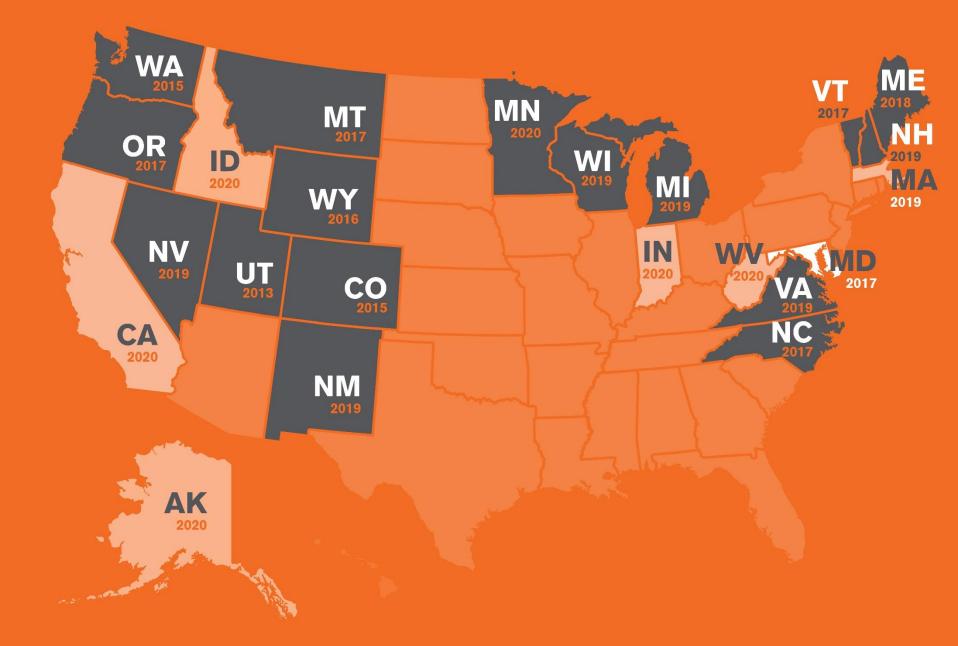


OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

## **OFFICE OF OUTDOOR RECREATION**

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STATES WITH OFFICES OF OUTDOOR RECREATION

STATES WITH OUTDOOR RECREATION TASK FORCES

TARGETS

# WHY OUTDOOR RECREATION

- Economic Impact
- Virginia's Competitive Advantage
- Economic Development
- Talent Attraction and Retention
- Quality of Life/Placemaking

# A VIBRANT OUTDOOR ECONOMY



Source: D&B, company websites, Roanoke Outside

Outdoor Manufacturers, Retailers, & Service Providers Urban Area



CAMPING RV campsite Tent campsite Rustic lodge



#### FISHING Recreational fly Recreational non-fly



#### HUNTING Shotgun Rifle Bow



MOTORCYCLING On-road Off-road



#### OFF-ROADING

ATV ROV Dune buggy 4x4 and Jeep



#### SNOW SPORTS

Cross-country skiing Downhill skiing Nordic skiing Snowboarding Snowboarding Snowshoeing Telemark skiing



#### TRAIL SPORTS

Day hiking on trail Backpacking Rock or ice climbing Running 3+ miles Horseback riding Mountaineering



#### WATER SPORTS

Kayaking Rafting Canoeing Surfing Scuba diving Sailing Stand-up paddling Boating: cruising, sightseeing, wakeboarding, tubing, kneeboarding, waterskiing



#### WHEEL SPORTS Bicycling, paved road Bicycling, off-road Skateboarding



## WILDLIFE

### PRIORITIZING TARGET INDUSTRIES TO MAXIMIZE IMPACT ACROSS THE COMMONWEALTH

Region	ATVs	Hiking/ Camping	Watersports	Biking	Food & Bev <sup>2</sup>	Motorsports	Fishing	Textile Mfg (sails)	Shipbuilding
Southwest									
Virginia Mountains		Ø	<b>Ø</b>		0				
Shenandoah Valley		Ø	<b>Ø</b>		0				
Central VA									
Southern VA									
Fredericksburg/ NOVA			<b>Ø</b>		0				
Chesapeake Bay (incl. ES)					0				
Hampton Roads					0				

# WHAT DOES THE OFFICE DO

- Business Recruitment and Expansion
- Promote Virginia as an Outdoor Destination and Brand
- Coordinate Agencies' Work with Industry



## VIRGINIA'S NATURAL FIT FOR OUTDOOR MANUFACTURING

# SO FAR

- Industry landing page: <u>Governor.Virginia.gov/Outdoor</u>
- Nearly 100 existing and prospect client meetings
- Dozens of media placements

- National Governor's Association Outdoor Recreation Learning Network
- Signed Confluence Accords
- Outdoor Retailer Trade Show

# UP NEXT

- Record-breaking investment in
  Iand conservation and Chesapeake
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- 3 new state parks and dozens of wildlife management areas
- Continued business recruitment

- FAM tour
  - Regional meetings
  - Statewide summit

