



PREPARING FOR THE ATTACK ON OUR PUBLIC LANDS

FROM YOUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION WILL WORK TO UNDO
OUR LAND AND WATER PROTECTIONS.**

WE ARE READY TO FIGHT BACK.

During the last Trump administration, hundreds of environmental regulations—including those for lands, air, and water quality—were rolled back. A Department of Interior review threatened to shrink or eliminate national monuments, including Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks and Rio Grande del Norte. We also saw aggressive efforts to privatize public lands. Based on this past experience and what President-elect Trump has said he would do during the campaign, we are preparing for the

most significant attack on the environment and our public lands ever.

WHAT GIVES ME HOPE.

We'll fight against egregious changes to policies protecting our wilderness, wildlife, and water. We have been doing that for 25 years, so we know how to take the fight to the government. We will use public outreach (and outrage), administrative rules, and legal action. We know that our public lands enjoy overwhelming support from the people of New Mexico. In the long run, that support will prevail.

Your membership in New Mexico Wild gives me hope as well. Your continued contributions, both in advocacy actions and in donations, really do provide the fuel for the work we do on your behalf.

If you can do more at this urgent time, we've offered some suggestions on the other side. Thank you.



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POTENTIAL THREATS WE SEE AHEAD

Here are several recommendations put forward by President-elect Trump and his allies that would impact our public lands in New Mexico:

“Drill, baby, drill!” Expect the doors to be thrown open to increased oil and gas drilling. New Mexico ranks second nationally for both, and increases will have an outsized impact on us.

Stopping the 30X30 Initiative designed to protect our lands and waters.

Scaling back national monuments. We have 15 national parks and monuments in our state, and many face the risk of elimination or reduction in size.

Unrestrained logging. New Mexico has 4.3 million acres of public forested land at risk.

Delisting the gray wolf in the lower 48 states, including our Mexican gray wolf population.

Drastically changing the Clean Water Act to benefit private interests and industry beyond what has already been done by the Supreme Court.

Making pesticide approvals more lenient as well as removing many other regulations that now protect wildlands.

Ending renewable energy initiatives and reducing regulations on methane emissions.

And if those are not frightening enough, some are advocating for the **sale of public lands to billionaires** for their private enclaves.

WAYS YOU CAN INCREASE YOUR SUPPORT

Your continued support of New Mexico Wild is greatly appreciated. Some of our members will want to do more, if they are able, because of the challenges ahead. Here are some suggestions:

Become a monthly sustainer. Many members find they can increase their giving by making a monthly contribution from their bank account or credit card.

Donate your Required Minimum Distribution from a retirement account.

Join the Aldo Leopold Circle. These committed members contribute a minimum of \$1,000 per year.



Help us establish a new Legal and Outreach Fund to give us more capacity to take legal action and mobilize the public to protect our lands and waters.



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