

STATE OF OHIO  
**Executive Department**

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## **Great Outdoors Month in Ohio**

During Great Outdoors Month the state of Ohio will celebrate the natural treasures of our state parks, forests, flora and fauna, and commit to protecting and conserving our natural wonders for future generations.

Through recreational activities such as fishing, camping, boating and hiking, Ohio's children and families can rediscover their natural heritage and the numerous health benefits of outdoor recreation.

Ohio's vast natural resources and recreational opportunities contribute to a high quality of life and attract citizens, businesses and tourists alike.

Great Outdoors Month provides an opportunity to encourage Ohio's young children to take part in "Explore the Outdoors", the state's new campaign to reunite children with their natural world.

Great Outdoors Month will help ensure that Ohio's outdoors remain places where families and children can learn and create lasting memories while promoting, active, more healthier lifestyles.

We believe that there is no better cause than ensuring that our future generations understand and believe in the values and benefits of the great outdoors.

**THEREFORE, I, TED STRICKLAND**, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize

**JUNE as GREAT OUTDOORS MONTH**

and I urge all citizens to take the time to enjoy our state's various outdoor resources, to share them with family and friends, and to make outdoor activities a regular part of their lives.



**Ted Strickland**  
Governor

