



**NORTHWEST CALIFORNIA'S  
MOUNTAINS & RIVERS**  
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**HELP PROTECT OUR MOST SPECTACULAR PUBLIC LANDS**  
by writing a letter to Congressman Jared Huffman

We need your help to encourage Congressman Huffman to introduce legislation to protect and restore our region's best wild public lands and rivers in Mendocino, Humboldt, Trinity and Del Norte Counties.

**1. WRITE A LETTER ON LETTERHEAD**

If you don't have business letterhead you can just put your name, address and phone number as in the attached example.

**Ideas of what to include:**

- What county / town you live in (if you live out of the area, talk about visiting the area)
- What business you own or public roles you participate in (also see #2)
- Why you love our region
- Describe your favorite places - Protected Wilderness Areas or Potential Wilderness Areas that you've been to and why you love them
- Why it's important that we protect our most spectacular wild lands and rivers
- Urge Congressman Huffman to introduce legislation (you can mention the Mountains and Rivers campaign if you like) that would protect and restore our region's best wild public lands and rivers
- Its ok if you just want to support designating new Wilderness Areas

**2. INCLUDE YOUR EXPERIENCE**

Whether you're a business owner, a chamber member, a current or former elected official, a community volunteer, a parent, a teacher or any other role in your community, please include this in the content of your letter and add any titles under your signature.

**3. EMAIL OR SEND YOUR LETTER TO US**



To make the biggest impression on the Congressman and his staff, we will deliver all letters to him at one time.

Please either email your letter to [info@mountainsandrivers.org](mailto:info@mountainsandrivers.org) or sign it and send via US Mail to Jeff Morris PO Box 445 Weaverville, CA 96093.

For more information please visit [www.mountainsandrivers.org](http://www.mountainsandrivers.org)

Letterhead or Your Name  
Your business or title

Date

Your name

Your address

Your phone number / email

The Honorable Jared Huffman  
U.S. House of Representatives  
317 Third Street, Suite 1  
Eureka, CA 95501

(while your letter needs to be addressed to Congressman Huffman, PLEASE email it to [info@mountainsandrivers.org](mailto:info@mountainsandrivers.org) instead of mailing, so we can compile them to give to the Congressman – thank you!)

Dear Congressman Huffman,

Thank you for your hard work in our region (protecting public lands, support for our local recreation economy, protecting our water resources and fisheries...). We are fortunate to have a Congressman who represents us so well in Washington DC.

I'm writing to express my support for the continued protection of our public lands (special wild places, biologically important places, unique watersheds and rivers...).

Because of my role as (a local business owner, an elected official, a parent, a biologist...), I see the benefits of these protected places because of the (economic benefits to our community, physical well-being of people who enjoy these places, critical protection of species in these unique areas, their importance in our communities' overall health...).

The (Trinity Alps Wilderness, Siskiyou Wilderness, Kelsey Trail, Canyon Creek watershed...) is important to me because (I've always loved that place, I take my children there, it brings fishermen to the area that support our local businesses, local outfitters get hired, it heightens awareness of our important tourist economy...).

We need to not only protect the last of our pristine places with wilderness designations, but we also need to restore our watersheds, protect our fish populations, and manage the landscape for fire after years of fire suppression. Our public lands have many different needs, and I encourage you to address as many of these needs as possible.

This is why I encourage you to (introduce legislation that expands Wilderness and Wild & Scenic Rivers, introduce legislation that protects our communities from wildfire on our public lands by responsible fire management, introduce legislation that cleans-up trespass activity on our public lands, support the work of the Mountains and Rivers campaign...) to protect the most pristine

(and biologically important, biologically unique...) places for the benefit of (future generations, our local economy, expanded recreational opportunities, restoration of fish habitat...).

Thank you again for (all of your hard work representing our region, being a strong voice for our region, continuing your hard work for our region...).

Sincerely,

Your name

Your title, list any other previous titles (Boards of Directors, former elected official, current community roles, county of residence)