

Range of Light National Monument Support Summary

Business & Economic Support

The proposal received strong support from the business community, alongside economic analysis demonstrating the long-term regional benefits of land protection.

- **150+ local businesses** across the region expressed support for the Range of Light National Monument, recognizing that protected public lands sustain local economies
- **Economic Analysis:** An independent [economic analysis](#), which found that the monument could generate **\$1 billion in economic activity** and support **2,700 jobs**.

Nonprofit & NGO Support

The proposal is supported by a broad network of conservation, recreation, and public lands organizations. [142 organizations](#) in support (2024) Highlighted supporters include:

- National [Audubon](#) Society (including local chapters and statewide leadership)
- Center for Biological Diversity
- [Coalition to Protect America's National Parks](#)
- Sierra Club (specifically local Sierra chapters and the [Council of Club Leaders](#))

Scientific & Institutional Support

The proposal is grounded in science and legal work supporting ecosystem-scale protection.

- [200 scientists](#) support of protecting the Range of Light as an integrated ecosystem
- Stanford [Environmental Law Clinic](#) advanced litigation to protect the Pacific fisher, an endangered species within the proposed landscape

State, Tribal & Regional Community Support

The proposal achieved significant support at the state and regional level, reflecting alignment across elected leadership, tribal communities, and Central Valley organizations.

- 52 members of the [California State Assembly and Senate](#) signed a formal letter to the Governor in support of the proposal
- Support from the [North Fork Mono Tribe](#), whose ancestral homeland includes lands within the proposed monument boundary
- Support from the [Central California Environmental Justice Network](#) (CCEJN), representing community-based leadership in the Central Valley
- Support from [United Church of Christ](#) congregations in the region, including both local and regional bodies adopting formal resolutions

Federal & National Political Support

The campaign advanced to federal legislative action and national party recognition.

- [Federal legislation](#) introduced (2022), led by former Rep. Jackie Speier and Rep. Jerry McNerney, with 11 additional co-sponsors
- The [California Democratic Party](#) and the [Democratic National Committee](#) adopted resolutions supporting the monument proposal, it as an endorsed policy position

This body of support reflects a sustained effort to build alignment across sectors. Through grassroots organizing, policy development, and institutional engagement, the Range of Light National Monument proposal has matured into a broadly supported and fully developed conservation initiative, positioned for future federal action.