretary Crowfoot](#), California Natural Resources Agency, letter (1/24/23).
 - c) [Western Senators](#) push Sec. Haaland for more focus on BLM Conservation, letter (11/30/22).
 - d) [Oregon Senators](#) call for More BLM Conservation in a letter to DOI (12/8/22).
 - e) [Sen. Padilla and Rep. Huffman](#) letter to California BLM State Director, 6/29/22).
 - f) [120 local elected western leaders](#) official Letter of Support for conservation on BLM lands, The Mountain Pact, (5/24/22).
- 3) Editorials/Features in support of increasing conservation on BLM Lands
 - a) [Managing Lands For the Future](#), Grand Junction Sentinel (9/21/22).
 - b) [Our View: BLM needs direction, bold action on conservation](#), Durango Herald, (1/20/23).
 - c) [New Mexico needs a state legacy fund, true BLM leadership](#), Albuquerque Journal, (1/30/23).
 - d) [Biden set an ambitious goal for Nature. It's time he went after it](#), New York Times, (12/31/23).
 - e) [Biden could be missing out on his biggest conservation opportunity](#), The Huffington Post, (12/4/22).
- 4) [BLM must lead, prioritize meaningful conservation](#), Op-Ed, Albuquerque Journal, (2/12/23).
- 5) [Executive Action vs. the Nature Crisis: Top 8 Opportunities President Biden Should Pursue To Meet His America the Beautiful Commitment](#), Report, Center for American Progress, (11/22/22).

- 6) [Over 80 Outdoor industry companies](#) want more conservation action by the BLM, letter, (1/26/22).
- 7) [Conserve America the Beautiful](#), Business Owner Op-Ed, Grand Junction Sentinel, (5/19/22).
- 8) [NM needs federal government to protect our public lands](#), Op-Ed New Mexico Outdoor Business Alliance, Albuquerque Journal, (9/8/22).