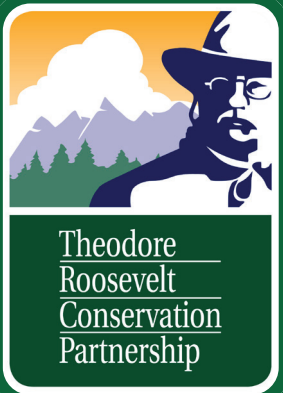


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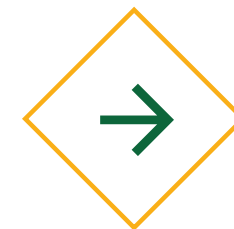


TO GUARANTEE ALL AMERICANS QUALITY PLACES TO HUNT AND FISH

► 2022 ANNUAL REPORT

## Two Decades “In the Arena”

REFLECTING ON TRCP’S 20TH YEAR OF SECURING DURABLE CONSERVATION SOLUTIONS FOR HUNTERS AND ANGLERS



THIS JULY WILL MARK THE END of the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership’s 20th anniversary year, during which we celebrated many past achievements and saw a handful of long-pursued policy solutions come to fruition.

Perhaps the most prominent legislative victory of 2022 was the greatest investment in climate resilience and natural infrastructure in our country’s history. Congress has enacted conservation provisions worth billions of dollars that our community has sought since the start of TRCP’s Conservation Works for America campaign in 2020—boosting habitat preservation, creating conservation jobs, and enhancing hunter and angler opportunity along the way.

We also celebrated final passage of the Chronic Wasting Disease Research and Management Act, which will strengthen oversight, management, and scientific study of this fatal wildlife disease. TRCP staff and partners helped shape and drive this bill to the finish line at the end of a busy congressional session—no easy feat with so much competing for lawmakers’ attention.

It has been a special time for those of

us who have watched and contributed to TRCP’s growth since the days of our late co-founder Jim Range—if this describes you, we sincerely thank you for being a champion of conservation and our cause of uniting and amplifying the voices of hunters and anglers for all these years. If you’ve just discovered TRCP’s work recently, you are an equally important part of the past year’s successes, which indicate that together we can achieve our most far-reaching goals for habitat, access, and conservation in America.

Already in 2023, some major conservation milestones that we have prioritized for years have been attained. During a single week in March, in fact, decisions were made that will secure the future of critical fish and wildlife habitat in Minnesota’s Boundary Waters, Alaska’s Bristol Bay, and the Tongass National Forest.

Still, we have hard work ahead of us. Later this year, a new Farm Bill will deter-



**Whit Fosburgh**  
President and CEO



**Jamie A. Baker IV**  
Board Chair

mine the course of private land conservation over the next five years. And there are many other important matters pending congressional approval. This includes the Recovering America’s Wildlife Act, which would invest in our most at-risk species; the North American Grasslands Conservation Act, which would restore grasslands and sagebrush habitats that are disappearing at an alarming rate; and the Forage Fish Conservation Act, which would conserve species at the base of the marine food web.

Thank you again for your support in these endeavors. We’re proud to have you in our camp as we continue this important work for the next 20 years.

Please enjoy this annual report highlighting our achievements in 2022 and TRCP’s priorities for the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Whit Fosburgh".

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# CONSERVATION ACHIEVEMENTS



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BILLION**  
SECURED FOR  
EVERGLADES  
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CONSTRUCTION OF THE EVERGLADES AGRICULTURAL AREA RESERVOIR BEGAN, WHICH WILL RESTORE NATURAL NORTH-TO-SOUTH FLOWS.



## GROUNDBREAKING WIN FOR PUBLIC LAND ACCESS

The TRCP-led Modernizing Access to our Public Land Act (MAPLand Act) was signed into law, directing federal land management agencies to digitize recreational access information and make it publicly available as geospatial files.

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## BIPARTISAN CLIMATE SOLUTIONS BILL SIGNED INTO LAW

The Growing Climate Solutions Act improves access to carbon markets for farmers, ranchers, and foresters, enabling climate-smart agriculture and new revenue streams while keeping lands intact. By establishing trusted and credible third-party verifiers and technical service providers, land managers can better generate carbon credits while improving habitat, as well as air and water quality, allowing them to contribute to the economy and climate resilience.



Rotational grazing supports a healthy habitat.

COWS: Meredith Ellis; HUNT: FL Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission



## LARGEST CLIMATE-RELATED INVESTMENT IN U.S. HISTORY

A \$20-billion increase for private lands conservation efforts to conserve and restore habitat, and an additional \$10+ billion for forest health, coastal resilience, and drought mitigation.

**BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW INVESTMENTS:** LANDMARK PROJECTS THAT ADVANCE MIGRATION CORRIDORS, AQUATIC CONNECTIVITY AND FISH PASSAGE, AND RESTORE HABITAT ARE BREAKING GROUND ACROSS THE U.S.

### SUCCESS STORY

## *The Chronic Wasting Disease Research and Management Act signed into law*



Authorizes  
**\$70 MILLION**  
annually to CWD  
management  
and research  
through 2028.

In a 2022 poll, 88 percent of American voters said they support additional federal investment in CWD management at the state level. Provisions of this bipartisan legislation include:



**\$35 million per year for research that focuses on detection and reducing occurrences of the disease**



**\$35 million per year for management, including surveillance and testing**



**Directs the U.S. Department of Agriculture to review its Herd Certification Program**



# PARTNERSHIP ACHIEVEMENTS

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## AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES COMMISSION FORMED



Comprised of a diverse group of leading scientists, conservationists, anglers, tribal leaders, boaters, business leaders, and policy experts, the AIS Commission was established to develop recommendations that aim to address major aquatic invasive species challenges across the U.S. Their report will be released in 2023.

## RECORD-SETTING ANNUAL FUNDRAISING GALA

The 14th annual Capital Conservation Awards Dinner, co-hosted by MeatEater crewmember Steve Rinella, bestowed conservation achievement awards to Representative Betty McCollum (D-Minn.), Senator Steve Daines (R-Mont.), and business leader Ben Speciale, president of Yamaha Marine Group.



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business sector partners represented on the Corporate Council

63

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### PARTNERS UNITE

## *Hunter and Angler Priorities for the 2023 Farm Bill*



Throughout 2022, the TRCP's Agriculture and Wildlife Working Group convened 26 hunting, angling, land-owner, and conservation organizations to release a detailed list of recommendations on USDA conservation funding levels and to maximize habitat and access benefits. These recommendations are a roadmap for development of the next Farm Bill, the single-largest source of private lands conservation funding, which is due for reauthorization in 2023.

**“ALIGNING GOALS AND SHARING IDEAS IS VALUABLE IN ENSURING THAT WILDLIFE AND LANDS RECEIVE AS GREAT A BENEFIT AS POSSIBLE FROM THIS NEXT FARM BILL.”**

—Nick Pinizzotto, president and CEO of the National Deer Association.



# PAPER TRAILS: A PUBLIC ACCESS STORY

TRCP IDENTIFIES THE PROBLEMS AND OFFERS SOLUTIONS TO HELP HUNTERS AND ANGLERS ACCESS THEIR PUBLIC LANDS.



THE NEW TRCP FILM, Paper Trails, unpacks the complexity of public land access in collaboration with Eastmans’ Hunting Journal, onX, Savage Arms, SIG SAUER, and Kenetrek.

Presented in the iconic film-making style of Eastmans’ Hunting Journal and informed by the expertise of the TRCP, an October 2022 Wyoming pronghorn antelope hunt sets the backdrop

for the film and its characters to uncover the challenges hunters face when accessing and navigating their public lands, while at the same time identifying what’s being done to improve that access.

“Hunters know from firsthand experience that public access can be difficult, and even confusing to figure out, but many people don’t know why it is so complex or what to do about it,” said Joel Webster,

TRCP vice president of Western conservation. “Recognizing this challenge, TRCP and several of our partners created Paper Trails to reveal issues surrounding public access that have never before been explored on film—such as difficult to retrieve public easements and inaccurate or absent public signage—and offer solutions to the problem moving forward, such as the MAPLand Act.”

The film highlights the unfortunate reality that the U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management have 90,000 road and trail easements scattered across the nation, of which 50,000 remain on paper file and have not yet been digitized or made readily available.

“Sportsmen and sportswomen know all too well how complicated and daunting it can be to navigate access to the millions of public

land acres that the West holds,” said Guy Eastman of Eastmans’ Hunting Journal. “To begin to cure this problem, better, more accurate mapping resources need to be developed and recorded to open up the full spectrum of public access options available, including state walk-in programs and public road easements.”

Additionally, Paper Trails explores the need for better information to be made readily available about the location of county roads, which are also open to the public, and the status of BLM travel management plans, of which only 20% are completed nationally. All of these hurdles trip up hunters and anglers trying to reach

their public lands.

“We have been honored to work with TRCP over the years to better understand and solve the access challenges outdoorsmen and women face across the U.S.,” said Lisa Nichols, access advocacy manager for onX. “We’ve partnered with TRCP since 2018 on the first of the Landlocked series of reports, which were integral in helping pass the MAPLand Act in 2022.”

Spearheaded by TRCP, the MAPLand Act requires federal land management agencies to consolidate, digitize, and make publicly available recreational access information as geospatial files. This includes access easements across private lands, as well as detailed road and trail information on public lands. The implementation of the law will mean clarity for hunters, anglers, landowners, and land

agencies alike.

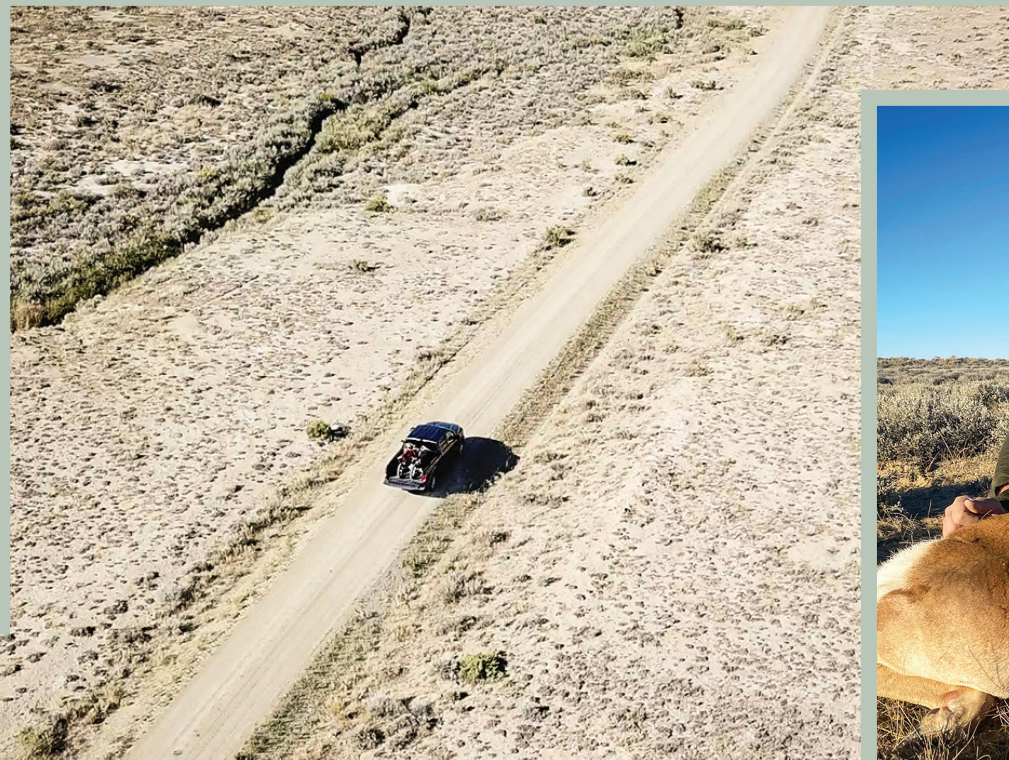
This deep dive into the status of public access in America, coupled with the excitement of hunting pronghorn antelope in the sage country of Wyoming, melds the mission and passion of TRCP, resulting in a film that entertains hunters and anglers, while at the same time revealing a path forward toward a future of better public access.

**“Paper Trails uncovers the challenges public land users encounter when trying to reach their lands, and identifies solutions to 21st century access barriers,”**

—Joel Webster, TRCP vice president of Western conservation.



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Eastmans’ Hunting Journal

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LOOKING AHEAD

OUR TOP 5 PRIORITIES FOR 2023

THE LEGISLATION AND INVESTMENTS WE'RE ADVOCATING FOR RIGHT NOW

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INVESTING IN LANDOWNER-LED CONSERVATION

Voluntary, incentive-based conservation programs improve fish and wildlife habitat on farms and ranches. These programs are being debated as part of the 2023 Farm Bill and will shape habitat on private lands for the next five years and beyond. Two programs to watch:

-Voluntary Public Access and Habitat Incentive Program. The TRCP is advocating for tripling the investment in VPA-HIP, which provides funding directly to state and tribal agencies to expand local hunting and fishing access opportunities by working with willing landowners. The Voluntary Public Access Improvement Act, from Senators Daines, Bennet, and Marshall would make this much needed investment.

-Conservation Reserve Program. Improvements are being urged to add flexibility, production value, and management incentives to farmers and ranchers while improving the CRP's habitat value. The CRP Improvement Act, from Senators Thune and Klobuchar, makes a number of these important changes, which will benefit fish and wildlife and improve climate resilience.

2

MOVING MENHADEN REDUCTION FISHING OUT OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY

Virginia is the only East Coast state that allows menhaden reduction fishing in state waters. Thousands of anglers have signed a petition in support of limiting industrial menhaden



fishing to boost sportfish populations in the Chesapeake Bay. The TRCP continues to urge lawmakers to change the regulations without delay.

4

KEEPING THREATENED SPECIES OFF THE ENDANGERED SPECIES LIST

TRCP is urging lawmakers to pass the Recovering America's Wildlife Act, landmark legislation that would provide \$1.4 billion annually to state wildlife agencies to conserve species of greatest concern. This would also improve soil, water, and air quality through more habitat conservation and restoration projects that benefit game and non-game species alike. This bipartisan bill almost made it over the finish line in 2022. It's time to send it to the president's desk.

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ACCELERATING CONSERVATION AND RESTORATION PROJECTS

In 2023, Congress and the Biden Administration have the opportunity to improve and expedite project approvals to ensure that the funds made available by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, the Inflation Reduction Act, and other recent legislation touch down on the landscape to benefit fish and wildlife and improve climate resilience.

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BUILDING WILDLIFE CROSSINGS TO SAVE LIVES

Wildlife crossings support the unimpeded movement of animals as they migrate across roads—and they save lives. In Wyoming, the Trappers Point crossing decreased wildlife-vehicle collisions by 80 percent. A series of five overpasses and four underpasses in Nevada have documented nearly 40,000 safe crossings by wildlife, keeping them off highways. A \$350 million competitive grant program, first established in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, has dedicated funding to construct this essential infrastructure and the TRCP is encouraging local decision-makers to prioritize such projects.



2022 FINANCIALS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Year ended December 31, 2022

ASSETS	
Cash and Investments	\$5,513,822
Accounts Receivable, net	\$1,075,841
Prepaid Expenses	\$151,398
Total Fixed Assets, net	\$62,004
Security Deposit	\$45,210
ROU Asset, net	\$866,054
TOTAL ASSETS	\$7,714,329

LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable/Accrued Liabilities	\$207,634
Accrued Salaries and Related Benefits	\$364,748
Economic Injury Disaster Loan	\$159,988
Deferred Revenue	\$1,049,488
ROU Liability	\$1,005,501
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$2,787,359

NET ASSETS	
Without Donor Restrictions (Undesignated)	\$524,862
Jim Range Conservation Fund	\$1,921,787
With Donor Restrictions	\$2,480,321
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$4,926,970

TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$7,714,329
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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

January 1, 2022 — December 31, 2022

REVENUE	Total
Grant Revenue	\$5,155,226
Event Sponsorships	\$374,147
Individual Contributions	\$1,704,607
Jim Range Conservation Fund	—
Corporate, Non-Profit and Associations	\$1,704,607
Other Revenue	\$38,604
In-Kind Services	\$206,903
Interest Income	\$66,039
Realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments	\$256,921
TOTAL REVENUE	\$8,372,285

EXPENSES	
Program Services	\$7,198,229
Management	\$294,171
Fundraising	\$1,252,352
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$8,744,752

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$372,467
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—THEODORE ROOSEVELT

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