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The Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee approved the Bipartisan Sportsmen's Act (S. 556) on November 19. The bill was introduced by Senator Lisa Murkowski (R-AK) last February. The bill calls for a push to reinforce hunting, target shooting, and fishing access on federal lands. The bill was also recently amended to include the permanent renewal of the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF).

This amendment was added due to an agreement reached between Sen. Murkowski and Ranking Member of the committee Senator Maria Cantwell (D-WA). In a hearing in March, Cantwell highlighted the importance of the LWCF for fishing, hunting, and recreational use of lands throughout the United States.

Sources: [eenews](#), [congress.gov](#)

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