

Environment & Energy Congressional Round-Up | November 18 - November 22, 2024

Highlights:

Senate Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee Chair Debbie Stabenow (D-Mich.) introduced the Senate version of the Farm Bill. The *Rural Prosperity and Food Security Act* ([S.5335](#)) [includes](#), among other provisions, more than 100 bipartisan bills; support for beginning, underserved, and small agricultural workers; assistance for farms impacted by natural disasters; increased investment in agricultural research; and investment in and permanent authorization of conservation programs. The House Committee on Agriculture passed its version of the Farm Bill, the *Farm, Food, and National Security Act of 2024* ([H.R.8467](#)) in May. Check out EESI's Farm Bill in Focus [briefing series](#) to learn more about climate-smart opportunities under the Farm Bill.

The Senate passed the *Coastal Habitat Conservation Act of 2023* ([H.R.2950](#)), which reauthorizes voluntary federal programming to bolster the health and resilience of coastal habitats. The bill originated in the House, where it was introduced by Reps. Jared Huffman (D-Calif.) and Jenniffer González-Colón (R-P.R.).

The Senate also passed the *Bolstering Ecosystems Against Coastal Harm (BEACH) Act* ([H.R.5490](#)). Reps. Jennifer Kiggans (R-Va.) and Lisa Blunt Rochester (D-Del.) introduced the bill in the House to expand on coastal conservation maps mandated by the 1982 *Coastal Barrier Resources Act*. Expanded maps would provide concrete data to understand coastal communities' and ecosystems' climate risk and vulnerability, and boost resilience.

The Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources also passed the *Reinvesting In Shoreline Economies and Ecosystems (RISEE) Act of 2023* ([S.373](#)), led by Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse (D-R.I.) and bipartisan cosponsors. The *RISEE Act* would [redirect](#) revenue streams from offshore energy production towards state projects that support coastal restoration and resilience. Rep. Lizze Fletcher (D-Texas) introduced the bill's companion ([H.R.913](#)) in the House.

The House Committee on Natural Resources advanced the *Promoting Accessibility on Federal Lands Act of 2023* ([H.R.5665](#)). Rep. Melanie Stansbury (D-N.M.) and bipartisan cosponsors introduced the bill, which will establish a comprehensive joint assessment by the Department of Interior and Department of Agriculture to determine the [accessibility](#) of federally-managed trails, campsites, and outdoor recreation facilities for

people with disabilities. EESI's recent article [explores](#) other efforts by the 118th Congress to facilitate outdoor access for people with limited mobility.

November 22, 2024

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.10252](#)

To direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to amend certain regulations for purposes of the renewable fuel program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Curtis, John R. \[Rep.-R-UT-3\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 11/22/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Senate:

No energy or environmental related activity in the Senate today.

November 21, 2024

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.10203](#)

To provide tax relief for damages relating to Hurricanes Helene and Milton.

Sponsor: [Buchanan, Vern \[Rep.-R-FL-16\]](#) Cosponsors: (10)

Committees: House - Ways and Means

Latest Action: House - 11/21/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

[H.R.10204](#)

To amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to modify the conservation reserve enhancement program.

Sponsor: [Caraveo, Yadira \[Rep.-D-CO-8\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Agriculture

[H.R.10207](#)

To amend the Natural Gas Act to require that impacts to climate stability, consumer energy costs, and environmental justice be considered in a determination of whether proposed exportation of natural gas is in the public interest, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Casten, Sean \[Rep.-D-IL-6\]](#) Cosponsors: (15)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 11/21/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

[H.R.10219](#)

To assist in the conservation of critically endangered species in foreign countries, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Huffman, Jared \[Rep.-D-CA-2\]](#) Cosponsors: (9)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 11/21/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.10220](#)

To establish the National Institutes of Clean Energy.

Sponsor: [Huffman, Jared \[Rep.-D-CA-2\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 11/21/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

[H.R.10227](#)

To direct the Secretary of Energy to establish a program for the interim storage of high-level radioactive waste and spent nuclear fuel, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Matsui, Doris O. \[Rep.-D-CA-7\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 11/21/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

[H.R.10229](#)

To amend the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to extend the authorization of appropriations for the Clean Energy Demonstration Program on Current and Former Mine Land.

Sponsor: [McGarvey, Morgan \[Rep.-D-KY-3\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 11/21/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

[H.R.10232](#)

To amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to incentivize certain preparedness measures, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Neguse, Joe \[Rep.-D-CO-2\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 11/21/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

[H.R.10234](#)

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out activities to control the movement of aquatic invasive species into, across, and out of Federal land and waters, to provide for financial assistance from the Commissioner of Reclamation to Reclamation States for watercraft inspection and decontamination stations, to amend the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990 to make certain technical corrections, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Neguse, Joe \[Rep.-D-CO-2\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Agriculture; Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 11/21/2024 Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Agriculture, and Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker.

[H.R.10235](#)

To require the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to carry out a pilot program to enhance the mapping of urban flooding and associated property damage and the availability of that mapped data to homeowners, businesses, and localities to help understand and mitigate the risk of such flooding, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Quigley, Mike \[Rep.-D-IL-5\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure; Financial Services

Latest Action: House - 11/21/2024 Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

[S.5369](#)

A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish a technology-neutral tax credit for increased investment in next-generation carbon dioxide removal technologies.

Sponsor: [Bennet, Michael F. \[Sen.-D-CO\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Finance

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

[S.5373](#)

A bill to establish the National Institutes of Clean Energy.

Sponsor: [Warren, Elizabeth \[Sen.-D-MA\]](#) Cosponsors: (3)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

[S.5374](#)

A bill to support financing of affordable and reliable energy projects by international financial institutions, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Barrasso, John \[Sen.-R-WY\]](#) Cosponsors: (3)

Committees: Senate - Foreign Relations

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

[S.5383](#)

A bill to rescind funds for green energy loans.

Sponsor: [Tillis, Thomas \[Sen.-R-NC\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

[S.5385](#)

A bill to prohibit Federal agencies from considering, in taking any action, the social cost of carbon, the social cost of methane, the social cost of nitrous oxide, or the social cost of any other greenhouse gas, unless compliant with Office of Management and Budget guidance, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Lankford, James \[Sen.-R-OK\]](#) Cosponsors: (5)

Committees: Senate - Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

[S.5386](#)

A bill to require the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to carry out a pilot program to enhance the mapping of urban flooding and associated property damage and the availability of that mapped data to homeowners, businesses, and localities to help understand and mitigate the risk of such flooding, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Durbin, Richard J. \[Sen.-D-IL\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

[S.5392](#)

A bill to prohibit discrimination based on political affiliation in granting disaster assistance.

Sponsor: [Lankford, James \[Sen.-R-OK\]](#) Cosponsors: (6)

Committees: Senate - Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

[S.5402](#)

A bill to amend title 54, United States Code, to reauthorize the National Parks and Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Daines, Steve \[Sen.-R-MT\]](#) Cosponsors: (3)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Bills Reported:

[H.R.5443](#)

AACE Act

Sponsor: [Lee, Susie \[Rep.-D-NV-3\]](#) Cosponsors: (13)

Committees: House - Natural Resources | Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Committee Report: [H. Rept. 118-565](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 649.

[S.254](#)

Ski Hill Resources for Economic Development Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Bennet, Michael F. \[Sen.-D-CO\]](#) Cosponsors: (14)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 575.

[S.373](#)

RISEE Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Whitehouse, Sheldon \[Sen.-D-RI\]](#) Cosponsors: (26)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 576.

[S.482](#)

Klamath Power and Facilities Agreement Support Act

Sponsor: [Wyden, Ron \[Sen.-D-OR\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 577.

[S.620](#)

Alaska Offshore Parity Act

Sponsor: [Murkowski, Lisa \[Sen.-R-AK\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 578.

[S.739](#)

A bill to clarify jurisdiction with respect to certain Bureau of Reclamation pumped storage development, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Kelly, Mark \[Sen.-D-AZ\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources
Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 579.

[S.914](#)

ETAC Establishment Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Risch, James E. \[Sen.-R-ID\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 580.

[S.1553](#)

Resiliency for Ranching and Natural Conservation Health Act

Sponsor: [Barrasso, John \[Sen.-R-WY\]](#) Cosponsors: (3)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 581.

[S.1764](#)

Western Wildfire Support Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Cortez Masto, Catherine \[Sen.-D-NV\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 582.

[S.2132](#)

Catastrophic Wildfire Prevention Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Lee, Mike \[Sen.-R-UT\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 583.

[S.2151](#)

Utah Wildfire Research Institute Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Lee, Mike \[Sen.-R-UT\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 584.

[S.2156](#)

Bolts Ditch Act

Sponsor: [Bennet, Michael F. \[Sen.-D-CO\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 585.

[S.2160](#)

Urban Canal Modernization Act

Sponsor: [Risch, James E. \[Sen.-R-ID\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 586.

[S.2169](#)

Watershed Results Act

Sponsor: [Wyden, Ron \[Sen.-D-OR\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 587.

[S.2867](#)

Promoting Effective Forest Management Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Barrasso, John \[Sen.-R-WY\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 592.

[S.2927](#)

WaterSMART Access for Tribes Act

Sponsor: [Lujan, Ben Ray \[Sen.-D-NM\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 593.

[S.2991](#)

America's Revegetation and Carbon Sequestration Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Manchin, Joe, III \[Sen.-D-WV\]](#) Cosponsors: (3)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 594.

[S.3123](#)

Modernizing Access to Our Public Waters Act

Sponsor: [Barrasso, John \[Sen.-R-WY\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 595.

[S.3346](#)

Montana Headwaters Legacy Act

Sponsor: [Tester, Jon \[Sen.-D-MT\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 598.

[S.3593](#)

Truckee Meadows Public Lands Management Act

Sponsor: [Rosen, Jacky \[Sen.-D-NV\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 604.

[S.3596](#)

A bill to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to amend references of gilsonite to asphaltite.

Sponsor: [Lee, Mike \[Sen.-R-UT\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 605.

[S.3631](#)

Critical Minerals Security Act of 2024

Sponsor: [Cornyn, John \[Sen.-R-TX\]](#) Cosponsors: (5)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 607.

[S.3985](#)

Sarvis Creek Wilderness Completion Act

Sponsor: [Hickenlooper, John W. \[Sen.-D-CO\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources
Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 609.

[S.4016](#)

Help Hoover Dam Act

Sponsor: [Sinema, Kyrsten \[Sen.-I-AZ\]](#) Cosponsors: (5)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 610.

[S.4164](#)

Cahokia Mounds Mississippian Culture Study Act

Sponsor: [Durbin, Richard J. \[Sen.-D-IL\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 612.

[S.4209](#)

Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument Access Act

Sponsor: [King, Angus S., Jr. \[Sen.-I-ME\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 613.

[S.4222](#)

Mojave National Preserve Boundary Adjustment Act

Sponsor: [Padilla, Alex \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 616.

[S.4227](#)

Joshua Tree National Park Expansion Act of 2024

Sponsor: [Padilla, Alex \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 618.

[S.4242](#)

Drought Preparedness Act

Sponsor: [Hickenlooper, John W. \[Sen.-D-CO\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 620.

[S.4245](#)

Water Monitoring and Tracking Essential Resources Data Improvement Act

Sponsor: [Lummis, Cynthia M. \[Sen.-R-WY\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 621.

[S.4259](#)

Lahaina National Heritage Area Act

Sponsor: [Hirono, Mazie K. \[Sen.-D-HI\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 622.

[S.4347](#)

Swanson and Hugh Butler Reservoirs Land Conveyances Act

Sponsor: [Fischer, Deb \[Sen.-R-NE\]](#) Cosponsors: (3)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 623.

[S.4424](#)

National Prescribed Fire Act of 2024

Sponsor: [Wyden, Ron \[Sen.-D-OR\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 624.

[S.4432](#)

A bill to allow certain Federal minerals to be mined consistent with the Bull Mountains Mining Plan Modification.

Sponsor: [Daines, Steve \[Sen.-R-MT\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 625.

[S.4451](#)

RESERVE Federal Land Act

Sponsor: [Padilla, Alex \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 626.

[S.4457](#)

Southern Nevada Economic Development and Conservation Act

Sponsor: [Cortez Masto, Catherine \[Sen.-D-NV\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 628.

[S.4576](#)

Colorado River Basin System Conservation Extension Act

Sponsor: [Hickenlooper, John W. \[Sen.-D-CO\]](#) Cosponsors: (4)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 629.

[S.4664](#)

Department of Energy AI Act

Sponsor: [Manchin, Joe, III \[Sen.-I-WV\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 631.

[S.4851](#)

Scarper Ridge Golden Gate National Recreation Area Boundary Adjustment Act of 2024

Sponsor: [Padilla, Alex \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 632.

[S.4974](#)

A bill to amend the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act to reauthorize the National Volcano Early Warning and Monitoring System, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Murkowski, Lisa \[Sen.-R-AK\]](#) Cosponsors: (3)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 635.

[S.4996](#)

Dakota Water Resources Act Amendments of 2024

Sponsor: [Hoeven, John \[Sen.-R-ND\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 637

[S.4999](#)

A bill to amend the Aquifer Recharge Flexibility Act to clarify a provision relating to conveyances for aquifer recharge purposes.

Sponsor: [Risch, James E. \[Sen.-R-ID\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 638.

[S.5000](#)

A bill to prohibit the use of amounts from the Upper Colorado River Basin Fund to implement a certain record of decision, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Lee, Mike \[Sen.-R-UT\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 639.

[S.5005](#)

A bill to authorize additional funding for the San Joaquin River Restoration Settlement Act.

Sponsor: [Padilla, Alex \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 640.

[S.5011](#)

Sacramento RIVER Act of 2024

Sponsor: [Padilla, Alex \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 641.

[S.5012](#)

Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program Amendment Act of 2024

Sponsor: [Padilla, Alex \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#) Cosponsors: (4)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 642.

[S.5013](#)

Finish the Arkansas Valley Conduit Act

Sponsor: [Bennet, Michael F. \[Sen.-D-CO\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/21/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 643.

Passed Senate:

[H.R.2950](#)

Coastal Habitat Conservation Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Huffman, Jared \[Rep.-D-CA-2\]](#) Cosponsors: (5)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Committee Report: [H. Rept. 118-671](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 11/22/2024 Message on Senate action sent to the House.

November 20, 2024

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.10173](#)

To amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to authorize grants for toxic substances remediation in schools, to reauthorize healthy high-performance schools, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [McClellan, Jennifer L. \[Rep.-D-VA-4\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 11/20/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

[H.R.10174](#)

To direct the Secretary of Transportation to establish a program to support the research, development, demonstration, and deployment of zero-emission vessels and retrofit or replacement of existing vessels with zero-emission technologies and charging or fueling infrastructure, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Barragán, Nanette Diaz \[Rep.-D-CA-44\]](#) Cosponsors: (7)

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

Latest Action: House - 11/20/2024 Referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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.10176](#)

To authorize the Bay Mills Indian Community of the State of Michigan to convey land and interests in land owned by the Tribe.

Sponsor: [Bergman, Jack \[Rep.-R-MI-1\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 11/20/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.10180](#)

To amend the National Marine Sanctuary Act to prohibit requiring an authorization for the installation, operation, maintenance, repair, or recovery of undersea fiber optic cables in a national marine sanctuary if such activities have previously been authorized by a Federal or State agency.

Sponsor: [Carter, Earl L. "Buddy" \[Rep.-R-GA-1\]](#) Cosponsors: (5)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 11/20/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.10183](#)

To amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act and the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to provide for the delegation of authority to Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama to manage certain expanded submerged lands, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Graves, Garret \[Rep.-R-LA-6\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 11/20/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

Committee Meetings:

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries held a [hearing](#) on [H.R. 7642](#), to reauthorize the Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program Act of 1994 (16 U.S.C. 719 et seq.); [H.R. 9514](#), the "Finish the Arkansas Valley Conduit Act"; [H.R. 9515](#), the "Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program Amendment Act of 2024"; and [H.R. 9969](#), to provide for a memorandum of understanding to address the impacts of a certain record of decision on the Upper Colorado River Basin Fund. Testimony was heard from Representatives Boebert, Calvert, and Hageman; Roque Sánchez, Deputy Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Rosemary Henry, Executive Director, Wyoming Municipal Power Agency, Lusk, Wyoming; Bill Long, President, Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy, Pueblo, Colorado; Jessica Neuwerth, Acting Executive Director, Colorado River Board of California, Boulder, Colorado; and a public witness.

Other Committee Actions:

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a [markup](#) on [H.R. 6994](#), the "ROUTES Act"; [H.R. 2685](#), the "Mining Schools Act of 2023"; [H.R. 8665](#), the "Supercritical Geothermal Research and Development Act"; [H.R. 3173](#), the "Northern Nevada Economic Development and Conservation Act of 2023"; [H.R. 390](#), the "Maurice D. Hinchey Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area Enhancement Act"; [H.R. 4338](#), the "Route 66 National Historic Trail Designation Act"; [H.R. 1395](#), the "Delaware River Basin Conservation Reauthorization Act of 2023"; [H.R. 1584](#), the "Plum Island National Monument Act"; [H.R. 2687](#), to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to exclude certain payments to aged, blind, or disabled Alaska Natives or descendants of Alaska Natives from being used to determine eligibility for certain programs, and for other purposes; [H.R. 3047](#), the "Apache County and Navajo County Conveyance Act of 2023"; [H.R. 3971](#), the "Flatside Wilderness Additions Act"; [H.R. 4748](#), the

"Unrecognized Southeast Alaska Native Communities Recognition and Compensation Act"; [H.R. 5401](#), the "9/11 Memorial and Museum Act"; [H.R. 6127](#), the "MAPWaters Act"; [H.R. 6210](#), to designate the General George C. Marshall House, in the Commonwealth of Virginia, as an affiliated area of the National Park System, and for other purposes; [H.R. 7516](#), the "Purchased and Referred Care Improvement Act of 2024"; [H.R. 7938](#), the "Klamath Basin Water Agreement Support Act of 2024"; [H.R. 8012](#), the "Jackie Robinson Commemorative Site Act"; [H.R. 9516](#), the "Military Families National Parks Access Enhancement Act"; [H.R. 6489](#), the "Alaska Native Village Municipal Lands Restoration Act of 2023"; [H.R. 8308](#), the "Nutria Eradication and Control Reauthorization Act of 2024"; [H.R. 8931](#), to redesignate Saratoga National Historical Park as Saratoga National Battlefield Park; and [H.R. 8946](#), the "Revisionary Interest Conveyance Act". [H.R. 6994](#), [H.R. 2685](#), [H.R. 8665](#), [H.R. 3173](#), [H.R. 390](#), [H.R. 4338](#), [H.R. 1395](#), [H.R. 1584](#), [H.R. 2687](#), [H.R. 3047](#), [H.R. 3971](#), [H.R. 4748](#), [H.R. 5401](#), [H.R. 6127](#), [H.R. 6210](#), [H.R. 7516](#), [H.R. 7938](#), [H.R. 8012](#), and [H.R. 9516](#) were ordered reported, as amended. [H.R. 6489](#), [H.R. 8308](#), [H.R. 8931](#), [H.R. 8946](#) without amendment.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

[S.5352](#)

A bill to amend title VI of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 to establish a Federal renewable electricity standard for retail electricity suppliers, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Welch, Peter \[Sen.-D-VT\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/20/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

[S.5359](#)

A bill to amend the National Marine Sanctuary Act to prohibit requiring an authorization for the installation, operation, maintenance, repair, or recovery of undersea fiber optic cables in a national marine sanctuary if such activities have previously been authorized by a Federal or State agency.

Sponsor: [Blackburn, Marsha \[Sen.-R-TN\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 11/20/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S.5360

A bill to establish the Sutton Mountain National Monument, to authorize certain land exchanges in the State of Oregon, to convey certain Bureau of Land Management land in the State of Oregon to the city of Mitchell, Oregon, for conservation, economic, and community development purposes, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Merkley, Jeff \[Sen.-D-OR\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/20/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.5361

A bill to improve the lead time, accuracy, and dissemination of forecasts of atmospheric rivers throughout the United States, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Padilla, Alex \[Sen.-D-CA\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Action: Senate - 11/20/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S.5363

A bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to authorize grants for toxic substances remediation in schools, to reauthorize healthy high-performance schools, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Markey, Edward J. \[Sen.-D-MA\]](#) Cosponsors: (6)

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 11/20/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Bills Reported:

S.4370

Tribal Forest Protection Act Amendments Act of 2024

Sponsor: [Murkowski, Lisa \[Sen.-R-AK\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: Senate - Indian Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 11/20/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 574.

Committee Meetings:

DISASTER FUNDING

Committee on Appropriations: Committee concluded a [hearing](#) to examine disaster funding needs, after receiving testimony from Senators Ossoff and Tillis; Pete Buttigieg, Secretary of Transportation; Isabel Guzman, Administrator, Small Business Administration; Xochitl Torres Small, Secretary of Agriculture; Adrienne Todman, Deputy Secretary performing the duties of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; and Deanne Criswell, Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Matthew James Marzano, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and Matthew Kaplan, of Maryland, to be Federal Cochairperson of the Great Lakes Authority, and approved 53 General Services Administration resolutions.

SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a [hearing](#) to examine the 50th anniversary of the Safe Drinking Water Act, focusing on successes, challenges, and charting a path forward, after receiving testimony from Cathy Tucker-Vogel, Kansas Department of Health and Environment Public Water Supply Section Chief, Topeka; Radhika Fox, North Star Strategy, Bethesda, Maryland; and Buu Nygren, Navajo Nation, Arizona.

Other Committee Actions:

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

[S. 4643](#), to approve the settlement of water rights claims of the Zuni Indian Tribe in the Zuni River Stream System in the State of New Mexico, to protect the Zuni Salt Lake; [S. 4998](#), to approve the settlement of water rights claims of the Navajo Nation in the Rio San Jose Stream System in the State of New Mexico; and The nomination of Patrice H. Kunesh, of Minnesota, to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission.

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House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.10166](#)

To direct the Secretary of Defense to designate a Coordinator for Engagement with PFAS-impacted defense communities.

Sponsor: [Fitzpatrick, Brian K. \[Rep.-R-PA-1\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Armed Services

Latest Action: House - 11/19/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services.

[H.J.Res.223](#)

Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to "Waste Emissions Charge for Petroleum and Natural Gas Systems: Procedures for Facilitating Compliance, Including Netting and Exemptions".

Sponsor: [Grothman, Glenn \[Rep.-R-WI-6\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 11/19/2024 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Passed House:

[H.R.1449](#)

CLEAN Act

Sponsor: [Fulcher, Russ \[Rep.-R-ID-1\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Committee Report: [H. Rept. 118-730](#)

Latest Action: House - 11/19/2024 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

[H.Res.1576](#)

Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1449) to amend the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 to increase the frequency of lease sales, to require replacement sales, and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 9495) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to postpone tax deadlines and reimburse paid late fees for United States nationals who are unlawfully or wrongfully detained or held hostage abroad, to terminate the tax-exempt status of terrorist supporting organizations, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Fischbach, Michelle \[Rep.-R-MN-7\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Rules

Committee Report: [H. Rept. 118-754](#)

Latest Action: House - 11/19/2024 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Committee Meetings:

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Federal Lands held a [hearing](#) on [H.R. 6441](#), the "Ranching Without Red Tape Act of 2023"; [H.R. 7666](#), to require the Secretary of Agriculture to develop a strategy to increase opportunities to utilize livestock grazing as a means of wildfire risk reduction; [H.R. 8182](#), the "Ocmulgee Mounds National Park and Preserve Establishment Act"; [H.R. 8517](#), the "La Paz County Solar Energy and Job Creation Act"; [H.R. 9062](#), the "Operational Flexibility Grazing Management Program Act"; [H.R. 9165](#), the "Public Land Search and Rescue Act"; [H.R. 9528](#), to redesignate certain facilities at Paterson Great Falls National Historical Park in honor of Congressman Bill Pascrell, Jr.; [H.R. 10082](#), the "Oregon Owyhee Wilderness and Community Protection Act"; and [H.R. 10084](#), the "Renewing the African American Civil Rights Network Act". Testimony was heard from Tracy Glover, Sheriff, Kane County, Utah; Steve Lohr, Director of Natural Resources, National Forest System, U.S. Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; and public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a [hearing](#) on [H.R. 7662](#), the "Critical Minerals Security Act of 2024"; [H.R. 7807](#), the "Intergovernmental Critical Minerals Task Force Act"; [H.R. 8952](#), the "Crow Revenue Act"; and [H.R. 10005](#), the "Expedited Appeals Review Act". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

IN THE EYE OF THE STORM: OVERSIGHT OF FEMA'S DISASTER READINESS AND RESPONSE

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management held a [hearing](#) entitled "In the Eye of the Storm: Oversight of FEMA's Disaster Readiness and Response". Testimony was heard from Representatives Edwards and Castor; and Deanne Criswell, Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

[S.5342](#)

A bill to provide for the disposition of proceeds from sales of Bureau of Land Management land and National Forest System land in Washoe County, Nevada, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rosen, Jacky \[Sen.-D-NV\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Action: Senate - 11/19/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Passed Senate:

[H.R.5490](#)

Bolstering Ecosystems Against Coastal Harm Act

Sponsor: [Kiggans, Jennifer A \[Rep.-R-VA-2\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Committee Report: [H. Rept. 118-667](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 11/19/2024 Passed Senate without amendment by Voice Vote.

November 18, 2024

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.10162](#)

To require the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement with the National Academy of Sciences to carry out a study on reservation systems for Federal land.

Sponsor: [Porter, Katie \[Rep.-D-CA-47\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Agriculture; Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 11/18/2024 Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Agriculture, and Transportation and Infrastructure, 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.

Bills Reported:

[H.R.200](#)

FIR Act

Sponsor: [Rosendale Sr., Matthew M. \[Rep.-R-MT-2\]](#) Cosponsors: (5)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 11/18/2024 House Committee on Agriculture Granted an extension for further consideration ending not later than Dec. 19, 2024.

[H.R.1380](#)

Protecting America's Rock Climbing Act

Sponsor: [Curtis, John R. \[Rep.-R-UT-3\]](#) Cosponsors: (6)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 11/18/2024 House Committee on Agriculture Granted an extension for further consideration ending not later than Dec. 19, 2024.

[H.R.3293](#)

Expediting Federal Broadband Deployment Reviews Act

Sponsor: [Duncan, Jeff \[Rep.-R-SC-3\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Natural Resources; Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 11/18/2024 House Committee on Agriculture Granted an extension for further consideration ending not later than Dec. 19, 2024.

[H.R.4377](#)

To amend the Military Lands Withdrawal Act of 1999 with respect to extensions, additions, and revisions to the Barry M. Goldwater Range in Arizona.

Sponsor: [Grijalva, Raúl M. \[Rep.-D-AZ-7\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Armed Services

Latest Action: House - 11/18/2024 House Committee on Armed Services Granted an extension for further consideration ending not later than Dec. 19, 2024.

[H.R.5665](#)

Promoting Accessibility on Federal Lands Act of 2023

Sponsor: [Stansbury, Melanie Ann \[Rep.-D-NM-1\]](#) Cosponsors: (8)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 11/18/2024 House Committee on Agriculture Granted an extension for further consideration ending not later than Dec. 19, 2024.

[H.R.8811](#)

America's Conservation Enhancement Reauthorization Act of 2024

Sponsor: [Wittman, Robert J. \[Rep.-R-VA-1\]](#) Cosponsors: (5)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Transportation and Infrastructure; Agriculture; Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 11/18/2024 House Committee on Energy and Commerce

Granted an extension for further consideration ending not later than Dec. 19, 2024.

[H.Res.1576](#)

Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1449) to amend the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 to increase the frequency of lease sales, to require replacement sales, and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 9495) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to postpone tax deadlines and reimburse paid late fees for United States nationals who are unlawfully or wrongfully detained or held hostage abroad, to terminate the tax-exempt status of terrorist supporting organizations, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Fischbach, Michelle \[Rep.-R-MN-7\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Rules

Committee Report: [H. Rept. 118-754](#)

Latest Action: House - 11/18/2024 Placed on the House Calendar, Calendar No. 95.

Committee Meetings:

COMMITTING LEASES FOR ENERGY ACCESS NOW ACT

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a [hearing](#) on [H.R. 1449](#), the "Committing Leases for Energy Access Now Act". The Committee granted, by a record vote of 9–3, a rule providing for consideration of [H.R. 1449](#), the "Committing Leases for Energy Access Now Act". Testimony was heard from Chairman Westerman.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

[S.5335](#)

A bill to provide for the reform and continuation of agricultural and other programs of the Department of Agriculture through fiscal year 2029, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Stabenow, Debbie \[Sen.-D-MI\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 11/18/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.5338](#)

A bill to amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to modify the experience requirement for direct farm ownership loans, eliminate the 10-year limitation on direct farm ownership loans, allow direct loans to be used for refinancing indebtedness, increase the lifetime limitation on debt forgiveness per borrower, and provide flexibility with respect to loan fund set asides for beginning farmers and ranchers, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Welch, Peter \[Sen.-D-VT\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 11/18/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.5341](#)

A bill making supplemental appropriations for small business disaster relief for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2025.

Sponsor: [Tillis, Thomas \[Sen.-R-NC\]](#) Cosponsors: (8)

Committees: Senate - Small Business and Entrepreneurship

Latest Action: Senate - 11/18/2024 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

Bills Reported:

[S.2783](#)

Miccosukee Reserved Area Amendments Act

Sponsor: [Rubio, Marco \[Sen.-R-FL\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Indian Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 11/18/2024 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 560.