

THE TIME FOR CONSERVATION FUNDING IS NOW

THE PANDEMIC HAS UNDERLINED THE NEED FOR PUBLIC LANDS:

- NC STATE PARK USE RECORD YEAR: 19.7 MILLION VISITORS
- FISH/COASTAL RECREATION FISHING LICENSES INCREASE: 95%
- HUNTING LICENSE INCREASE: 20%

UNMET NEEDS

- NC STATE PARKS - \$310 MILLION
- NC WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION - \$388 MILLION

CONSERVATION TRUST FUNDS DOWN

- 2008 - \$155 MILLION
- 2020 - \$30 MILLION

PHOTOS FROM TOP

LONGLEAF PINE FOREST IN THE GAP BETWEEN FORT BRAGG AND CAMP MACKALL. © JEFF MARCUS
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2021 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

APPROPRIATIONS

NC Land and Water Fund (NCLWF):

- \$20 million recurring, \$50 million nonrecurring

NC Parks and Recreation Trust Fund (PARTF)

- \$20 million recurring, \$50 million nonrecurring

Agricultural Development & Farmland Preservation Trust Fund (ADFPTF)

- \$4.3 recurring, \$5 million nonrecurring

NC Division of State Parks & Recreation

- Support DNCR request for funds to increase NC State Parks staffing
- Support \$10 million for NC State parks to staff, build and maintain state and local trails

POLICY

- Restore Conservation Income Tax Credit—Adopt House Bill 323, the “Military Readiness and Rural Resilience Act”.
- Authorize new State Park Units—Authorize the East Coast Greenway (House Bill 130) and Dan River as State Trails and authorize creation of the Piedmont Monadnock State Natural Area
- Uniform Partition of Heirs Property Act—Adopt Uniform Partition of Heirs Property Act.

LAND FOR TOMORROW is a statewide coalition of community leaders, conservation and wildlife organizations, and parks and recreation advocates with a common goal: increasing land and water conservation in North Carolina, which results in:

- Clean drinking water and Clean air
- Preservation of North Carolina’s unique natural and cultural heritage
- Economic growth
- Places to hunt, fish, and watch wildlife
- Places to exercise and enjoy the beauty of North Carolina
- Reduced flood damage
- Preservation of family farms and forests