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Coalition Statement on NPS Alaska Hunting & Trapping Rule

The Coalition has released a statement on the NPS proposed rule on hunting and trapping on national preserves in Alaska. Click the link below to see our statement and the DOI Memorandum directing the NPS to undertake reconsideration.

[Read our Statement](#)

345 Coalition Members Urge Sec. Zinke to Support LWCF Reauthorization

Hundreds of Coalition members called on

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Sec. Zinke to renew his support for LWCF before the program's current authorization expires on September 30th. Follow the link to see our members' letter to the Secretary.

See our Letter to Zinke

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**Coalition Expresses Concerns about
Wyoming Wolf Hunt**

The Wyoming Game and Fish Department (WGFD) is proposing revisions to its regulations that allow hunting of gray wolves in the vicinity of Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks. The Coalition's comment letter to WGFD can be found on our website at the link below.

Read the Coalition's Comments to
WGFD



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**Groups Request Public Comment Period on
BLM Lease Sale near Carlsbad Cavern**

Under questionable new guidance, BLM plans to issue an environmental assessment (EA) for an oil and gas lease sale near Carlsbad Caverns NP without inviting public comment

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The Coalition's membership currently stands at **1,555** members.

on the EA. The Coalition has joined other groups in writing to New Mexico's U.S. Senators requesting their help in securing a public comment period. Read our letter at the link below.

See our [Joint Letter to NM Senators](#)

What We're Reading & Tracking This Month

Executive Council member, Don Hellmann, spoke to the *Washington Post* about Secretary Zinke's VIP tours. Read his comments [here](#).

Faced with an unrelenting spread of invasive Burmese pythons that have mostly wiped out marsh rabbits, bobcats and other small mammals, Everglades National Park is doing something for the first time in its 70-year history: opening park borders to paid hunters. Check out more details about Superintendent Ramos' plans in the [Miami Herald](#).

Ro Wauer was a career NPS employee. He was a serious naturalist and an even more serious birder. His book, [My Wild Life](#), tracks those passions through parks such as Big Bend, Crater Lake, Zion, Pinnacles and Yosemite. He was a prolific author and made contributions to many scholarly

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journals. He then migrated to WASO where he became the NPS's Chief of Natural Resources Management. There he became involved in the publication of the "State of the Parks" report. This report set the stage for the later Congressional action that took place after the publication of Dick Sellar's book, *Preserving Nature in the National Parks*. This book and the report caused the Congress to appropriate money for the natural resource challenge, a multi-year investment in science and resources management in the parks.

Headwaters Economics has updated its reports showing the economic impact (visits, spending, jobs, and income) for every NPS unit from 2013-2017. Check out the data [here](#).

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