

# ALASKA



## **Last Frontier or Lasting Frontier? Congress is deciding now. The House of Representatives will vote in a matter of days.**

Alaska. The Great Land. A fragile subcontinent rich in resources, wilderness and wildlife is being divided up now, like a giant pie. Before the dividing and developing have gone too far, Congress must act to protect a generous portion of wild Alaska for all Americans—for all time—in the *national interest*.

100 million acres of internationally significant land are at stake as Congress votes on H.R. 39, the "Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act." This is the most far-reaching land and wildlife conservation opportunity in our history.

**The votes in early May in the House of Representatives will be the land and wildlife conservation votes of the century!**

Every representative's vote is essential, not only for final passage of the bill, but also on each amendment and substitute motion. There is heavy pressure on every member of Congress to weaken or gut this bill: oil companies, timber lobbyists, miners, the State of Alaska, multinational conglomerates, and the whole pro-exploitation army are focusing everything they've got on this anti-conservation campaign.

The only antidote to their pressure on your Representative is YOU. **Thousands upon thousands of individual conservation-minded Americans must speak up, right now, in this epochal fight to preserve a generous portion of our wild heritage in Alaska.**

This action bulletin gives you all the essential details. On the back page you will find suggestions for ways you can make yourself heard with greatest impact and effectiveness. Please read this bulletin and take action immediately.

The ALASKA COALITION represents a broad spectrum of Americans who wish to see a generous portion of our natural heritage on the Federal lands in Alaska preserved, and who support and seek improvement of H.R. 39. Among the member organizations are: APPALACHIAN MOUNTAIN CLUB • AMERICAN LEAGUE OF ANGLERS • AMERICAN RIVERS CONSERVATION COUNCIL • ALASKA CENTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT • ALASKA CONSERVATION SOCIETY • BROOKS RANGE TRUST • THE COUSTEAU SOCIETY • DEFENDERS OF WILDLIFE • DENALI CITIZENS COUNCIL • ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE FUND • ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY CENTER • FAIRBANKS ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER • FEDERATION OF FLY FISHERMEN • FEDERATION OF WESTERN OUTDOOR CLUBS • FRIENDS OF THE EARTH • THE GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA • THE INTERNATIONAL ECOLOGY SOCIETY • NATIONAL AUDUBON SOCIETY • NATIONAL COUNCIL OF SENIOR CITIZENS • NATIONAL PARKS AND CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION • NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL • RIVERS UNLIMITED • SIERRA CLUB • SOUTHEAST ALASKA CONSERVATION COUNCIL • TROUT UNLIMITED • TRUSTEES FOR ALASKA • OIL CHEMICAL AND ATOMIC WORKERS INTERNATIONAL UNION • UNITED AUTO WORKERS • THE WILDERNESS SOCIETY • WCSRC WOLF SANCUTARY. The ALASKA COALITION includes thousands of regional, state-wide, and local citizens organizations, councils, and committees, too.

The NATIONAL WILDLIFE FEDERATION, America's largest conservation group, joins with the Alaska Coalition in this urgent bulletin to conservation-minded citizens everywhere.

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