

STATE OF OREGON
PROCLAMATION
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

- WHEREAS:** Oregon has abundant fish and wildlife resources that provide vital social, cultural, and economic benefits to Oregonians; and
- WHEREAS:** The future health of fish and wildlife is inextricably linked to the health of their habitats; and
- WHEREAS:** A changing climate and ocean, increasing population, and development are putting pressure on these habitats, affecting their ability to support fish and wildlife; and
- WHEREAS:** Generations of hunters and anglers have served as a foundation for conservation funding, education, and action to protect and enhance these habitats; and
- WHEREAS:** Through surcharges on their licenses, anglers have contributed to and leveraged millions of dollars and helped complete hundreds of projects that maintain, replace, or install fish screens, ladders, and culverts that provide and enhance fish passage and screening on developed lands, restore habitat, and provide access to waterways so that Oregonians may enjoy these natural resources; and
- WHEREAS:** Hunting license fees in Oregon have funded the protection and restoration of more than 1.6 million acres of habitat; and
- WHEREAS:** Over 605,000 anglers and over 330,000 hunters recreate annually and through their participation provide over half of the biennial budget of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife in support of its mission to sustain Oregon's fish, wildlife and their habitats for future generations; and
- WHEREAS:** We believe in a future where this important work continues, and Oregon's fish and wildlife thrive and provide abundant resources for current and future generations of Oregonians.
- NOW,
THEREFORE:** I, Tina Kotek, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim September 26, 2026 to be

HUNTING AND FISHING DAY

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day August 18, 2026.



Tina Kotek

Tina Kotek, Governor

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Tobias Read, Secretary of State