



Western
Environmental
Law Center

WE DEFEND THE WEST



OUR MISSION

We use the power of the law to safeguard the public lands, wildlife, and communities of the American West in the face of a changing climate.





Western Environmental Law Center

We are a nonprofit, public-interest law firm dedicated to defending the American West. With a highly experienced team of attorneys and policy experts, we combine our legal skills with science and natural resource economics to address major environmental issues facing the West.

We work at the national, regional, state, and local levels; and in all three branches of government, integrating national policies and regional perspective with the local knowledge of our 185+ partner groups to implement smart, meaningful, and place-based solutions.

For over 25 years we have secured victories defending our public lands, iconic wildlife, and communities.

We fight in court to defend the American West on behalf of our clients free of charge, but we can't do it without your support. We rely on charitable gifts from individuals, families, businesses, and foundations to achieve our mission.

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We are in court to protect and recover lynx, wolverines, grizzly bears, wolves, wild salmon, and other native wildlife. Our savvy legal team has a track record of securing key legal victories that translate into real, on-the-ground protections for imperiled wildlife.



Our legal advocacy protects public lands and prevents damage to wild places, ancient forests, and free-flowing rivers. We hold the timber, mining, and fossil fuel industries accountable to the law and serve as a watchdog of federal and state governments that manage our public lands.



We protect our climate, public health, and defend the American West's cultural heritage from harmful coal, fracking, and oil and gas development. We advocate for a clean energy future to reduce the effects of climate change which is already harming our friends and neighbors.



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