

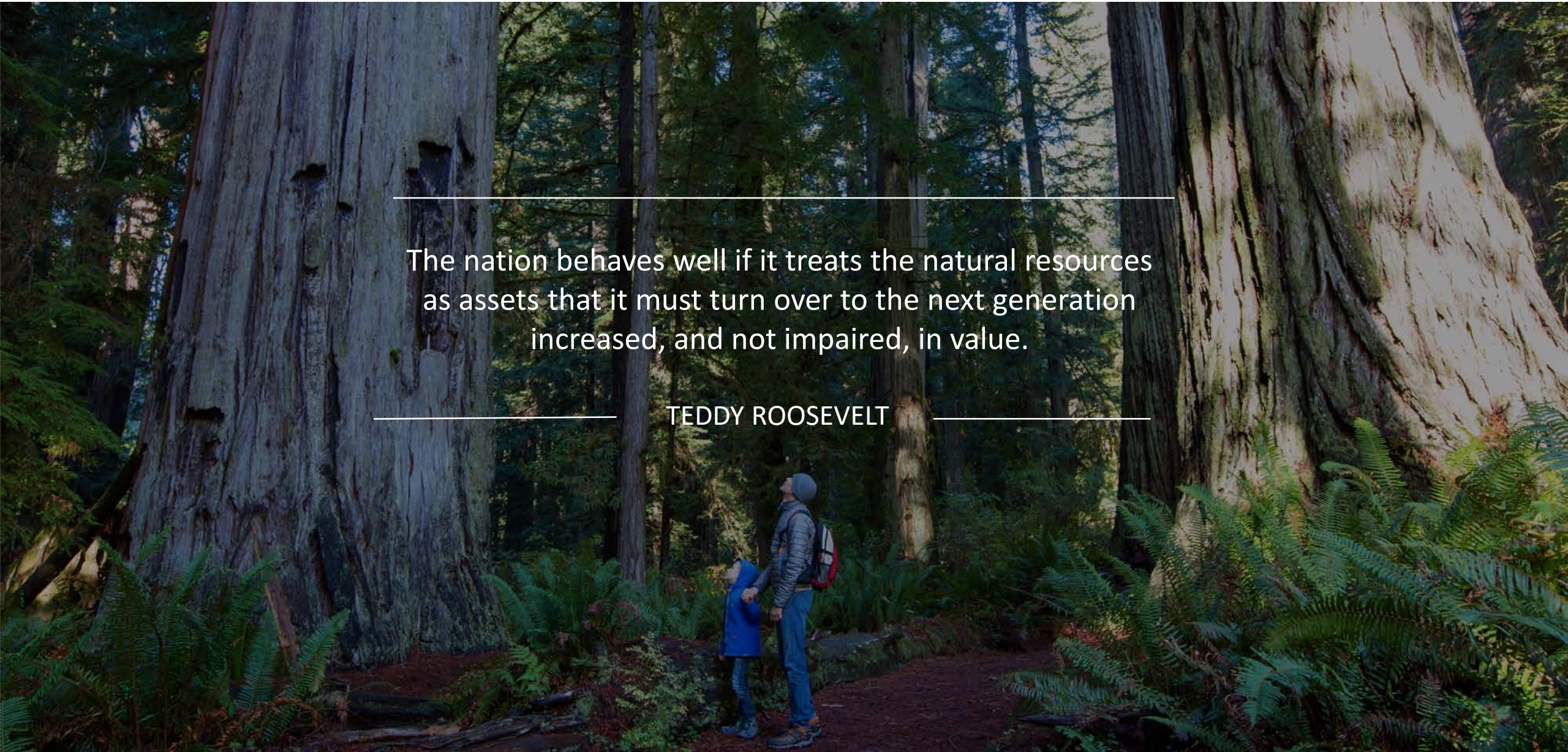
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as assets that it must turn over to the next generation  
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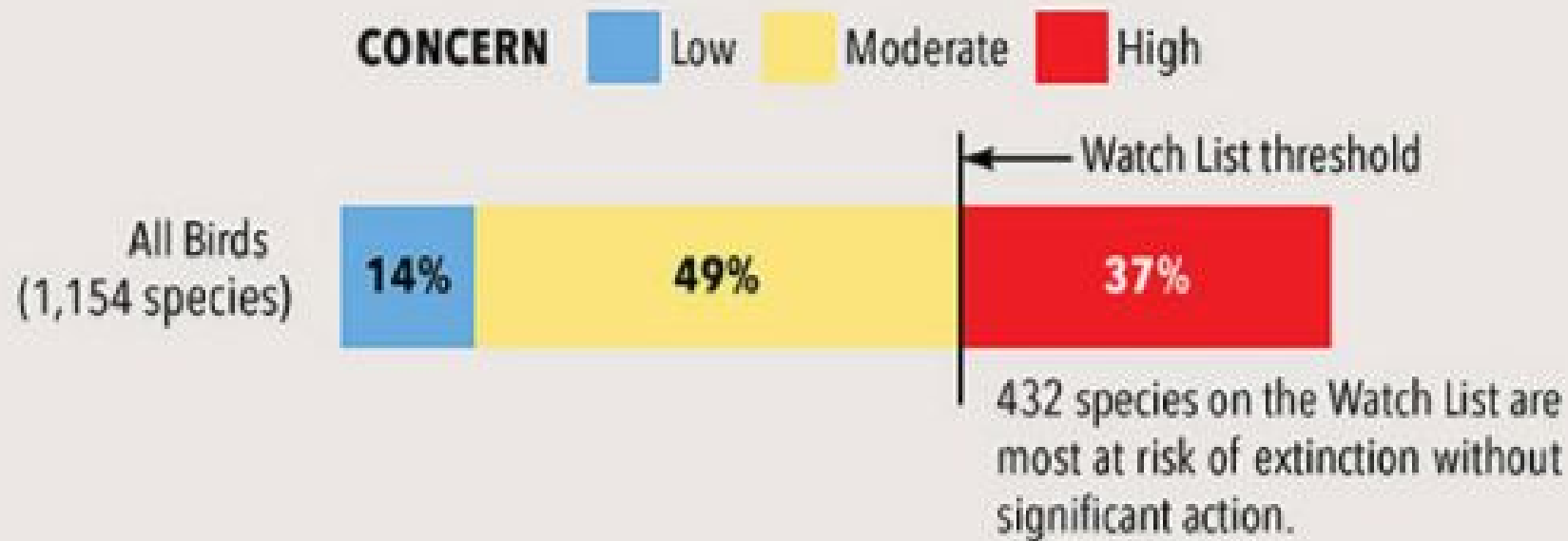




## Recovering America's Wildlife Act (H.R. 3742)

# Conservation Challenge...Historic Opportunity

## **ONE-THIRD** OF ALL NORTH AMERICAN BIRD SPECIES NEED **URGENT CONSERVATION ACTION**





## The Urgency & Challenge

**33%**

of all U.S. species are at risk of becoming endangered.

**40%**

of freshwater fish species are at risk.

**33%**

of bird species need urgent conservation action.

**42%**

of amphibian species (frogs, toads, salamanders) are threatened or declining in the U.S.

**America's wildlife are at risk.** States have identified more than 12,000 different species in need of proactive efforts to prevent them from becoming endangered. Migratory songbirds, salamanders and turtles, and bats are among the species at risk.

**A history of success.** State fish and wildlife agencies have had great successes in restoring other species that were once on the brink – like bald eagles, peregrine falcons, white-tailed deer, turkey, elk, striped bass, and more. These are all examples of fish and wildlife that now have healthy and thriving numbers thanks to dedicated funding for increased conservation efforts.

**An economic boost.** Americans spend \$140 billion dollars on wildlife-focused recreation every year. The outdoor recreation industry generates \$887 billion in economic activity, supports 7.6 million jobs and generates \$59.2 billion in state and local tax revenue annually. An investment in wildlife conservation will result in more outdoor opportunities for all outdoor enthusiasts.

## The Need for Dedicated Funding

*The estimated cost of implementing 75% of each state's Wildlife Action Plan is \$1.3 billion/year (states would be responsible for coming up with 25% non-federal match).*

*Current funding through State and Tribal Wildlife Grants (about \$70 million/year) is less than five percent of what is necessary to conserve the species most at-risk.*

*The magnitude of the solution must match the magnitude of the problem.*

*Funding to state fish and wildlife agencies for the conservation and recovery of state and federally listed species would increase significantly.*

*The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service allocated \$12.5 million of traditional Section 6 funds to state fish and wildlife agencies in 2019. The funding from the Recovering America's Wildlife Act would complement that with a nearly 10-fold infusion of funds, approximately \$115 million.*



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Recovering America's Wildlife Act

The Recovering America's Wildlife Act legislation is based on the belief that future generations should enjoy Ohio's wild animals and wild places. Unfortunately, threats to our fish, wildlife, and their habitats exceed the resources available to conserve them.

Ohio has 94 species considered at risk of extinction globally or nationally. Nationally, approximately 10,000 at-risk species are identified. Once a species declines to the point of being listed, it is very difficult, expensive and contentious to recover.

Existing federal funding was never designed to meet the needs of all species, particularly those declining but not yet threatened. The Recovering America's Wildlife Act, if passed, would allow us to protect those species, conserve the full diversity of wildlife, and improve our natural resources.

Learn more about how the Recovering America's Wildlife Act (RAWA) would benefit Ohio, and how YOU can help with your support! [wildohio.gov/RAWA](http://wildohio.gov/RAWA) #RecoverWildlife

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Be a voice for America's birds and other wildlife, and our irreplaceable natural resources and environment. Urge your representative to support the bipartisan Recovering America's Wildlife Act, which would direct resources to recover species before they reach the brink of extinction.



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The Recovering America's Wildlife Act, introduced to the House this morning by 55 bipartisan cosponsors, would reallocate \$1.3 billion of existing federal revenues to state governments to help conserve wildlife.



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