



December 13th, 2024

Hakeem Jeffries
Minority Leader, Chair
Democratic Steering & Policy Committee
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

Dear Steering & Policy Committee:

On behalf of the Save the Redwoods League (the League), the nation's leading redwoods conservation organization, I write to express the League's support for Congressman Jered Huffman to assume the position of Ranking Member on the House Natural Resources Committee for the 119th Congress.

During his time in Congress, Congressman Huffman has supported numerous League priorities, including championing Redwoods Rising and Redwoods National and State Park conservation, public access and restoration efforts and to conserve and place into federal protection thousands of acres of redwood forest, most recently the Lost Coast Redwoods project, a 4000+ acres BLM LWCF project in Mendocino County, with over 7 miles of California coastline. Time and time again, Congressman Huffman has championed and led successful redwood forest conservation efforts.

Given Congressman Huffman's dedication to conserving our nation's natural resources, serving on the House Natural Resources committee since 2013, and currently serving as the second highest ranking Democrat on the Committee, the League strongly believes Congressman Huffman possesses the qualifications and leadership abilities to assume the role of Ranking Member.

Thank you in advance for your efforts to ensure the House Natural Resources Committee will have a Ranking Member ready to protect, conserve, and fight for America's lands and waters.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sam Hodder".

Sam Hodder
President and CEO
Save the Redwoods League