



## **Representative Richard Pombo's 2003-2004 Conservation Voting Record**

On key conservation votes cast during the 108<sup>th</sup> Congress, Rep. Richard Pombo has voted the wrong way every time, missing one vote, according to votes posted on the Defenders of Wildlife Action Fund website ([www.DefendersActionFund.org](http://www.DefendersActionFund.org)).

Vote Key:

✓ = Pombo voted for conservation of wildlife and natural resources.

✗ = Pombo voted against conservation of wildlife and natural resources.

NV = Pombo did not vote on the issue.

✗	<p><b><u>Sham National Security Vote</u></b> 10/08/04</p> <p>The House of Representatives passed an amendment that would exempt portions of an immigration barrier in Southern California from most federal environmental laws and regulations.</p>	Measure Passed
✗	<p><b><u>Preserving Ban on Snowmobiles in Yellowstone National Park</u></b> 6/17/04</p> <p>The House defeated an amendment that would have allowed the continued phaseout of snowmobiles in Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks and the John D. Rockefeller Memorial Parkway.</p>	Measure Failed
✗	<p><b><u>Preserving Forest Wildlife for Future Generations</u></b> 6/16/04</p> <p>The House defeated an amendment that would have maintained wildlife protections, opportunities for public participation, science-based decision making and government accountability in our nation's national forest planning regulations.</p>	Measure Failed
✗	<p><b><u>Protecting Wildlife and Old Growth in Alaska's Tongass National Forest</u></b> 6/16/04</p> <p>The House passed an amendment that would protect old growth stands of trees and important wildlife habitat by stopping taxpayer-subsidized logging road construction in the Tongass National Forest – America's rainforest.</p>	Measure Passed

✘	<p><b><u>Ensuring Scientific Integrity in Federal Agency Actions</u></b> 5/18/04</p> <p>The House defeated an amendment that would have created a commission to study the Bush administration's politicization of science in the regulatory process.</p>	Measure Failed
✘	<p><b><u>Anti-Conservation Energy Bill</u></b> 11/18/03</p> <p>Politics, money, and anti-environmental policy converged last year and resulted in the Energy Policy Act of 2003 which passed the House and Senate and was sent to conference. The resulting bill would have endangered our clean air, drinking water, and public lands and coastlines, squandered billions of taxpayer dollars on polluting industries, and threatened national security.</p>	Measure Passed
✘	<p><b><u>Maintaining Public Land Oil and Gas Drilling Protections</u></b> 10/30/03</p> <p>The House defeated an amendment that would have retained protections for clean water from the harmful effects of oil and gas drilling.</p>	Measure Failed
NV	<p><b><u>Rejecting Requirements to Inventory Offshore Oil</u></b> 10/28/03</p> <p>The House passed a resolution that called on House and Senate negotiators to drop a proposal that would undermine an existing 22-year-old ban on oil and gas drilling in the waters off the coasts of California, Florida and other states.</p>	Measure Passed
✘	<p><b><u>Reinstating National Forest Roadless Area Protection</u></b> 7/17/03</p> <p>The amendment would have stopped a damaging Bush administration initiative to gut the landmark Roadless Area Conservation Rule, adopted in 2000, that protects unroaded national forest lands from logging and development.</p>	Measure Failed
✘	<p><b><u>Preserving Ban on Snowmobiles in Yellowstone National Park</u></b> 7/17/03</p> <p>The House defeated an amendment that would have blocked the Bush administration's effort to stop the phaseout of snowmobiles in Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks and the J.D. Rockefeller Memorial Parkway.</p>	Measure Failed
✘	<p><b><u>Preserving National Forest Wildlife Protections</u></b> 7/17/03</p> <p>The House defeated an amendment that would have stopped new rules for our national forests that eliminate existing wildlife protections and reverse decades of progress toward responsible forest management.</p>	Measure Failed

✘	<p><b><u>Stopping Yellowstone Bison Killing</u></b> 7/17/03</p> <p>The House defeated an amendment that would have stopped the killing of Yellowstone National Park bison.</p>	Measure Failed
✘	<p><b><u>Banning Bear-Baiting</u></b> 7/17/03</p> <p>The House defeated an amendment that would have stopped the unethical hunting practice of baiting bears on national forests and Bureau of Land Management lands.</p>	Measure Failed
✘	<p><b><u>Protecting Wildlife Habitat in the Klamath Refuge</u></b> 7/17/03</p> <p>The House defeated an amendment to end the farming of environmentally damaging crops grown on Oregon's Lower Klamath and California's Tule Lake National Wildlife Refuges.</p>	Measure Failed
✘	<p><b><u>Reducing Conservation Funding</u></b> 7/16/03</p> <p>Efforts to restore funding cuts to the landmark Conservation Trust Fund, a program that was established to conserve some of the most important remaining natural treasures, were defeated in the House.</p>	Measure Passed
✘	<p><b><u>Allowing Military to Weaken Protections for Endangered Wildlife</u></b> 5/21/03</p> <p>The House passed a motion that defeated efforts to allow a vote on an amendment to uphold protections for endangered species and marine mammals on military installations and in the world's oceans rather than granting dangerous new exemptions for the military from the Endangered Species Act and the Marine Mammal Protection Act.</p>	Measure Passed
✘	<p><b><u>Fake and Destructive Forest Fire Prevention</u></b> 5/20/03</p> <p>The House passed legislation that failed to provide the resources that communities need to protect themselves from wildfire. The bill was a boon to the timber industry by allowing logging of large fire resistant trees in the backcountry far from communities and homes, rather than concentrating fuels reduction activities in areas around fire-prone communities. The bill also eliminated the requirement that the Forest Service consider alternatives to potentially damaging fuels reduction projects, exempted fuels reduction projects from public appeals, and interfered with the important democratic and constitutional concept of maintaining an independent judiciary.</p>	Measure Passed
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✘	<p><b><u>Sound Forest Fire Protection</u></b> 5/20/03</p> <p>The House rejected an amendment to protect communities and national forests from fire in a more effective and environmentally sound manner.</p>	Failed
✘	<p><b><u>Continuing Ban on Arctic Refuge Drilling</u></b> 4/10/03</p> <p>The House rejected an amendment to protect the Arctic Refuge from oil drilling.</p>	Measure Failed
✘	<p><b><u>Sham Arctic Drilling Mitigation</u></b> 4/10/03</p> <p>The House passed an amendment that was falsely advertised as limiting the impact of drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.</p>	Measure Passed

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