



President's Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council Taps National Wildlife Federation's Larry Schweiger

NWF President and CEO Appointed to Federal Advisory Group

Washington, DC (July 23, 2010) – National Wildlife Federation President and CEO Larry Schweiger has been appointed to the [Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Advisory Council](http://bit.ly/bYjnF5) (<http://bit.ly/bYjnF5>), a group created to advise the federal Departments of Interior and Agriculture on recreational hunting and associated wildlife and habitat conservation.

Today, Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar and Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack announced the two-year appointment, beginning immediately.

“I am honored and excited to join the Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council,” said Schweiger. “National Wildlife Federation is thrilled to have this opportunity to continue working with federal agencies to connect children to nature, conserve America’s great landscapes for future generations, and protect wildlife and people from climate change.”

“Maintaining and conserving wildlife habitat and water resources that are so important to America’s hunting and angling heritage in the face of today’s conservation challenges requires a coordinated effort between federal, state, and local officials and partners in the private sector,” [said Secretary Vilsack](http://bit.ly/bYjnF5) (<http://bit.ly/bYjnF5>). “The members of Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council will play a crucial role in our ongoing efforts to improve the health and management of America’s public and private lands.”

Schweiger joins a forum for sportsmen and women to advise federal officials on wildlife and habitat conservation endeavors that benefit recreational hunting; benefit wildlife resources; and encourage partnership among the public, sporting conservation community, shooting and hunting sports industry, wildlife conservation organizations, states, Native American tribes, and the federal government.

Schweiger, who grew up hunting and fishing in Pennsylvania, became President and CEO of the National Wildlife Federation in 2004. With 47 affiliates and more than four million supporters, NWF has been working to conserve America’s outdoor heritage for more than 70 years.

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