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Secretary Sally Jewell
Department of the Interior
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Tuesday, February 25, 2014

Dear President Obama and Interior Secretary Sally Jewell,

From the jagged peaks of the Rocky Mountains to the lush forests of Acadia, America's public lands contain some of the most beautiful sights in the country. They are where some of our most unforgettable memories are formed—our first childhood hike, our first time sleeping under the stars, and our first glimpse of wildlife. They are home to thousands of different native plants and wildlife, and a source of clean air and drinking water.

Each year, millions of Americans plan family vacations to these special places to enjoy these view sheds and take advantage of outdoor adventures. There were more than 281 million recreational visits to our national parks last year with millions more heading to our national forests, refuges and other public lands. This passion to enjoy the outdoors spurs America's outdoor recreation economy generating \$646 billion in consumer spending and 6.1 million direct jobs annually.

Unfortunately many of these same landscapes are also home to highly sought after natural resources increasing the risk of mining, logging and drilling which would put these landscapes at risk of being lost forever.

It is a pivotal moment in history to protect some of the country's last wild places to ensure future generations can enjoy them and the outdoor recreation economy can continue to thrive. We ask that you do everything in your power to give our public lands the resources they need and the protection they deserve by:

- Providing sufficient funding for the National Parks Service and other Interior Department budgets to give our parks the resources they need to stay open to the public and protected from pollution;
- Ensuring full funding for the Land and Water Conservation Fund, one nation's premier conservation program;
- Increasing protections on public lands through national monument designations and other administrative protections

Thank you for all you've already done for our public lands and we look forward to working with you to make sure our parks and public lands get the funding they need and the protection they deserve.

Sincerely,

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