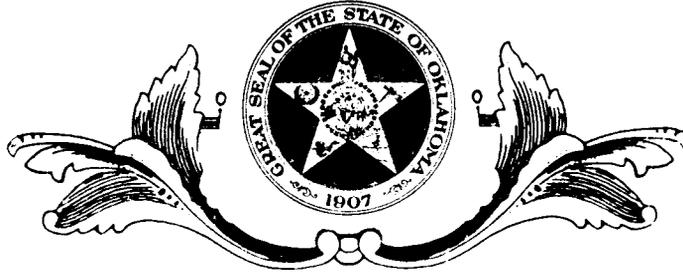


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Proclamation

Whereas, America's system of public lands includes parks, unique landscapes, forests, wildlife refuges, historic trails, natural streams and wetlands, nature centers, community gardens and other landmarks throughout the nation that individually and collectively represent our shared irreplaceable national resources; and

Whereas, public lands provide locally accessible natural and cultural resources for environmental learning, wildlife appreciation and recreation; and

Whereas, public lands promote civic ideals that include shared stewardship and recognition of public ownership; and

Whereas, shared stewardship requires the goodwill, cooperation and active support of citizens, community, city and state officials, business leaders, youth and adults; and

Whereas, land conservation efforts improve access to public lands by urban residents and work to break down the barriers that prevent Americans from actively utilizing their public lands; and

Whereas, a collaboration among state and local residents, land managers and community leaders improves the condition of publicly held lands for the greater enjoyment and enrichment of all Americans; and

Whereas, National Public Lands Day, now celebrating its 20th anniversary, is the nation's largest, single-day volunteer effort for public lands and is coordinated by the National Environmental Education Foundation. The Bureau of Land Management, Department of Defense, Environmental Protection Agency, National Park Service, United States Army Corps of Engineers, United States Fish & Wildlife Service and United States Forest Service serve as federal agency partners. This effort has become an annually anticipated celebration for local participation on publicly held lands in this great state of Oklahoma;

Now, therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim September 28, 2013 as

"Public Lands Day"

in the state of Oklahoma.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.



Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 22nd day of July, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and thirteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and fifth year.

Assistant *Chris Trevisse*
SECRETARY OF STATE

Mary Fallin
GOVERNOR

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