January 26, 2017

Chairman Bishop, and Ranking Member Grijalva,

On behalf of our organizations, which represent millions of hunters, anglers, and other conservationists, we would like to thank you for your commitment to America’s sportsmen and women as demonstrated by your work on pro-sportsmen’s and fish and wildlife conservation legislation during the 114th Congress.

The Sportsmen’s Heritage and Recreational Enhancement (SHARE) Act was a bipartisan package of legislation crucial to the future of our hunting and angling heritage as well as to the conservation of our natural resources, including fish, wildlife and public lands.

While it is unfortunate that a comprehensive sportsmen’s package did not make it to the President’s desk last year, our organizations look forward to working with you to develop and pass a bipartisan sportsmen’s package in the House and the Senate this year. We stand ready and willing to work with you in pursuit of this goal during the coming weeks and months to ensure the priorities of hunters and anglers across the country are advanced in the 115th Congress.

Thank you again for your commitment to recognizing the important role that America’s sportsmen and women play in sustaining our nation’s fish and wildlife resources, conserving our public lands and supporting a thriving outdoor recreation economy.

Sincerely,

American Sportfishing Association
Archery Trade Association
Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
B.A.S.S.
Camp Fire Club of America
Catch-A-Dream Foundation
Coastal Conservation Association
Congressional Sportsmen’s Foundation
Conservation Force
Council to Advance Hunting and the Shooting Sports
Dallas Safari Club
Delta Waterfowl Foundation
Ducks Unlimited
Houston Safari Club
Izaak Walton League of America
Masters of Foxhounds Association
National Association of Forest Service Retirees
National Marine Manufacturers Association
National Trappers Association
National Wild Turkey Federation
National Wildlife Federation
National Wildlife Refuge Association
North American Grouse Partnership
Orion – The Hunter’s Institute
Pheasants Forever
Professional Outfitters and Guides of America
Quail Forever
Quality Deer Management Association
Ruffed Grouse Society
Safari Club International
Shikar Safari Club
Shimano American Corporation
Sportsmen’s Alliance
Texas Wildlife Association
The Conservation Fund
Whitetails Unlimited
Wildlife Forever
Wildlife Management Institute
Wildlife Mississippi
Yamaha Motor Corporation