

National Advocacy Priorities for 2021 – Highlights

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(Note: Our 40 Broadband chapters will also be working on local and regional advocacy priorities set by their members, with support from the national office.)

Slow the extinction and climate crises by mobilizing to achieve U.S. commitments to protect 30% of land and water by 2030, provide financial resources to properly manage protected areas, and fully integrate and respect indigenous leadership and indigenous rights throughout the campaign.

Rollback the rollbacks: Restore and strengthen the Endangered Species Act, National Environmental Policy Act, Clean Water Act, Migratory Bird Treaty Act, methane rules, and many other critical laws dismembered in the past four years. Bring science and public input back to decision-making!

Restore monuments: Support a new proclamation to restore Utah's Bears Ears and Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monuments, and restore protections to the Northeast Canyons and Seamounts National Monuments.

Advance wilderness protections by working towards wilderness designations in Colorado, Northwest California, the Wild Olympics, and the Gallatin-Yellowstone region, and ensure that protections in existing wilderness areas are properly enforced.

Strengthen protections in Alaska: Permanently protect Alaska's Arctic National Wildlife Refuge from oil and gas drilling, the Tongass National Forest from logging, and Bristol Bay from mining and road building.

Stop wall construction at the southern border, reinstate exempted environmental laws, ensure critical wildlife crossings are opened, and ensure sovereign tribes have a respected role in decision-making on the border.

Prioritize public land management as climate defense: protect forests, wetlands, and oceans as carbon sinks; safeguard roadless lands; stop new oil and gas permitting on federal lands and waters; and restore clean, free-flowing rivers. Lead, globally, on climate action!

Organize and advocate for grazing reform, including permit retirement legislation, grazing monitoring and enforcement, and recognizing the critical role of healthy grasslands in building resilient public lands.

Expand grassroots advocacy to magnify Broads impact across the country. With 40 chapters (and growing), Broads is going strong in the southwest, northwest, and interior west, and has a growing contingent in the northeast (Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts).