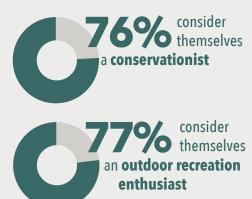
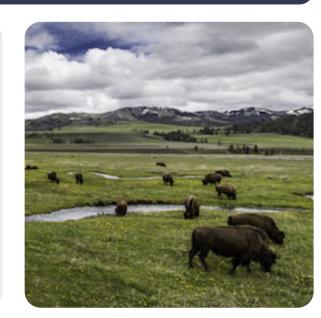
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#### A CONSERVATION MINDSET



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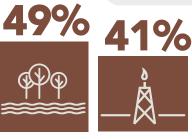
...protecting sources of clean water, our air quality and wildlife habitat while providing opportunities to visit and recreate on our national public lands



## THE IMPACT OF WILDFIRE

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...**producing more domestic energy** by maximizing the amount of national public lands available for responsible oil and gas drilling and mining

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# THE OUTDOOR RECREATION ECONOMY



**70%** say the ability to live near, recreate on, and enjoy public lands like national forests, parks, or trails was a significant reason they live in the West



**91%** believe the **outdoor recreation economy is important** for the future of their state and the Western U.S.

### PROTECTING LAND, WATER, AND WILDLIFE

**74%** believe it is important for states to use funds to protect and restore the health of rivers, lakes, and streams

**64%** believe it is important for states to use funds to **conserve wildlife cooridors** used by wildlife for migration

## PUBLIC INPUT INTO PUBLIC LAND DECISIONS



**25%** think it was a good decision to **reduce the amount of time the public can comment** on changes to public lands, such as oil and gas leasing

**49%** think it was a **bad decision** 

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