



Protecting wildlife and their habitats through education, inspiration, advocacy, and action.

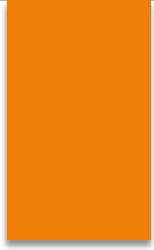
# Advocacy

## Conservation in the Political Arena

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# What is **Advocacy?**

Public support for, or recommendation of, a particular cause or policy.



# Why does it matter?

## Healthy Functioning Ecosystems

- Loss of Biodiversity
- Urbanization/Development
- Changing Climate

## Outdoor Recreation

- Camping
- Hiking
- Hunting
- Fly Fishing



# Examples

## Federal

- Sackett vs EPA (WOTUS)
- Clean energy development

## State

- HB2376 federal government; land acquisition; consent
- HB2377 federal lands; state management costs
- HCM 2006 federal lands; natural resources; permission
- HCM2004 Federal land acquisition; acreage return
- HCM2005 federal lands; transfer to states
- HCM2007 Grand Canyon Footprints monument; repeal
- HCM 2008 Urging Congress; Antiquities Act; repeal



# How to be an Advocate

## Support and Plug in

- Arizona Wildlife Federation
- Trout Unlimited

## Letters and Calls

- Know your representatives

## RTS and Testify

- [azleg.gov](http://azleg.gov)
- [congress.gov](http://congress.gov)



# Get Involved!



**Arizona Wildlife federation**

- <https://www.azwildlife.org/>



**Trout Unlimited**

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