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Protect Wildlife at Grand Teton!



Coalition Objects to NPS Hunting Jurisdiction Decision at Grand Teton National Park

Except for a legislatively authorized annual elk hunt, other forms of hunting have been strictly prohibited on private inholdings within Grand Teton National Park since 1950. That changed dramatically after an Associate Regional Director issued a letter that has opened the door to big game trophy hunting on these properties within the park. Click below to see the Coalition's letter to NPS Director Jon Jarvis.

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Obama's Remarks
at Yosemite

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**NPS Centennial
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Regional Haze Rule Amendments

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is revising the Regional Haze Rule, a regulation intended to protect visibility in federally designated Class 1 areas - areas that include 48 national parks. While the proposed rule offers improvements over the current regulation, some aspects of the proposal need to be stronger if the nation is ever going to achieve the Clean Air Act's long-term goal of "natural visibility" in the Class 1 areas. Click below to see the Coalition's comments to the EPA.

Read Our Comments**Request for Photos & Social Media
Content**

If you have any **photos** that we could use on our social media pages or for Coalition promotional materials, we would be delighted to have them. Also, we would be happy to share any news items you have on the Coalition's social media sites.

Please email both of those to
susannah_albert-chandhok@protectnps.org.



Ferdinand J. Castillo
Read his story [here.](#)



Bill Halainen
Read his story [here.](#)



Robert M. Utley
Read his story [here.](#)

Membership Update

This past month, the Coalition welcomed 4 new members, bringing total membership to 1,157. Welcome to our new members!

The Coalition is On LinkedIn!

We have a new LinkedIn [company page](#). Please follow us, and add your Coalition membership to your LinkedIn profile.

New Supporter Category

The Coalition is happy to announce the addition of a new supporter category. This category includes individuals, organizations, or companies that want to support the Coalition, but do not qualify as members because they have never worked for the National Park Service. Supporters will encourage the Coalition in its efforts by providing financial support in the form of cash or in-kind services. We encourage you to reach out to individuals and organizations that you think would be interested in joining the Coalition as a supporter, and you can learn more about the new supporter category below.

New Supporter Category



**Robert Sterling
Yard**
Read his story
[here.](#)



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What We're Reading This Month

- "Protected lands and the people who work to preserve them must reflect the diversity of our great nation."

Read more of Henry Rael's article in *NMPolitics.Net* titled "Public Lands Should Be Places That Welcome and Reflect All Americans." [Read here.](#)

- "Our national parks and other public lands must reflect, honor and engage all Americans - for our families and our future."

Read more of this op-ed, "President Obama's Yosemite Visit Reminds of Public Land Opportunities," by José G. González and Jennifer Savage in *Mercury News*. [Read here.](#)

- "We need what America looks like now to support the National Park Service so we can continue to care for these great natural resources, and the cultural and historical parts of America's story."

Check out the full article, "National Parks at 100: Working to Make Diversity Part of Legacy," by Spud Hilton in the *San Francisco Chronicle*. [Read here.](#)



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"The parks belong to all of us.
This planet belongs to all of us.
It's the only one we've got."

[Click here](#) to watch President Obama's full remarks at Sentinel Bridge in Yosemite National Park this past month.

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