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ON CAPITOL HILL

[Fish and Wildlife Conservation Groups Urge Movement of Sportsmen's Packages](#)

On September 9, nearly 50 leading organizations from the hunting and angling conservation community urged movement of two comprehensive sportsmen's packages through Congress...

[Sportsmen's Caucus Leaders, Recreational Fishing Groups Weigh-in on Proposed Marine Monument](#)

Under the authority of the Antiquities Act, the Obama Administration is currently considering the establishment of a National Marine Monument off the coast of New England that would protect three deep-sea canyons and four sea mounts. Though the area under consideration is far off shore, the waters above these canyons and sea mounts do provide important recreational fishing opportunities

for species such as yellowfin tuna, swordfish, marlin, mahi mahi and several other migratory species. While the proposed monument primarily seeks to protect a sensitive bottom habitat, some organizations are calling for a complete, though unnecessary, closure of all fishing within the potential monument...

[Federal Advisory Council Supports State Management of Yellowstone Area Grizzly Bear](#)

On September 8, the Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council (Council) sent a letter to Secretary of Interior Sally Jewell and Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack outlining their support for resuming state authority for the management of the recovered grizzly bear population in the Greater Yellowstone area. The Council recommended coordination among the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), state agency officials from Wyoming, Idaho, Montana, and the public to discuss the delisting of this grizzly bear population in a workgroup...

IN THE STATES

[Governors Sportsmen's Caucus Members Sign Proclamations Celebrating National Hunting and Fishing Day](#)

On Saturday, September 26, millions of sportsmen and women across the country will celebrate National Hunting and Fishing Day (NHFD). Established in 1972, NHFD recognizes the time-honored American traditions of hunting and angling and the countless contributions made by the original conservationists - hunters and anglers - through sound, science-based fish and wildlife management...

To find NHFD events held in your state, [click here](#).

CSF NEWS

[NASC Executive Council Elections](#)

Nominations are currently being accepted for the National Assembly of Sportsmen's Caucuses (NASC) Executive Council (EC). The nomination period will remain open until **September 18**. The EC is comprised of state sportsmen's caucus leaders who advise NASC program development. EC members are elected to serve two-year terms and are not limited to a number of terms. Nominations will be accepted to fill five seats, as well as two alternate seats, who serve one-year appointments on the EC, which become available on January 1, 2016. No more than one representative from a given state may be nominated for the EC...

[CSF to Host 26th Annual Banquet & Auction in Washington, DC](#)

On Wednesday, September 30, the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation will host the 26th Annual Banquet and Auction in Washington, DC. The event, titled "*Honoring Sportsmen and Women: America's True Conservationists*," brings together Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus members with the sportsmen's community to celebrate America's hunting and angling heritage. The event will feature a reception, dinner, and silent and live auctions.

[Click here](#) to preview this year's Live Auction Guide.

For more information, contact PJ Carleton, Senior Director of Events and Donor Relations, at 202-543-6850 ext. 22 or pj@sportsmenslink.org.

[CSF to Host 11th Annual "Wine, Wheels & Wildlife" Event in North Carolina](#)

On Wednesday, October 14, the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation (CSF) will partner with CSF Honorary Board Member and NASCAR legend Richard Childress to host the 11th annual "Wine, Wheels & Wildlife" event at Childress Vineyards in Lexington, North Carolina. It will bring together a variety of CSF supporters; including members from the sportsmen's community, NASCAR representatives, sportsmen's conservation and other outdoor organizations, and state and federal legislators. The event will include a reception, dinner, auction, and outdoor activities.

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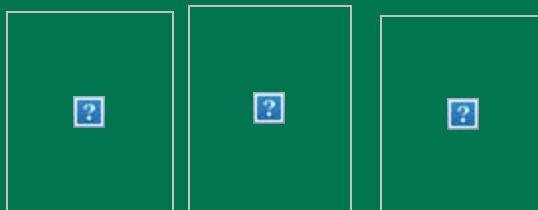
NASC Sportsman-Legislator Summit - Registration Now Open

Registration is now open for the 12th Annual National Assembly of Sportsmen's Caucuses (NASC) Sportsman-Legislator Summit. The Summit provides an opportunity for caucus members and partners to collaborate and devise year-long strategies to advance sportsmen's interests in state legislatures. This year, discussion topics include: lead ammunition bans, strategies for promoting the value of hunting and angling to the public, and key fisheries issues, among others. In addition, attendees will discuss the wide range of challenges currently facing America's sportsmen and women, along with the strategies necessary to overcome those challenges to protect and advance America's outdoor heritage, traditions, and sportsmen-generated conservation dollars in the years to come.

This year's Summit will take place on October 27 - 30 in Manchester, VT. For more information, or if you would like to register, please contact Jennifer Mecchella at jennifer@sportsmenslink.org or (321) 759-7523.

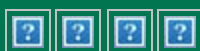
Your Opinions Count: Take the CSF Poll

During this year's hunting seasons, what percentage of time afield do you estimate you will hunt on public lands? [VOTE HERE](#)



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