

Dear

I'm writing to urge you to reject the administration's proposed 2027 budget and maintain funding for Bureau of Land Management, US Forest Service, and programs that protect and steward our public lands. The proposed budget would have severe negative impacts on our beloved public lands.

The proposed budget will significantly reduce funding for the BLM, including a 34% cut to its total budget, a 27% staff cut, a 76% cut to the National Conservation Lands, which encompass 38 million acres of protected public lands, a 61% cut to recreation management (including campsites and trails), and total elimination of funding for cultural resources and wilderness management. It also would shift priorities towards extractive uses of public lands instead of conservation and clean energy.

The administration's budget would also drastically cut funding to the U.S. Forest Service (USFS), eliminate several offices, state and federal research stations (six in California) and transfer all firefighting to BLM. In the face of all these cuts, the budget would increase funding for extractive industries; funding for timber sales would increase 450%.

The reductions and policy changes would impair these agencies' abilities to protect public lands, cultural resources, fresh water sources, and wildlife, while also impairing access to them and recreation on them.

Please support America's public lands and those who steward them by rejecting the administration's proposed budget for 2027.

Sincerely,

**FEEL FREE TO PERSONALIZE YOUR LETTER BY INCLUDING A NOTE OR STORY ILLUSTRATING WHY PUBLIC LANDS ARE IMPORTANT TO YOU!**