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Canadian Sportfishing Industry Association
102-171A Rink Street
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RE: Elevating Recreational Fishing to a National Priority: 8 Million Reasons – A Vision for Federal Course Correction

The Canadian Sportfishing Industry Association is an important voice for anglers, manufacturers and small outdoor businesses from coast to coast to coast. I always appreciate their feedback and outlook on issues vital to promoting and advancing the outdoor way of life. Canada's rich history is inseparable from angling, hunting, trapping and other outdoor activities, and we as Canadians have a duty to honour this history and preserve not only the resource, but also access to public lands and waters for subsequent generations.

I believe that *Elevating Recreational Fishing to a National Priority: 8 Million Reasons – A Vision for Federal Course Correction* presents a number of serious concerns that we as elected officials must be conscious of, and work to address. I am supportive of having this conversation, and agree in principle with the goals and objectives of the recommendations.

Yours in Conservation,

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