

# RYAN BRONSON

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## EXPERIENCE

APRIL 2021- PRESENT

**DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS,** ROCKY MOUNTAIN ELK FOUNDATION

Represent the interests of the 225,000 member non-profit organization, leading advocacy and public policy.

2019- 2021

**PRINCIPAL,** BRONSON CONSERVATION STRATEGIES LLC

Consulting with private companies in the outdoor recreation industry on conservation issues, specializing in CWD, R3, non-profit conservation organizations.

2007 – SEPTEMBER 2019

**DIRECTOR OF CONSERVATION,** VISTA OUTDOOR (FORMERLY ATK)

Marketing and philanthropy management for the corporation and its brands within the conservation and youth participation market. Representing the company interests with wildlife and outdoor recreation policy makers. Expertise in Pittman Robertson/Wildlife Restoration program, ammunition regulations, habitat.

2003 – 2007

**HUNTER RECRUITMENT & RETENTION PROGRAM MANAGER,** MN DNR

Launched and managed a first of its kind recruitment, retention, and reactivation program to boost participation rates in hunting at the Minnesota wildlife agency.

## EDUCATION

1995

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, BIOLOGY,** BEMIDJI STATE UNIVERSITY

I graduated *cum laude* from this wildlife emphasis program in northern Minnesota.