

# STATE OF OKLAHOMA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

## Proclamation

**Whereas**, America's system of public lands includes parks, unique landscapes, wildlife refuges, historic trails, natural streams and wetlands, nature centers, and other landmarks that represent irreplaceable national resources; and

**Whereas**, public lands throughout Oklahoma and the nation serve as natural and cultural resources for environmental learning, wildlife appreciation and recreation; and

**Whereas**, public lands promote stewardship, preservation and protection of natural resources; and

**Whereas**, shared stewardship requires goodwill, cooperation and active support of citizens, community, local and state officials and business leaders; and

**Whereas**, collaboration among state and local residents, land managers and community leaders improves the condition of publicly held lands for the greater enjoyment of all Americans; and

**Whereas**, the observance of National Public Lands Day provides an extraordinary opportunity to raise awareness of land conservation and public stewardship;

**Now, Therefore, I, Mary Fallin, Governor**, do hereby proclaim September 24, 2016, as

### "Public Lands Day"

in the state of Oklahoma and call upon the residents of our state to recognize and participate in this special observance.

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.*

*Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and sixteen, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred and eighth year.*



ATTEST:

Acting Assistant Secretary of State

Mary Fallin  
GOVERNOR