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## HISTORIC WILDLIFE BILL WILL HELP PREVENT EXTINCTIONS IN GEORGIA

**Covington, GA** - New bipartisan legislation in the Senate will dedicate up to \$1.4 billion each year to locally-led efforts to prevent extinctions and help wildlife thrive for future generations. The [Recovering America's Wildlife Act](#) will send roughly \$27.4 million to Georgia each year.

"We are facing a looming wildlife crisis. This commonsense, cost-effective approach will allow us to step in quickly to help at risk wildlife with collaborative measures," said Mike Worley, Georgia Wildlife Federation president and CEO. "This historic bill will create jobs helping wildlife while improving the quality of life in Georgia."



The Recovering America's Wildlife Act was introduced in the Senate by Martin Heinrich (D-N.M.) with Thom Tillis (R-N.C.)

"America's wildlife are in crisis, with roughly one-third of all species at elevated risk of disappearing from our backyards and the backcountry. The bipartisan Recovering America's Wildlife Act is the solution we need to help people and wildlife alike thrive for future generations," said Collin O'Mara, president and CEO of the National Wildlife Federation. "This is the most important wildlife conservation legislation in half a century. Congress should pass this bill to secure our shared wildlife heritage before it's too late."

Georgia Department of Natural Resources will use the money to implement its existing State Wildlife Action Plan (SWAP), which identifies 640 species at risk in the state.

Tribal Nations would receive up to \$98 million annually to fund wildlife conservation efforts on the tens of millions of acres under Tribal management nationwide.

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**About Georgia Wildlife Federation**

Georgia Wildlife Federation was founded as a sportsman's organization in 1936 and is Georgia's oldest conservation organization. Today, members include hunters, anglers, bird watchers, hikers, educators, and all Georgians who are interested in preserving our natural resources and outdoor heritage.