



Florida's wildlife belongs to all Floridians

Tell Governor Scott to appoint a nature photographer, a birdwatcher, or an individual with a background in wildlife conservation, to fill the next vacancy on the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

Florida's state wildlife agency, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC), has exclusive authority under the Florida Constitution to protect and manage our state's wild animals. Its decisions affect black bears, panthers, manatees, sea turtles, alligators, cranes and egrets, and the many other animals who call Florida home. Commissioners are appointed by the Governor.

For too long, the FWC has catered to hunters. There are many ways to enjoy wildlife in Florida. The FWC should represent the interests of all Floridians.

- Wildlife watchers add more than \$4 billion to the state's economy each year.
- More people travel to Florida each year to view wildlife than to any other state.

Nature photography, along with birdwatching, hiking, canoeing and kayaking are the fastest-growing outdoor activities in America. The appointment of a photographer, birder, or wildlife advocate would add an important perspective to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.