

This year has flown past and we are almost to the best time of year to be trapper. I've attended several commission meetings this year. It's no secret that we are in a hostile climate and if there was ever a time to fight like hell, its now. Due to a family emergency, we were unable to set up our CTPHA booth at Heritage Days in Palisade earlier in the year, it was a disappointment as we are well received there and enjoy the opportunity to reach new people. Family issues also prevented me from attending Sportsman's Day at the Capital, that's an amazing event to attend and a great way to help encourage people to work with us.

Based on the issues we have, I encourage everyone to engage whoever will listen to you, you don't have to be a trapper to be affected by looming legislation; this will trickle down to everyone who enjoys the outdoors and beauty of where we live. Trappers, hunters, anglers, rodeos, farmers, ranchers and even hikers need to unite and make sure our voices are heard.

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