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Honorable Mike Simpson
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Dear Congressman Simpson:

Thank you for reintroducing the Land and National Park Deferred Maintenance Act (LAND), H.R. 1026. Your leadership in securing dedicated funding for the Land and Water Conservation Fund and for priority repairs within our public land agencies has been critical in generating the high level of awareness and bipartisan interest that will ultimately lead to success.

The Pew Charitable Trusts strongly endorses H.R. 1026. By addressing the backlog of repairs plaguing our deteriorating national park infrastructure and other public land facilities, Congress will ensure continued preservation of our nation's history, access to world class recreation opportunities, protection of gateway communities, and the creation of jobs.

We applaud your commitment to our nation's public lands and look forward to our continued work together.

Sincerely,

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