

A detailed photograph of a gray wolf standing in a snowy forest. The wolf is positioned in the center-right of the frame, facing left. It has thick, dark gray fur with lighter patches on its chest and muzzle. Its eyes are a striking yellow-orange color. The wolf is standing on a patch of snow, with its front paws visible. In the background, there are evergreen trees covered in snow, and a tree trunk is visible behind the wolf. The overall scene is a winter forest setting.

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A FIGHT LIKE NO OTHER

THE NOVEMBER ELECTIONS DRASTICALLY CHANGED OUR PLANS FOR 2017.

We know what the Trump administration will bring: unprecedented threats to our nation's democracy, health, wildlife and environment. He'll try to dismantle the Environmental Protection Agency, gut the Clean Air Act and Endangered Species Act, conduct mass deportations, eliminate regulations protecting poor communities from pollution, take away our reproductive freedom, and force millions to live in fear.

It's an ugly vision for America — and we'll fight it at every turn.

As you read this, we're building a nationwide movement of power, durability and resolve. The Center and our vast network of resistance stand ready to do everything possible to defeat Trump's assault on America's clean air and water, climate, wildlife, civil rights, reproductive rights, gender and racial equality, and freedom of speech and religion.

We stand in solidarity with those threatened by violence and intimidation because of who they are, what they believe or their opposition to Trump's dangerous agenda.

Thousands have already signed our pledge of resistance — vowing to take action, speak out, make phone calls, sign petitions, join rallies, support conservation and civil rights groups, educate their family and friends, and keep compassion in our hearts while unflaggingly defending the values we cherish most.

For nearly three decades, the Center has taken on the most difficult issues of our age, including the wildlife extinction crisis, climate change and runaway human population growth. We've secured protection for more than 600 animals and plants on the brink of extinction and more than half a billion acres of critical habitat.

That work will continue in the Trump administration, but the hill becomes steeper to climb. Trump and his friends in Congress will be relentless in their campaigns to dismantle the hard-won victories that protect wildlife, wild places and people from destruction, pollution, loss and disappearance.

At this moment of crisis and disruption, the Center is stronger than ever. We're becoming fiercer, bigger, and ready to fight every single day for what's right and what's necessary.

It means everything to have our members willing to stand beside us as guardians of the natural world. My deepest thanks to you.

A handwritten signature in white ink, reading "K. Suckling", positioned above the tiger's head.

—Kieran Suckling
Executive Director



2016 HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE YEAR IN REVIEW

ENDANGERED SPECIES ADVOCACY

- Successfully obtained endangered species protections for 33 species including Miami tiger beetles and two Samoan birds.
- Won designation of more than 28 million acres of critical habitat and celebrated a federal court's reinstatement of 120 million acres of protected critical habitat for polar bears.
- Overturned a decision denying protection to American wolverines, severely threatened by climate change.
- Forced Mendocino County, Calif., to cancel its contract with Wildlife Services, a federal program that kills millions of animals yearly.

POPULATION & SUSTAINABILITY

- Launched our Wild Energy campaign to advance renewable energy policy and solutions that benefit wildlife.
- Gave away 75,000 free Endangered Species Condoms to highlight the connection between unsustainable human population and wildlife extinction.
- Helped lead a diverse coalition demanding just, sustainable food production by the nation's largest restaurant company.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

- Helped secure legal victories in California and Oregon to halt destructive river mining.
- Forced states across the United States to develop plans to reduce dangerous soot and ozone pollution.
- Exposed and pressured government regulators to minimize the dangerous combined effects of pesticides on the environment.

CLIMATE

- In coalition with partners, forced the Environmental Protection Agency to acknowledge airplane pollution's climate threat.
- Won a legal victory extending a moratorium on leasing California public lands to oil companies.
- Won Endangered Species Act protections for bearded seals and other climate change-threatened animals.

URBAN WILDLANDS

- Won a landmark court victory over Newhall Ranch, a massive sprawl development near Los Angeles.
- Successfully challenged a Bay Area highway project that threatened San Francisco garter snakes and California red-legged frogs.
- Helped stop Banning Ranch, a Southern California coastal development that endangered burrowing owls and other wildlife.

OCEANS

- Secured a moratorium on dangerous offshore fracking along California's coast.
- Defended protections for Arctic bearded seals and polar bear critical habitat imperiled by climate change.
- Mobilized and supported a movement to end new oil and gas leasing in the Gulf of Mexico.
- Successfully urged President Obama to remove the majority of the Arctic Ocean and parts of the Atlantic from the federal government's fossil fuel leasing program.

PUBLIC LANDS

- Catalyzed the national "Keep It in the Ground" movement to end new federal leasing of fossil fuels.
- Helped secure designation of California's new Mojave Trails, Sand to Snow, and Castle Mountains national monuments.
- Fiercely defended habitat of one of only two known U.S. jaguars from a massive copper mine in Arizona.

INTERNATIONAL

- Secured a U.S. prohibition on seafood imports from nations killing too many whales and dolphins in fishing gear.
- Prompted Mexico to ban dangerous gillnet gear that entangled 2,000 sea turtles annually off Baja California Sur.
- Secured much-needed trade protections under an international wildlife treaty for pangolins, nautilus and lions.





15 WAYS WE'LL FIGHT TRUMP IN 2017

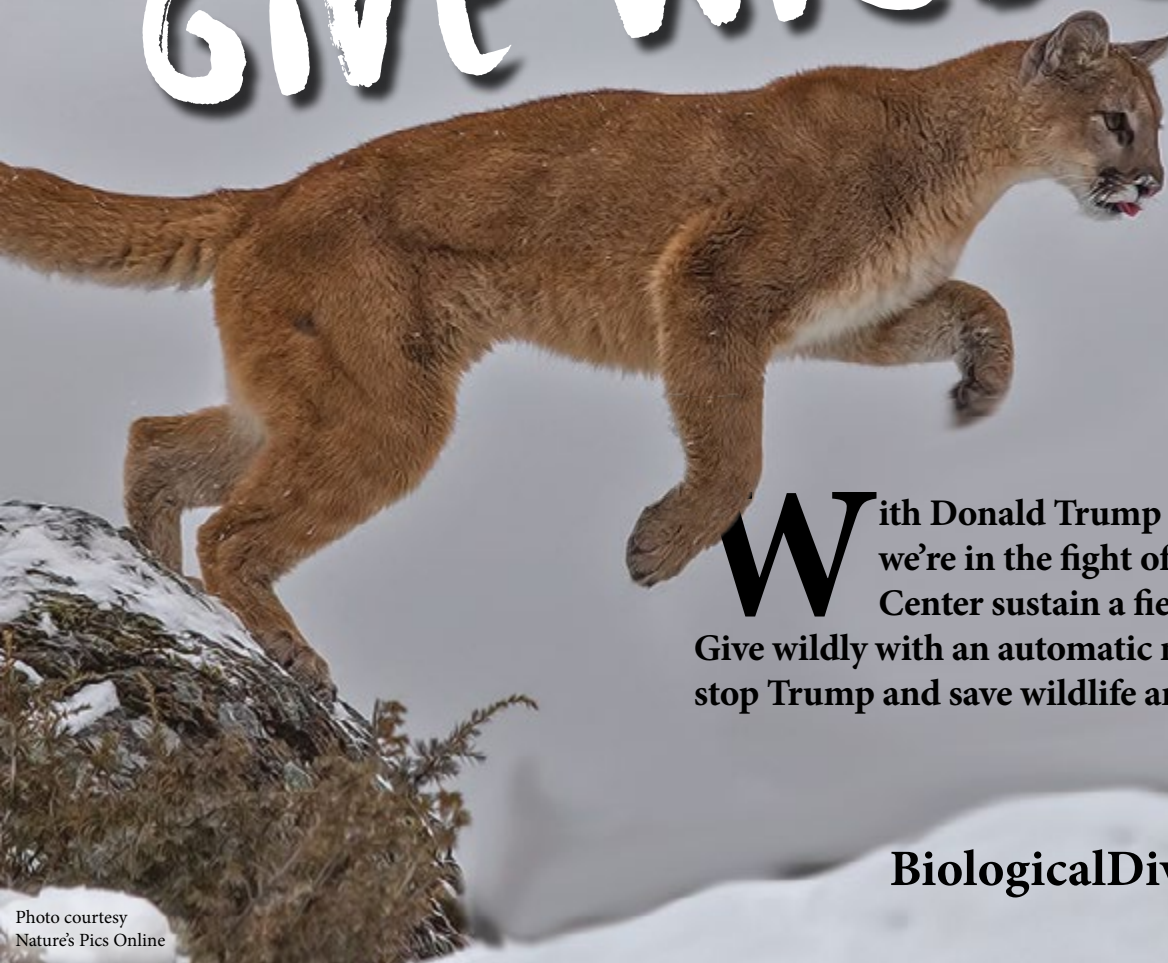
1. Rally Americans from coast to coast under the banner of #Earth2Trump to resist Trump's extremist, authoritarian agenda.
2. Strengthen alliances with groups fighting for gender and racial equality; American Indian sovereignty; LGBTQ rights; freedom of speech; press and religion; workers' rights; and other civil rights and values.
3. Hire 10 new attorneys, investigators and activists to aggressively hold the Trump administration accountable when it violates America's federal environmental laws.
4. Stop the repeal or weakening of the Endangered Species Act and Clean Air Act and revocation of the Environmental Protection Agency's responsibility to regulate greenhouse gas emissions.
5. Block efforts to rescind, radically shrink or defund America's national monuments.
6. Maintain the moratorium on new federal coal leases and ensure that a national assessment is completed of the environmental, human-health and financial costs of the federal coal-mining program.
7. Stop new offshore oil drilling in the Arctic, Atlantic and eastern Gulf of Mexico by defending the five-year offshore leasing program and preventing the repeal of permanent protections against oil and gas leasing in the Arctic and Atlantic oceans.
8. Fight in the courts — along with the state of California, environmental and indigenous groups — to stop offshore fracking along the California coast.
9. Defend the State Department's refusal to approve the KXL pipeline and the Army Corps of Engineers' decision not to allow the Dakota Access Pipeline to threaten the water supply and cultural values of the Standing Rock Sioux tribe.
10. Defeat efforts to give away federal public lands or turn over their management to states and corporations.
11. Prevent the stripping of federal protection from grizzly bears and wolves.
12. Stand with reproductive-rights organizations defending the Affordable Care Act, abortion rights, access to birth control, and international funding for family-planning programs.
13. Stop the construction of a massive new wall along the U.S.-Mexico border that would destroy wildlife habitat; pollute rivers; violate national parks; wildlife refuges; forests and rivers; and cause massive social and economic disruption of border towns and cities.
14. Petition the Department of Agriculture to cease the use of dangerous, unnecessary predator-killing poisons.
15. Ensure the EPA, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Department of Agriculture are not stripped of their authority and responsibility to protect people and wildlife from dangerous pesticides.



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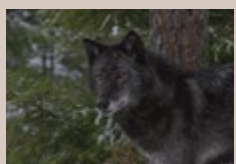
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