



## **Dave Reichert Record Highlights: Environment**

### **Leader on expanding the Popular Alpine Lakes Wilderness:**

- ✓ Re-introduced legislation to designate an additional 22,100 acres of land as part of the Alpine Lakes Wilderness.
- ✓ Was signed into law as part of a package included in the FY 2015 National Defense Authorization Act on December 19, 2014.

### **Introduced and passed bill to make the Mountains to Sound Greenway a National Heritage Area:**

- ✓ Introduced a bill to give national recognition to the rich natural heritage and history of the Mountains to Sound Greenway on Wednesday June 24, 2015.
- ✓ The Mountains to Sound Greenway has played a vital role in our nation's conservation history and many of our most important industries: from salmon and coal to timber and recreation, to technology and green building.
- ✓ Was signed into law (H.R. 1791) on May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

### **Strong supporter of the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF):**

- ✓ Investments in LWCF support public land conservation and ensure access to the outdoors for all Americans, in rural communities and cities alike. Original cosponsor of legislation to permanently reauthorize LWCF (H.R. 1814 – April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015).
- ✓ March 2015 co-led a letter in support of LWCF funding in Fiscal Year 2015 that had over 200 signers.
- ✓ As Americans continue to visit forests, parks, historic battlefields, and wildlife areas across America, it is important to ensure these opportunities exist everywhere in our great Nation through support of LWCF.

### **Leader on National Parks:**

- ✓ Co-chaired the National Parks Caucus and led a letters in support of adequate funding for our national parks.
- ✓ Led a letter urging President Obama to work with Congress on a bipartisan initiative to improve and sustain our Parks as they prepare for their Centennial in 2016 (April 15, 2013).

### **Supported American Clean Energy Act of 2009**

- ✓ 1 of only 8 Republicans to vote for H.R. 2454, the American Clean Energy and Security Act (Cap and Trade).
- ✓ The American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009, contained provisions that would have created American jobs, reduced our dependence on foreign energy supplies, and provided for a safer, cleaner America for future generations.

### **Supported Cash-For-Clunkers**

- ✓ Voted for the Consumer Assistance to Recycle and Save Act 2009, H.R. 1550
- ✓ The "Cash for Clunkers" program, officially known as the Car Allowance Rebate System (CARS), had a positive impact on the environment by promoting the retirement of older, less fuel-efficient vehicles in exchange for more fuel-efficient ones.
- ✓ Additionally, it helped stimulate the auto industry and encouraged the development and uptake of more environmentally friendly vehicles.

### **Voted against offshore drilling:**

- ✓ Voted against the Deep Ocean Energy Resources Act of 2006
- ✓ Representative Bobby Jindal (R-LA) introduced H.R. 4761, the Deep Ocean Energy Resources Act, which would permit oil and gas drilling within 100 miles and give states the option to allow drilling as close as three to seven miles off their coasts.

### **Supported Wild Sky Wilderness:**

- ✓ The bill designated 106,000 acres in the Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest as wilderness, the government's highest level of protection.
- ✓ The measure includes 13,000 acres that contain several former logging roads and other marks of human intrusion.