



Stream Access Group

Trout Unlimited
National Leadership Council



What We Want



Urban Reality



Rural Reality



Objectives of the Stream Access Group

The Stream Access Group is currently focused on **providing support and resources** for the protection of our nation's public lands, which protect some of the best remaining intact watersheds holding wild and native trout. It also **evaluates stream access laws** across the country, regularly **reviews the TU Stream Access Policy** for changes and recommendations, and **develops tools for chapters and councils** to use in building voluntary access programs at state and federal levels.

2006 TU Stream Access Policy

The purposes of this policy are as follows:

1. To provide an efficient process for the **review** of public access issues that chapters and councils wish to undertake or confront.
2. To **develop categories** of access issues that require review and approval of the Executive Committee and categories that do not, and to communicate those distinctions to TU chapters and councils.
3. To provide a **better means** for the Board and staff **to communicate** with chapters, councils, and volunteer leaders regarding TU's policies and practices **with respect to issues relating to the public's right to access** rivers, lakes, and streams.
4. To provide a focal point for the **collection of information** related to all TU participation in access issues and to **develop tools and expertise** for chapters and councils addressing access issues or advocating for voluntary access programs.

Available in full on the TU Website - tu.org/policies or [Click Here](#)

This policy will be updated soon after the 2018 Annual Meeting.

SAG

Stream Access Group

vs.

SAWG

Stream Access Working Group

- NLC “Work Group”
- Forum for Discussion
- Provides Support and Resources to Chapters and Councils
- Evaluates Stream Access Laws
- Develops Tools for Voluntary Access Programs

- Composed of BOT, NLC, and Others
- **Formally Reviews** Applications Submitted by Chapters or Councils Who Wish to **Actively Participate** in an Access Related Issue

Categories for Access Issues

Public
Lands

Recreation
Fishing
Boating
Hiking
Riding

Private
Landowners



Public Lands are Meccas of Access



- Legislation
- Policy
- Partners in Government

Cooperation with Private Landowners



Recent SAG Activities

- Quarterly Conference Calls
 - Discussion of Issues and Achievements from Members/Chapters/Councils
 - Updates from National Staff on Current Legislation

Hot Topics

- Reauthorization of The Land and Water Conservation Fund
 - Recently Written Letters to Congress, Editorials, etc.
- Fee-Based Access Programs
- Certain State Bills Containing Access Components

Land and Water Conservation Fund

Deadline for Reauthorization is September 30, 2018

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Discussion

- Fee-Based Access Programs
 - James Frazer - Oregon NLC

- State-by-State Stream Access Guide
 - Backcountry Hunters and Anglers Version

- New SAG Leadership

Questions?

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