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Note From The President - Indoors Meeting at the ARC

Dear MMTU members,

We will have our first indoors meeting I think since February 2019 next Tuesday October 5th at Columbia Parks and Recreation ARC facility at 1701 W. Ash Street, they share the parking lot with the Farmers Market. We have the room rented from 7-9 PM and can't get in to the room from the front desk until 6:45. You may bring in a meal and drink if you want. We need to clean up and be out at 9:15.

Our program will be from Travis Figg on his recent trips to the Driftless Area in Iowa and Wisconsin and a stream in Wisconsin that he is currently starting some habitat restoration projects on.

John Wenzlick

Embrace a Stream Donation

Mike Kruse who is on the EAS committee brought up at our September meeting that the EAS program was underfunded and only had \$17,000 to cover all the grants which the committee had received and needed to pick and award before the end of the month. EAS is national TU's Grass Roots program that is set up to fund projects at the Chapter level. It was proposed to give \$10,000 from the money that MMTU got from Gary Kula to help fund the EAS program. It was voted on and unanimously passed. Thanks to all involved the check was quickly forwarded to TU for the EAS program.

Conservation Appeal

Trout Week has some great presentations. If you have not seen them, here is the link, [Trout Week: Sept. 25 - Oct. 2 | Trout Unlimited](#). Join Trout Unlimited and Flylords for a week of celebrating our favorite fish and our work to keep their waters healthy.

In a few minutes you can help take care of trout by contacting

Congress and the president. Read on to learn more.

Across the country, a changing climate is harming trout and salmon populations. Damaging fires, warming temperatures, and intensifying drought pose a direct threat to our watersheds, fisheries, wildlife, and communities.

If enacted into law, a major bipartisan infrastructure bill passed by the Senate this summer would represent a great step forward, providing for substantial investments in programs and projects that address climate change.

Now it's time for Congress to take another big step to address our climate crisis. A massive budget reconciliation bill under development would represent a broad investment in the future of our nation's water systems, infrastructure, energy production, and more.

The need for climate change mitigation and adaptation must be a central factor in this bill. Trout Unlimited is calling on our elected officials to take a variety of measures to **substantially reduce greenhouse gas emissions over time, such as encouraging increased use of renewable energy sources, and implementing a carbon fee or other market-based solutions**. Clear and consistent federal guidance will enable American business leaders to develop strategies to adapt to a changing climate and reduce their greenhouse gas emissions.

These same policies will enable TU to continue its work to preserve and protect trout and salmon habitat across the country.

Legislation under discussion this month could shape how the our country responds to the threat climate change poses to rivers, communities, and fish and wildlife. Urge your lawmakers to prioritize policies that address the root causes of climate change, as well as legislation that funds projects to help our lands and waters adapt to warmer temperatures and more frequent drought, wildfire, and floods. Steve Moyer, on the Climate Change workgroup is urging us to **act today**

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2. .President Biden wants to go big on climate change. Email him to let him know that there's nothing bigger than a price on carbon [Let's Go! It's crunch time for climate action](#)
3. Urge your members of Congress to support the Recovering

America's Wildlife Act to fund specific, science-based conservation that will help recover and sustain fish and wildlife populations, including trout and salmon. This legislation represents a smart, future-focused investment that will create jobs, help continue to grow the outdoor economy, and bring support to key sectors such as agriculture and forestry—all while supporting the conservation of America's fish, wildlife, and habitats. [Click here to take action.](#)

Thank you for engaging on these campaigns, and for all you do for Trout Unlimited.

If you have questions about either of these issues, please reach out to me.

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