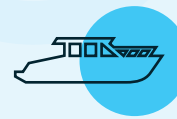


# Access

## Ensure a Robust U.S. Recreation Economy.



Government policies on federal lands and waters **must balance conservation with visitor access.**



National Parks and Marine Sanctuaries are **important access points for the 142 million boaters** in the United States.



**Federally managed waters should be maintained** for the use and enjoyment of the public.



Visitation pays! **Boating and fishing are important contributors** to local economies and robust access increases visitation to our parks and sanctuaries.

## Recreation funding on public lands and waters is critical to robust boating access:

- ▶ Tackle the backlog in deferred maintenance. An **\$11 billion National Park Service backlog** directly impacts visitation to our public lands and waters.
- ▶ **Public-private partnerships** are needed to allow flexibility and a sustainable source of funding.
- ▶ **Dedicate funding** for construction and maintenance of public buildings, boat ramps, utility services, and broadband on public recreation sites is **essential to waterway access.**

### ACTIONS FOR LEADERS TO TAKE

- 1 Support the National Park Restoration Act (H.R.5210 and S.2509.)**  
Uses revenue from energy resources to tackle the deferred maintenance backlog and improve recreation access in our national parks.
- 2 Support the Recreation not Red Tape Act (H.R.3400 and S.1633.)**  
Reduces barriers to outdoor recreation access, improves public land management, and establishes a designation process for National Recreation Areas.

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