

Environment & Energy Congressional Round-Up | April 24 - April 28, 2023

Highlights:

In the Senate, the *Recycling and Composting Accountability Act* ([S.1194](#)) passed out of the Environment and Public Works Committee. The bipartisan bill would direct the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to [improve](#) recycling and composting programs through expanded data collection. The *Recycling Infrastructure and Accessibility Act of 2023* ([S.1189](#)) also passed out of the Environment and Public Works Committee. That bill would require the EPA to create a pilot grant program to support improved recycling accessibility.

Also in the Senate, Sens. Jeanne Shaheen (D-N.H.) and Shelley Moore Capito (R-W.Va.) introduced the *Forest Incentives Program Act* ([S.1366](#)), a bill that would provide [incentives](#) for forest managers to adopt conservation practices that reduce emissions, and for commercial building owners to use less emissions-intensive building materials.

On the topic of forestry, Sens. Sherrod Brown (D-Ohio) and Cory Booker (D-N.J.) introduced the *Neighborhood Tree Act of 2023* ([S.1380](#)), a bill that would create a [neighborhood tree fund](#) for urban tree canopies, prioritizing underserved communities. EESI's resources for the 2023 Farm Bill, including our resources on forestry, can be found [here](#).

April 28, 2023

House

Committee Action:

[H.R.215](#)

WATER for California Act

Sponsor: [Valadao, David G. \[Rep.-R-CA-22\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and

Nays: 22 - 17.

[H.R.1245](#)

Grizzly Bear State Management Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Hageman, Harriet M. \[Rep.-R-WY-At Large\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 21 - 17.

[H.R.1419](#)

Comprehensive Grizzly Bear Management Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Rosendale Sr., Matthew M. \[Rep.-R-MT-2\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 22 - 17.

[H.R.1567](#)

ACRES Act

Sponsor: [Tiffany, Thomas P. \[Rep.-R-WI-7\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Unanimous Consent.

[H.R.2189](#)

To provide for a limitation on availability of funds for Environmental Protection Agency, Environmental Programs and Managements for fiscal year 2024.

Sponsor: [Biggs, Andy \[Rep.-R-AZ-5\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Transportation and Infrastructure; Agriculture; Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Research, and Biotechnology.

[H.R.2192](#)

To provide for a limitation on availability of funds for Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Inspector General for fiscal year 2024.

Sponsor: [Biggs, Andy \[Rep.-R-AZ-5\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Natural Resources; Transportation and Infrastructure; Agriculture; Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Research, and Biotechnology.

[H.R.2200](#)

To provide for a limitation on availability of funds for US Department of Agriculture, Office of the Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment for fiscal year 2024.

Sponsor: [Biggs, Andy \[Rep.-R-AZ-5\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Research, and Biotechnology.

[H.R.2201](#)

To provide for a limitation on availability of funds for US Department of Agriculture, Forest Service Operations for fiscal year 2024.

Sponsor: [Biggs, Andy \[Rep.-R-AZ-5\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Forestry.

[H.R.2202](#)

To provide for a limitation on availability of funds for US Department of Agriculture, Forest and Rangeland Research for fiscal year 2024.

Sponsor: [Biggs, Andy \[Rep.-R-AZ-5\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture; Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Forestry.

[H.R.2203](#)

To provide for a limitation on availability of funds for US Department of Agriculture, State and Private Forestry for fiscal year 2024.

Sponsor: [Biggs, Andy \[Rep.-R-AZ-5\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture; Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Forestry.

[H.R.2204](#)

To provide for a limitation on availability of funds for US Department of Agriculture, National Forest System for fiscal year 2024.

Sponsor: [Biggs, Andy \[Rep.-R-AZ-5\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture; Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Forestry.

[H.R.2205](#)

To provide for a limitation on availability of funds for US Department of Agriculture, Capital Improvement and Maintenance for fiscal year 2024.

Sponsor: [Biggs, Andy \[Rep.-R-AZ-5\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture; Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Forestry.

[H.R.2206](#)

To provide for a limitation on availability of funds for US Department of Agriculture, US Forest Service, Construction Projects for fiscal year 2024.

Sponsor: [Biggs, Andy \[Rep.-R-AZ-5\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture; Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Forestry.

[H.R.2207](#)

To provide for a limitation on availability of funds for US Department of Agriculture, Land Acquisition for fiscal year 2024.

Sponsor: [Biggs, Andy \[Rep.-R-AZ-5\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Forestry.

[H.R.2209](#)

To provide for a limitation on availability of funds for US Department of Agriculture, Gifts, Donations, and Bequests for Forest and Rangeland Research for fiscal year 2024.

Sponsor: [Biggs, Andy \[Rep.-R-AZ-5\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Forestry.

[H.R.2211](#)

To provide for a limitation on availability of funds for US Department of Agriculture, Wildland Fire Management for fiscal year 2024.

Sponsor: [Biggs, Andy \[Rep.-R-AZ-5\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture; Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Forestry.

[H.R.2249](#)

To provide for a limitation on availability of funds for US Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, Buildings and Facilities for fiscal year 2024.

Sponsor: [Biggs, Andy \[Rep.-R-AZ-5\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Research, and Biotechnology

[H.R.2250](#)

To provide for a limitation on availability of funds for US Department of Agriculture, National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Research and Education Activities for fiscal year 2024.

Sponsor: [Biggs, Andy \[Rep.-R-AZ-5\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Research, and Biotechnology.

[H.R.2989](#)

To improve the health and resiliency of giant sequoias, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [McCarthy, Kevin \[Rep.-R-CA-20\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

[H.R.2997](#)

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to Mesa County, Colorado, certain Federal land in Colorado, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Boebert, Lauren \[Rep.-R-CO-3\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.3001](#)

To require the Secretary of Education to implement corrective measures for a local educational agency or institution of higher education that prohibits or constrains fossil fuel sector employment recruitment, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Donalds, Byron \[Rep.-R-FL-19\]](#)

Committees: House - Education and the Workforce

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Education and the Workforce.

[H.R.3007](#)

To modify the boundary of the Mammoth Cave National Park in the State of Kentucky, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Guthrie, Brett \[Rep.-R-KY-2\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.3025](#)

To provide for no net increase in the total acreage of Federal land in the Virgin Islands National Park on St. John, United States Virgin Islands.

Sponsor: [Plaskett, Stacey E. \[Del.-D-VI-At Large\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.3027](#)

To reauthorize funding for the Reclamation Climate Change and Water Program.

Sponsor: [Porter, Katie \[Rep.-D-CA-47\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.3031](#)

To designate as wilderness certain Federal portions of the red rock canyons of the Colorado Plateau and the Great Basin Deserts in the State of Utah for the benefit of present and future generations of people in the United States.

Sponsor: [Stansbury, Melanie Ann \[Rep.-D-NM-1\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.J.Res.29](#)

Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service relating to "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Lesser Prairie-Chicken; Threatened Status With Section 4(d) Rule for the Northern Distinct Population Segment and Endangered Status for the Southern Distinct Population Segment".

Sponsor: [Mann, Tracey \[Rep.-R-KS-1\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 16 - 12.

[H.J.Res.46](#)

Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the National Marine Fisheries Service relating to "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Regulations for Listing Endangered and Threatened Species and Designating Critical Habitat".

Sponsor: [Bentz, Cliff \[Rep.-R-OR-2\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 17 - 12.

[H.J.Res.49](#)

Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service relating to "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Species Status for Northern Long-Eared Bat".

Sponsor: [Stauber, Pete \[Rep.-R-MN-8\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 17 - 12.

[H.Res.339](#)

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that an "all-of-the-above" energy strategy is the most viable approach to energy policy.

Sponsor: [Newhouse, Dan \[Rep.-R-WA-4\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

[H.Res.343](#)

Expressing support for the recognition of April 30 through May 6, 2023, as Wildfire Preparedness Week, the national event educating the public on fire safety and preparedness, and supporting the goals of a Wildfire Preparedness Week.

Sponsor: [Torres, Norma J. \[Rep.-D-CA-35\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/28/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

Senate

There was no environmental or energy related activity in the Senate.

April 27, 2023

House

Committee Action:

[H.R.2921](#)

To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to require a certain percentage of funds appropriated for revolving fund capitalization grants be used for green projects, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Williams, Nikema \[Rep.-D-GA-5\]](#)

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 04/27/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

[H.R.2924](#)

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Under Secretary for Science and Technology of the Department of Homeland Security to research and develop approaches to mitigate identified or potential negative effects of climate change on homeland security, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Clarke, Yvette D. \[Rep.-D-NY-9\]](#)

Committees: House - Homeland Security

Latest Action: House - 04/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Homeland Security.

[H.R.2942](#)

To amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to provide for the enrollment of citrus land in the conservation reserve program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Franklin, C. Scott \[Rep.-R-FL-18\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 04/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.2950](#)

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior, through the Coastal Program of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, to work with willing partners and provide support to efforts to assess, protect, restore, and enhance important coastal landscapes that provide fish and wildlife habitat on which certain Federal trust species depend, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Huffman, Jared \[Rep.-D-CA-2\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.2951](#)

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand prohibitions under the clean vehicle credit on battery components manufactured or assembled by corporations associated with foreign entities of concern, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [James, John \[Rep.-R-MI-10\]](#)

Committees: House - Ways and Means

Latest Action: House - 04/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

[H.R.2962](#)

To exempt certain Federal hydrogen programs from the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Lesko, Debbie \[Rep.-R-AZ-8\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/27/2023 Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker

[H.R.2975](#)

To amend the Food Security Act of 1985 with respect to the conservation reserve program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Schrier, Kim \[Rep.-D-WA-8\]](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 04/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.2980](#)

To provide for Department of Energy and National Science Foundation research and development coordination, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Stevens, Haley M. \[Rep.-D-MI-11\]](#)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 04/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

[H.R.2982](#)

To establish the New York-New Jersey Watershed Restoration Program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Tonko, Paul \[Rep.-D-NY-20\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/27/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

Senate

Committee Action:

[S.1335](#)

A bill to establish the New York-New Jersey Watershed Restoration Program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Booker, Cory A. \[Sen.-D-NJ\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 04/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

[S.1361](#)

A bill to amend the Agricultural Credit Act of 1978 to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to provide for floodplain easement restoration and management, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Ernst, Joni \[Sen.-R-IA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 04/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.1365](#)

A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to provide for the enrollment of citrus land in the conservation reserve program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rubio, Marco \[Sen.-R-FL\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 04/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.1366](#)

A bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a forest incentives program to keep forests intact and sequester carbon on private forest land of the United States, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Shaheen, Jeanne \[Sen.-D-NH\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 04/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.1380

A bill to amend the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 to provide States and communities with additional assistance to plant and maintain trees, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Brown, Sherrod \[Sen.-D-OH\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 04/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.1381

A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, through the Coastal Program of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, to work with willing partners and provide support to efforts to assess, protect, restore, and enhance important coastal landscapes that provide fish and wildlife habitat on which certain Federal trust species depend, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Cardin, Benjamin L. \[Sen.-D-MD\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 04/27/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.Con.Res.9

A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that there is a climate emergency which demands a massive-scale mobilization to halt, reverse, and address its consequences and causes.

Sponsor: [Sanders, Bernard \[Sen.-I-VT\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 04/27/2023 Referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

April 26, 2023

House

Committee Action:

[H.R.2902](#)

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the alcohol fuels credit, the biodiesels fuel credit, the sustainable aviation fuel credit, the clean fuel production credit, the alcohol fuel, biodiesel, and alternative fuel mixtures credit, and other related provisions.

Sponsor: [Perry, Scott \[Rep.-R-PA-10\]](#)

Committees: House - Ways and Means

Latest Action: House - 04/26/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

[H.R.2903](#)

To amend the National Security Act of 1947, to direct the Director of National Intelligence to produce national intelligence estimates on certain effects of climate change, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Peters, Scott H. \[Rep.-D-CA-50\]](#)

Committees: House - Intelligence (Permanent Select)

Latest Action: House - 04/26/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Intelligence (Permanent Select).

[H.R.2921](#)

To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to require a certain percentage of funds appropriated for revolving fund capitalization grants be used for green projects, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Williams, Nikema \[Rep.-D-GA-5\]](#)

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 04/26/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

Senate

Committee Action:

[S.1189](#)

Recycling Infrastructure and Accessibility Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Capito, Shelley Moore \[Sen.-R-WV\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 04/26/2023 Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.

[S.1194](#)

Recycling and Composting Accountability Act

Sponsor: [Carper, Thomas R. \[Sen.-D-DE\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 04/26/2023 Committee on Environment and Public Works.
Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.

[S.1304](#)

A bill to require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on the carbon footprint and environmental impacts of electric vehicles, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Scott, Rick \[Sen.-R-FL\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 04/26/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

April 25, 2023

House

Committee Action:

[H.R.1705](#)

A. Donald McEachin Environmental Justice For All Act

Sponsor: [Grijalva, Raúl M. \[Rep.-D-AZ-7\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Natural Resources; Judiciary;
Transportation and Infrastructure; Agriculture; Education and the Workforce

Latest Action: House - 04/25/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Forestry.

[H.R.1713](#)

DOE and USDA Interagency Research Act

Sponsor: [Lucas, Frank D. \[Rep.-R-OK-3\]](#)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology; Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 04/25/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Research, and Biotechnology.

[H.Con.Res.34](#)

Expressing disapproval of the withdrawal by the Secretary of the Interior of approximately 225,504 acres of National Forest System lands in Cook, Lake, and Saint Louis Counties, Minnesota, from disposition under the United States mineral and geothermal leasing laws.

Sponsor: [Stauber, Pete \[Rep.-R-MN-8\]](#)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/25/2023 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.Res.319](#)

Recognizing the duty of the Federal Government to create a Green New Deal.

Sponsor: [Ocasio-Cortez, Alexandria \[Rep.-D-NY-14\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Science, Space, and Technology; Education and the Workforce; Transportation and Infrastructure; Agriculture; Natural Resources; Foreign Affairs; Financial Services; Judiciary; Ways and Means; Oversight and Accountability

Latest Action: House - 04/25/2023 Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

Senate

Committee Action:

[S.Res.173](#)

A resolution recognizing the duty of the Federal Government to create a Green New Deal.

Sponsor: [Markey, Edward J. \[Sen.-D-MA\]](#)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 04/25/2023 Referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

April 24, 2023

Senate

Committee Action:

H.Res.319

Recognizing the duty of the Federal Government to create a Green New Deal.

Sponsor: [Ocasio-Cortez, Alexandria \[Rep.-D-NY-14\]](#)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Science, Space, and Technology; Education and the Workforce; Transportation and Infrastructure; Agriculture; Natural Resources; Foreign Affairs; Financial Services; Judiciary; Ways and Means; Oversight and Accountability

Latest Action: House - 04/24/2023 Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Science, Space, and Technology, Education and the Workforce, Transportation and Infrastructure, Agriculture, Natural Resources, Foreign Affairs, Financial Services

House

There was no environmental or energy-related activity in the House.