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Nevada Officials Call For Parks, Recreation, Public Lands Funding To Recover From COVID-19

By [Noah Glick](#)

More than 100 mayors and elected officials across the West are urging Congress to provide full funding for the Land and Water Conservation Fund, as part of the next coronavirus stimulus package.

The Land and Water Conservation Fund was established by Congress in 1968 and takes earnings from offshore oil and gas leases, and invests them in natural resources, like parks and public lands.

Reno Mayor Hillary Schieve, Vice Mayor Devon Reese and Walker River Paiute Tribe Chair Amber Torres joined with other Western leaders in sending a letter to Congress, urging lawmakers to fund the region's large outdoor recreation industry.

"America's public lands bring us peace of mind and generate economic revenue — both will be critically needed to recover from the impact of the COVID-19 outbreak," the [letter](#) stated.

No other Nevada leaders signed the letter.