

OUTDOOR ALLIANCE

June 14, 2017

Sen. James Lankford
Chair, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management
316 Hart Senate Office Building
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Sen. Heidi Heitkamp
Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management
516 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

RE: Agency Approaches to Reorganization: Examining OMB's Memorandum on the Federal Workforce

Dear Chair Lankford and Ranking Member Heitkamp:

Outdoor Alliance is a coalition of eight member-based organizations representing the human powered outdoor recreation community. The coalition includes Access Fund, American Canoe Association, American Whitewater, International Mountain Bicycling Association, Winter Wildlands Alliance, The Mountaineers, the American Alpine Club, and the Mazamas and represents the interests of the millions of Americans who climb, paddle, mountain bike, and backcountry ski and snowshoe on our nation's public lands, waters, and snowscapes.

We write to share the concerns of the outdoor recreation community regarding the Administration's plan to re-organize the Executive Branch, per Executive Order 13781. Outdoor Alliance, along with 123 other recreation organizations from across the country submitted comments on the Executive Order 13781 during the Office of Management and Budget's public comment period, which ended on June 12. Fifty-one businesses leaders in the outdoor recreation industry also submitted comments. Those letters are attached for reference by the Subcommittee.

The organizations and businesses signed on to the attached comment letters strongly support the public lands agencies, including the Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service, and the Fish and Wildlife Service. We ask that Congress invest more in these agencies' recreation and conservation programs and resist efforts to downsize these programs or the agencies themselves. These agencies provide a massive return on investment for the American taxpayer, and public lands provide innumerable outdoor recreation opportunities and support a variety of industries



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and businesses. Public lands also protect and provide clean water for millions of Americans.

Without adequate funding and support for the federal land management agencies, recreation infrastructure falls into disrepair, and access to public lands is curtailed. It is not that the agencies are inefficient; rather, year after year, they are being asked to do more with less. Chronic underfunding by Congress negatively impacts the public's ability to access and enjoy public lands.

We disagree with the premise that drastic changes to our federal land management agencies are necessary. Rather, Congress should increase funding for these agencies so that they can meet their missions and better serve the American public.

Best regards,



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cc: Adam Cramer, Executive Director, Outdoor Alliance
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June 12, 2017

Mr. Mick Mulvaney, Director
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Dear Director Mulvaney:

The 124 undersigned organizations represent millions of Americans who partake in outdoor recreation on this nation's forests, parks, and other public lands. Our members ski, climb, mountain bike, paddle, hike, and camp on public lands and they reap enormous benefits from these experiences. To pursue these activities, our members depend on having access to federal lands where they can immerse themselves in nature with their friends and families, away from urban areas and development.

On March 13th 2017, the President signed Executive Order 13781 directing you to develop a plan for reorganizing the executive branch including recommending agencies, programs, and functions for elimination.¹ Subsequently, you launched a 28-day comment period asking the American public to weigh in on how to reorganize, reduce, and eliminate agencies.² **We write to you today to express our strong support for continued and robust investment in the conservation and recreation programs of the land management agencies: the U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, and the Bureau of Land Management.** Together, these agencies administer on behalf of the American people 674 million acres of lands that see over half a billion visits annually.³

For a modest investment (less than 0.4% of the federal budget), our federal land management agencies generate innumerable benefits worth billions of dollars. They provide us clean water and air, trails and campgrounds, and unmatched outdoor recreation experiences. Most importantly, they provide the recreation infrastructure and opportunities that fuel a \$887 billion outdoor recreation economy that generates 7.6 million jobs.⁴ In the 12 Western states alone, the agencies manage 193,500 miles of hiking trails and 12,659 miles of mountain bike trails. Likewise, virtually all backcountry skiing, 43% of whitewater paddling, and 71% of climbing in the West occurs on lands managed by these agencies⁵.

Funding the recreation and conservation programs of these agencies has an outsized impact and is a great investment for the American people. Consider that recreational visits to parks, forests, refuges, and other public lands generate \$33 billion in direct spending and nearly 600,000 jobs, and contribute \$37 billion to GDP annually.⁶ Consider also that the clean water that our national forests provide to over 66

¹ <https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2017/03/13/presidential-executive-order-comprehensive-plan-reorganizing-executive>

² 82 Fed. Reg. 22355 (March 15, 2017)

³ See US Forest Service, 2012. National Visitor Use Monitoring Report. Available at: https://www.fs.fed.us/recreation/programs/nvum/2012%20National_Summary_Report_061413.pdf, Page 24; National Park Service. Annual Visitation Highlights. Available at: <https://www.nps.gov/subjects/socialscience/annual-visitation-highlights.htm>; Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management. 2015. Public Lands Statistics. Page 186; U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, 2015.

⁴ Outdoor Industry Association, 2017. The Outdoor Recreation Economy. Available at: <https://outdoorindustry.org/resource/2017-outdoor-recreation-economy-report/>

⁵ Data from Winter Wildlands Alliance, American Whitewater, and Mountain Project

⁶ U.S. Department of the Interior Economic Report, FY 2015. Prepared by the Department of the Interior Office of Policy Analysis, June 17, 2016. Available at: https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/fy2015_doi_econ_report_2016-06-20.pdf. Table 2-2. See also US Forest Service, 2012. National Visitor Use Monitoring Report. Available at: https://www.fs.fed.us/recreation/programs/nvum/2012%20National_Summary_Report_061413.pdf. Page 24.

million people in 3,400 communities in 33 states is worth over \$7.2 billion annually.⁷ In that same vein, clean air, clean water and other ecological services provided by our National Wildlife Refuges provide \$32.3 billion in benefits to local communities.⁸

Outdoor recreationists understand the link between healthy lands and healthy lifestyles. **We therefore urge you not to cut – and in fact invest more – in the conservation and recreation programs administered by the US Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, US Fish and Wildlife Service, and the National Park Service. Likewise, we fully support the Environmental Protection Agency.** The EPA and its programs ensure that our public lands provide clean air, clean water, and a healthy environment. Without the EPA our public lands will lose these essential qualities.

While we disagree with the premise that drastic changes to our federal land management agencies are necessary, to the extent that you intend to reorganize and possibly eliminate agencies, we respectfully request that you consider the importance of the federal land management agencies and their conservation and recreation programs. These include, but certainly are not limited to, the 1) Forest Service's Recreation, Wilderness, and Heritage; Legacy Roads and Trails; Trails; Land Management Planning, Assessment, and Monitoring; and Fisheries and Wildlife Habitat Management Programs; 2) the BLM's Recreation Resources Management, National Landscape Conservation System; 3) The Operation of the National Park System, National Recreation and Preservation, and many other accounts within the National Park Service budget; and 4) Cross-cutting programs like the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Sincerely,

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⁷ USDA Forest Service. Information on Water Resources. Available at:

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⁸ Southwick Associates, 2011. The Economics Associated with Outdoor Recreation, Natural Resources Conservation and Historic Preservation in the United States For: The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation. Available at:

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Senate Interior Appropriations Committee
House Interior Appropriations Committee

June 12, 2017

Mr. Mick Mulvaney, Director
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Dear Director Mulvaney:

The undersigned companies and organizations represent members of the outdoor industry whose businesses depend on outdoor recreation that takes place on America's public lands. Our customers hike, camp, mountain bike, ski, climb, and paddle in the great outdoors and their participation in these activities depends on having access to federal public lands and waters.

On March 13th 2017, the President signed [Executive Order 13781](#) directing you to develop a plan for reorganizing the executive branch including recommending agencies, programs, and functions for elimination. Subsequently, you launched [a 28-day comment period](#) asking the American public to weigh in on how to reorganize, reduce, and eliminate agencies.

We write to you today to express our strong support for continued and robust investment in the conservation and recreation programs of the land management agencies: the U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, and the Bureau of Land Management. Together, these agencies administer on behalf of the American people 674 million acres of lands that see over half a billion visits annually.¹ They are the stewards of our national parks, forests, wildlife refuges, monuments, and rivers, including remarkable places such as the Grand Canyon, the Wind River mountains, Yosemite, the Appalachian Trail, and the Everglades.

For a modest investment (less than 0.4% of the federal budget), our federal land management agencies generate innumerable benefits worth billions of dollars. These agencies build and maintain trails, campgrounds, and other recreation infrastructure and manage federal lands to provide unbeatable outdoor recreation experiences. Due to the stewardship of our federal land agencies, federal public lands fuel a robust [outdoor recreation economy valued at \\$887 billion annually](#), which supports 7.6 million jobs.²

Funding these agencies has an outsized impact and is a great investment for the American people. Recreational visits to parks, forests, refuges, and other public lands generate \$33 billion in direct spending and nearly 600,000 jobs, and contribute \$37 billion to GDP annually.³ Without increased support for federal land management agencies, however, recreation infrastructure will fall into disrepair and access

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² Outdoor Industry Association, 2017. The Outdoor Recreation Economy. Available at: <https://outdoorindustry.org/resource/2017-outdoor-recreation-economy-report/>

³ U.S. Department of the Interior Economic Report, FY 2015. Prepared by the Department of the Interior Office of Policy Analysis, June 17, 2016. Available at: https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/uploads/fy2015_doi_econ_report_2016-06-20.pdf. Table 2-2. See also US Forest Service, 2012. National Visitor Use Monitoring Report. Available at: https://www.fs.fed.us/recreation/programs/nvum/2012%20National_Summary_Report_061413.pdf. Page 24.

to public lands will be curtailed, diminishing the return on investment in the long run and handicapping our industry. We have already seen this come to pass in many areas across the country as a result of chronic underfunding.

Outdoor recreationists understand the link between healthy lands and healthy lifestyles. **We therefore urge you not to cut – and in fact invest more – in the conservation and recreation programs administered by the US Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, US Fish and Wildlife Service, and the National Park Service. Likewise, we fully support the Environmental Protection Agency, as it ensures our public lands continue to provide clean air, clean water, and a healthy environment.** While we disagree with the premise that drastic changes to our federal land management agencies are necessary, to the extent that you intend to reorganize and possibly eliminate agencies, we respectfully request that you consider the importance of the federal land management agencies and their conservation and recreation programs. These include, but certainly are not limited to, the 1) Forest Service’s Recreation, Wilderness, and Heritage; Legacy Roads and Trails; Trails; Land Management Planning, Assessment, and Monitoring; and Fisheries and Wildlife Habitat Management Programs; 2) the BLM’s Recreation Resources Management, National Landscape Conservation System; 3) The Operation of the National Park System, National Recreation and Preservation, and many other accounts within the National Park Service budget; and 4) Cross-cutting programs like the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

Thank you for considering these comments.

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