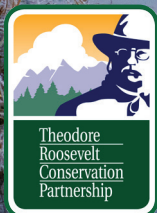


**2024  
ANNUAL  
REPORT**



# THEODORE ROOSEVELT CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIP



# OUR MISSION

TO GUARANTEE ALL AMERICANS QUALITY PLACES TO HUNT AND FISH



Hunters and anglers need room to roam. The TRCP works to guarantee these spaces for all Americans.

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# Dear Friends and Partners

CONSERVATION IMPACTS EVERYONE. It connects us to the land, water, and wildlife that define our hunting and fishing traditions. It is also an endeavor that requires unity, patience, and collaboration. Partnership marks the beginning of something meaningful, but staying united through challenges and time reflects true progress. It is in working together—combining efforts, skills, and visions—that we achieve the highest level of success for sporting access, conservation funding, and fish and wildlife habitat. As Theodore Roosevelt so aptly stated, “Wildlife and habitat cannot speak, so we must and we will.”

In 2024, alongside our partners, we worked across the aisle to achieve significant and long-pursued policy victories, such as the passage of the bipartisan EXPLORE Act; the passage of the ACE Reauthorization Act; and the introduction of the bipartisan Public Lands in Public Hands Act and the Wildlife Movement Through Partnerships Act. We also celebrated several significant wins in 2024 that will further benefit hunters and anglers, such as the BLM decision that prevents the proposed Ambler Road in Alaska’s Brooks Range; the success of a half-mile coastwide buffer prohibiting pogy boats from netting in near-shore Louisiana waters, which yielded the second-lowest number of fish spilled since records were made available; and greater state and federal investments in safeguarding big game migrations, such as the NRCS expansion of Farm Bill programs for migration.

These accomplishments are a testament to the power of partnerships and our belief that conservation is, and must remain, a

non-partisan issue. Through collaboration and bipartisan support, even the most complex challenges facing public land access, habitat conservation, and responsible resource management are surmountable.

As we continue to reflect on 2024, we recognize a year of transition, both within TRCP and across the broader political landscape. These transitions present challenges but also opportunities to reaffirm our mission, to strengthen our partnerships, and to advocate with even greater resolve for the lands, waters, wildlife, and habitat that sustain our hunting and fishing traditions. Our

commitment remains steadfast: to secure conservation solutions that benefit America’s hunters, anglers, and outdoor enthusiasts for the long haul. We know that the work we do today will impact future generations, and we are committed to investing in long-term solutions that work to guarantee all Americans quality places to hunt and fish.

Looking ahead, we are energized by the possibilities of 2025. Our priorities include expanding access to public lands, conserving essential fish and wildlife habitats, and ensuring that development occurs with smart, balanced conserva-

tion strategies in mind.

With you by our side, we will work to ensure that the opportunities we cherish today endure for the next generation of hunters and anglers. Thank you for your continued partnership and support. Together, we are shaping the future of conservation in America.

Yours in conservation,

*Joel A. Pedersen*  
*Alston Watt*

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# CONSERVATION WINS

The Kelly Parcel beneath the peaks of the Tetons was a win for Wyoming hunters and anglers and public school students alike.

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### \$50 MILLION

for BLM to increase the pace and scale of fish and wildlife habitat restoration

### OVER \$1 BILLION

secured for Everglades restoration



### Wyoming Agrees to Sell Kelly Parcel to Grand Teton National Park

The Kelly Parcel contains a section of the longest known pronghorn migration in the world and provides invaluable winter range for elk, bighorn sheep, and moose as well as coldwater habitat for cutthroat trout and other native fish species. The conservation of these 640 acres means their outstanding wildlife qualities, as well as access to hunting and fishing on the parcel, will be maintained in perpetuity.

## Power in Numbers + A Bipartisan Approach = Conservation Success

In 2024, hunters and anglers joined TRCP and our partners in advocating for priority issues that secured meaningful victories for sporting access, conservation funding, and fish and wildlife habitat—some of them many years in the making. The passage of key legislation includes:

—**The EXPLORE Act** will help improve access for public land users, modernize recreation infrastructure, and streamline permitting processes for businesses focused on providing recreation opportunities.

—**The America’s Conservation Enhancement Reauthorization Act** provides technical improvements, administrative streamlining, and increased funding authorizations to improve programs benefiting hunting and angling.

KELLY, ELK: Josh Metten

—**The Water Resources Development Act** enhances aquatic connectivity and water-based recreation and updates recreational access information.

MAP: Sam Sohlt

—**The Good Samaritan Remediation of Abandoned Hardrock Mines Act** removes barriers and risks for state agencies, nonprofits, and other groups eager to help improve water quality impacted by abandoned hardrock mines. This legislation has been in the works for a quarter century.



### MAPping It Out

Building upon the successful passage of the Modernizing Access to our Public Lands Act (the MAP-Land Act) in 2022, TRCP has been urging lawmakers to complete the suite of access legislation and pass similar digital mapping legislation for our nation’s waters.

### The MAP-Waters Act

The Modernizing Access to our Public Waters Act would direct federal agencies to digitize water and fishing access and recreational use information on federally managed waterways, such as restrictions on motorized propulsion and fishing regulations.

### The MAP-Oceans Act

The saltwater companion to the MAPWaters Act, the Modernizing Access to our Public Oceans Act would direct NOAA to digitize and make available navigation and recreational use rules for marine waters and federal fisheries.



# PARTNERSHIPS

## Over 45 Partners Band Together to STOP the Proposed Ambler Industrial Road

Alaska-based businesses, leading outdoor brands, and conservation organizations joined in a collective effort and urged the Bureau of Land Management to deny a permit for a private industrial corridor in Alaska's Brooks Range—America's most wild and remote hunting and fishing grounds. The BLM released its Record of Decision to deny the permit in June, halting the construction of the corridor that would have crossed 11 major rivers and required nearly 3,000 stream crossings.

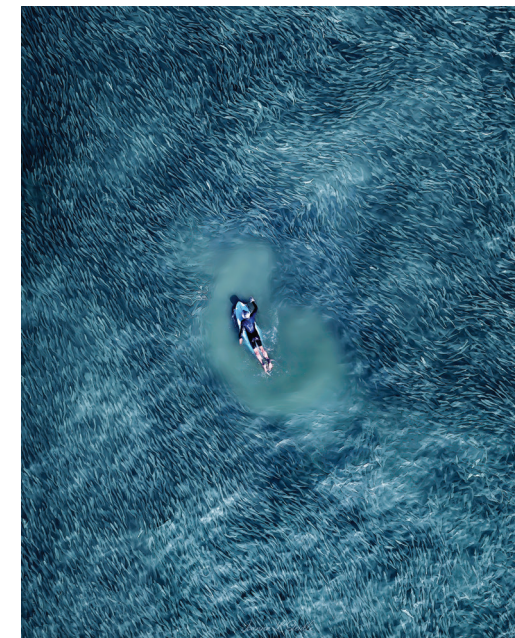
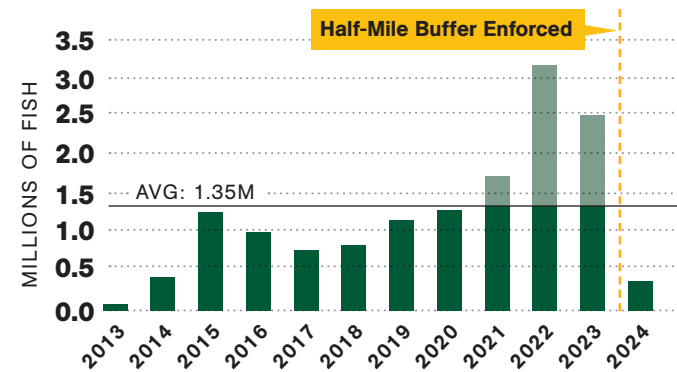
The Brooks Range is the most remote and wild hunting and fishing ground in America. We want to keep it that way.

## Preventing the Waste of 1 Million Fish

A TRCP analysis of more than a decade of fisheries data indicated that newly enacted no-fishing buffers in Louisiana, a 2024 success spearheaded by the Coastal Conservation Association Louisiana and TRCP with support from 11 other partners, may be reducing the number of netted menhaden spilled annually by the industrial harvest of this ecologically valuable baitfish—to a mere quarter of the historical average of 1.35 million fish. For perspective, 2024 saw the second-lowest number of fish spilled since record keeping began.

## 74% FEWER DEAD FISH

Spilled by pogy boats in Louisiana in 2024, after fishing was moved farther offshore



## Media Developers Helping TRCP Drive Action

A picture is worth a thousand words (and a video, even more)—and attracts advocates to our cause. TRCP has partnered with some of today's best fish and wildlife photographers to offer professional visual depictions of forage fish and their predators in natural environments, and the reduction industry targeting them for industrial-scale removals. The selfless donations of eye-opening footage from Joanna Steidle, McKeever Films, and Jon Haas/Hoss Off the Grid have helped us champion our efforts to conserve Atlantic and Gulf menhaden.



BROOKS: Shannon Vandivier

MENHADEN: Joanna Steidle



## Celebrating Conservation

The 16th annual Capital Conservation Awards Dinner bestowed conservation achievement awards to Representative Debbie Dingell (D-Mich.), Representative Bruce Westerman (R-AR), and Fresh Tracks host Randy Newberg.

**63** formal partners make up the Policy Council

**25** business sector partners represented on the Corporate Council



# OUR TOP 6 PRIORITIES FOR 2025



## Curb the Spread of Chronic Wasting Disease

TRCP and our partners will continue to advocate for investments in chronic wasting disease response and research, as well as continue improving education and awareness for the hunting community, to ensure a healthy future for our deer and elk herds and hunting opportunities.



## Pass a Farm Bill

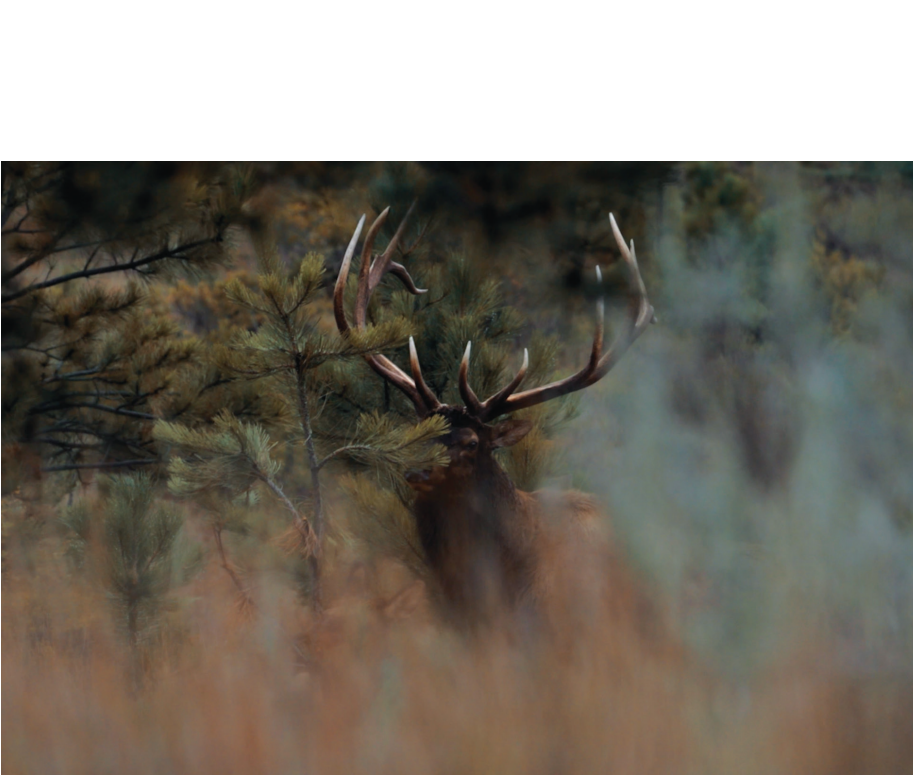
The upcoming year will be critical for the Farm Bill conservation programs we cherish as hunters and anglers. The TRCP and our partners are working with decision-makers in Congress and the USDA to keep hunter and angler priorities top of mind, both in the writing of the next Farm Bill and in the interim.



## Safeguard Investments and Support Conservation Capacity

TRCP is committed to working to maintain and rebuild agency capacity to carry out conservation, restoration, and maintenance actions on public and private lands, and remains supportive of federal agencies in carrying out their missions. Along with its partners, TRCP will focus on ensuring that conservation investments, and their implementation, continue to restore and conserve wetlands, manage upland habitat, and build resilience to drought and wildfires so habitat for fish and wildlife are safeguarded.

DEER, ANTLERS, ELK, HUNTER: James Wicks



## Conserve Big Game Migration Corridors

TRCP and our partners aim to ensure that public land management plans on BLM and USFS lands continue to conserve the most sensitive big game habitats and will work toward passage of the Wildlife Movement Through Partnerships Act to formalize migration conservation programs that provide financial and technical assistance to states, Tribes, and private landowners.

## Advance Forage Fish Conservation

If you want great sportfishing, you need healthy forage fish. TRCP will continue to elevate the voices of sportsmen and sportswomen as we call upon regional fisheries managers to change their approach to managing forage fish such as menhaden and herring in 2025.



## Keep Public Lands in Public Hands

In order to guarantee quality places to hunt and fish, TRCP will work to stop efforts to sell or transfer public lands, while simultaneously striving to expand access and improve the management of public lands for the benefit of hunters and anglers.



“This country will not be a permanently good place for any of us to live in unless we make it a reasonably good place for all of us to live in.” –Theodore Roosevelt



Thank You!

On behalf of the entire team at TRCP, we want to express our thanks to our donors. The tremendous support we received this year from the generous individuals, corporations, foundations, and government agencies recognized on the following pages allowed us to advance our mission to guarantee all Americans quality places to hunt and fish. The United States has the greatest conservation system in the world, and

hunters and anglers have been the backbone of this system for more than two centuries. Your charitable gifts allow TRCP to remain at the forefront of creating solutions for our country’s public and private lands and waters. Thank you for supporting TRCP and its work to advance America’s legacy of conservation, habitat, and access. We are proud to have the opportunity to serve this community.

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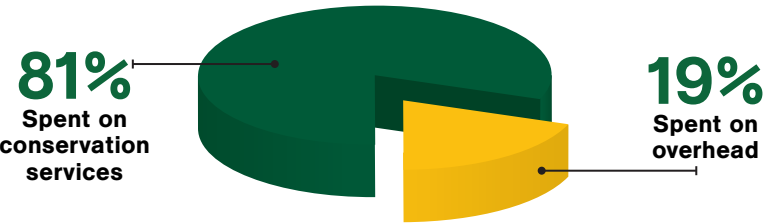
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Year ended December 31, 2024

ASSETS	
Cash and Investments	\$5,234,622
Accounts Receivable, net	\$389,566
Prepaid Expenses	\$90,370
Total Fixed Assets, net	\$25,006
Security Deposit	\$40,477
ROU Asset, net	\$1,608,126
TOTAL ASSETS	\$7,388,167

LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable/Accrued Liabilities	\$224,363
Accrued Salaries and Related Benefits	\$201,177
Economic Injury Disaster Loan	\$153,965
Deferred Revenue	\$882,798
ROU Liability	\$1,907,176
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$3,369,479

NET ASSETS	
Without Donor Restrictions (Undesignated)	(\$186,011)
Jim Range Conservation Fund	\$2,812,643
With Donor Restrictions	\$1,392,056
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$4,018,688
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$7,388,167



STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024

REVENUE	
Grant Revenue	\$5,140,916
Event Sponsorships	\$401,973
Individual Contributions	\$1,847,261
Corporate, Non-Profit, and Associations	\$696,856
Other Revenue	\$13,121
Interest Income	\$28,993
Investment Income	\$238,372
TOTAL REVENUE	\$8,367,492

EXPENSES	
Program Services	\$7,638,456
Management	\$484,235
Fundraising	\$1,273,780
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$9,396,471

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(\$1,028,979)
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The Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that takes great pride in its financial accuracy, transparency, and accountability. The TRCP uses every dollar as efficiently as possible to honor the generosity of our donors. In 2024, TRCP spent 81 percent of all contributions directly advancing conservation, keeping our overhead at a minimum. As a testament to the integrity of TRCP’s work, we have received the highest possible rating from Charity Navigator for nine years in a row, and a Platinum Seal from Guidestar.





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