

# Friend of the National Parks Award 113<sup>th</sup> Congress July 15-16, 2015

The National Parks Conservation Association (NPCA) is pleased to award the 'Friend of the National Parks' Award to 52 Senators and 176 Representatives for their support of legislation that upheld the standards and integrity of the National Park System in the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress (2013-2014).

This is the seventh time NPCA has given this award; it was previously awarded in the 105<sup>th</sup>, 106<sup>th</sup>, 107<sup>th</sup>, 108<sup>th</sup>, 111<sup>th</sup>, and 112<sup>th</sup> Congresses. Due to a lack of park-related roll call votes in the 109<sup>th</sup> and 110<sup>th</sup> Congresses and in the Senate in the 112<sup>th</sup> Congress, NPCA was unable to compile a scorecard to assess voting records so therefore did not present the award.

Below is the list of roll call votes used for the Senate and House scorecards during the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress. Following the vote lists is the list of recipients, by state.

## **Senate Votes**

Senators needed to vote correctly on two out of the three votes to receive the award.

- 1. **H.R. 152, Disaster Relief Appropriations Act of 2013 (Roll Call #4):** On January 28, 2013, the Senate approved H.R. 152 which made supplemental appropriations to improve and streamline disaster assistance for Hurricane Sandy. The vote was 62 yeas 36 nays. The bill included \$398 million for the National Park Service to rebuild parks and historic treasures and \$360 million to better rebuild coastal habitat and infrastructure in national parks and refuges. *A 'yes' vote is the correct vote.*
- 2. **S.Amdt.93 to S.Amdt.26 to H.R. 933, Department of Defense, Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013 (Roll Call #40):** This amendment to the 2013 Continuing Resolution would have cut \$8.1 million from the National Heritage Area program and shifted \$6 million to the National Park Service Operations account. Eliminating funding for the National Heritage Areas program is not the answer to the agency's funding woes and furthermore, the amendment would have reduced the National Park Service's overall budget by \$2.1 million. The amendment was rejected, 45 yeas-54 nays, on March 20, 2013. *A 'no' vote is the correct vote*.
- 3. **Sen. Coburn motion to refer H.R. 3979, Carl Levin and Howard P. "Buck" McKeon National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Roll Call #323):** Senator Coburn's motion would have struck Title 30 from H.R. 3979. Title 30 included the most significant expansion of the National Park System in nearly three decades. It included the establishment of seven new national park sites, the expansion of nine national park sites, the extension of 15 National Heritage Areas, and provided protection to the North Fork Flathead River Valley in Montana. The motion was rejected by a vote of 18 yeas-82 nays on December 12, 2014. *A 'no' vote is the correct vote.*

#### **House Votes**

House Members needed to vote correctly on three out of the five votes to receive the award.

- 1. **H.Amdt.5 to H.R. 152, Disaster Relief Appropriations Act of 2013 (Roll Call #22):** On January 15, 2013, the House approved, by a vote of 228 yeas-192 nays, H.Amdt.5 to H.R. 152 which included critically needed funds of \$398 million for the National Park Service to rebuild parks and historic treasures and \$360 million to better rebuild coastal habitat and infrastructure in national parks and refuges after Hurricane Sandy. H.R. 152, as amended, went on to become Public Law 113-2. *A 'yes' vote is the correct vote*.
- 2. H.R. 1033, American Battlefield Protection Program Amendments Act of 2013 (Roll Call #91): This bill authorized the American Battlefield Protection Program which will identify the location of the most important and endangered Revolutionary War, War of 1812, and Civil War battlefields and provide preservation partners, via the National Park Service, with the funds and technical expertise to save these places for the benefit and enjoyment of future generations. The bill was approved by a vote of 283 yeas-122 nays on April 9, 2013. A 'yes' vote is the correct vote.
- 3. H.R. 2954, The Public Access and Lands Improvement Act (Roll Call #54): On February 6, 2014, the House approved H.R. 2954 which included provisions to remove protections at Cape Hatteras National Seashore and at Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks. The vote was 220 yeas-194 nays. The bill overturned the multi-year public process that achieved balance between sea turtle and shorebird protection and beach driving at Cape Hatteras. It also mandated that the National Park Service change its boating regulations on rivers and streams in three years or else non-motorized boating will be unregulated on roughly 7,500 miles of rivers and streams in Yellowstone and Grand Teton. A 'no' vote is the correct vote.
- 4. H.R. 1459, Ensuring Public Involvement in the Creation of National Monuments Act (Roll Call #147): This bill included numerous amendments and modifications of the 100-year old conservation law, the Antiquities Act. H.R. 1459 would subject national monuments declarations to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, require all monument designations under 5,000 acres be approved by Congress within three years, and prohibit the President from making more than one such designation in a state during any presidential four-year term without an express Act of Congress. The Antiquities Act has withstood the test of time. Presidents Theodore Roosevelt, William Howard Taft, Woodrow Wilson, Warren Harding, Calvin Coolidge, Herbert Hoover, Franklin Roosevelt, Harry Truman, Dwight Eisenhower, John Kennedy, Lyndon Johnson, Gerald Ford, Jimmy Carter, Bill Clinton, George W. Bush and Barack Obama each used it to protect historically and ecologically important and sensitive places for the enjoyment of present and future generations. A 'no' vote is the correct vote.
- 5. **H.R. 5078**, **Waters of the U.S. Regulatory Overreach Protection Act of 2014 (Roll Call #489):** This bill would prohibit the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Environmental Protection Agency from developing, finalizing, adopting, implementing, applying, administering, or enforcing the proposed rule entitled, 'Definition of 'Waters of the United States' Under the Clean Water Act,' issued on April 21, 2014. The bill passed by a vote of 262 yeas-152 nays on September 9, 2014. The proposed rule provides much needed clarity to which water bodies will be covered by state and federal law; water bodies that flow in and around national parks. *A 'no' vote is the correct vote*.

# Recipients (by state)

### Alaska

100% – Murkowski, Lisa (R)

#### Arizona

60% – Kirkpatrick, Ann (D-1)

80% - Grijalva, Raul M. (D-3)

80% - Sinema, Kyrsten (D-9

## Alabama

67% – Shelby, Richard (R)

80% – Sewell, Terri (D-7)

# California

100% - Boxer, Barbara (D)

100% – Feinstein, Dianne (D)

100% - Huffman, Jared (D-2)

80% – Garamendi, John (D-3)

100% – Thompson, Mike (D-5)

100% – Matsui, Doris O. (D-6)

100% - Bera, Ami (D-7)

80% - McNerney, Jerry (D-9)

100% – Pelosi, Nancy (D-12)

80% – Lee, Barbara (D-13)

80% – Speier, Jackie (D-14)

100% – Swalwell, Eric (D-15)

60% – Costa, Jim (D-16)

100% - Honda, Michael M. (D-17)

100% – Eshoo, Anna G. (D-18)

100% - Lofgren, Zoe (D-19)

80% – Farr, Sam (D-20)

100% - Capps, Lois (D-24)

100% - Brownley, Julia (D-26)

100% - Chu, Judy (D-27)

100% - Schiff, Adam B. (D-28)

100% - Cárdenas, Tony (D-29)

100% - Sherman, Brad (D-30)

80% – Napolitano, Grace F. (D-32)

100% – Becerra, Xavier (D-34)

80% – Ruiz, Raul (D-36)

100% - Bass, Karen (D-37)

100% - Sanchez, Linda T. (D-38)

100% - Roybal-Allard, Lucille (D-40)

100% - Takano, Mark (D-41)

100% – Waters, Maxine (D-43)

100% - Hahn, Janice (D-44)

100% - Sanchez, Loretta (D-46)

100% – Lowenthal, Alan S. (D-47)

100% - Vargas, Juan (D-51)

100% - Peters, Scott (D-52)

100% - Davis, Susan A. (D-53)

## Connecticut

100% - Blumenthal, Richard (D)

### Connecticut cont.

100% – Murphy, Christopher (D)

100% – Larson, John B. (D-1)

100% - Courtney, Joe (D-2)

100% – DeLauro, Rosa L. (D-3)

100% - Himes, Jim (D-4)

100% - Esty, Elizabeth (D-5)

## Colorado

100% - Bennet, Michael (D)

100% - DeGette, Diana (D-1)

100% - Polis, Jared (D-2)

100% – Perlmutter, Ed (D-7)

#### **Delaware**

100% – Carper, Thomas R. (D)

100% – Coons, Christopher (D)

100% - Carney, John (D-ALL)

# **Florida**

100% - Nelson, Bill (D)

100% - Brown, Corrine (D-5)

100% - Grayson, Alan (D-9)

60% - Castor, Kathy (D-14)

100% - Murphy, Patrick (D-18)

60% – Hastings, Alcee L. (D-20)

100% - Deutch, Ted (D-21)

100% - Frankel, Lois (D-22)

100% – Wasserman Schultz, Debbie (D-23)

100% - Wilson, Frederica S. (D-24)

# Georgia

60% - Bishop, Sanford D. (D-2)

80% – Johnson, Henry C. (D-4)

100% – Lewis, John (D-5)

80% - Scott, David A. (D-13)

## Hawaii

100% – Hirono, Mazie K. (D)

100% – Schatz, Brian (D)

100% - Gabbard, Tulsi (D-2)

### Illinois

100% - Durbin, Richard J. (D)

60% - Rush, Bobby L. (D-1)

100% – Lipinski, Daniel (D-3)

80% – Gutierrez, Luis V. (D-4)

100% – Quigley, Michael (D-5)

100% – Davis, Danny K. (D-7)

100% - Duckworth, L. Tammy (D-8)

100% – Schakowsky, Janice D. (D-9)

100% - Foster, Bill (D-11)

80% – Bustos, Cheri (D-17)

### Indiana

100% – Donnelly, Joseph (D) 100% – Visclosky, Peter J. (D-1)

100% - Carson, Andre (D-7)

#### Iowa

60% - Loebsack, Dave (D-2)

# Kentucky

100% - Yarmuth, John (D-3)

### Louisiana

80% - Richmond, Cedric L. (D-2)

## Maine

67% – Collins, Susan M. (R) 100% – Pingree, Chellie (D-1)

# Maryland

100% – Cardin, Benjamin L. (D)

100% – Mikulski, Barbara A. (D)

80% – Ruppersberger, C.A. Dutch (D-2)

100% - Sarbanes, John P. (D-3)

100% - Edwards, Donna (D-4)

80% - Hoyer, Steny H. (D-5)

100% - Delaney, John (D-6)

80% - Cummings, Elijah E. (D-7)

100% – Van Hollen, Chris (D-8)

### **Massachusetts**

67% – Markey, Edward J. (D)

100% – Warren, Elizabeth (D)

100% - Neal, Richard E. (D-1)

100% - McGovern, James (D-2)

100% - Tsongas, Niki (D-3)

100% - Kennedy, Joseph (D-4)

100% - Capuano, Michael E. (D-7)

80% – Lynch, Stephen F. (D-8)

100% - Keating, William (D-9)

## Michigan

100% – Peters, Gary (D)\* (as House Member)

100% – Stabenow, Debbie (D)

80% - Kildee, Daniel (D-5)

100% – Levin, Sander M. (D-9)

100% - Convers, John (D-13)

# Minnesota

100% – Franken, Al (D)

100% - Klobuchar, Amy (D)

80% - Walz, Tim (D-1)

60% – Paulsen, Erik (R-3)

100% - McCollum, Betty (D-4)

100% - Ellison, Keith (D-5)

100% - Nolan, Rick (D-8)

### Missouri

100% - McCaskill, Claire (D)

100% - Clay, William Lacy (D-1)

60% – Cleaver, Emanuel (D-5)

## **Mississippi**

67% – Cochran, Thad (R)

67% – Wicker, Roger F. (R)

80% – Thompson, Bennie G. (D-2)

### Montana

100% - Tester, Jon (D)

# Nevada

67% – Heller, Dean (R)

100% - Reid, Harry (D)

100% - Titus, Dina (D-1)

# **New Hampshire**

100% - Shaheen, Jeanne (D)

100% - Kuster, Ann McLane (D-2)

## **New Jersey**

100% - Menendez, Robert (D)

60% - LoBiondo, Frank A. (R-2)

60% – Smith, Christopher H. (R-4)

100% – Pallone, Frank (D-6)

100% - Sires, Albio (D-8)

100% – Pascrell, Bill (D-9)

100% – Payne, Donald (D-10)

### **New Mexico**

100% - Heinrich, Martin T. (D)

100% - Udall, Tom (D)

80% – Lujan Grisham, Michelle (D-1)

100% - Lujan, Ben Ray (D-3)

### **New York**

100% – Gillibrand, Kirsten E. (D)

100% - Schumer, Charles E. (D)

80% – King, Peter T. (R-2)

100% – Israel, Steve (D-3)

80% – Meeks, Gregory W. (D-5)

100% - Meng, Grace (D-6)

80% – Velazquez, Nydia M. (D-7)

100% - Jeffries, Hakeem (D-8)

80% - Clarke, Yvette (D-9)

100% - Nadler, Jerrold (D-10)

60% – Maloney, Carolyn B. (D-12)

100% - Rangel, Charles B. (D-13)

100% - Crowley, Joseph (D-14)

100% - Serrano, Jose E. (D-15)

80% - Engel, Eliot L. (D-16)

100% - Lowey, Nita M. (D-17)

100% – Maloney, Sean (D-18)

### New York cont.

80% – Gibson, Christopher (R-19)

100% - Tonko, Paul (D-20)

100% - Slaughter, Louise McIntosh (D-25)

100% - Higgins, Brian (D-26)

### **North Carolina**

80% – Butterfield, G.K. (D-1)

100% - Price, David E. (D-4)

### **North Dakota**

100% – Heitkamp, Heidi (D)

67% – Hoeven, John (R)

### Ohio

100% - Brown, Sherrod (D)

100% - Beatty, Joyce (D-3)

100% – Kaptur, Marcy (D-9)

80% – Fudge, Marcia L. (D-11)

80% – Ryan, Timothy J. (D-13)

# Oregon

100% – Merkley, Jeffrey (D)

100% - Wyden, Ron (D)

100% – Bonamici, Suzanne (D-1)

100% - Blumenauer, Earl (D-3)

100% – DeFazio, Peter A. (D-4)

60% – Schrader, Kurt (D-5)

### Pennsylvania

100% - Casey, Robert P. (D)

100% - Brady, Robert A. (D-1)

80% - Fattah, Chaka (D-2)

60% - Meehan, Patrick (R-7)

80% – Fitzpatrick, Michael (R-8)

80% - Doyle, Michael F. (D-14)

100% – Cartwright, Matthew (D-17)

# **Rhode Island**

100% - Reed, Jack (D)

100% – Whitehouse, Sheldon (D)

80% – Cicilline, David N. (D-1)

100% - Langevin, James R. (D-2)

### **South Carolina**

80% - Clyburn, James E. (D-6)

### **Tennessee**

67% – Alexander, Lamar (R)

80% - Cooper, Jim (D-5)

60% – Cohen, Steve (D-9)

### Texas

100% - Green, Al (D-9)

60% – Hinojosa, Ruben (D-15)

#### Texas cont.

100% - O'Rourke, Beto (D-16)

80% – Jackson Lee, Sheila (D-18)

100% - Castro, Joaquin (D-20)

60% - Cuellar, Henry (D-28)

80% – Green, Gene (D-29)

100% - Johnson, Eddie Bernice (D-30)

80% - Veasey, Marc (D-33)

80% - Vela, Filemon (D-34)

100% - Doggett, Lloyd (D-35)

#### Vermont

100% - Leahy, Patrick J. (D)

100% - Sanders, Bernard (I)

100% - Welch, Peter (D-ALL)

# Virginia

100% – Kaine, Tim (D)

100% - Warner, Mark (D)

100% - Scott, Bobby (D-3)

100% - Connolly, Gerald E. (D-11)

# Washington

100% - Cantwell, Maria (D)

67% - Murray, Patty (D)

80% – DelBene, Suzan (D-1)

100% - Larsen, Rick (D-2)

100% - Kilmer, Derek (D-6)

100% – McDermott, Jim (D-7)

60% – Reichert, David G. (R-8)

100% – Smith, Adam (D-9)

100% - Heck, Denny (D-10)

# Wisconsin

100% - Baldwin, Tammy (D)

100% - Pocan, Mark (D-2)

100% - Kind, Ron (D-3)

100% - Moore, Gwen (D-4)

# **West Virginia**

100% - Manchin, Joe (D)