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Dear Supporter,

Happy spring! As the seasons change and the sun shines a bit longer, we are happy to deliver the March newsletter, chock full of great ways to get involved with our work. To put it simply, we're busy as ever. Read on to find out how you can plug in to Sierra Club Wyoming this spring!

Action Alert: Protect Wyoming's wildlands!

Senator Barrasso has introduced legislation based on the widely-critiqued Wyoming Public Lands Initiative: an exclusive, years-long effort aimed at releasing BLM Wilderness Study Areas (WSAs) and eliminating the possibility of true wilderness designation in the future.

The proposed legislation would allow approximately 130,000 acres of Wyoming's best-protected BLM lands to be leased for fossil fuel or mining operations. Instead of protecting all WSAs for the long-term by designating them as wilderness, only 20,000 acres (or less than 10% of the WSAs) will be protected. The bill has passed out of committee and is headed to the Senate floor.

Now is the time to make your voice heard: ask lawmakers to **oppose** the Wyoming Public Lands Initiative Act of 2023 and urge Senator Barrasso to meet with Wyoming's local stakeholders and Tribal rightsholders to inform future legislation.

Sign the petition!

Wyoming Game and Fish Commission votes to continue feeding elk – for now

Last week, the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission voted to approve the final [Wyoming Elk Feedgrounds Management Plan](#) that sustains the artificial feeding of elk herds, contradicting science-based recommendations, and jeopardizing northwest Wyoming's delicate ecosystem. Wyoming is the last state in the Intermountain West to continue to artificially feed elk, despite neighboring states' hosting even larger herds. You can read more about the Commission meeting and the vote [here](#).

Interested in pressuring the Game and Fish Department to stop feeding elk? Do you want to help protect wild lands, wildlife, and a clean energy future? As a grassroots organization, our effectiveness and success are based on volunteer action and leadership. We have a wide variety of volunteer opportunities for all levels of experience and capacity, from tabling at an event to joining one of our volunteer leadership teams. If you're feeling inspired by the work we're doing and want to get involved, take a moment to fill out our [volunteer interest form](#), and we'll be in touch!

From the blog: Legislative Wrap-up

Sierra Club Wyoming Chapter is proud to announce the revival of our blog! Each quarter, you can expect a new blog post from one of our staffers, board members, or volunteer leaders. We're kicking off the 2024 blog with a legislative wrap-up, courtesy of Conservation Organizer Conor Mullen.

Read the blog!

Sierra Club National Voting: Keep an eye out for your ballot!

The annual election for Sierra Club's National Board of Directors is now underway. If you have been a Sierra Club member since **January 31st 2023**, you are eligible to vote and help elect leaders at the highest level of our organization.

This year, the Sierra Club Wyoming Chapter recommends a vote for CLAYTON DAUGHENBAUGH in the upcoming election for the Sierra Club's Board of Directors. Keep an eye on your inbox for instructions on how to cast your vote.

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Additional information about the election, this year's candidates, and how to vote can be found on the Sierra Club website (www.sierraclub.org/board/election)

I hope to see you on the trail soon!

Cheers,
Rob Joyce
Chapter Director

The earth is what we all have in common.
– Wendell Berry

Thanks, as always, for all you do to help us move to a brighter future.

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