



Independent Women's Voice Supports the Great American Outdoors Act 250

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Dear Chairman Westerman and Ranking Member Huffman,

Thank you for introducing the [Great American Outdoors Act 250](#) (H.R. 9250). Independent Women fights for women and their loved ones by effectively expanding support for policy solutions that aren't just well-intended, but actually enhance people's freedom, opportunities, and well-being.

The introduction of this bill during Great Outdoors Month is noteworthy. The Great American Outdoors Act of 2020 was the most seminal conservation bill passed into law in half a century. H.R. 9250 will build on the successes of the GAOA to help address outstanding maintenance backlog issues on our public lands and improve infrastructure for many outdoor activities, such as hunting, fishing, camping, and hiking. This bill won't come at the expense of taxpayer money, as it's funded by private donations, new foreign visitor fees, and monies generated by onshore energy activities.

Ahead of our nation's 250th birthday celebration, this is an ideal moment for Americans to rediscover their outdoor heritage. This bill will improve access and enhance nearby communities while supporting the \$1.3 trillion outdoor industry.

For all these reasons, we urge Congress to swiftly pass H.R. 9250. Independent Women's Voice thanks Representatives Westerman and Huffman for their leadership on this important issue.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gabriella Hoffman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name and last name clearly distinguishable.

Gabriella Hoffman
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