



H.R. 1444 –Federal Management Plans include Hunting

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H.R. 1444 – Rep. Paul Broun (R-GA)

- **Original Co-Sponsors:** Rep. Boren (D-OK), Rep. Ross (D-AR), Rep. Altmire (D-PA), Rep. King (R-IA), Rep. Bishop (R-UT), Rep. Rehberg (R-MT), Rep. Jenkins (R-KS), Rep. Miller (R-FL), and Rep. Matheson (D-UT).

CONGRESSIONAL ACTION NEEDED

Safari Club International strongly supports H.R. 1444 and respectfully requests additional Congressional co-sponsors to support H.R. 1444.

Please contact Stephen Kraly (Stephen.Kraly@mail.house.gov) of Congressman Broun's (R-GA) office to cosponsor H.R. 1444.

Safari Club International believes that U.S. Federal lands are to be managed under the principles of multiple-use. Outdoor recreation has been and should continue to be a primary use of U.S. Federal lands. The opportunity to hunt on Federal lands should be for a priority for every land and resource management plan. Federal agencies should be tasked with ensuring that abundant hunting opportunities are provided for unless hunting is deemed specifically incompatible with a specific unit of land.

- **H.R. 1444** states that hunting shall be allowed on all federal lands administered by the U.S. Department of the Interior and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, except those lands which are held in trust on behalf of a Native American Indian or Native American Indian Tribe.

Background:

- **Economics of Hunting in America:**
 - 16 million Americans actively participate in hunting every year.
 - The hunting industry contributes over \$30 billion to the U.S. economy each year and supports over one million jobs across the country.
 - The \$4.95 billion in annual federal tax money generated by hunters' spending could cover the annual paychecks of 150,000 U.S. Army sergeants.
 - Sportsmen contribute \$7.5-plus million to wildlife and habitat conservation every day — more than \$2.7 billion every year.