



GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

March 2022 update

your Legislative Action Fund dollars at work

The Government Affairs team has participated in meetings in DC as well as various meetings and summits across the country. They continue to engage on our top priorities including early Farm Bill discussions and the North American Grasslands Conservation Act. The Farm Bill hearings have begun in both the House and the Senate, and the Grasslands Act is coming along in draft form, and we anticipate a spring introduction for this legislation!

N. AMERICAN GRASSLANDS CONSERVATION ACT

Action Week in the fall produced over 50,000 emails and calls made to Congress asking them to introduce the act! We also hosted a Grassland panel at Pheasant Fest to champion the concept. Legislation is anticipated yet this spring. TAKE ACTION!





FARM BILL

<u>USDA</u> has conducted a general CRP sign up and continues to offer Continuous and Grassland CRP practices this spring and summer. Senators John Thune (SD) and Amy Klobuchar (MN) introduced a CRP bill that will be considered as we look to the 2023 Farm Bill. The language would add incentives and flexibly for landowners to enroll. PF and QF was quoted in the <u>news release</u>

PITTMAN-ROBERTSON

The Department of the Interior announced \$1.1 billion in funding to states, which is the most ever. This is the result in increased gun, ammunition and archery equipment sales in 2021. These funds are used for creating habitat as well as R3 efforts!







RECOVERING AMERICAS WILDLIFE ACT

Currently over 200 members of Congress are cosponsoring the legislation- a strong show of bipartisan support. Hearings are anticipated in April to get it across the finish line!

NORTH AMERICAN WETLANDS CONSERVATION ACT

The Department of the Interior announced \$111 million in projects impacting 177,000 acres for the 2021 round of funding.



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