

Conservation Federation

MISSOURI



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CFM is an Affiliate of the National Wildlife Federation, made up of individual, life and affiliate Members, supported by Business Partners, governed by Elected Officers and Board, with standing, ad hoc and resource **Committees**, operated by a Staff of 5, all to implement and support the CFM Mission

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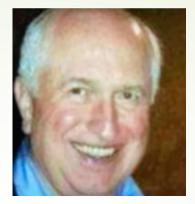


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Did we get here?

Early explorers describe lush forests to and abundant wildlife

"We had not travelled far when we discovered, in a ravine below, four bears upon trees."

"the waters of this stream are very clear and pure, and ducks are common upon it. The wild turkey and squirrel are also seen on its banks."

"the land they had passed through as the best they had ever seen, and the timber good, consisting chiefly of oak, ash, hickory, and black walnut. They had killed in their way five deer."



 Deer Population – 2,000
 Once a leading timberproducing state, by 1920 no more trees are left to cut in the Ozarks.

Citizens reacted

A few early organizations Missouri Birding Society – 1901 Missouri Ducks Unlimited State Council - 1911 St. Louis Audubon Society – 1915 Burroughs Audubon Society – 1919 Missouri Society of American Foresters – 1929 CONSERVATION FEDERATION OF **MISSOURI - 1935**

In 1935, sportsmen from throughout Missouri came together to form the

CONSERVATION FEDERATION OF MISSOURI (CFM).

They organized with the purpose of taking conservation out of politics.



BRING 'EM BACK TO MISSOURI

Their initiative petition campaign resulted in the creation of the Missouri Department of Conservation, a non-political conservation agency that has been a model for other states.

VOTE YES SCRATCH NO. PROPOSITION NO. 4

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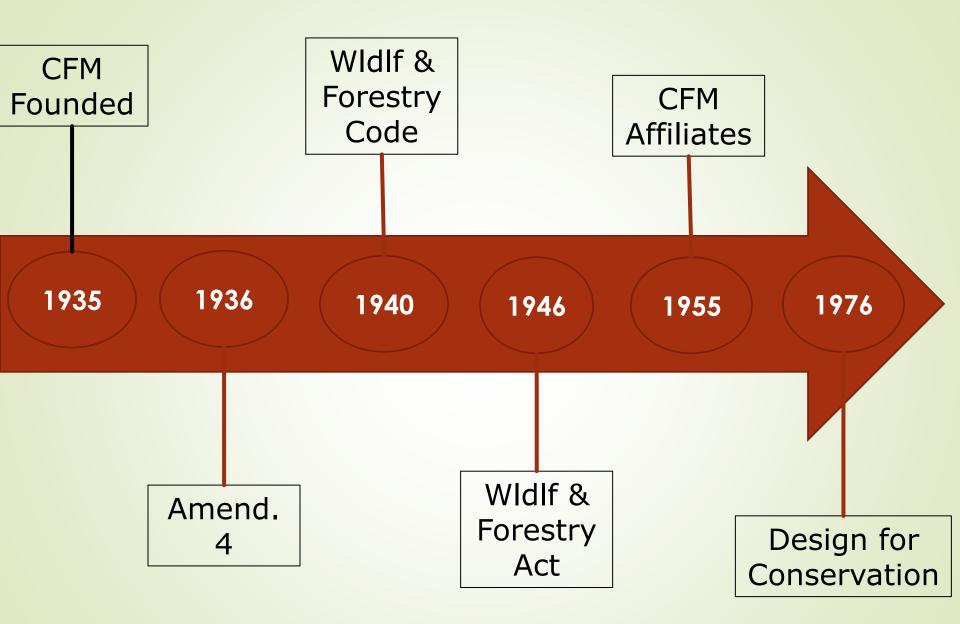
CFM created the first apolitical, science-based conservation agency in the world!



1976

CFM spearheaded successful passage of the conservation sales tax to create stable broad based funding for Missouri's forests, fauna and fish.

1984 Parks and Soils Sales Tax



1955 – First Affiliates

- Tipton Farmers & Sportsman's Club
- Northside Conservation Federation
- Festus-Crystal City Conservation Club
- South Side Division CFM

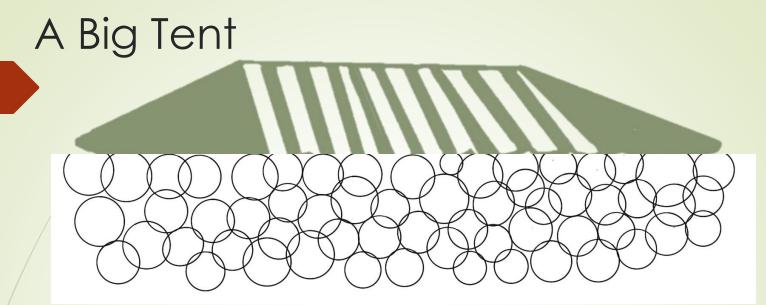
1956

 Ozark Wilderness Waterways Club
 Missouri Trout Fisherman's Association

1960s

- Missouri Park & Recreation Association
- Anglers of Missouri
- Missouri Bowhunters Association
- Big Game Hunters
- Missouri State Campers Association

And so on



Professional Associations Hunting and Fishing Clubs Resource Management NGOs Nature Enthusiasts Bird Conservation Youth Education Outdoor Recreation Environmental Land trusts Forestry **Outdoor Communicators** Caves and Karst **Rivers and Streams** Wildlife Rehabilitation More



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Legislative Action Center
Legislative Policy Committee
Conservation Day at the Capitol
Natural Resource Advisory Committees
Resolutions

CFM resolutions are one of the most powerful expressions of our opinion as a conservation organization

Education

- Conservation Leadership Corps CLC
- Missouri Conservation Collegiate Alliance – MCCA
- Youth Conservation Action Committee
- Scholarships
- Governor's Youth Turkey Hunt
- Annual Convention
- Conservation Day at the Capitol

Affiliate Summit

Conservation Federation Magazine

Partnerships

- > 100 affiliated organizations
 Share the Harvest
- Corporate & Business Partnerships
- National Wildlife Federation Affiliate
- Operation Game Thief
- Operation Forest Arson
- David A. Risberg Memorial Grants

State & Federal Agency Partnerships



Do We Execute Our Mission?

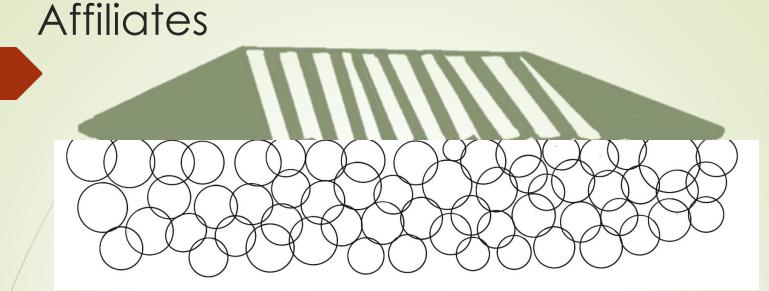
REGULAR COMMITTEES

- Executive
- Ways And Means
- Budget And Finance
- Strategic Planning
- E. Sydney Stephens
- Membership
- Marketing
- Nominating
- Constitution and Bylaws
- Awards

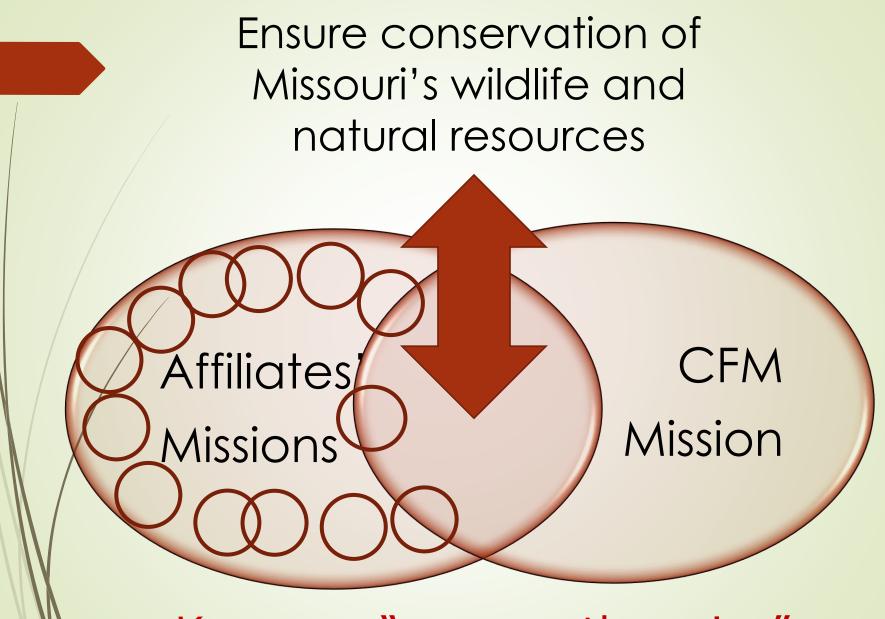
- Oaks
- Convention
- Scholarship
- Share The Harvest
- Sporting Clay Shoot
- (CLC) Alumni
- Legislative Policy
- Youth Conservation Action

Resource Advisory Committees

- Archery and Shooting Sports
- Big Game, Turkey, and Furbearers
- Education and Outdoor Recreation
- Environment and Ecology
- Forest Resources and Management
- Grassland and Prairies
- Public/Private Lands
- Rivers, Streams, and Fisheries
- Upland Wildlife
- Wetlands and Waterfowl



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Keep our "eyes on the prize"

What can you do?

- Encourage your members to join CFM
- Run for a board position
- Share your knowledge & expertise
- Serve on Resource Advisory Committees
- Help set policy through Resolutions
- Keep your information Current!
 - Annual Affiliate Application
 - Share your membership list (if you can)
- Keep doing what you do

Questions?