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Syl,

I respect your patriotism to a point. However life and experience has taught me that all things made here in the USA are not always the best choice for your hard earned dollar.

I drive Toyota 4Runners now, i own two and also i have a Tacoma all three vehicles are four wheel drive. The Tacoma is made or assembled here in the USA, the 4Runners were made and assembled in Japan and still are. After all the heartbreak and wallet bashing American vehicles have given me i switched about 7 years ago.. was best decision for me and my wallet, and until American Auto Makers get it through their head to stop whining about union and material costs and giving themselves fat bonuses for putting out an inferior product and having the audacity to take money from the American People, by the way i was a confirmed Chevy/Dodge guy for a long time.

As for waders i don't remember if they were made here or abroad but i got 14 years out of me the first 8 years or so i fished about 150-200 days a year rain or shine or snow. no leaks till about 4 years ago. I have done the Alcohol patch thing works great but we are at a point where i need to get another pair and retire these to that Recycled wader company place and maybe get a wallet made from some of the material.

The Redingtons i had were from the Pre Sage buy out period, don't know if they are as good as the old pair. I have heard good and bad things about Simms, but i have never been unsatisfied with my windstopper polar fleece guide jacket or denim chambray guide shirts. fit me great and wear even better. My guide jacket is 13 years old and still works and looks great.

I am leaning between these two Brands because of personal experience . Waders aren't cheap and i haven't abused my older pairs they get hung up properly after fishing and the boots set out to dry. I am leaning towards Simms because of my other experiences with them, i also hear that their boot sizes are a lil on small size so i will have to order a size up i guess. I wear a #13 looks like i'll be wearing 14's now.