



WE FISH. WE HUNT. WE TRAP.

WE VOTE.

National Fishing and Hunting Collaborative (NFHC)

We are diverse and we live in all areas of Canada.

BC Wildlife Federation
Alberta Wildlife Federation
Saskatchewan Wildlife Federation
Manitoba Wildlife Federation

Fédération québécoise des chasseurs et pêcheurs
Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters
Newfoundland & Labrador Wildlife Federation
New Brunswick Wildlife Federation

Nova Scotia Federation of Anglers and Hunters
Prince Edward Island Wildlife Federation
Yukon Fish & Game Association
Northwest Territories Wildlife Federation



**ALBERTA
WILDLIFE
FEDERATION**



SASKATCHEWAN
**WILDLIFE
FEDERATION**



MANITOBA WILDLIFE FEDERATION



Fédération québécoise
des chasseurs et pêcheurs



OFAH



Newfoundland
& Labrador
Wildlife
Federation





IN 2018, THESE ACTIVITIES SUPPORTED

NEARLY 107,000 CANADIAN JOBS
LABOUR INCOME ESTIMATED AT **\$6.4 BILLION**

CANADIANS IN THE OUTDOORS

2.97

MILLION LICENSED ANGLERS



1.27

MILLION LICENSED HUNTERS

45

THOUSAND LICENSED TRAPPERS

1.40

MILLION SPORT SHOOTERS



The economic benefit from these activities boosted federal and provincial government revenue by **\$6.1 BILLION** in 2018

FISHING **\$10.3** BILLION
HUNTING **\$5.9** BILLION
TRAPPING **\$130** MILLION
SPORT SHOOTING ... **\$2.6** BILLION

\$18.9 BILLION
IN DIRECT SPENDING

STATISTICS COURTESY: CONFERENCE BOARD OF CANADA, 2019



WHY OUR VOTES MATTER

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THE NATIONAL FIVE

The NFHC is a coalition of twelve organizations representing 375,000 anglers and hunters across Canada. On behalf of our members and all conservationists in Canada, the NFHC requests meaningful commitments to these five priorities from the parties seeking to form the next federal government.

PROMOTION OF OUTDOOR HERITAGE AND CONSERVATION

PRIORITY:

Angling, hunting and trapping are socially and culturally important to millions of Canadians who contribute their time and money to conservation and generate \$13.2 billion annually for our national economy. The federal government should vocally support and actively promote these activities as an important part of Canada's heritage and economy.

NFHC ASK:

We are seeking a commitment to:

- Develop and implement a National Hunting, Trapping and Angling Strategy that outlines how the government will actively promote these activities, including re-establishing the Hunting and Angling Advisory Panel; and
- Dedicate a meaningful portion of the existing Goods & Services Tax (GST) collected on angling and hunting gear to a fund available to community based non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to preserve our outdoor heritage and deliver conservation outcomes.

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CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE (CWD)

PRIORITY:

CWD continues to spread across North America, threatening wildlife populations, our economy (including restrictions on trade of agricultural goods), and public health through exposure to the human food chain and blood supply.

NFHC ASK:

We are seeking a commitment to:

- Immediately prohibit the movement of live cervids within and between provinces/territories and across international borders; and
- Phase out cervid farming with appropriate compensation to producers.



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PUBLIC ACCESS TO, AND MANAGEMENT OF PROTECTED AREAS

PRIORITY:

Governments have broad public support to protect public spaces from development through designation of protected areas. As governments expand the network of protected areas, it is important to protect public access to these lands and resources.

NFHC ASK:

As governments take steps to achieve goals with respect to protected areas, we are seeking a commitment they will retain the authority to:

- Preserve public access for angling, hunting and outdoor recreation activities for all Canadians who consider these activities part of their culture, tradition and heritage; and
- Impose harvest restrictions, only where necessary and on all resource users when harvest threatens the long-term sustainability of a population.



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AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES

PRIORITY:

Invasive species continue to be one of the greatest threats to biodiversity in Canada. Species like Zebra Mussels, invasive tunicates, Sea Lamprey, and Asian Carps pose a serious threat to our ecosystems and recreational activities, and cost hundreds of millions of dollars to our economy once established.

NFHC ASK:

We are seeking a commitment to work with provinces to establish permanent and sufficient funding for consistent, integrated, and prioritized education and outreach, early detection, and rapid response efforts to fight aquatic invasive species.



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FIREARMS POLICY

PRIORITY:

Firearms policy should only be implemented through a consistent, transparent, and evidence-based process after fully consulting firearms users.

NFHC ASK:

We are seeking a commitment to focus law enforcement efforts on organized crime, gangs, other illegal firearms activities and the root causes of firearms-related crime, and not burden hunters with ineffective and unnecessary restrictions on recreational firearms.





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