The Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund (Trust Fund) is a voluntary, user fee system created by recreational boaters and anglers in 1950 to pay for critical conservation programs and recreational boating infrastructure projects in all 50 states.

Congress must restore and reauthorize the $650 million trust fund

- The Trust Fund expires in 2020 and must be reauthorized as part of the Highway Trust Fund.
- Require the Sport Fishing and Boating Partnership Council to invest in important, modern conservation and environmental efforts, including derelict vessel mitigation and boat recycling.
- Examine how Trust Fund dollars are used for non-motorized infrastructure projects and boating safety programs.

Leading funding source for U.S. aquatic conservation

**Trust Fund Revenue Streams**

- Motorboat & Small Engine Fuel: 67%
- Fishing Equipment: 18%
- Import Duties: 10%
- Interest: 4%
- Electric Motors: 1%

**Trust Fund Disbursements**

- Boating & Fishing Outreach & Education: 58%
- State Fish & Wildlife Agencies: 19%
- Boating Safety Programs: 17%
- Boat Infrastructure & Clean Water Projects: 1%
- Coastal Wetlands Restoration: 1%

Five facts about the trust fund since 2010

- 28,000 acres of habitats have been restored and improved throughout coastal wetland ecosystems.
- Nearly 3.5 million students educated about the benefits of conservation, boating, and fishing.
- 18,175 structures built to protect and enhance the natural habitats of aquatic species.
- 26,904 sites constructed to improve the public’s access to waterways.
- More than 2 billion fish stocked in lakes, rivers, and streams across the country.

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