



## Florida Right to Fish and Hunt 2024 Ballot Initiative

**Get involved in supporting Floridians right to fish and hunt by voting YES to Amendment 2 on the ballot in Florida in November of 2024!**

### BACKGROUND:

- Traditions of hunting and fishing are under attack every day at the state and local level.
- Many states, especially ones with changing demographics and suburban sprawl, are experiencing both overt and covert threats to their sporting heritage.
- Florida's population continues to grow exponentially, and this safeguard would ensure hunting and fishing are protected.
- **On November 5, 2024 Floridians will have the opportunity to enshrine the Right to Fish and Hunt in perpetuity as a constitutional amendment which will appear on the ballot as Amendment 2.**

### HOW DO GET INVOLVED:

- Amendment 2 will appear on the ballot following the overwhelming bipartisan support of legislative resolutions in the spring of 2023 where there was only 1 dissenting vote. The resolutions passed 116 to 0 in the House and 38 to 1 in the Senate.
- The official language that voters will see is as follows:

*“Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to preserve forever fishing and hunting, including by the use of tradition methods, as a public right and preferred means of responsibly managing and controlling fish and wildlife. Specifies that the amendment does not limit the authority granted to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission under Section 9 of Article IV of the State Constitution.”*

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Currently, **23 other states** enshrine the right to fish and hunt across the country. This includes every other state in the Southeast.
- SCI is proud to be a part of a strong coalition supporting Amendment 2 in November 2024. These groups include: International Order of T. Roosevelt, Delta Waterfowl, Coastal Conservation Association, American Sportfishing Association, Florida Guides Association, All Florida, Isaac Walton League along with Ducks Unlimited, Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation, National Wild Turkey Federation and the National Shooting Sports Foundation.
- Strategic engagement from SCI chapters and members will be critical in providing on the ground support for the educational and voter-activation efforts.

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