



MEDIA ALERT

House Natural Resources Committee Passes Landmark Bipartisan Wildlife Corridors Conservation Act, 22-15

Washington, D.C. (January 29, 2020) - In the midst of the sixth mass extinction crisis, the House Natural Resources Committee took a significant step to protect critical habitats necessary for the movement and survival of the United States' most vulnerable species. The Wildlife Corridors Conservation Act ([H.R. 2795](#)) was voted out of the House Natural Resources Committee, 22-15.

The bipartisan Wildlife Corridors Conservation Act was introduced in the House of Representatives by Representatives Don Beyer (D-VA) and Vern Buchanan (R-FL) early in 2019 in the light of a [report](#) detailing the threat of extinction of approximately one million species globally.

If passed, the Act will restore habitat for America's native wildlife by establishing a National Wildlife Corridors Program to protect wildlife corridors on federal lands. The Act will also provide grants to states, tribes and private landowners to safeguard wildlife corridors on non-federal lands.

Fragmentation of wildlife habitat has been identified as a significant threat to wildlife across America. Wildlife corridors are vital habitat areas that allow animals to move between areas of habitat, facilitating migration, range expansion and mating. Protecting wildlife corridors also improves the ability of animal populations to adapt to challenges instigated by climate change.

The bill is supported by nationally-recognized scientists, including renowned conservation biologist [Dr. E.O. Wilson](#), as well as more than [220 prominent NGOs](#) nationwide. The bill, which would improve wildlife-related recreational opportunities, has also received support from major outdoor brands including [Patagonia and Osprey Packs](#).

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The Wildlife Corridors Conservation Act (H.R. 2795) is sponsored by:

Rep. Don Beyer (D-VA)
Rep. Vern Buchanan (R-FL)

The following Congressmen voted YES on the Wildlife Corridors Conservation Act (H.R. 2795):

Rep. Anthony G. Brown (D-MD)
Rep. Matthew Cartwright (D-PA)
Rep. Edward Case (D-HI)
Rep. Jim Costa (D-CA)
Rep. TJ Cox (D-CA)
Rep. Joe Cunningham (D-SC)
Rep. Dianna DeGette (D-CO)
Rep. Debbie Dingell (D-MI)
Rep. Ruben Gallego (D-AZ)
Rep. Jesus “Chuy” Garcia (D-IL)
Rep. Raul M. Grijalva (D-AZ)
Rep. Debra A. Haaland (D-NM)
Rep. Steven Horsford (D-NV)
Rep. Jared Huffman (D-CA)
Rep. Mike Levin (D-CA)
Rep. Alan S. Lowenthal (D-CA)
Rep. Grace F. Napolitano (D-CA)
Rep. Joseph Neguse (D-CO)
Rep. Michael F. Q. San Nicholas (D-GU)
Rep. Darren Soto (D-FL)
Rep. Paul Tonko (D-NY)
Rep. Gregorio Kilili C. Sablan (I-MP)

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