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Making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2027, and for other purposes.

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### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 5, 2026

Mr. SIMPSON, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following bill; which was committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

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## A BILL

Making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2027, and for other purposes.



1 U.S.C. 1331 et seq.), shall remain available until ex-  
2 pended: *Provided*, That amounts in the fee account of the  
3 BLM Permit Processing Improvement Fund may be used  
4 for any bureau-related expenses associated with the proc-  
5 essing of oil and gas applications for permits to drill and  
6 related use of authorizations: *Provided further*, That of the  
7 amounts made available under this heading, up to  
8 \$5,000,000 may be made available for the purposes de-  
9 scribed in section 122(e)(1)(A) of division G of Public Law  
10 115–31 (43 U.S.C. 1748c(e)(1)(A)): *Provided further*,  
11 That of the amounts made available under this heading,  
12 not to exceed \$15,000 may be for official reception and  
13 representation expenses.

14 In addition, \$42,696,000 is for Mining Law Adminis-  
15 tration program operations, including the cost of admin-  
16 istering the mining claim fee program, to remain available  
17 until expended, to be reduced by amounts collected by the  
18 Bureau and credited to this appropriation from mining  
19 claim maintenance fees and location fees that are hereby  
20 authorized for fiscal year 2027, so as to result in a final  
21 appropriation estimated at not more than \$1,212,095,000,  
22 and \$2,000,000, to remain available until expended, from  
23 communication site rental fees established by the Bureau  
24 for the cost of administering communication site activities.

## 1 OREGON AND CALIFORNIA GRANT LANDS

2 For expenses necessary for management, protection,  
3 and development of resources and for construction, oper-  
4 ation, and maintenance of access roads, reforestation, and  
5 other improvements on the revested Oregon and California  
6 Railroad grant lands, on other Federal lands in the Or-  
7 egon and California land-grant counties of Oregon, and  
8 on adjacent rights-of-way; and acquisition of lands or in-  
9 terests therein, including existing connecting roads on or  
10 adjacent to such grant lands; \$104,954,000, to remain  
11 available until expended.

## 12 RANGE IMPROVEMENTS

13 For rehabilitation, protection, and acquisition of  
14 lands and interests therein, and improvement of Federal  
15 rangelands pursuant to section 401 of the Federal Land  
16 Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1751),  
17 notwithstanding any other Act, sums equal to 50 percent  
18 of all moneys received during the prior fiscal year under  
19 sections 3 and 15 of the Taylor Grazing Act (43 U.S.C.  
20 315b, 315m) and the amount designated for range im-  
21 provements from grazing fees and mineral leasing receipts  
22 from Bankhead-Jones lands transferred to the Depart-  
23 ment of the Interior pursuant to law, but not less than  
24 \$10,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*

1 *vided*, That not to exceed \$600,000 shall be available for  
2 administrative expenses.

3 SERVICE CHARGES, DEPOSITS, AND FORFEITURES

4 For administrative expenses and other costs related  
5 to processing application documents and other authoriza-  
6 tions for use and disposal of public lands and resources,  
7 for costs of providing copies of official public land docu-  
8 ments, for monitoring construction, operation, and termi-  
9 nation of facilities in conjunction with use authorizations,  
10 and for rehabilitation of damaged property, such amounts  
11 as may be collected under Public Law 94–579 (43 U.S.C.  
12 1701 et seq.), and under section 28 of the Mineral Leasing  
13 Act (30 U.S.C. 185), to remain available until expended:  
14 *Provided*, That notwithstanding any provision to the con-  
15 trary of section 305(a) of Public Law 94–579 (43 U.S.C.  
16 1735(a)), any moneys that have been or will be received  
17 pursuant to that section, whether as a result of forfeiture,  
18 compromise, or settlement, if not appropriate for refund  
19 pursuant to section 305(c) of Public Law 94–579 (43  
20 U.S.C. 1735(c)), shall be available and may be expended  
21 under the authority of this Act by the Secretary of the  
22 Interior to improve, protect, or rehabilitate any public  
23 lands administered through the Bureau of Land Manage-  
24 ment which have been damaged by the action of a resource  
25 developer, purchaser, permittee, or any unauthorized per-

1 son, without regard to whether all moneys collected from  
2 each such action are used on the exact lands damaged  
3 which led to the action: *Provided further*, That any such  
4 moneys that are in excess of amounts needed to repair  
5 damage to the exact land for which funds were collected  
6 may be used to repair other damaged public lands.

7 MISCELLANEOUS TRUST FUNDS

8 In addition to amounts authorized to be expended  
9 under existing laws, there is hereby appropriated such  
10 amounts as may be contributed under section 307 of Pub-  
11 lic Law 94-579 (43 U.S.C. 1737), and such amounts as  
12 may be advanced for administrative costs, surveys, ap-  
13 praisals, and costs of making conveyances of omitted lands  
14 under section 211(b) of that Act (43 U.S.C. 1721(b)), to  
15 remain available until expended.

16 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

17 The Bureau of Land Management may carry out the  
18 operations funded under this Act by direct expenditure,  
19 contracts, grants, cooperative agreements, and reimburs-  
20 able agreements with public and private entities, including  
21 with States. Appropriations for the Bureau shall be avail-  
22 able for purchase, erection, and dismantlement of tem-  
23 porary structures, and alteration and maintenance of nec-  
24 essary buildings and appurtenant facilities to which the  
25 United States has title; up to \$100,000 for payments, at

1 the discretion of the Secretary, for information or evidence  
2 concerning violations of laws administered by the Bureau;  
3 miscellaneous and emergency expenses of enforcement ac-  
4 tivities authorized or approved by the Secretary and to be  
5 accounted for solely on the Secretary's certificate, not to  
6 exceed \$10,000: *Provided*, That notwithstanding Public  
7 Law 90-620 (44 U.S.C. 501), the Bureau may, under co-  
8 operative cost-sharing and partnership arrangements au-  
9 thorized by law, procure printing services from cooperators  
10 in connection with jointly produced publications for which  
11 the cooperators share the cost of printing either in cash  
12 or in services, and the Bureau determines the cooperator  
13 is capable of meeting accepted quality standards: *Provided*  
14 *further*, That projects to be funded pursuant to a written  
15 commitment by a State government to provide an identi-  
16 fied amount of money in support of the project may be  
17 carried out by the Bureau on a reimbursable basis.

18 UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

19 RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

20 For necessary expenses of the United States Fish and  
21 Wildlife Service, as authorized by law, and for scientific  
22 and economic studies, general administration, and for the  
23 performance of other authorized functions related to such  
24 resources, \$1,362,899,000, to remain available until Sep-  
25 tember 30, 2028, of which not to exceed \$15,000 may be

1 for official reception and representation expenses: *Pro-*  
2 *vided*, That not to exceed \$7,352,000 shall be used for  
3 implementing subsections (a), (b), (c), and (e) of section  
4 4 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C.  
5 1533) (except for processing petitions, developing and  
6 issuing proposed and final regulations, and taking any  
7 other steps to implement actions described in subsection  
8 (c)(2)(A), (c)(2)(B)(i), or (c)(2)(B)(ii) of such section), of  
9 which not to exceed \$1,622,500 shall be used for any ac-  
10 tivity regarding the designation of critical habitat, pursu-  
11 ant to subsection (a)(3), excluding litigation support, for  
12 species listed pursuant to subsection (a)(1) prior to Octo-  
13 ber 1, 2015; of which not to exceed \$516,250 shall be used  
14 for any activity regarding petitions to list species that are  
15 indigenous to the United States pursuant to subsections  
16 (b)(3)(A) and (b)(3)(B); and, of which not to exceed  
17 \$516,250 shall be used for implementing subsections (a),  
18 (b), (c), and (e) of section 4 of the Endangered Species  
19 Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1533) for species that are not  
20 indigenous to the United States.

21 CONSTRUCTION

22 For construction, improvement, acquisition, or re-  
23 moval of buildings and other facilities required in the con-  
24 servation, management, investigation, protection, and uti-  
25 lization of fish and wildlife resources, and the acquisition

1 of lands and interests therein; \$13,705,000, to remain  
2 available until expended.

3 COOPERATIVE ENDANGERED SPECIES CONSERVATION

4 FUND

5 For expenses necessary to carry out section 6 of the  
6 Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1535),  
7 \$22,202,000, to remain available until expended, to be de-  
8 rived from the Cooperative Endangered Species Conserva-  
9 tion Fund.

10 NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE FUND

11 For expenses necessary to implement the Act of Octo-  
12 ber 17, 1978 (16 U.S.C. 715s), \$16,228,000.

13 NORTH AMERICAN WETLANDS CONSERVATION FUND

14 For expenses necessary to carry out the provisions  
15 of the North American Wetlands Conservation Act (16  
16 U.S.C. 4401 et seq.), \$52,000,000, to remain available  
17 until expended.

18 NEOTROPICAL MIGRATORY BIRD CONSERVATION

19 For expenses necessary to carry out the Neotropical  
20 Migratory Bird Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 6101 et  
21 seq.), \$5,000,000, to remain available until expended.

22 MULTINATIONAL SPECIES CONSERVATION FUND

23 For expenses necessary to carry out the African Ele-  
24 phant Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 4201 et seq.), the  
25 Asian Elephant Conservation Act of 1997 (16 U.S.C.

1 4261 et seq.), the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act  
2 of 1994 (16 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), the Great Ape Con-  
3 servation Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.), and the  
4 Marine Turtle Conservation Act of 2004 (16 U.S.C. 6601  
5 et seq.), \$21,000,000, to remain available until expended.

6 STATE AND TRIBAL WILDLIFE GRANTS

7 For wildlife conservation grants to States and to the  
8 District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the United  
9 States Virgin Islands, the Northern Mariana Islands,  
10 American Samoa, and Indian Tribes under the provisions  
11 of the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 and the Fish and  
12 Wildlife Coordination Act, for the development and imple-  
13 mentation of programs for the benefit of wildlife and their  
14 habitat, including species that are not hunted or fished,  
15 \$75,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*  
16 *vided*, That of the amount provided herein, \$6,300,000 is  
17 for a competitive grant program for Indian Tribes not sub-  
18 ject to the remaining provisions of this appropriation: *Pro-*  
19 *vided further*, That \$7,700,000 is for a competitive grant  
20 program to implement approved plans for States, terri-  
21 tories, and other jurisdictions and at the discretion of af-  
22 fected States, the regional Associations of fish and wildlife  
23 agencies, not subject to the remaining provisions of this  
24 appropriation: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall,  
25 after deducting \$14,000,000 and administrative expenses,

1 apportion the amount provided herein in the following  
2 manner: (1) to the District of Columbia and to the Com-  
3 monwealth of Puerto Rico, each a sum equal to not more  
4 than one-half of 1 percent thereof; and (2) to Guam,  
5 American Samoa, the United States Virgin Islands, and  
6 the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, each  
7 a sum equal to not more than one-fourth of 1 percent  
8 thereof: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Inte-  
9 rior shall apportion the remaining amount in the following  
10 manner: (1) one-third of which is based on the ratio to  
11 which the land area of such State bears to the total land  
12 area of all such States; and (2) two-thirds of which is  
13 based on the ratio to which the population of such State  
14 bears to the total population of all such States: *Provided*  
15 *further*, That the amounts apportioned under this para-  
16 graph shall be adjusted equitably so that no State shall  
17 be apportioned a sum which is less than 1 percent of the  
18 amount available for apportionment under this paragraph  
19 for any fiscal year or more than 5 percent of such amount:  
20 *Provided further*, That the Federal share of planning  
21 grants shall not exceed 75 percent of the total costs of  
22 such projects and the Federal share of implementation  
23 grants shall not exceed 65 percent of the total costs of  
24 such projects: *Provided further*, That the non-Federal  
25 share of such projects may not be derived from Federal

1 grant programs: *Provided further*, That any amount ap-  
2 portioned in 2027 to any State, territory, or other jurisdic-  
3 tion that remains unobligated as of September 30, 2028,  
4 shall be reapportioned, together with funds appropriated  
5 in 2029, in the manner provided herein.

6 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

7 The United States Fish and Wildlife Service may  
8 carry out the operations of Service programs by direct ex-  
9 penditure, contracts, grants, cooperative agreements and  
10 reimbursable agreements with public and private entities.  
11 Appropriations and funds available to the United States  
12 Fish and Wildlife Service shall be available for repair of  
13 damage to public roads within and adjacent to reservation  
14 areas caused by operations of the Service; options for the  
15 purchase of land at not to exceed one dollar for each op-  
16 tion; facilities incident to such public recreational uses on  
17 conservation areas as are consistent with their primary  
18 purpose; and the maintenance and improvement of aquar-  
19 ia, buildings, and other facilities under the jurisdiction of  
20 the Service and to which the United States has title, and  
21 which are used pursuant to law in connection with man-  
22 agement, and investigation of fish and wildlife resources:  
23 *Provided*, That notwithstanding 44 U.S.C. 501, the Serv-  
24 ice may, under cooperative cost sharing and partnership  
25 arrangements authorized by law, procure printing services

1 from cooperators in connection with jointly produced pub-  
2 lications for which the cooperators share at least one-half  
3 the cost of printing either in cash or services and the Serv-  
4 ice determines the cooperator is capable of meeting accept-  
5 ed quality standards: *Provided further*, That the Service  
6 may accept donated aircraft as replacements for existing  
7 aircraft: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding 31 U.S.C.  
8 3302, all fees collected for non-toxic shot review and ap-  
9 proval shall be deposited under the heading “United  
10 States Fish and Wildlife Service—Resource Management”  
11 and shall be available to the Secretary, without further  
12 appropriation, to be used for expenses of processing of  
13 such non-toxic shot type or coating applications and revis-  
14 ing regulations as necessary, and shall remain available  
15 until expended.

16 NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

17 OPERATION OF THE NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM

18 For expenses necessary for the management, oper-  
19 ation, and maintenance of areas and facilities adminis-  
20 tered by the National Park Service and for the general  
21 administration of the National Park Service,  
22 \$2,874,162,000, of which \$11,661,000 for planning and  
23 interagency coordination in support of Everglades restora-  
24 tion and \$15,000,000 for uses authorized by section  
25 101122 of title 54, United States Code shall remain avail-

1 able until September 30, 2028, and not to exceed \$15,000  
2 may be for official reception and representation expenses:  
3 *Provided*, That funds appropriated under this heading in  
4 this Act are available for the purposes of section 5 of Pub-  
5 lic Law 95–348.

6 In addition, for purposes described in section 2404  
7 of Public Law 116–9, an amount equal to the amount de-  
8 posited in this fiscal year into the National Park Medical  
9 Services Fund established pursuant to such section of  
10 such Act, to remain available until expended, shall be de-  
11 rived from such Fund.

#### 12 NATIONAL RECREATION AND PRESERVATION

13 For expenses necessary to carry out recreation pro-  
14 grams, natural programs, cultural programs, heritage  
15 partnership programs, environmental compliance and re-  
16 view, international park affairs, and grant administration,  
17 not otherwise provided for, \$92,346,000, to remain avail-  
18 able until September 30, 2028.

#### 19 HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND

20 For expenses necessary in carrying out the National  
21 Historic Preservation Act (division A of subtitle III of title  
22 54, United States Code), \$163,650,000, to be derived  
23 from the Historic Preservation Fund and to remain avail-  
24 able until September 30, 2028, of which \$25,500,000 shall  
25 be for Save America’s Treasures grants for preservation

1 of nationally significant sites, structures and artifacts as  
2 authorized by section 7303 of the Omnibus Public Land  
3 Management Act of 2009 (54 U.S.C. 3089): *Provided*,  
4 That an individual Save America's Treasures grant shall  
5 be matched by non-Federal funds: *Provided further*, That  
6 individual projects shall only be eligible for one grant: *Pro-*  
7 *vided further*, That all projects to be funded shall be ap-  
8 proved by the Secretary of the Interior in consultation  
9 with the House and Senate Committees on Appropria-  
10 tions: *Provided further*, That of the funds provided for the  
11 Historic Preservation Fund, \$30,250,000 is for the Com-  
12 petitive Grants Subactivity; \$11,000,000 is for grants to  
13 Historically Black Colleges and Universities; \$7,000,000  
14 is for competitive grants for the restoration of historic  
15 properties of national, State, and local significance listed  
16 on or eligible for inclusion on the National Register of His-  
17 toric Places, to be made without imposing the usage or  
18 direct grant restrictions of section 101(e)(3) (54 U.S.C.  
19 302904) of the National Historic Preservation Act;  
20 \$4,000,000 is for a competitive grant program to honor  
21 the semiquincentennial anniversary of the United States  
22 by restoring and preserving sites and structures listed on  
23 the National Register of Historic Places that commemo-  
24 rate the founding of the nation: *Provided further*, That  
25 such competitive grants shall be made without imposing

1 the matching requirements in section 302902(b)(3) of title  
2 54, United States Code to States and Indian Tribes as  
3 defined in chapter 3003 of such title, Native Hawaiian or-  
4 ganizations, local governments, including Certified Local  
5 Governments, and nonprofit organizations.

6 CONSTRUCTION

7 For construction, improvements, repair, or replace-  
8 ment of physical facilities, and related equipment, and  
9 compliance and planning for programs and areas adminis-  
10 tered by the National Park Service, \$90,139,000, to re-  
11 main available until expended: *Provided*, That notwith-  
12 standing any other provision of law, for any project ini-  
13 tially funded in fiscal year 2027 with a future phase indi-  
14 cated in the National Park Service 5–Year Line Item Con-  
15 struction Plan, a single procurement may be issued which  
16 includes the full scope of the project: *Provided further*,  
17 That the solicitation and contract shall contain the clause  
18 availability of funds found at 48 CFR 52.232–18: *Pro-*  
19 *vided further*, That National Park Service Donations,  
20 Park Concessions Franchise Fees, and Recreation Fees  
21 may be made available for the cost of adjustments and  
22 changes within the original scope of effort for projects  
23 funded by the National Park Service Construction appro-  
24 priation: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Inte-  
25 rior shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations,

1 in accordance with current reprogramming thresholds,  
2 prior to making any charges authorized under this head-  
3 ing.

#### 4 CENTENNIAL CHALLENGE

5 For expenses necessary to carry out the provisions  
6 of section 101701 of title 54, United States Code, relating  
7 to challenge cost share agreements, \$5,000,000, to remain  
8 available until expended, for Centennial Challenge projects  
9 and programs: *Provided*, That not less than 50 percent  
10 of the total cost of each project or program shall be de-  
11 rived from non-Federal sources in the form of donated  
12 cash, assets, or a pledge of donation guaranteed by an ir-  
13 revocable letter of credit.

#### 14 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

##### 15 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

16 In addition to other uses set forth in section  
17 101917(c)(2) of title 54, United States Code, franchise  
18 fees credited to a sub-account shall be available for ex-  
19 penditure by the Secretary, without further appropriation,  
20 for use at any unit within the National Park System to  
21 extinguish or reduce liability for Possessory Interest or  
22 leasehold surrender interest. Such funds may only be used  
23 for this purpose to the extent that the benefitting unit an-  
24 ticipated franchise fee receipts over the term of the con-  
25 tract at that unit exceed the amount of funds used to ex-

1   tinguish or reduce liability. Franchise fees at the benefit-  
2   ting unit shall be credited to the sub-account of the origi-  
3   nating unit over a period not to exceed the term of a single  
4   contract at the benefitting unit, in the amount of funds  
5   so expended to extinguish or reduce liability.

6         For the costs of administration of the Land and  
7   Water Conservation Fund grants authorized by section  
8   105(a)(2)(B) of Public Law 109–432 (43 U.S.C. 1331  
9   note), the National Park Service may retain up to 3 per-  
10   cent of the amounts which are authorized to be disbursed  
11   under such section, such retained amounts to remain  
12   available until expended.

13         National Park Service funds may be transferred to  
14   the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Depart-  
15   ment of Transportation, for purposes authorized under 23  
16   U.S.C. 203. Transfers may include a reasonable amount  
17   for FHWA administrative support costs.

18         The National Park Service shall maintain staffing  
19   levels in order to fulfill the mission required under the  
20   Acts within title 16 and title 43, United States Code, and  
21   title 54, United States Code, including to protect natural  
22   and cultural resources, provide and maintain appropriate  
23   access and recreation for visitors, provide safety pre-  
24   cautions for visitors and staff, maintain physical and nat-  
25   ural infrastructure, provide information and respond to

1 stakeholders and the general public, conduct Tribal con-  
2 sultation, provide for administrative support, administer  
3 historic and other preservation programs, and carry out  
4 other activities in support of effectively operating the Na-  
5 tional Park System and carrying out programs adminis-  
6 tered by the National Park Service in a timely manner.

7 UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

8 SURVEYS, INVESTIGATIONS, AND RESEARCH

9 For expenses necessary for the United States Geo-  
10 logical Survey to perform surveys, investigations, and re-  
11 search covering topography, geology, hydrology, biology,  
12 and the mineral and water resources of the United States,  
13 its territories and possessions, and other areas as author-  
14 ized by 43 U.S.C. 31, 1332, and 1340; classify lands as  
15 to their mineral and water resources; give engineering su-  
16 pervision to power permittees and Federal Energy Regu-  
17 latory Commission licensees; administer the minerals ex-  
18 ploration program (30 U.S.C. 641); conduct inquiries into  
19 the economic conditions affecting mining and materials  
20 processing industries (30 U.S.C. 3, 21a, and 1603; 50  
21 U.S.C. 98g(a)(1)) and related purposes as authorized by  
22 law; and to publish and disseminate data relative to the  
23 foregoing activities; \$1,367,928,000, to remain available  
24 until September 30, 2028; of which \$95,334,000 shall re-  
25 main available until expended for satellite operations; and

1 of which \$53,130,000 shall be available until expended for  
2 deferred maintenance and capital improvement projects  
3 that exceed \$100,000 in cost: *Provided*, That none of the  
4 funds provided for the ecosystem research activity shall  
5 be used to conduct new surveys on private property, unless  
6 specifically authorized in writing by the property owner:  
7 *Provided further*, That no part of this appropriation shall  
8 be used to pay more than one-half the cost of topographic  
9 mapping or water resources data collection and investiga-  
10 tions carried on in cooperation with States and municipali-  
11 ties: *Provided further*, That of the amount appropriated  
12 under this heading, not to exceed \$15,000 may be for offi-  
13 cial reception and representation expenses.

14 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

15 From within the amount appropriated for activities  
16 of the United States Geological Survey such sums as are  
17 necessary shall be available for contracting for the fur-  
18 nishing of topographic maps and for the making of geo-  
19 physical or other specialized surveys when it is administra-  
20 tively determined that such procedures are in the public  
21 interest; construction and maintenance of necessary build-  
22 ings and appurtenant facilities; acquisition of lands for  
23 gauging stations, observation wells, and seismic equip-  
24 ment; expenses of the United States National Committee  
25 for Geological Sciences; and payment of compensation and

1 expenses of persons employed by the Survey duly ap-  
2 pointed to represent the United States in the negotiation  
3 and administration of interstate compacts: *Provided*, That  
4 activities funded by appropriations herein made may be  
5 accomplished through the use of contracts, grants, or co-  
6 operative agreements (including noncompetitive coopera-  
7 tive agreements with Tribes) as defined in section 6302  
8 of title 31, United States Code: *Provided further*, That the  
9 United States Geological Survey may enter into contracts  
10 or cooperative agreements directly with individuals or indi-  
11 rectly with institutions or nonprofit organizations, without  
12 regard to 41 U.S.C. 6101, for the temporary or intermit-  
13 tent services of students or recent graduates, who shall  
14 be considered employees for the purpose of chapters 57  
15 and 81 of title 5, United States Code, relating to com-  
16 pensation for travel and work injuries, and chapter 171  
17 of title 28, United States Code, relating to tort claims,  
18 but shall not be considered to be Federal employees for  
19 any other purposes.

20 BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT

21 OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT

22 For expenses necessary for granting and admin-  
23 istering leases, easements, rights-of-way, and agreements  
24 for use for oil and gas, other minerals, energy, and ma-  
25 rine-related purposes on the Outer Continental Shelf and

1 approving operations related thereto, as authorized by law;  
2 for environmental studies, as authorized by law; for imple-  
3 menting other laws and to the extent provided by Presi-  
4 dential or Secretarial delegation; and for matching grants  
5 or cooperative agreements, \$182,928,000, of which  
6 \$105,928,000 is to remain available until September 30,  
7 2028, and of which \$77,000,000 is to remain available  
8 until expended: *Provided*, That this total appropriation  
9 shall be reduced by amounts collected by the Secretary of  
10 the Interior and credited to this appropriation from addi-  
11 tions to receipts resulting from increases to lease rental  
12 rates in effect on August 5, 1993, and from cost recovery  
13 fees from activities conducted by the Bureau of Ocean En-  
14 ergy Management pursuant to the Outer Continental Shelf  
15 Lands Act, including studies, assessments, analysis, and  
16 miscellaneous administrative activities: *Provided further*,  
17 That the sum herein appropriated shall be reduced as such  
18 collections are received during the fiscal year, so as to re-  
19 sult in a final fiscal year 2027 appropriation estimated  
20 at not more than \$105,928,000: *Provided further*, That  
21 not to exceed \$3,000 shall be available for reasonable ex-  
22 penses related to promoting volunteer beach and marine  
23 cleanup activities: *Provided further*, That not to exceed  
24 \$5,000 shall be available for official reception and rep-  
25 resentation expenses.

1           BUREAU OF SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL  
2                           ENFORCEMENT  
3 OFFSHORE SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT  
4       For expenses necessary for the regulation of oper-  
5 ations related to leases, easements, rights-of-way, and  
6 agreements for use for oil and gas, other minerals, energy,  
7 and marine-related purposes on the Outer Continental  
8 Shelf, as authorized by law; for enforcing and imple-  
9 menting laws and regulations as authorized by law and  
10 to the extent provided by Presidential or Secretarial dele-  
11 gation; and for matching grants or cooperative agree-  
12 ments, \$159,300,000, of which \$118,420,000, including  
13 not to exceed \$3,000 for official reception and representa-  
14 tion expenses, is to remain available until September 30,  
15 2028, and of which \$40,880,000 is to remain available  
16 until expended, including \$2,880,000 for offshore decom-  
17 missioning activities: *Provided*, That this total appropria-  
18 tion shall be reduced by amounts collected by the Sec-  
19 retary of the Interior and credited to this appropriation  
20 from additions to receipts resulting from increases to lease  
21 rental rates in effect on August 5, 1993, and from cost  
22 recovery fees from activities conducted by the Bureau of  
23 Safety and Environmental Enforcement pursuant to the  
24 Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, including studies, as-  
25 sessments, analysis, and miscellaneous administrative ac-

1 tivities: *Provided further*, That the sum herein appro-  
2 priated shall be reduced as such collections are received  
3 during the fiscal year, so as to result in a final fiscal year  
4 2027 appropriation estimated at not more than  
5 \$121,300,000.

6 For an additional amount, \$35,000,000, to remain  
7 available until expended, to be reduced by amounts col-  
8 lected by the Secretary and credited to this appropriation,  
9 which shall be derived from non-refundable inspection fees  
10 collected in fiscal year 2027, as provided in this Act: *Pro-*  
11 *vided*, That for fiscal year 2027, not less than 50 percent  
12 of the inspection fees expended by the Bureau of Safety  
13 and Environmental Enforcement will be used to fund per-  
14 sonnel and mission-related costs to expand capacity and  
15 expedite the orderly development, subject to environmental  
16 safeguards, of the Outer Continental Shelf pursuant to the  
17 Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1331 et  
18 seq.), including the review of applications for permits to  
19 drill.

20 OIL SPILL RESEARCH

21 For necessary expenses to carry out title I, section  
22 1016; title IV, sections 4202 and 4303; title VII; and title  
23 VIII, section 8201 of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990,  
24 \$15,099,000, which shall be derived from the Oil Spill Li-  
25 ability Trust Fund, to remain available until expended.



1 year 2027 appropriation estimated at not more than  
2 \$119,786,000.

3 ABANDONED MINE RECLAMATION FUND

4 For necessary expenses to carry out title IV of the  
5 Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977,  
6 Public Law 95–87, \$33,377,000, to be derived from re-  
7 ceipts of the Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund and to  
8 remain available until expended: *Provided*, That pursuant  
9 to Public Law 97–365, the Department of the Interior is  
10 authorized to use up to 20 percent from the recovery of  
11 the delinquent debt owed to the United States Government  
12 to pay for contracts to collect these debts: *Provided fur-*  
13 *ther*, That funds made available under title IV of Public  
14 Law 95–87, may be used for any required non-Federal  
15 share of the cost of projects funded by the Federal Gov-  
16 ernment for the purpose of environmental restoration re-  
17 lated to treatment or abatement of acid mine drainage  
18 from abandoned mines: *Provided further*, That such  
19 projects must be consistent with the purposes and prior-  
20 ities of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act:  
21 *Provided further*, That amounts provided under this head-  
22 ing may be used for the travel and per diem expenses of  
23 State and Tribal personnel attending Office of Surface  
24 Mining Reclamation and Enforcement sponsored training:  
25 *Provided further*, That of the amounts provided under this

1 heading, not to exceed \$5,000 shall be available for official  
2 reception and representation expenses.

3       In addition, \$135,000,000, to remain available until  
4 expended, for payments to States and federally recognized  
5 Indian Tribes for reclamation of abandoned mine lands  
6 and other related activities in accordance with the terms  
7 and conditions described in the report accompanying this  
8 Act: *Provided*, That such additional amount shall be used  
9 for economic and community development in conjunction  
10 with the priorities described in section 403(a) of the Sur-  
11 face Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 (30  
12 U.S.C. 1233(a)): *Provided further*, That of such additional  
13 amount, \$88,850,000 shall be distributed in equal  
14 amounts to the three Appalachian States with the greatest  
15 amount of unfunded needs to meet the priorities described  
16 in paragraphs (1) and (2) of such section, \$34,400,000  
17 shall be distributed in equal amounts to the three Appa-  
18 lachian States with the subsequent greatest amount of un-  
19 funded needs to meet such priorities, and \$11,750,000  
20 shall be for grants to federally recognized Indian Tribes,  
21 without regard to their status as certified or uncertified  
22 under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act  
23 of 1977 (30 U.S.C. 1233(a)), for reclamation of aban-  
24 doned mine lands and other related activities in accord-  
25 ance with the terms and conditions described in the report

1 accompanying this Act and shall be used for economic and  
2 community development in conjunction with the priorities  
3 in section 403(a) of the Surface Mining Control and Rec-  
4 lamation Act of 1977: *Provided further*, That such pay-  
5 ments shall be made to States and federally recognized  
6 Indian Tribes not later than 90 days after the date of the  
7 enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That if payments  
8 have not been made by the date specified in the preceding  
9 proviso, the amount appropriated for salaries and ex-  
10 penses under the heading “Office of Surface Mining Rec-  
11 lamation and Enforcement” shall be reduced by \$100,000  
12 per day until such payments have been made.

13 INDIAN AFFAIRS

14 BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

15 OPERATION OF INDIAN PROGRAMS

16 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

17 For expenses necessary for the operation of Indian  
18 programs, as authorized by law, including the Snyder Act  
19 of November 2, 1921 (25 U.S.C. 13) and the Indian Self-  
20 Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (25  
21 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), \$2,269,716,000, to remain available  
22 until September 30, 2028, except as otherwise provided  
23 herein; of which not to exceed \$15,000 may be for official  
24 reception and representation expenses; of which not to ex-  
25 ceed \$1,500,000 shall be available for the assumption of

1 functions and activities formerly performed by the Office  
2 of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation (ONHIR) as au-  
3 thorized by the Navajo-Hopi Land Settlement Act of 1974  
4 (Public Law 93–351, as amended), to ensure the full and  
5 complete discharge of the functions of ONHIR, including  
6 the functions and responsibilities of ONHIR relating to  
7 certified relocation applications, appeals pending with  
8 ONHIR, records management, and support services for  
9 households relocated pursuant to the Navajo-Hopi Land  
10 Settlement Act of 1974: *Provided*, That any funding made  
11 available in prior Acts to the Office of Navajo and Hopi  
12 Indian Relocation or in this or prior Acts to the “Depart-  
13 ment of the Interior — Indian Affairs — Bureau of In-  
14 dian Affairs — Operation of Indian Programs” for the  
15 Navajo-Hopi Settlement Program may be used by the De-  
16 partment for such purposes including through reprogram-  
17 ming or transfer: *Provided further*, That not to exceed  
18 \$80,494,000 of funds made available under this heading  
19 shall be for welfare assistance payments: *Provided further*,  
20 That in cases of designated Federal disasters, the Sec-  
21 retary of the Interior may exceed such cap for welfare pay-  
22 ments from the amounts provided herein, to provide for  
23 disaster relief to Indian communities affected by the dis-  
24 aster: *Provided further*, That federally recognized Indian  
25 Tribes and Tribal organizations of federally recognized In-

1 dian Tribes may use their Tribal priority allocations for  
2 unmet welfare assistance costs: *Provided further*, That not  
3 to exceed \$78,661,000 shall remain available until ex-  
4 pended for housing improvement, road maintenance, land  
5 acquisition, attorney fees, litigation support, land records  
6 improvement, hearings and appeals, and the Navajo-Hopi  
7 Settlement Program: *Provided further*, That any forestry  
8 funds allocated to a federally recognized Indian Tribe  
9 which remain unobligated as of September 30, 2028, may  
10 be transferred during fiscal year 2029 to an Indian forest  
11 land assistance account established for the benefit of the  
12 holder of the funds within the holder’s trust fund account:  
13 *Provided further*, That any such unobligated balances not  
14 so transferred shall expire on September 30, 2029: *Pro-*  
15 *vided further*, That in order to enhance the safety of Bu-  
16 reau field employees, the Bureau may use funds to pur-  
17 chase uniforms or other identifying articles of clothing for  
18 personnel: *Provided further*, That not to exceed  
19 \$7,664,000 of funds made available under this heading  
20 may, as needed, be transferred to “Office of the Sec-  
21 retary—Departmental Operations” for trust, probate, and  
22 administrative functions: *Provided further*, That the Bu-  
23 reau of Indian Affairs may accept transfers of funds from  
24 United States Customs and Border Protection to supple-  
25 ment any other funding available for reconstruction or re-

1 pair of roads owned by the Bureau of Indian Affairs as  
2 identified on the National Tribal Transportation Facility  
3 Inventory, 23 U.S.C. 202(b)(1).

4 CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS

5 For payments to Tribes and Tribal organizations for  
6 contract support costs associated with Indian Self-Deter-  
7 mination and Education Assistance Act agreements with  
8 the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau of Indian  
9 Education for fiscal year 2027, such sums as may be nec-  
10 essary, which shall be available for obligation through Sep-  
11 tember 30, 2028: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any  
12 other provision of law, no amounts made available under  
13 this heading shall be available for transfer to another  
14 budget account.

15 PAYMENTS FOR TRIBAL LEASES

16 For payments to Tribes and Tribal organizations for  
17 leases pursuant to section 105(l) of the Indian Self-Deter-  
18 mination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C.  
19 5324(l)) for fiscal year 2027, such sums as may be nec-  
20 essary, which shall be available for obligation through Sep-  
21 tember 30, 2028: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any  
22 other provision of law, no amounts made available under  
23 this heading shall be available for transfer to another  
24 budget account.

## 1 CONSTRUCTION

2 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

3 For construction, repair, improvement, and mainte-  
4 nance of irrigation and power systems, buildings, utilities,  
5 and other facilities, including architectural and engineer-  
6 ing services by contract; acquisition of lands, and interests  
7 in lands; and preparation of lands for farming, and for  
8 construction of the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project pur-  
9 suant to Public Law 87-483; \$167,096,000, to remain  
10 available until expended: *Provided*, That such amounts as  
11 may be available for the construction of the Navajo Indian  
12 Irrigation Project may be transferred to the Bureau of  
13 Reclamation: *Provided further*, That any funds provided  
14 for the Safety of Dams program pursuant to the Indian  
15 Dams Safety Act of 1994 (25 U.S.C. 3804), shall be made  
16 available on a nonreimbursable basis: *Provided further*,  
17 That this appropriation may be reimbursed from the Bu-  
18 reau of Trust Funds Administration appropriation for the  
19 appropriate share of construction costs for space expan-  
20 sion needed in agency offices to meet trust reform imple-  
21 mentation: *Provided further*, That of the funds made avail-  
22 able under this heading, \$10,000,000 shall be derived  
23 from the Indian Irrigation Fund established by section  
24 3211 of the WIIN Act (Public Law 114-322): *Provided*  
25 *further*, That amounts provided under this heading are

1 made available for the modernization of Federal field com-  
2 munication capabilities, in addition to amounts otherwise  
3 made available for such purpose.

4 INDIAN LAND AND WATER CLAIM SETTLEMENTS AND  
5 MISCELLANEOUS PAYMENTS TO INDIANS

6 For payments and necessary administrative expenses  
7 for implementation of Indian land and water claim settle-  
8 ments pursuant to Public Laws 99–264, 101–618, and  
9 117–349, and for implementation of other land and water  
10 rights settlements, \$58,897,000, to remain available until  
11 expended.

12 INDIAN GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

13 For the cost of guaranteed loans and insured loans,  
14 \$25,000,000, to remain available until September 30,  
15 2028, of which \$2,850,000 is for administrative expenses,  
16 as authorized by the Indian Financing Act of 1974: *Pro-*  
17 *vided*, That such costs, including the cost of modifying  
18 such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Con-  
19 gressional Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further*, That  
20 these funds are available to subsidize total loan principal,  
21 any part of which is to be guaranteed or insured, not to  
22 exceed \$502,176,031.

1                   BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION  
2                   OPERATION OF INDIAN EDUCATION PROGRAMS  
3           For expenses necessary for the operation of Indian  
4 education programs, as authorized by law, including the  
5 Snyder Act of November 2, 1921 (25 U.S.C. 13), the In-  
6 dian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of  
7 1975 (25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), the Education Amend-  
8 ments of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 2001–2019), and the Tribally  
9 Controlled Schools Act of 1988 (25 U.S.C. 2501 et seq.),  
10 \$1,243,283,000 to remain available until September 30,  
11 2028, except as otherwise provided herein: *Provided*, That  
12 federally recognized Indian Tribes and Tribal organiza-  
13 tions of federally recognized Indian Tribes may use their  
14 Tribal priority allocations for unmet welfare assistance  
15 costs: *Provided further*, That not to exceed \$900,869,000  
16 for school operations costs of Bureau-funded schools and  
17 other education programs shall become available on June  
18 1, 2027, and shall remain available until September 30,  
19 2028: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other  
20 provision of law, including but not limited to the Indian  
21 Self–Determination Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.)  
22 and section 1128 of the Education Amendments of 1978  
23 (25 U.S.C. 2008), not to exceed \$99,886,000 within and  
24 only from such amounts made available for school oper-  
25 ations shall be available for administrative cost grants as-

1 sociated with grants approved prior to June 1, 2027: *Pro-*  
2 *vided further*, That in order to enhance the safety of Bu-  
3 reau field employees, the Bureau may use funds to pur-  
4 chase uniforms or other identifying articles of clothing for  
5 personnel.

6 EDUCATION CONSTRUCTION

7 For construction, repair, improvement, and mainte-  
8 nance of buildings, utilities, and other facilities necessary  
9 for the operation of Indian education programs, including  
10 architectural and engineering services by contract; acquisi-  
11 tion of lands, and interests in lands; \$304,678,000, to re-  
12 main available until expended: *Provided*, That in order to  
13 ensure timely completion of construction projects, the Sec-  
14 retary of the Interior may assume control of a project and  
15 all funds related to the project, if, not later than 18  
16 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, any  
17 Public Law 100–297 (25 U.S.C. 2501, et seq.) grantee  
18 receiving funds appropriated in this Act or in any prior  
19 Act, has not completed the planning and design phase of  
20 the project and commenced construction.

21 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

22 The Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau of In-  
23 dian Education may carry out the operation of Indian pro-  
24 grams by direct expenditure, contracts, cooperative agree-

1 ments, compacts, and grants, either directly or in coopera-  
2 tion with States and other organizations.

3       Notwithstanding Public Law 87–279 (25 U.S.C. 15),  
4 the Bureau of Indian Affairs may contract for services in  
5 support of the management, operation, and maintenance  
6 of the Power Division of the San Carlos Irrigation Project.

7       Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no funds  
8 available to the Bureau of Indian Affairs or the Bureau  
9 of Indian Education for central office oversight and Exec-  
10 utive Direction and Administrative Services (except Exec-  
11 utive Direction and Administrative Services funding for  
12 Tribal Priority Allocations, regional offices, and facilities  
13 operations and maintenance) shall be available for con-  
14 tracts, grants, compacts, or cooperative agreements with  
15 the Bureau of Indian Affairs or the Bureau of Indian  
16 Education under the provisions of the Indian Self-Deter-  
17 mination Act or the Tribal Self-Governance Act of 1994  
18 (Public Law 103–413).

19       In the event any Tribe returns appropriations made  
20 available by this Act to the Bureau of Indian Affairs or  
21 the Bureau of Indian Education, this action shall not di-  
22 minish the Federal Government’s trust responsibility to  
23 that Tribe, or the government-to-government relationship  
24 between the United States and that Tribe, or that Tribe’s  
25 ability to access future appropriations.

1           Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no funds  
2 available to the Bureau of Indian Education, other than  
3 the amounts provided herein for assistance to public  
4 schools under 25 U.S.C. 5342 et seq., shall be available  
5 to support the operation of any elementary or secondary  
6 school in the State of Alaska.

7           No funds available to the Bureau of Indian Edu-  
8 cation shall be used to support expanded grades for any  
9 school or dormitory beyond the grade structure in place  
10 or approved by the Secretary of the Interior at each school  
11 in the Bureau of Indian Education school system as of  
12 October 1, 1995, except that the Secretary of the Interior  
13 may waive this prohibition to support expansion of up to  
14 one additional grade when the Secretary determines such  
15 waiver is needed to support accomplishment of the mission  
16 of the Bureau of Indian Education, or more than one  
17 grade to expand the elementary grade structure for Bu-  
18 reau-funded schools with a K–2 grade structure on Octo-  
19 ber 1, 1996. Appropriations made available in this or any  
20 prior Act for schools funded by the Bureau shall be avail-  
21 able, in accordance with the Bureau’s funding formula,  
22 only to the schools in the Bureau school system as of Sep-  
23 tember 1, 1996, and to any school or school program that  
24 was reinstated in fiscal year 2012. Funds made available  
25 under this Act may not be used to establish a charter

1 school at a Bureau-funded school (as that term is defined  
2 in section 1141 of the Education Amendments of 1978  
3 (25 U.S.C. 2021)), except that a charter school that is  
4 in existence on the date of the enactment of this Act and  
5 that has operated at a Bureau-funded school before Sep-  
6 tember 1, 1999, may continue to operate during that pe-  
7 riod, but only if the charter school pays to the Bureau  
8 a pro rata share of funds to reimburse the Bureau for  
9 the use of the real and personal property (including buses  
10 and vans), the funds of the charter school are kept sepa-  
11 rate and apart from Bureau funds, and the Bureau does  
12 not assume any obligation for charter school programs of  
13 the State in which the school is located if the charter  
14 school loses such funding. Employees of Bureau-funded  
15 schools sharing a campus with a charter school and per-  
16 forming functions related to the charter school's operation  
17 and employees of a charter school shall not be treated as  
18 Federal employees for purposes of chapter 171 of title 28,  
19 United States Code.

20 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, including  
21 section 113 of title I of appendix C of Public Law 106-  
22 113, if in fiscal year 2003 or 2004 a grantee received indi-  
23 rect and administrative costs pursuant to a distribution  
24 formula based on section 5(f) of Public Law 101-301, the  
25 Secretary shall continue to distribute indirect and admin-

1 istrative cost funds to such grantee using the section 5(f)  
2 distribution formula.

3 Funds available under this Act may not be used to  
4 establish satellite locations of schools in the Bureau school  
5 system as of September 1, 1996, except that the Secretary  
6 may waive this prohibition in order for an Indian Tribe  
7 to provide language and cultural immersion educational  
8 programs for non-public schools located within the juris-  
9 dictional area of the Tribal government which exclusively  
10 serve Tribal members, do not include grades beyond those  
11 currently served at the existing Bureau-funded school,  
12 provide an educational environment with educator pres-  
13 ence and academic facilities comparable to the Bureau-  
14 funded school, comply with all applicable Tribal, Federal,  
15 or State health and safety standards, and the Americans  
16 with Disabilities Act, and demonstrate the benefits of es-  
17 tablishing operations at a satellite location in lieu of incur-  
18 ring extraordinary costs, such as for transportation or  
19 other impacts to students such as those caused by busing  
20 students extended distances: *Provided*, That no funds  
21 available under this Act may be used to fund operations,  
22 maintenance, rehabilitation, construction, or other facili-  
23 ties-related costs for such assets that are not owned by  
24 the Bureau: *Provided further*, That the term “satellite  
25 school” means a school location physically separated from

1 the existing Bureau school by more than 50 miles but that  
2 forms part of the existing school in all other respects.

3 Funds made available for Tribal Priority Allocations  
4 within Operation of Indian Programs and Operation of In-  
5 dian Education Programs may be used to execute re-  
6 quested adjustments in Tribal priority allocations initiated  
7 by an Indian Tribe.

8 BUREAU OF TRUST FUNDS ADMINISTRATION

9 FEDERAL TRUST PROGRAMS

10 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

11 For the operation of trust programs for Indians by  
12 direct expenditure, contracts, cooperative agreements,  
13 compacts, and grants, \$108,077,000, to remain available  
14 until expended, of which not to exceed \$8,676,000 from  
15 this or any other Act, may be available for settlement sup-  
16 port: *Provided*, That funds for trust management improve-  
17 ments and litigation support may, as needed, be trans-  
18 ferred to or merged with the Bureau of Indian Affairs,  
19 “Operation of Indian Programs” and Bureau of Indian  
20 Education, “Operation of Indian Education Programs”  
21 accounts; the Office of the Solicitor, “Salaries and Ex-  
22 penses” account; and the Office of the Secretary, “Depart-  
23 mental Operations” account: *Provided further*, That funds  
24 made available through contracts or grants obligated dur-  
25 ing fiscal year 2027, as authorized by the Indian Self-De-

1 termination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (25  
2 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), shall remain available until expended  
3 by the contractor or grantee: *Provided further*, That not-  
4 withstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary  
5 shall not be required to provide a quarterly statement of  
6 performance for any Indian trust account that has not had  
7 activity for at least 15 months and has a balance of \$15  
8 or less: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall issue  
9 an annual account statement and maintain a record of any  
10 such accounts and shall permit the balance in each such  
11 account to be withdrawn upon the express written request  
12 of the account holder: *Provided further*, That not to exceed  
13 \$100,000 is available for the Secretary to make payments  
14 to correct administrative errors of either disbursements  
15 from or deposits to Individual Indian Money or Tribal ac-  
16 counts after September 30, 2002: *Provided further*, That  
17 erroneous payments that are recovered shall be credited  
18 to and remain available in this account for this purpose:  
19 *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall not be required  
20 to reconcile Special Deposit Accounts with a balance of  
21 less than \$500 unless the Bureau of Trust Funds Admin-  
22 istration receives proof of ownership from a Special De-  
23 posit Accounts claimant: *Provided further*, That notwith-  
24 standing section 102 of the American Indian Trust Fund  
25 Management Reform Act of 1994 (Public Law 103-412)

1 or any other provision of law, the Secretary may aggregate  
2 the trust accounts of individuals whose whereabouts are  
3 unknown for a continuous period of at least 5 years and  
4 shall not be required to generate periodic statements of  
5 performance for the individual accounts: *Provided further*,  
6 That with respect to the preceding proviso, the Secretary  
7 shall continue to maintain sufficient records to determine  
8 the balance of the individual accounts, including any ac-  
9 crued interest and income, and such funds shall remain  
10 available to the individual account holders.

11 U.S. WILDLAND FIRE SERVICE

12 WILDLAND FIRE SERVICE OPERATIONS

13 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

14 For necessary expenses of the existing United States  
15 Wildland Fire Service within the Department of the Inte-  
16 rior, \$1,164,721,000, to remain available until expended,  
17 of which not to exceed \$11,000,000 shall be for the ren-  
18 ovation or construction of fire facilities: *Provided*, That  
19 such funds are also available for repayment of advances  
20 to other appropriation accounts from which funds were  
21 previously transferred for such purposes: *Provided further*,  
22 That of the funds provided, \$219,000,000 is for fuels  
23 management activities: *Provided further*, That of the funds  
24 provided, \$10,000,000 is for burned area rehabilitation:  
25 *Provided further*, That persons hired pursuant to 43

1 U.S.C. 1469 may be furnished subsistence and lodging  
2 without cost from funds available from this appropriation:  
3 *Provided further*, That notwithstanding 42 U.S.C. 1856d,  
4 sums received by a bureau or office of the Department  
5 of the Interior for fire protection rendered pursuant to 42  
6 U.S.C. 1856 et seq., for protection of United States prop-  
7 erty, may be credited to the appropriation from which  
8 funds were expended to provide that protection, and are  
9 available without fiscal year limitation: *Provided further*,  
10 That using the amounts designated under this title of this  
11 Act, the Secretary of the Interior may enter into procure-  
12 ment contracts, grants, or cooperative agreements, for  
13 fuels management and burned area rehabilitation activi-  
14 ties, and for training and monitoring associated with such  
15 fuels management activities on Federal land, or on adja-  
16 cent non-Federal land for activities that benefit resources  
17 on Federal land or Federally-recognized Tribal land: *Pro-*  
18 *vided further*, That the costs of implementing any coopera-  
19 tive agreement between the Federal Government and any  
20 non-Federal entity may be shared, as mutually agreed on  
21 by the affected parties: *Provided further*, That notwith-  
22 standing requirements of the Competition in Contracting  
23 Act, the Secretary, for purposes of fuels management ac-  
24 tivities, may obtain maximum practicable competition  
25 among:

1           (1) local private, nonprofit, or cooperative enti-  
2 ties;

3           (2) Youth Conservation Corps crews, Public  
4 Lands Corps (Public Law 109–154), or related part-  
5 nerships with State, local, or nonprofit youth groups;

6           (3) small or micro-businesses; or

7           (4) other entities that will hire or train locally  
8 a significant percentage, defined as 50 percent or  
9 more, of the project workforce to complete such con-  
10 tracts: *Provided further*, That in implementing this  
11 section, the Secretary shall develop written guidance  
12 to field units to ensure accountability and consistent  
13 application of the authorities provided herein: *Pro-*  
14 *vided further*, That funds appropriated under this  
15 heading may be used to reimburse the United States  
16 Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine  
17 Fisheries Service for the costs of carrying out their  
18 responsibilities under the Endangered Species Act of  
19 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) to consult and con-  
20 ference, as required by section 7 of such Act, in con-  
21 nection with wildland fire management activities:  
22 *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Interior  
23 may use wildland fire appropriations to enter into  
24 leases of real property with local governments, at or  
25 below fair market value, to construct capitalized im-

1        improvements for fire facilities on such leased prop-  
2        erties, including but not limited to fire guard sta-  
3        tions, retardant stations, and other initial attack and  
4        fire support facilities, and to make advance pay-  
5        ments for any such lease or for construction activity  
6        associated with the lease: *Provided further*, That the  
7        Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agri-  
8        culture may authorize the transfer of funds appro-  
9        priated for wildland fire management, in an aggre-  
10        gate amount not to exceed \$50,000,000 between the  
11        Departments when such transfers would facilitate  
12        and expedite wildland fire management programs  
13        and projects: *Provided further*, That funds provided  
14        for wildfire suppression shall be available for support  
15        of Federal emergency response actions: *Provided fur-*  
16        *ther*, That funds appropriated under this heading  
17        shall be available for assistance to or through the  
18        Department of State in connection with forest and  
19        rangeland research, technical information, and as-  
20        sistance in foreign countries, and, with the concu-  
21        rrence of the Secretary of State, shall be available to  
22        support forestry, wildland fire management, and re-  
23        lated natural resource activities outside the United  
24        States and its territories and possessions, including  
25        technical assistance, education and training, and co-

1 operation with United States and international orga-  
2 nizations: *Provided further*, That of the funds pro-  
3 vided under this heading, \$387,157,000 shall be  
4 available for wildfire suppression operations, and is  
5 provided to meet the terms of section  
6 251(b)(2)(F)(ii)(I) of the Balanced Budget and  
7 Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

8 WILDFIRE SUPPRESSION OPERATION RESERVE FUND  
9 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

10 In addition to the amounts provided under the head-  
11 ing “Wildland Fire Service Operations” for wildfire sup-  
12 pression operations, \$380,000,000, to remain available  
13 until transferred, is additional new budget authority as  
14 specified for purposes of section 251(b)(2)(F) of the Bal-  
15 anced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985:  
16 *Provided*, That such amounts may be transferred to and  
17 merged with amounts made available under the headings  
18 “Department of the Interior—U.S. Wildland Fire Serv-  
19 ice—Wildland Fire Service Operations” and “Department  
20 of Agriculture—Forest Service—Wildland Fire Manage-  
21 ment” for wildfire suppression operations in the fiscal year  
22 in which such amounts are transferred: *Provided further*,  
23 That amounts may be transferred to the “Wildland Fire  
24 Management” account in the Department of Agriculture  
25 or the “Wildland Fire Service Operations” account in the

1 Department of the Interior only upon the notification of  
2 the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations that  
3 all wildfire suppression operations funds appropriated  
4 under such headings in this Act and under the headings  
5 “Department of the Interior—Department-Wide Pro-  
6 grams—Wildland Fire Management” and “Department of  
7 Agriculture—Forest Service—Wildland Fire Manage-  
8 ment” in prior appropriations Acts to the agency to which  
9 the funds will be transferred will be obligated within 30  
10 days: *Provided further*, That the transfer authority pro-  
11 vided under this heading is in addition to any other trans-  
12 fer authority provided by law: *Provided further*, That in  
13 determining whether all wildfire suppression operations  
14 funds appropriated under the heading “Wildland Fire  
15 Service Operations” in this Act and “Wildland Fire Man-  
16 agement” in this and prior appropriations Acts to either  
17 the Department of Agriculture or the Department of the  
18 Interior will be obligated within 30 days pursuant to the  
19 preceding two provisos, any funds transferred or permitted  
20 to be transferred pursuant to any other transfer authority  
21 provided by law shall be excluded.

1                   DEPARTMENTAL OFFICES  
2                   OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
3                   DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS  
4                   (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

5           For necessary expenses for management of the De-  
6 partment of the Interior and for grants and cooperative  
7 agreements, as authorized by law, \$112,247,000, to re-  
8 main available until September 30, 2028; of which not to  
9 exceed \$15,000 may be for official reception and represen-  
10 tation expenses; of which up to \$1,000,000 shall be avail-  
11 able for workers compensation payments and unemploy-  
12 ment compensation payments associated with the orderly  
13 closure of the United States Bureau of Mines; and of  
14 which \$19,295,000 for Indian land, mineral, and resource  
15 valuation activities shall remain available until expended:  
16 *Provided*, That funds for Indian land, mineral, and re-  
17 source valuation activities may, as needed, be transferred  
18 to and merged with the Bureau of Indian Affairs “Oper-  
19 ation of Indian Programs” and Bureau of Indian Edu-  
20 cation “Operation of Indian Education Programs” ac-  
21 counts and the Bureau of Trust Funds Administration  
22 “Federal Trust Programs” account: *Provided further*,  
23 That funds made available through contracts or grants ob-  
24 ligated during fiscal year 2027, as authorized by the In-  
25 dian Self-Determination Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 5301 et

1 seq.), shall remain available until expended by the con-  
2 tractor or grantee.

3 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

4 For fiscal year 2027, up to \$550,000 of the payments  
5 authorized by chapter 69 of title 31, United States Code,  
6 may be retained for administrative expenses of the Pay-  
7 ments in Lieu of Taxes Program: *Provided*, That the  
8 amounts provided under this Act specifically for the Pay-  
9 ments in Lieu of Taxes program are the only amounts  
10 available for payments authorized under chapter 69 of  
11 title 31, United States Code: *Provided further*, That in the  
12 event the sums appropriated for any fiscal year for pay-  
13 ments pursuant to this chapter are insufficient to make  
14 the full payments authorized by that chapter to all units  
15 of local government, then the payment to each local gov-  
16 ernment shall be made proportionally: *Provided further*,  
17 That the Secretary may make adjustments to payment to  
18 individual units of local government to correct for prior  
19 overpayments or underpayments: *Provided further*, That  
20 no payment shall be made pursuant to that chapter to oth-  
21 erwise eligible units of local government if the computed  
22 amount of the payment is less than \$100.

## 1 INSULAR AFFAIRS

## 2 ASSISTANCE TO TERRITORIES

3 For expenses necessary for assistance to territories  
4 under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior,  
5 \$115,217,000, of which: (1) \$104,217,000 shall remain  
6 available until expended for territorial assistance, includ-  
7 ing general technical assistance, maintenance assistance,  
8 disaster assistance, coral reef initiative and natural re-  
9 sources activities, and brown tree snake control and re-  
10 search; grants to the judiciary in American Samoa for  
11 compensation and expenses, as authorized by law (48  
12 U.S.C. 1661(c)); grants to the Government of American  
13 Samoa, in addition to current local revenues, for construc-  
14 tion and support of governmental functions; grants to the  
15 Government of the Virgin Islands, as authorized by law;  
16 grants to the Government of Guam, as authorized by law;  
17 and grants to the Government of the Northern Mariana  
18 Islands, as authorized by law (Public Law 94–241; 90  
19 Stat. 272); and (2) \$11,000,000 shall be available until  
20 September 30, 2028, for salaries and expenses of the Of-  
21 fice of Insular Affairs: *Provided*, That all financial trans-  
22 actions of the territorial and local governments herein pro-  
23 vided for, including such transactions of all agencies or  
24 instrumentalities established or used by such governments,  
25 may be audited by the Government Accountability Office,

1 at its discretion, in accordance with chapter 35 of title  
2 31, United States Code: *Provided further*, That Northern  
3 Mariana Islands Covenant grant funding shall be provided  
4 according to those terms of the Agreement of the Special  
5 Representatives on Future United States Financial Assist-  
6 ance for the Northern Mariana Islands approved by Public  
7 Law 104–134: *Provided further*, That the funds for the  
8 program of operations and maintenance improvement are  
9 appropriated to institutionalize routine operations and  
10 maintenance improvement of capital infrastructure with  
11 territorial participation and cost sharing to be determined  
12 by the Secretary based on the grantee’s commitment to  
13 timely maintenance of its capital assets: *Provided further*,  
14 That any appropriation for disaster assistance under this  
15 heading in this Act or previous appropriations Acts may  
16 be used as non–Federal matching funds for the purpose  
17 of hazard mitigation grants provided pursuant to section  
18 404 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emer-  
19 gency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5170c).

20 COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION

21 For grants and necessary expenses, \$813,000, to re-  
22 main available until expended, to support Federal services  
23 and programs provided to the Republic of Palau, the Re-  
24 public of the Marshall Islands, and the Federated States  
25 of Micronesia.

## 1 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

## 2 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

3 At the request of the Governor of Guam, the Sec-  
4 retary may transfer discretionary funds or mandatory  
5 funds provided under section 104(e) of Public Law 108-  
6 188 and Public Law 104-134, that are allocated for  
7 Guam, to the Secretary of Agriculture for the subsidy cost  
8 of direct or guaranteed loans, plus not to exceed three per-  
9 cent of the amount of the subsidy transferred for the cost  
10 of loan administration, for the purposes authorized by the  
11 Rural Electrification Act of 1936 and section 306(a)(1)  
12 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act for  
13 construction and repair projects in Guam, and such funds  
14 shall remain available until expended: *Provided*, That such  
15 costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be  
16 as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act  
17 of 1974: *Provided further*, That such loans or loan guaran-  
18 tees may be made without regard to the population of the  
19 area, credit elsewhere requirements, and restrictions on  
20 the types of eligible entities under the Rural Electrifica-  
21 tion Act of 1936 and section 306(a)(1) of the Consolidated  
22 Farm and Rural Development Act: *Provided further*, That  
23 any funds transferred to the Secretary of Agriculture shall  
24 be in addition to funds otherwise made available to make  
25 or guarantee loans under such authorities.

## 1 OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR

## 2 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

3 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Solicitor,  
4 \$63,321,000, to remain available until September 30,  
5 2028.

## 6 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

## 7 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

8 For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector  
9 General, \$49,500,000, to remain available until September  
10 30, 2028.

## 11 DEPARTMENT-WIDE PROGRAMS

## 12 CENTRAL HAZARDOUS MATERIALS FUND

13 For necessary expenses of the Department of the In-  
14 terior and any of its component offices and bureaus for  
15 the response action, including associated activities, per-  
16 formed pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Re-  
17 sponse, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. 9601  
18 et seq.), \$7,500,000, to remain available until expended.

## 19 ENERGY COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION PROGRAM

## 20 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

21 For necessary expenses of the Department of the In-  
22 terior to inventory, assess, decommission, reclaim, respond  
23 to hazardous substance releases, remediate lands pursuant  
24 to section 40704 of Public Law 117–58 (30 U.S.C. 1245),  
25 and carry out the purposes of section 349 of the Energy

1 Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15907), as amended,  
2 \$4,700,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*,  
3 That such amount shall be in addition to amounts other-  
4 wise available for such purposes: *Provided further*, That  
5 amounts appropriated under this heading are available for  
6 program management and oversight of these activities:  
7 *Provided further*, That the Secretary may transfer the  
8 funds provided under this heading in this Act to any other  
9 account in the Department to carry out such purposes,  
10 and may expend such funds directly, or through grants:  
11 *Provided further*, That these amounts are not available to  
12 fulfill Comprehensive Environmental Response, Com-  
13 pensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.) obli-  
14 gations agreed to in settlement or imposed by a court,  
15 whether for payment of funds or for work to be performed.

16 NATURAL RESOURCE DAMAGE ASSESSMENT AND  
17 RESTORATION

18 NATURAL RESOURCE DAMAGE ASSESSMENT FUND

19 To conduct natural resource damage assessment, res-  
20 toration activities, and onshore oil spill preparedness by  
21 the Department of the Interior necessary to carry out the  
22 provisions of the Comprehensive Environmental Response,  
23 Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.),  
24 the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251  
25 et seq.), the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (33 U.S.C. 2701

1 et seq.), and 54 U.S.C. 100721 et seq., \$5,100,000, to  
2 remain available until expended.

3 WORKING CAPITAL FUND

4 For the operation and maintenance of a departmental  
5 financial and business management system, data manage-  
6 ment, information technology improvements of general  
7 benefit to the Department, cybersecurity, and the consoli-  
8 dation of facilities and operations throughout the Depart-  
9 ment, \$78,764,000, to remain available until expended:  
10 *Provided*, That none of the funds appropriated in this Act  
11 or any other Act may be used to establish reserves in the  
12 Working Capital Fund account other than for accrued an-  
13 nual leave and depreciation of equipment without prior ap-  
14 proval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House  
15 of Representatives and the Senate: *Provided further*, That  
16 the Secretary of the Interior may assess reasonable  
17 charges to State, local, and Tribal government employees  
18 for training services provided by the National Indian Pro-  
19 gram Training Center, other than training related to Pub-  
20 lic Law 93–638: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may  
21 lease or otherwise provide space and related facilities,  
22 equipment, or professional services of the National Indian  
23 Program Training Center to State, local, and Tribal gov-  
24 ernment employees or persons or organizations engaged  
25 in cultural, educational, or recreational activities (as de-

1 fined in section 3306(a) of title 40, United States Code)  
2 at the prevailing rate for similar space, facilities, equip-  
3 ment, or services in the vicinity of the National Indian  
4 Program Training Center: *Provided further*, That all funds  
5 received pursuant to the two preceding provisos shall be  
6 credited to this account, shall be available until expended,  
7 and shall be used by the Secretary for necessary expenses  
8 of the National Indian Program Training Center: *Provided*  
9 *further*, That the Secretary may enter into grants and co-  
10 operative agreements to support the Office of Natural Re-  
11 source Revenue's collection and disbursement of royalties,  
12 fees, and other mineral revenue proceeds, as authorized  
13 by law.

14 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

15 There is hereby authorized for acquisition from avail-  
16 able resources within the Working Capital Fund, aircraft  
17 which may be obtained by donation, purchase, or through  
18 available excess surplus property: *Provided*, That existing  
19 aircraft being replaced may be sold, with proceeds derived  
20 or trade-in value used to offset the purchase price for the  
21 replacement aircraft.

22 OFFICE OF NATURAL RESOURCES REVENUE

23 For necessary expenses for management of the collec-  
24 tion and disbursement of royalties, fees, and other mineral  
25 revenue proceeds, and for grants and cooperative agree-

1 ments, as authorized by law, \$157,850,000, to remain  
2 available until September 30, 2028; of which \$54,512,000  
3 shall remain available until expended for the purpose of  
4 mineral revenue management activities: *Provided*, That  
5 notwithstanding any other provision of law, \$50,000 shall  
6 be available for refunds of overpayments in connection  
7 with certain Indian leases in which the Secretary of the  
8 Interior concurred with the claimed refund due, to pay  
9 amounts owed to Indian allottees or Tribes, or to correct  
10 prior unrecoverable erroneous payments.

11 GREAT SALT LAKE WATERSHED RECOVERY PROGRAM  
12 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

13 For carrying out activities that support the long-term  
14 sustainability of the Great Salt Lake watershed and its  
15 ecosystems, in addition to amounts otherwise available,  
16 \$10,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*  
17 *vided*, That the Secretary may transfer such amounts to  
18 any bureau or office of the Department of the Interior  
19 and the head of any Federal department or agency to  
20 carry out such purposes: *Provided further*, That such  
21 transfer authority is in addition to any other transfer au-  
22 thority provided by law.

1 GENERAL PROVISIONS, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
2 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

3 EMERGENCY TRANSFER AUTHORITY—INTRA-BUREAU

4 SEC. 101. Appropriations made in this title shall be  
5 available for expenditure or transfer (within each bureau  
6 or office), with the approval of the Secretary of the Inte-  
7 rior, for the emergency reconstruction, replacement, or re-  
8 pair of aircraft, buildings, utilities, or other facilities or  
9 equipment damaged or destroyed by fire, flood, storm, or  
10 other unavoidable causes: *Provided*, That no funds shall  
11 be made available under this authority until funds specifi-  
12 cally made available to the Department of the Interior for  
13 emergencies shall have been exhausted: *Provided further*,  
14 That all funds used pursuant to this section must be re-  
15 plenished by a supplemental appropriation, which must be  
16 requested as promptly as possible.

17 EMERGENCY TRANSFER AUTHORITY—DEPARTMENT-WIDE

18 SEC. 102. The Secretary of the Interior may author-  
19 ize the expenditure or transfer of any no-year appropria-  
20 tion in this title, in addition to the amounts included in  
21 the budget programs of the several agencies, for the sup-  
22 pression or emergency prevention of wildland fires on or  
23 threatening lands under the jurisdiction of the Depart-  
24 ment of the Interior; for the emergency rehabilitation of  
25 burned-over lands under its jurisdiction; for emergency ac-

1 tions related to potential or actual earthquakes, floods,  
2 volcanoes, storms, or other unavoidable causes; for contin-  
3 gency planning subsequent to actual oil spills; for response  
4 and natural resource damage assessment activities related  
5 to actual oil spills or releases of hazardous substances into  
6 the environment; for the prevention, suppression, and con-  
7 trol of actual or potential grasshopper and Mormon cricket  
8 outbreaks on lands under the jurisdiction of the Secretary,  
9 pursuant to the authority in section 417(b) of Public Law  
10 106–224 (7 U.S.C. 7717(b)); for emergency reclamation  
11 projects under section 410 of Public Law 95–87; and shall  
12 transfer, from any no-year funds available to the Office  
13 of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, such  
14 funds as may be necessary to permit assumption of regu-  
15 latory authority in the event a primacy State is not car-  
16 rying out the regulatory provisions of the Surface Mining  
17 Act: *Provided*, That appropriations made in this title for  
18 wildland fire operations shall be available for the payment  
19 of obligations incurred during the preceding fiscal year,  
20 and for reimbursement to other Federal agencies for de-  
21 struction of vehicles, aircraft, or other equipment in con-  
22 nection with their use for wildland fire operations, with  
23 such reimbursement to be credited to appropriations cur-  
24 rently available at the time of receipt thereof: *Provided*  
25 *further*, That for wildland fire operations, no funds shall

1 be made available under this authority until the Secretary  
2 determines that funds appropriated for “wildland fire sup-  
3 pression” shall be exhausted within 30 days: *Provided fur-*  
4 *ther*, That all funds used pursuant to this section must  
5 be replenished by a supplemental appropriation, which  
6 must be requested as promptly as possible: *Provided fur-*  
7 *ther*, That such replenishment funds shall be used to reim-  
8 burse, on a pro rata basis, accounts from which emergency  
9 funds were transferred.

10 AUTHORIZED USE OF FUNDS

11 SEC. 103. Appropriations made to the Department  
12 of the Interior in this title shall be available for services  
13 as authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States  
14 Code, when authorized by the Secretary of the Interior,  
15 in total amount not to exceed \$500,000; purchase and re-  
16 placement of motor vehicles, including specially equipped  
17 law enforcement vehicles; hire, maintenance, and oper-  
18 ation of aircraft; hire of passenger motor vehicles; pur-  
19 chase of reprints; payment for telephone service in private  
20 residences in the field, when authorized under regulations  
21 approved by the Secretary; and the payment of dues, when  
22 authorized by the Secretary, for library membership in so-  
23 cieties or associations which issue publications to members  
24 only or at a price to members lower than to subscribers  
25 who are not members.



1 percent in fiscal year 2027. Under circumstances of dual  
2 enrollment, overlapping service areas or inaccurate dis-  
3 tribution methodologies, the 10 percent limitation does not  
4 apply.

5 OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF INSPECTION FEES

6 SEC. 106. (a) In fiscal year 2027, the Secretary of  
7 the Interior shall collect a nonrefundable inspection fee,  
8 which shall be deposited in the “Offshore Safety and Envi-  
9 ronmental Enforcement” account, from the designated op-  
10 erator for facilities subject to inspection under 43 U.S.C.  
11 1348(c).

12 (b) Annual fees shall be collected for facilities that  
13 are above the waterline, excluding drilling rigs, and are  
14 in place at the start of the fiscal year. Fees for fiscal year  
15 2027 shall be—

16 (1) \$10,500 for facilities with no wells, but with  
17 processing equipment or gathering lines;

18 (2) \$17,000 for facilities with 1 to 10 wells,  
19 with any combination of active or inactive wells; and

20 (3) \$31,500 for facilities with more than 10  
21 wells, with any combination of active or inactive  
22 wells.

23 (c) Fees for drilling rigs shall be assessed for all in-  
24 spections completed in fiscal year 2027. Fees for fiscal  
25 year 2027 shall be—

1           (1) \$30,500 per inspection for rigs operating in  
2           water depths of 500 feet or more; and

3           (2) \$16,700 per inspection for rigs operating in  
4           water depths of less than 500 feet.

5           (d) Fees for inspection of well operations conducted  
6           via non-rig units as outlined in title 30 CFR 250 subparts  
7           D, E, F, and Q shall be assessed for all inspections com-  
8           pleted in fiscal year 2027. Fees for fiscal year 2027 shall  
9           be—

10           (1) \$13,260 per inspection for non-rig units op-  
11           erating in water depths of 2,500 feet or more;

12           (2) \$11,530 per inspection for non-rig units op-  
13           erating in water depths between 500 and 2,499 feet;  
14           and

15           (3) \$4,470 per inspection for non-rig units op-  
16           erating in water depths of less than 500 feet.

17           (e) Annual fees shall be collected for each offshore  
18           wind facility either under construction or operating on the  
19           Outer Continental Shelf at the start of the fiscal year.  
20           Fees for fiscal year 2027 shall be—

21           (1) \$7,300 for a control center facility associ-  
22           ated with an offshore wind project;

23           (2) \$15,400 for a visual inspection of a wind  
24           turbine generator; and



1 tions and other appropriate entities, and may enter into  
2 multiyear contracts in accordance with the provisions of  
3 section 3903 of title 41, United States Code (except that  
4 the 5-year term restriction in subsection (a) shall not  
5 apply), for the long-term care and maintenance of excess  
6 wild free roaming horses and burros by such organizations  
7 or entities on private land. Such cooperative agreements  
8 and contracts may not exceed 10 years, subject to renewal  
9 at the discretion of the Secretary.

10                                    MASS MARKING OF SALMONIDS

11           SEC. 108. The United States Fish and Wildlife Serv-  
12 ice shall, in carrying out its responsibilities to protect  
13 threatened and endangered species of salmon, implement  
14 a system of mass marking of salmonid stocks, intended  
15 for harvest, that are released from federally operated or  
16 federally financed hatcheries including but not limited to  
17 fish releases of coho, chinook, and steelhead species.  
18 Marked fish must have a visible mark that can be readily  
19 identified by commercial and recreational fishers.

20                                    CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS WITH INDIAN AFFAIRS

21           SEC. 109. Notwithstanding any other provision of  
22 law, during fiscal year 2027, in carrying out work involv-  
23 ing cooperation with State, local, and Tribal governments  
24 or any political subdivision thereof, Indian Affairs may  
25 record obligations against accounts receivable from any

1 such entities, except that total obligations at the end of  
2 the fiscal year shall not exceed total budgetary resources  
3 available at the end of the fiscal year.

4 DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR EXPERIENCED SERVICES  
5 PROGRAM

6 SEC. 110. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision  
7 of law relating to Federal grants and cooperative agree-  
8 ments, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to make  
9 grants to, or enter into cooperative agreements with, pri-  
10 vate nonprofit organizations designated by the Secretary  
11 of Labor under title V of the Older Americans Act of 1965  
12 to utilize the talents of older Americans in programs au-  
13 thorized by other provisions of law administered by the  
14 Secretary and consistent with such provisions of law.

15 (b) Prior to awarding any grant or agreement under  
16 subsection (a), the Secretary shall ensure that the agree-  
17 ment would not—

18 (1) result in the displacement of individuals  
19 currently employed by the Department, including  
20 partial displacement through reduction of non-over-  
21 time hours, wages, or employment benefits;

22 (2) result in the use of an individual under the  
23 Department of the Interior Experienced Services  
24 Program for a job or function in a case in which a  
25 Federal employee is in a layoff status from the same

1 or substantially equivalent job within the Depart-  
2 ment; or

3 (3) affect existing contracts for services.

4 OBLIGATION OF FUNDS

5 SEC. 111. Amounts appropriated by this Act to the  
6 Department of the Interior shall be available for obligation  
7 and expenditure not later than 60 days after the date of  
8 enactment of this Act.

9 SEPARATION OF ACCOUNTS

10 SEC. 112. The Secretary of the Interior, in order to  
11 implement an orderly transition to separate accounts of  
12 the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau of Indian  
13 Education, may transfer funds among and between the  
14 successor offices and bureaus affected by the reorganiza-  
15 tion only in conformance with the reprogramming guide-  
16 lines described in this Act.

17 PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES (PILT)

18 SEC. 113. Section 6906 of title 31, United States  
19 Code, shall be applied by substituting “fiscal year 2027”  
20 for “fiscal year 2019”.

21 INTERAGENCY MOTOR POOL

22 SEC. 114. Notwithstanding any other provision of law  
23 or Federal regulation, federally recognized Indian Tribes  
24 or authorized Tribal organizations that receive Tribally  
25 Controlled School Grants pursuant to Public Law 100–

1 297 (25 U.S.C. 2501, et seq.), may obtain interagency  
2 motor vehicles and related services for performance of any  
3 activities carried out under such grants to the same extent  
4 as if they were contracting under the Indian Self-Deter-  
5 mination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (25  
6 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.).

7 APPRAISER PAY AUTHORITY

8 SEC. 115. For fiscal year 2027, funds made available  
9 in this or any other Act or otherwise made available to  
10 the Department of the Interior for the Appraisal and  
11 Valuation Services Office may be used by the Secretary  
12 of the Interior to establish higher minimum rates of basic  
13 pay for employees of the Department of the Interior in  
14 the Appraiser (GS–1171) job series at grades 11 through  
15 15 carrying out appraisals of real property and appraisal  
16 reviews conducted in support of the Department’s realty  
17 programs at rates no greater than 15 percent above the  
18 minimum rates of basic pay normally scheduled, and such  
19 higher rates shall be consistent with subsections (e)  
20 through (h) of section 5305 of title 5, United States Code.

21 SAGE-GROUSE

22 SEC. 116. None of the funds made available by this  
23 or any other Act may be used by the Secretary of the Inte-  
24 rior, pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16  
25 U.S.C. 1533)—



1 two or more component bureaus and offices through the  
2 following activities:

3 (1) co-locating in facilities leased or owned by  
4 any such component bureau or office and sharing re-  
5 lated utilities and equipment;

6 (2) detailing or assigning staff on a nonreim-  
7 bursable basis for up to 5 business days; and

8 (3) sharing staff and equipment necessary to  
9 meet mission requirements.

10 (b) The authority provided by subsection (a) shall be  
11 to support areas of mission alignment between and among  
12 component bureaus and offices or where geographic prox-  
13 imity allows for efficiencies.

14 (c) Bureaus and offices entering into agreements au-  
15 thorized under subsections (a)(1) and (a)(3) shall bear  
16 costs for such agreements in a manner that reflects their  
17 approximate benefit and share of total costs, which may  
18 or may not include indirect costs.

19 (d) In furtherance of the requirement in subsection  
20 (c), the Secretary of the Interior may make transfers of  
21 funds in advance or on a reimbursable basis.

22 LAVA RIDGE WIND PROJECT

23 SEC. 120. None of the funds made available by this  
24 Act may be obligated or expended for the purpose of  
25 issuing a right-of-way, or processing or approving any no-

1 tice to proceed or related action, to approve any construc-  
2 tion or operational activities relating to the Lava Ridge  
3 Wind Project right-of-way authorization.

#### 4 LIMITATION

5 SEC. 121. If requested by the claimant of any mining  
6 claim located within the area covered by Public Land  
7 Order 7921, the Bureau of Land Management shall  
8 prioritize completion of a validity determination for such  
9 claim. The Bureau of Land Management shall strive to  
10 complete any such validity determination not later than  
11 3 years of receipt of the request.

#### 12 LEAD AMMUNITION AND TACKLE

13 SEC. 122. (a) None of the funds made available by  
14 this or any other Act may be used to prohibit the use of  
15 lead ammunition or tackle on Federal land or water that  
16 is made available for hunting or fishing activities or to  
17 issue regulations relating to the level of lead in ammuni-  
18 tion or tackle to be used on Federal land or water, un-  
19 less—

20 (1) the Secretary of the Interior determines that a  
21 decline in wildlife population on the specific unit of Fed-  
22 eral land or water is primarily caused by the use of lead  
23 in ammunition or tackle, based on field data from the spe-  
24 cific unit of Federal land or water; and

25 (2) the prohibition or regulation, as applicable, is—

1 (A) consistent with—

2 (i) the law of the State in which the spe-  
3 cific unit of Federal land or water is located; or

4 (ii) an applicable policy of the fish and  
5 wildlife department of the State in which the  
6 specific unit of Federal land or water is located;

7 or

8 (B) approved by the fish and wildlife depart-  
9 ment of the State in which the specific unit of Fed-  
10 eral land or water is located.

11 (b) In any case in which the Secretary of the Interior  
12 determines under subsection (a) that there is a wildlife  
13 population decline on a specific unit of Federal land or  
14 water that warrants a prohibition on or regulation relating  
15 to the level of lead in ammunition or tackle, the Secretary  
16 shall include in a Federal Register notice an explanation  
17 of how the prohibition or regulation, as applicable, meets  
18 the requirements of this section.

19 LESSER PRAIRIE-CHICKEN

20 SEC. 123. None of the funds made available by this  
21 or any other Act may be used to implement, administer,  
22 or enforce the final rule titled “Endangered and Threat-  
23 ened Wildlife and Plants; Lesser Prairie-Chicken; Threat-  
24 ened Status With Section 4(d) Rule for the Northern Dis-  
25 tinct Population Segment and Endangered Status for the

1 Southern Distinct Population Segment” (87 Fed. Reg.  
2 72674 (November 25, 2022)).

3 NORTHERN LONG-EARED BAT

4 SEC. 124. None of the funds made available by this  
5 or any other Act may be used to implement, administer,  
6 or enforce the final rule titled “Endangered and Threat-  
7 ened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Species Status for  
8 Northern Long-Eared Bat” (87 Fed. Reg. 73488 (Novem-  
9 ber 30, 2022)).

10 GRAY WOLF

11 SEC. 125. (a) Not later than 60 days after the date  
12 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior  
13 shall reissue the final rule titled “Endangered and Threat-  
14 ened Wildlife and Plants; Removing the Gray Wolf (*Canis*  
15 *lupus*) From the List of Endangered and Threatened  
16 Wildlife” (85 Fed. Reg. 69778 (November 3, 2020)).

17 (b) The reissuance of the final rule described in sub-  
18 section (a) (including this section) shall not be subject to  
19 judicial review.

20 WOLVERINE

21 SEC. 126. None of the funds made available by this  
22 or any other Act may be used to implement, administer,  
23 or enforce the final rule titled “Endangered and Threat-  
24 ened Wildlife and Plants; Threatened Species Status With

1 Section 4(d) Rule for North American Wolverine’ (88  
2 Fed. Reg. 83726 (November 30, 2023)).

3 NORTH CASCADES ECOSYSTEM GRIZZLY BEAR

4 SEC. 127. None of the funds made available by this  
5 or any other Act may be used to implement, administer,  
6 or enforce the final rule titled “Endangered and Threat-  
7 ened Wildlife and Plants; Establishment of a Nonessential  
8 Experimental Population of Grizzly Bear in the North  
9 Cascades Ecosystem, Washington State” (89 Fed. Reg.  
10 36982 (May 3, 2024)).

11 BITTERROOT ECOSYSTEM GRIZZLY BEAR

12 SEC. 128. None of the funds made available by this  
13 or any other Act may be used by the Secretary of the Inte-  
14 rior pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16  
15 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) to establish an experimental popu-  
16 lation of the grizzly bear (*Ursus arctos horribilis*) within  
17 the Bitterroot Ecosystem of Montana and Idaho.

18 FISH LEGALLY HELD IN CAPTIVITY

19 SEC. 129. None of the funds made available by this  
20 or any other Act may be used by the Secretary of the Inte-  
21 rior pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16  
22 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) to implement, administer, or enforce  
23 a proposed or final rule with regard to a fish legally held  
24 in captivity or in a controlled environment in a manner

1 that maintains physical separation of such fish from any  
2 wild population of the same species.

3 CHARLES M. RUSSELL NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

4 SEC. 130. None of the funds made available by this  
5 or any other Act may be used by the Secretary of the Inte-  
6 rior to facilitate or allow for the introduction of American  
7 bison (*Bison bison*) on the Charles M. Russell National  
8 Wildlife Refuge (as originally established in Executive  
9 Order No. 7509, renamed in Public Land Order 2951, and  
10 redesignated in Public Land Order 5635).

11 ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT RULES

12 SEC. 131. None of the funds made available by this  
13 Act may be used to implement, administer, or enforce—

14 (1) the final rule titled “Endangered and  
15 Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Regulations Per-  
16 taining to Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and  
17 Plants” (89 Fed. Reg. 23919 (April 5, 2024));

18 (2) the final rule titled “Endangered and  
19 Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Listing Endangered  
20 and Threatened Species and Designating Critical  
21 Habitat” (89 Fed. Reg. 24300 (April 5, 2024)); or

22 (3) the final rule titled “Endangered and  
23 Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Regulations for  
24 Interagency Cooperation” (89 Fed. Reg. 24268  
25 (April 5, 2024)).

## TRANSPARENCY

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2 SEC. 132. (a) Not later than 60 days after the date  
3 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior  
4 shall reissue and implement Order No. 3368 “Promoting  
5 Transparency and Accountability in Consent Decrees and  
6 Settlement Agreements” dated September 11, 2018.

7 (b) None of the funds made available by this Act may  
8 be used to—

9 (1) rescind the Order reissued under subsection  
10 (a);

11 (2) reissue, enforce, administer, or implement  
12 Order No. 3408 “Rescission of Secretary’s Order  
13 3368” dated June 17, 2022; or

14 (3) issue, enforce, administer, or implement any  
15 substantially similar order to the order described in  
16 paragraph (2).

## FUNDING LIMITATION REGARDING BLM RULE

17  
18 SEC. 133. None of the funds made available by this  
19 Act may be obligated or expended to implement or enforce  
20 the final rule from the Bureau of Land Management enti-  
21 tled “Conservation and Landscape Health” and published  
22 in the Federal Register on May 9, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg.  
23 40308).

## 1 GRAND STAIRCASE-ESCALANTE NATIONAL MONUMENT

2 SEC. 134. None of the funds made available by this  
3 or any other Act may be used for management of the  
4 Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument except in  
5 compliance with the document titled “Record of Decision  
6 and Approved Resource Management Plans for the Grand  
7 Staircase-Escalante National Monument” (February  
8 2020).

## 9 COTTONWOOD

10 SEC. 135. Not later than 60 days after the date of  
11 the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior  
12 shall issue the final rule titled “Endangered and Threat-  
13 ened Wildlife and Plants; Regulations for Interagency Co-  
14 operation” (86 Fed. Reg. 2373 (January 12, 2021)).

## 15 NATIONAL PARK SERVICE HOUSING

16 SEC. 136. None of the funds made available by this  
17 Act may be used by the National Park Service to provide  
18 housing to an alien without lawful status under the immi-  
19 gration laws (as such term is defined in section 101 of  
20 the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101)).

## 21 BIG CYPRESS NATIONAL PRESERVE

22 SEC. 137. The Secretary of the Interior, acting  
23 through the Director of the National Park Service, shall  
24 prepare an environmental impact statement under the Na-  
25 tional Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321

1 et seq.), prior to approving an operations permit, as de-  
2 scribed in 36 Code of Federal Regulations, subpart B  
3 §§9.80 through 9.90, for the purpose of conducting or pro-  
4 posing to conduct non-federal oil or gas operations within  
5 the Big Cypress National Preserve.

6 EFFECT ON OTHER LAW

7 SEC. 138. Nothing in this Act shall affect the Presi-  
8 dential memorandum titled “Memorandum on Withdrawal  
9 of Certain Areas of the United States Outer Continental  
10 Shelf From Leasing Disposition” and dated September 8,  
11 2020.

12 TEN-DAY NOTICES

13 SEC. 139. None of the funds made available by this  
14 or any other Act may be used by the Secretary of the Inte-  
15 rior to implement, enforce, or finalize the changes an-  
16 nounced on April 9, 2024, to the Ten-Day Notice rule or  
17 to make any further changes to the Ten-Day Notice rule.

18 NATIONAL PETROLEUM RESERVE IN ALASKA

19 SEC. 140. None of the funds made available by this  
20 or any other Act may be used to implement, administer,  
21 or enforce the final rule titled “Management and Protec-  
22 tion of the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska” pub-  
23 lished by the Bureau of Land Management and dated May  
24 7, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg. 38712), or any successor or sub-  
25 stantially similar rule.

## 1 GREATER YELLOWSTONE ECOSYSTEM GRIZZLY BEAR

2 SEC. 141. (a) Not later than 180 days after the date  
3 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior  
4 shall reissue the final rule titled “Endangered and Threat-  
5 ened Wildlife and Plants; Removing the Greater Yellow-  
6 stone Ecosystem Population of Grizzly Bears From the  
7 Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife” (82  
8 Fed. Reg. 30502 (June 30, 2017)).

9 (b) The reissuance of the final rule described in sub-  
10 section (a) (including this section) shall not be subject to  
11 judicial review.

## 12 WILDERNESS AREA

13 SEC. 142. None of the funds made available by this  
14 or any other Act may be used by the National Park Serv-  
15 ice to designate or manage Big Cypress National Preserve  
16 as wilderness or as a component of the National Wilder-  
17 ness Preservation System.

## 18 EXEMPTION FOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE TEMPORARY

## 19 SEASONALS

20 SEC. 143. Section 316.401(d)(1)(ii) of title 5, Code  
21 of Federal Regulations (as published by the Office of Per-  
22 sonnel Management in the Federal Register on September  
23 13, 1994 (59 Fed. Reg. 46898) and effective as of Novem-  
24 ber 14, 1994), shall be applied by the National Park Serv-  
25 ice—

1           (1) by substituting “9 months (1,560 hours)”  
2           for “6 months (1,040 hours)”; and

3           (2) by substituting “9 months or more” for “6  
4           months or more”.

5   APPLICATIONS FOR PERMITS TO DRILL FEES EXTENSION

6           SEC. 144. Section 35 of the Mineral Leasing Act of  
7   1920, as amended (30 U.S.C. 191), is further amended  
8   in subsection (d) by striking “2026” each place it appears  
9   and inserting “2027”.

10   OFFICE OF NAVAJO AND HOPI INDIAN RELOCATION

11           SEC. 145. (a) MODIFICATION.—

12           (1) IN GENERAL.—Subsection 12(f) of the Nav-  
13           ajo Hopi Land Settlement Act of 1974, Public Law  
14           93–531, as amended, is further amended—

15                   (A) by striking “cease to exist when the  
16                   President determines that its functions have  
17                   been fully discharged” and inserting “terminate  
18                   effective September 30, 2026”; and

19                   (B) by inserting at the end of the sub-  
20                   section the following new sentence: “Upon ter-  
21                   mination, the Secretary shall assume any re-  
22                   maining functions or responsibilities of the Of-  
23                   fice of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation  
24                   (ONHIR) authorized by the Navajo-Hopi Land  
25                   Settlement Act of 1974, including functions or

1 responsibilities of ONHIR relating to certified  
2 relocation applications and appeals pending as  
3 of the date of the enactment of this Act, bene-  
4 ficiary support services, warranty and repair  
5 obligations for relocation homes, and records  
6 management.”

7 (2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made  
8 by paragraph (1) shall take effect on the date of en-  
9 actment of this Act.

10 (b) EFFECT ON OTHER LAWS.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this section or  
12 the amendments made by this section affects;

13 (A) The application or effect of any Fed-  
14 eral law other than the Navajo-Hopi Land Set-  
15 tlement Act of 1974 (25 U.S.C. 640d et seq.),  
16 as amended by subsection (a); or

17 (B) Any limitation on the authority of the  
18 Secretary of the Interior under any Federal law  
19 or regulation other than the Navajo-Hopi Land  
20 Settlement Act of 1974 (25 U.S.C. 640d et  
21 seq.), as amended.

22 (2) REFERENCE IN OTHER LAWS.—An express  
23 reference to the Navajo Hopi Land Settlement Act  
24 of 1974 (25 U.S.C. 640d et seq.) contained in any

1 other Federal law shall be considered to be a ref-  
2 erence to that Act, as amended by subsection (a).

3 NORTHERN SPOTTED OWL

4 SEC. 146. Not later than 60 days after the date of  
5 enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall  
6 reissue the final rule entitled “Endangered and Threat-  
7 ened Wildlife and Plants; Revised Designation of Critical  
8 Habitat for the Northern Spotted Owl” and published in  
9 the Federal Register on January 15, 2021 (86 Fed. Reg.  
10 4820).

11 CANADA LYNX

12 SEC. 147. None of the funds made available by this  
13 or any other Act may be used to implement, administer,  
14 or enforce the proposed rule titled “Endangered and  
15 Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Revised Designation of  
16 Critical Habitat for the Contiguous U.S. Distinct Popu-  
17 lation Segment of the Canada Lynx” (89 Fed. Reg. 94656  
18 (November 29, 2024)).

19 FIELD UNIT LOCAL HIRING

20 SEC. 148. The Secretary of the Interior may recruit  
21 and directly appoint qualified individuals into the competi-  
22 tive service who are certified as maintaining a permanent  
23 and exclusive residence in the vicinity of a field unit, into  
24 any position at or below grades GS–9 or WG–15 or equiv-  
25 alent within such field unit: *Provided*, That any action au-

1 thORIZED herein shall be consistent with the merit prin-  
2 ciples of section 2301 of such title 5, and with the public  
3 notice requirements of section 3327 of such title 5: *Pro-*  
4 *vided further*, That appointments under this authority  
5 shall be considered compliant with all applicable provisions  
6 of chapter 33 of title 5.

7 NORTHERN CONTINENTAL DIVIDE GRIZZLY BEAR

8 SEC. 149. (a) Not later than 180 days after the date  
9 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior  
10 shall issue a final rule removing the Northern Continental  
11 Divide Ecosystem population of grizzly bears (*Ursus*  
12 *arctos horribilis*) from the Federal List of Endangered and  
13 Threatened Wildlife without regard to any other provision  
14 of law that applies to the issuance of such rule.

15 (b) The issuance of the final rule described in sub-  
16 section (a) (including this section) shall not be subject to  
17 judicial review.

## 18 TITLE II

### 19 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

#### 20 SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

21 For science and technology, including research and  
22 development activities, which shall include research and  
23 development activities under the Comprehensive Environ-  
24 mental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of  
25 1980; necessary expenses for personnel and related costs

1 and travel expenses; procurement of laboratory equipment  
2 and supplies; hire, maintenance, and operation of aircraft;  
3 and other operating expenses in support of research and  
4 development, \$527,935,000, to remain available until Sep-  
5 tember 30, 2028: *Provided*, That of the funds included  
6 under this heading, \$22,025,000 shall be for Research:  
7 National Priorities as specified in the report accom-  
8 panying this Act.

9 ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS AND MANAGEMENT

10 For environmental programs and management, in-  
11 cluding necessary expenses not otherwise provided for, for  
12 personnel and related costs and travel expenses; hire of  
13 passenger motor vehicles; hire, maintenance, and oper-  
14 ation of aircraft; purchase of reprints; library member-  
15 ships in societies or associations which issue publications  
16 to members only or at a price to members lower than to  
17 subscribers who are not members; administrative costs of  
18 the brownfields program under the Small Business Liabil-  
19 ity Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act of 2002; im-  
20 plementation of a coal combustion residual permit pro-  
21 gram under section 2301 of the Water and Waste Act of  
22 2016; and not to exceed \$40,000 for official reception and  
23 representation expenses, \$2,293,668,000, to remain avail-  
24 able until September 30, 2028: *Provided*, That of the  
25 funds included under this heading—



1 (c)(5), (c)(6), and (e)(4) (42 U.S.C. 9611), and hire,  
2 maintenance, and operation of aircraft, \$290,043,000, to  
3 remain available until expended, consisting of such sums  
4 as are available in the Trust Fund on September 30,  
5 2026, and not otherwise appropriated from the Trust  
6 Fund, as authorized by section 517(a) of the Superfund  
7 Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)  
8 and up to \$290,043,000 as a payment from general reve-  
9 nues to the Hazardous Substance Superfund for purposes  
10 as authorized by section 517(b) of SARA: *Provided*, That  
11 funds appropriated under this heading may be allocated  
12 to other Federal agencies in accordance with section  
13 111(a) of CERCLA: *Provided further*, That of the funds  
14 appropriated under this heading, \$11,328,000 shall be  
15 paid to the “Office of Inspector General” appropriation  
16 to remain available until September 30, 2028, and  
17 \$17,216,000 shall be paid to the “Science and Tech-  
18 nology” appropriation to remain available until September  
19 30, 2028.

20 LEAKING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK TRUST FUND  
21 PROGRAM

22 For necessary expenses to carry out leaking under-  
23 ground storage tank cleanup activities authorized by sub-  
24 title I of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, \$53,259,000, to  
25 remain available until expended, which shall be for car-

1 rying out leaking underground storage tank cleanup ac-  
2 tivities authorized by section 9003(h) of the Solid Waste  
3 Disposal Act: *Provided*, That the Administrator is author-  
4 ized to use appropriations made available under this head-  
5 ing to implement section 9013 of the Solid Waste Disposal  
6 Act to provide financial assistance to federally recognized  
7 Indian Tribes for the development and implementation of  
8 programs to manage underground storage tanks.

#### 9 INLAND OIL SPILL PROGRAMS

10 For expenses necessary to carry out the Environ-  
11 mental Protection Agency's responsibilities under the Oil  
12 Pollution Act of 1990, including hire, maintenance, and  
13 operation of aircraft, \$16,085,000, to be derived from the  
14 Oil Spill Liability trust fund, to remain available until ex-  
15 pended.

#### 16 STATE AND TRIBAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

17 For environmental programs and infrastructure as-  
18 sistance, including capitalization grants for State revolv-  
19 ing funds and performance partnership grants,  
20 \$3,696,414,000, to remain available until expended, of  
21 which—

22 (1) \$1,192,296,000 shall be for making capital-  
23 ization grants for the Clean Water State Revolving  
24 Funds under title VI of the Federal Water Pollution  
25 Control Act; and of which \$910,755,000 shall be for

1 making capitalization grants for the Drinking Water  
2 State Revolving Funds under section 1452 of the  
3 Safe Drinking Water Act: *Provided*, That  
4 \$525,486,678 of the funds made available for cap-  
5 italization grants for the Clean Water State Revolv-  
6 ing Funds and \$506,395,022 of the funds made  
7 available for capitalization grants for the Drinking  
8 Water State Revolving Funds shall be for the con-  
9 struction of drinking water, wastewater, and storm  
10 water infrastructure and for water quality protection  
11 in accordance with the terms and conditions speci-  
12 fied for such grants in the report accompanying this  
13 Act for projects specified for “STAG—Drinking  
14 Water State Revolving Fund” and “STAG—Clean  
15 Water State Revolving Fund” in the table titled “In-  
16 terior and Environment Incorporation of Community  
17 Project Funding Items” included in the report ac-  
18 companying this Act, and, for purposes of these  
19 grants, each grantee shall contribute not less than  
20 20 percent of the cost of the project unless the  
21 grantee is approved for a waiver by the Agency: *Pro-*  
22 *vided further*, That the Administrator is authorized  
23 to use up to \$1,500,000 of funds made available for  
24 the Clean Water State Revolving Funds under this  
25 heading under title VI of the Federal Water Pollu-

1        tion Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1381) to conduct the  
2        Clean Watersheds Needs Survey: *Provided further,*  
3        That notwithstanding section 603(d)(7) of the Fed-  
4        eral Water Pollution Control Act, the limitation on  
5        the amounts in a State water pollution control re-  
6        volving fund that may be used by a State to admin-  
7        ister the fund shall not apply to amounts included  
8        as principal in loans made by such fund in fiscal  
9        year 2027 and prior years where such amounts rep-  
10       resent costs of administering the fund to the extent  
11       that such amounts are or were deemed reasonable by  
12       the Administrator, accounted for separately from  
13       other assets in the fund, and used for eligible pur-  
14       poses of the fund, including administration: *Provided*  
15       *further,* That for fiscal year 2027, notwithstanding  
16       the provisions of subsections (g)(1), (h), and (l) of  
17       section 201 of the Federal Water Pollution Control  
18       Act, grants made under title II of such Act for  
19       American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the  
20       Northern Marianas, the United States Virgin Is-  
21       lands, and the District of Columbia may also be  
22       made for the purpose of providing assistance: (1)  
23       solely for facility plans, design activities, or plans,  
24       specifications, and estimates for any proposed  
25       project for the construction of treatment works; and

1 (2) for the construction, repair, or replacement of  
2 privately owned treatment works serving one or  
3 more principal residences or small commercial estab-  
4 lishments: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year  
5 2027, notwithstanding the provisions of such sub-  
6 sections (g)(1), (h), and (l) of section 201 and sec-  
7 tion 518(c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control  
8 Act, funds reserved by the Administrator for grants  
9 under section 518(c) of the Federal Water Pollution  
10 Control Act may also be used to provide assistance:  
11 (1) solely for facility plans, design activities, or  
12 plans, specifications, and estimates for any proposed  
13 project for the construction of treatment works; and  
14 (2) for the construction, repair, or replacement of  
15 privately owned treatment works serving one or  
16 more principal residences or small commercial estab-  
17 lishments: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year  
18 2027, notwithstanding any provision of the Federal  
19 Water Pollution Control Act and regulations issued  
20 pursuant thereof, up to a total of \$2,000,000 of the  
21 funds reserved by the Administrator for grants  
22 under section 518(c) of such Act may also be used  
23 for grants for training, technical assistance, and  
24 educational programs relating to the operation and  
25 management of the treatment works specified in sec-

1       tion 518(c) of such Act: *Provided further*, That for  
2       fiscal year 2027, funds reserved under section  
3       518(c) of such Act shall be available for grants only  
4       to Indian Tribes, as defined in section 518(h) of  
5       such Act and former Indian reservations in Okla-  
6       homa (as determined by the Secretary of the Inte-  
7       rior) and Native Villages as defined in Public Law  
8       92–203: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year 2027,  
9       notwithstanding the limitation on amounts in section  
10      518(c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act,  
11      up to a total of 2 percent of the funds appropriated,  
12      or \$30,000,000, whichever is greater, and notwith-  
13      standing the limitation on amounts in section  
14      1452(i) of the Safe Drinking Water Act, up to a  
15      total of 2 percent of the funds appropriated, or  
16      \$20,000,000, whichever is greater, for State Revolv-  
17      ing Funds under such Acts may be reserved by the  
18      Administrator for grants under section 518(c) and  
19      section 1452(i) of such Acts: *Provided further*, That  
20      for fiscal year 2027, notwithstanding the amounts  
21      specified in section 205(c) of the Federal Water Pol-  
22      lution Control Act, up to 1.5 percent of the aggre-  
23      gate funds appropriated for the Clean Water State  
24      Revolving Fund program under the Act less any  
25      sums reserved under section 518(c) of the Act, may

1 be reserved by the Administrator for grants made  
2 under title II of the Federal Water Pollution Control  
3 Act for American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth  
4 of the Northern Marianas, and United States Virgin  
5 Islands: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year 2027,  
6 notwithstanding the limitations on amounts specified  
7 in section 1452(j) of the Safe Drinking Water Act,  
8 up to 1.5 percent of the funds appropriated for the  
9 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund programs  
10 under the Safe Drinking Water Act may be reserved  
11 by the Administrator for grants made under section  
12 1452(j) of the Safe Drinking Water Act: *Provided*  
13 *further*, That 10 percent of the funds made available  
14 under this title to each State for Clean Water State  
15 Revolving Fund capitalization grants and 14 percent  
16 of the funds made available under this title to each  
17 State for Drinking Water State Revolving Fund cap-  
18 italization grants shall be used by the State to pro-  
19 vide additional subsidy to eligible recipients in the  
20 form of forgiveness of principal, negative interest  
21 loans, or grants (or any combination of these), and  
22 shall be so used by the State only where such funds  
23 are provided as initial financing for an eligible re-  
24 cipient or to buy, refinance, or restructure the debt  
25 obligations of eligible recipients only where such debt

1 was incurred on or after the date of enactment of  
2 this Act, or where such debt was incurred prior to  
3 the date of enactment of this Act if the State, with  
4 concurrence from the Administrator, determines that  
5 such funds could be used to help address a threat  
6 to public health from heightened exposure to lead in  
7 drinking water or if a Federal or State emergency  
8 declaration has been issued due to a threat to public  
9 health from heightened exposure to lead in a munic-  
10 ipal drinking water supply before the date of enact-  
11 ment of this Act: *Provided further*, That in a State  
12 in which such an emergency declaration has been  
13 issued, the State may use more than 14 percent of  
14 the funds made available under this title to the  
15 State for Drinking Water State Revolving Fund cap-  
16 italization grants to provide additional subsidy to eli-  
17 gible recipients: *Provided further*, That notwith-  
18 standing section 1452(o) of the Safe Drinking Water  
19 Act (42 U.S.C. 300j-12(o)), the Administrator shall  
20 reserve up to \$12,000,000 of the amounts made  
21 available for fiscal year 2027 for making capitaliza-  
22 tion grants for the Drinking Water State Revolving  
23 Funds to pay the costs of monitoring for unregu-  
24 lated contaminants under section 1445(a)(2)(C) of  
25 such Act: *Provided further*, That the funds made

1 available under this heading for Community Project  
2 Funding grants in this or prior appropriations Acts  
3 are not subject to compliance with Federal procure-  
4 ment requirements for competition and methods of  
5 procurement applicable to Federal financial assist-  
6 ance, if a Community Project Funding recipient has  
7 procured services or products through contracts en-  
8 tered into prior to the date of enactment of this Act  
9 that complied with State and/or local laws governing  
10 competition;

11 (2) \$35,000,000 shall be for architectural, engi-  
12 neering, planning, design, construction and related  
13 activities in connection with the construction of high  
14 priority water and wastewater facilities in the area  
15 of the United States-Mexico border, after consulta-  
16 tion with the appropriate border commission: *Pro-*  
17 *vided*, That no funds provided by this appropriations  
18 Act to address the water, wastewater and other crit-  
19 ical infrastructure needs of the colonias in the  
20 United States along the United States-Mexico bor-  
21 der shall be made available to a county or municipal  
22 government unless that government has established  
23 an enforceable local ordinance, or other zoning rule,  
24 which prevents in that jurisdiction the development  
25 or construction of any additional colonia areas, or

1 the development within an existing colonia the con-  
2 struction of any new home, business, or other struc-  
3 ture which lacks water, wastewater, or other nec-  
4 essary infrastructure;

5 (3) \$20,000,000 shall be for grants to the State  
6 of Alaska to address drinking water and wastewater  
7 infrastructure needs of rural and Alaska Native Vil-  
8 lages: *Provided*, That of these funds: (A) the State  
9 of Alaska shall provide a match of 25 percent; (B)  
10 no more than 5 percent of the funds may be used  
11 for administrative and overhead expenses; and (C)  
12 the State of Alaska shall make awards consistent  
13 with the Statewide priority list established in con-  
14 junction with the Agency and the U.S. Department  
15 of Agriculture for all water, sewer, waste disposal,  
16 and similar projects carried out by the State of Alas-  
17 ka that are funded under section 221 of the Federal  
18 Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1301) or  
19 the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act  
20 (7 U.S.C. 1921 et seq.) which shall allocate not less  
21 than 25 percent of the funds provided for projects  
22 in regional hub communities;

23 (4) \$85,100,000 shall be to carry out section  
24 104(k) of the Comprehensive Environmental Re-  
25 sponse, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980

1 (CERCLA), including grants, interagency agree-  
2 ments, and associated program support costs: *Pro-*  
3 *vided*, That at least 10 percent shall be allocated for  
4 assistance in persistent poverty counties: *Provided*  
5 *further*, That for purposes of this section, the term  
6 “persistent poverty counties” means any county that  
7 has had 20 percent or more of its population living  
8 in poverty over the past 30 years, as measured by  
9 the 1993 Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates,  
10 the 2000 decennial census, and the most recent  
11 Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates, or any  
12 territory or possession of the United States;

13 (5) \$90,000,000 shall be for grants under title  
14 VII, subtitle G of the Energy Policy Act of 2005;

15 (6) \$67,800,000 shall be for targeted airshed  
16 grants in accordance with the terms and conditions  
17 in the report accompanying this Act;

18 (7) \$28,500,000 shall be for grants under sub-  
19 sections (a) through (j) of section 1459A of the Safe  
20 Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300j–19a): *Pro-*  
21 *vided*, That for fiscal year 2027, funds provided  
22 under subsections (a) through (j) of such section of  
23 such Act may be used—

24 (A) by a State to provide assistance to  
25 benefit one or more owners of drinking water

1 wells that are not public water systems or con-  
2 nected to a public water system for necessary  
3 and appropriate activities related to a contami-  
4 nant pursuant to subsection (j) of such section  
5 of such Act; and

6 (B) to support a community described in  
7 subsection (c)(2) of such section of such Act;

8 (8) \$28,000,000 shall be for grants under sec-  
9 tion 1464(d) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42  
10 U.S.C. 300j–24(d));

11 (9) \$22,000,000 shall be for grants under sec-  
12 tion 1459B of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42  
13 U.S.C. 300j–19b);

14 (10) \$7,500,000 shall be for grants under sec-  
15 tion 1459A(l) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42  
16 U.S.C. 300j–19a(l));

17 (11) \$26,000,000 shall be for grants under sec-  
18 tion 104(b)(8) of the Federal Water Pollution Con-  
19 trol Act (33 U.S.C. 1254(b)(8));

20 (12) \$5,000,000 shall be for grants under sec-  
21 tion 220 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act  
22 (33 U.S.C. 1300);

23 (13) \$42,000,000 shall be for grants under sec-  
24 tion 221 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act  
25 (33 U.S.C. 1301);

1           (14) \$5,000,000 shall be for grants under sec-  
2           tion 4304(b) of the America’s Water Infrastructure  
3           Act of 2018 (Public Law 115–270);

4           (15) \$3,500,000 shall be for carrying out sec-  
5           tion 302(a) of the Save Our Seas 2.0 Act (33 U.S.C.  
6           4282(a)), of which not more than 2 percent shall be  
7           for administrative costs to carry out such section:  
8           *Provided*, That notwithstanding section 302(a) of  
9           such Act, the Administrator may also provide grants  
10          pursuant to such authority to intertribal consortia  
11          consistent with the requirements in 40 CFR  
12          35.504(a), to former Indian reservations in Okla-  
13          homa (as determined by the Secretary of the Inte-  
14          rior), and Alaska Native Villages as defined in Pub-  
15          lic Law 92–203;

16          (16) \$2,250,000 shall be for grants under sec-  
17          tion 1459F of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42  
18          U.S.C. 300j–19g);

19          (17) \$7,000,000 shall be for carrying out sec-  
20          tion 2001 of the America’s Water Infrastructure Act  
21          of 2018 (Public Law 115–270, 42 U.S.C. 300j–3c  
22          note): *Provided*, That the Administrator may award  
23          grants to and enter into contracts with Tribes, inter-  
24          tribal consortia, public or private agencies, institu-  
25          tions, organizations, and individuals, without regard

1 to section 3324(a) and (b) of title 31 and section  
2 6101 of title 41, United States Code, and enter into  
3 interagency agreements as appropriate;

4 (18) \$2,000,000 shall be for grants under sec-  
5 tion 50217(b) of the Infrastructure Investment and  
6 Jobs Act (33 U.S.C. 1302f(b); Public Law 117–58);

7 (19) \$3,500,000 shall be for grants under sec-  
8 tion 124 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act  
9 (33 U.S.C. 1276); and

10 (20) \$1,113,213,000 shall be for grants, includ-  
11 ing associated program support costs, to States, fed-  
12 erally recognized Tribes, interstate agencies, Tribal  
13 consortia, and air pollution control agencies for  
14 multi-media or single media pollution prevention,  
15 control and abatement, and related activities, includ-  
16 ing activities pursuant to the provisions set forth  
17 under this heading in Public Law 104–134, and for  
18 making grants under section 103 of the Clean Air  
19 Act for particulate matter monitoring and data col-  
20 lection activities subject to terms and conditions  
21 specified by the Administrator, and under section  
22 2301 of the Water and Waste Act of 2016 to assist  
23 States in developing and implementing programs for  
24 control of coal combustion residuals, of which:  
25 \$46,250,000 shall be for carrying out section 128 of

1 CERCLA; \$9,500,000 shall be for Environmental  
2 Information Exchange Network grants, including as-  
3 sociated program support costs; \$1,475,000 shall be  
4 for grants to States under section 2007(f)(2) of the  
5 Solid Waste Disposal Act, which shall be in addition  
6 to funds appropriated under the heading “Leaking  
7 Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund Program”  
8 to carry out the provisions of the Solid Waste Dis-  
9 posal Act specified in section 9508(c) of the Internal  
10 Revenue Code other than section 9003(h) of the  
11 Solid Waste Disposal Act; \$18,512,000 of the funds  
12 available for grants under section 106 of the Federal  
13 Water Pollution Control Act shall be for State par-  
14 ticipation in national- and State-level statistical sur-  
15 veys of water resources and enhancements to State  
16 monitoring programs.

17 WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AND INNOVATION  
18 PROGRAM ACCOUNT

19 For the cost of direct loans and for the cost of guar-  
20 anteed loans, as authorized by the Water Infrastructure  
21 Finance and Innovation Act of 2014, \$64,634,000, to re-  
22 main available until expended: *Provided*, That such costs,  
23 including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as de-  
24 fined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of  
25 1974: *Provided further*, That these funds are available to

1 subsidize gross obligations for the principal amount of di-  
2 rect loans, including capitalized interest, and total loan  
3 principal, including capitalized interest, any part of which  
4 is to be guaranteed, not to exceed \$12,500,000,000: *Pro-*  
5 *vided further*, That of the funds made available under this  
6 heading, \$5,000,000 shall be used solely for the cost of  
7 direct loans and for the cost of guaranteed loans for  
8 projects described in section 5026(9) of the Water Infra-  
9 structure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 to State  
10 infrastructure financing authorities, as authorized by sec-  
11 tion 5033(e) of such Act: *Provided further*, That the use  
12 of direct loans or loan guarantee authority under this  
13 heading for direct loans or commitments to guarantee  
14 loans for any project shall be in accordance with the cri-  
15 teria published in the Federal Register on June 30, 2020  
16 (85 FR 39189) pursuant to the fourth proviso under the  
17 heading “Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation  
18 Program Account” in division D of the Further Consoli-  
19 dated Appropriations Act, 2020 (Public Law 116–94):  
20 *Provided further*, That none of the direct loans or loan  
21 guarantee authority made available under this heading  
22 shall be available for any project unless the Administrator  
23 and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget  
24 have certified in advance in writing that the direct loan  
25 or loan guarantee, as applicable, and the project comply

1 with the criteria referenced in the previous proviso: *Pro-*  
2 *vided further*, That, for the purposes of carrying out the  
3 Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Director of the  
4 Congressional Budget Office may request, and the Admin-  
5 istrator shall promptly provide, documentation and infor-  
6 mation relating to a project identified in a Letter of Inter-  
7 est submitted to the Administrator pursuant to a Notice  
8 of Funding Availability for applications for credit assist-  
9 ance under the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innova-  
10 tion Act Program, including with respect to a project that  
11 was initiated or completed before the date of enactment  
12 of this Act.

13 In addition, fees authorized to be collected pursuant  
14 to sections 5029 and 5030 of the Water Infrastructure  
15 Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 shall be deposited  
16 in this account, to remain available until expended.

17 In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out  
18 the direct and guaranteed loan programs, notwithstanding  
19 section 5033 of the Water Infrastructure Finance and In-  
20 novation Act of 2014, \$7,640,000, to remain available  
21 until September 30, 2028.

22 GOOD SAMARITAN MINE REMEDIATION

23 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

24 For necessary expenses to implement the Good Sa-  
25 maritan Remediation of Abandoned Hardrock Mines Act

1 of 2024 (Public Law 118–155; 30 U.S.C. 1245 note),  
2 \$1,700,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*,  
3 That the Administrator is authorized to transfer such  
4 sums as may be necessary from the Good Samaritan Mine  
5 Remediation Fund, authorized by section 5 of such Act,  
6 to the head of any Federal land management agency to  
7 carry out activities authorized by such Act; enter into  
8 interagency agreements with the head of any Federal de-  
9 partment or agency to carry out activities authorized by  
10 such Act; and make grants to States, local governments,  
11 interstate agencies, Tribes, intertribal consortia, Alaska  
12 Native Regional Corporations, Alaska Native Village Cor-  
13 porations, nonprofit organizations or associations, institu-  
14 tions, and individuals for planning, research, monitoring,  
15 outreach, and implementation in furtherance of such Act.

16 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—ENVIRONMENTAL

17 PROTECTION AGENCY

18 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

19 For fiscal year 2027, notwithstanding 31 U.S.C.  
20 6303(1) and 6305(1), the Administrator of the Environ-  
21 mental Protection Agency, in carrying out the Agency’s  
22 function to implement directly Federal environmental pro-  
23 grams required or authorized by law in the absence of an  
24 acceptable Tribal program, may award cooperative agree-  
25 ments to federally recognized Indian Tribes or Intertribal

1 consortia, if authorized by their member Tribes, to assist  
2 the Administrator in implementing Federal environmental  
3 programs for Indian Tribes required or authorized by law,  
4 except that no such cooperative agreements may be award-  
5 ed from funds designated for State financial assistance  
6 agreements.

7       The Administrator of the Environmental Protection  
8 Agency is authorized to collect and obligate pesticide reg-  
9 istration service fees in accordance with section 33 of the  
10 Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7  
11 U.S.C. 136w–8), to remain available until expended.

12       Notwithstanding section 33(d)(2) of the Federal In-  
13 secticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) (7  
14 U.S.C. 136w–8(d)(2)), the Administrator of the Environ-  
15 mental Protection Agency may assess fees under section  
16 33 of FIFRA (7 U.S.C. 136w–8) for fiscal year 2027.

17       The Administrator of the Environmental Protection  
18 Agency is authorized to collect and obligate fees in accord-  
19 ance with section 3024 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act  
20 (42 U.S.C. 6939g) for fiscal year 2027, to remain avail-  
21 able until expended.

22       The Administrator is authorized to transfer up to  
23 \$369,000,000 of the funds appropriated for the Great  
24 Lakes Restoration Initiative under the heading “Environ-  
25 mental Programs and Management” to the head of any

1 Federal department or agency, with the concurrence of  
2 such head, to carry out activities that would support the  
3 Great Lakes Restoration Initiative and Great Lakes  
4 Water Quality Agreement programs, projects, or activities;  
5 to enter into an interagency agreement with the head of  
6 such Federal department or agency to carry out these ac-  
7 tivities; and to make grants to governmental entities, non-  
8 profit organizations, institutions, and individuals for plan-  
9 ning, research, monitoring, outreach, and implementation  
10 in furtherance of the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative  
11 and the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement.

12       The Science and Technology, Environmental Pro-  
13 grams and Management, Office of Inspector General, Haz-  
14 ardous Substance Superfund, and Leaking Underground  
15 Storage Tank Trust Fund Program Accounts, are avail-  
16 able for the construction, alteration, repair, rehabilitation,  
17 and renovation of facilities, provided that the cost does  
18 not exceed \$300,000 per project.

19       For fiscal year 2027, and notwithstanding section  
20 518(f) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33  
21 U.S.C. 1377(f)), the Administrator is authorized to use  
22 the amounts appropriated for any fiscal year under section  
23 319 of the Act to make grants to Indian Tribes pursuant  
24 to sections 319(h) and 518(e) of that Act.

1       The Administrator is authorized to use the amounts  
2 appropriated under the heading “Environmental Pro-  
3 grams and Management” for fiscal year 2027 to provide  
4 grants to implement the Southeast New England Water-  
5 shed Restoration Program.

6       Notwithstanding the limitations on amounts in sec-  
7 tion 320(i)(2)(B) of the Federal Water Pollution Control  
8 Act, not less than \$2,500,000 of the funds made available  
9 under this title for the National Estuary Program shall  
10 be for making competitive awards described in section  
11 320(g)(4).

12       For fiscal year 2027, the Office of Chemical Safety  
13 and Pollution Prevention and the Office of Water may,  
14 using funds appropriated under the headings “Environ-  
15 mental Programs and Management” and “Science and  
16 Technology”, contract directly with individuals or indi-  
17 rectly with institutions or nonprofit organizations, without  
18 regard to 41 U.S.C. 5, for the temporary or intermittent  
19 personal services of students or recent graduates, who  
20 shall be considered employees for the purposes of chapters  
21 57 and 81 of title 5, United States Code, relating to com-  
22 pensation for travel and work injuries, and chapter 171  
23 of title 28, United States Code, relating to tort claims,  
24 but shall not be considered to be Federal employees for  
25 any other purpose: *Provided*, That amounts used for this

1 purpose by the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution  
2 Prevention and the Office of Water collectively may not  
3 exceed \$2,000,000.

4       The Environmental Protection agency shall provide  
5 the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Rep-  
6 resentatives and Senate with copies of any available De-  
7 partment of Treasury quarterly certification of trust fund  
8 receipts collected from section 13601 of Public Law 117-  
9 169 and section 80201 of Public Law 117-58, an annual  
10 operating plan for such receipts showing amounts allo-  
11 cated by program area and program project, and quarterly  
12 reports for such receipts of obligated balances by program  
13 area and program project.

1 TITLE III  
2 RELATED AGENCIES  
3 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
4 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR NATURAL  
5 RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

6 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under  
7 Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment,  
8 \$1,000,000: *Provided*, That funds made available by this  
9 Act to any agency in the Natural Resources and Environ-  
10 ment mission area for salaries and expenses are available  
11 to fund up to one administrative support staff for the of-  
12 fice.

13 FOREST SERVICE  
14 FOREST SERVICE OPERATIONS  
15 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

16 For necessary expenses of the Forest Service, not  
17 otherwise provided for, \$1,000,283,000, to remain avail-  
18 able through September 30, 2030: *Provided*, That a por-  
19 tion of the funds made available under this heading shall  
20 be for the base salary and expenses of employees in the  
21 Chief's Office, the Work Environment and Performance  
22 Office, the Business Operations Deputy Area, and the  
23 Chief Financial Officer's Office to carry out administra-  
24 tive and general management support functions: *Provided*  
25 *further*, That funds provided under this heading shall be

1 available for the costs of facility maintenance, repairs, and  
2 leases for buildings and sites where these administrative,  
3 general management and other Forest Service support  
4 functions take place; the costs of all utility and tele-  
5 communication expenses of the Forest Service, as well as  
6 business services; and, for information technology, includ-  
7 ing cybersecurity requirements: *Provided further*, That  
8 funds provided under this heading may be used for nec-  
9 essary expenses to carry out administrative and general  
10 management support functions of the Forest Service not  
11 otherwise provided for and necessary for its operation.

12 FOREST AND RANGELAND RESEARCH

13 For necessary expenses of forest and rangeland re-  
14 search as authorized by law, \$295,000,000, to remain  
15 available through September 30, 2030: *Provided*, That of  
16 the funds provided, \$34,000,000 is for the forest inventory  
17 and analysis program: *Provided further*, That all authori-  
18 ties for the use of funds, including the use of contracts,  
19 grants, and cooperative agreements, available to execute  
20 the Forest and Rangeland Research appropriation, are  
21 also available in the utilization of these funds for Fire  
22 Science Research.

23 STATE, PRIVATE, AND TRIBAL FORESTRY

24 For necessary expenses of cooperating with and pro-  
25 viding technical and financial assistance to States, terri-

1 tories, possessions, Tribes, and others, and for forest  
2 health management, including for invasive plants, and  
3 conducting an international program and trade activities  
4 as authorized, \$283,500,000, to remain available through  
5 September 30, 2030, as authorized by law.

6 NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM

7 For necessary expenses of the Forest Service, not  
8 otherwise provided for, for management, protection, im-  
9 provement, and utilization of the National Forest System,  
10 and for hazardous fuels management on or adjacent to  
11 such lands, \$1,876,907,000, to remain available through  
12 September 30, 2030: *Provided*, That of the funds pro-  
13 vided, \$31,000,000 shall be deposited in the Collaborative  
14 Forest Landscape Restoration Fund for ecological restora-  
15 tion treatments as authorized by 16 U.S.C. 7303(f): *Pro-*  
16 *vided further*, That of the funds provided, \$45,000,000  
17 shall be for forest products: *Provided further*, That of the  
18 funds provided, \$185,000,000 shall be for hazardous fuels  
19 management activities, of which not to exceed  
20 \$30,000,000 may be used to make grants, using any au-  
21 thorities available to the Forest Service under the “State,  
22 Private, and Tribal Forestry” appropriation, for the pur-  
23 pose of creating incentives for increased use of biomass  
24 from National Forest System lands: *Provided further*,  
25 That \$20,000,000 may be used by the Secretary of Agri-

1 culture to enter into procurement contracts or cooperative  
2 agreements or to issue grants for hazardous fuels manage-  
3 ment activities, and for training or monitoring associated  
4 with such hazardous fuels management activities on Fed-  
5 eral land, or on non-Federal land if the Secretary deter-  
6 mines such activities benefit resources on Federal land:  
7 *Provided further*, That funds made available to implement  
8 the Community Forest Restoration Act, Public Law 106–  
9 393, title VI, shall be available for use on non-Federal  
10 lands in accordance with authorities made available to the  
11 Forest Service under the “State, Private, and Tribal For-  
12 estry” appropriation: *Provided further*, That notwith-  
13 standing section 33 of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant  
14 Act (7 U.S.C. 1012), the Secretary of Agriculture, in cal-  
15 culating a fee for grazing on a National Grassland, may  
16 provide a credit of up to 50 percent of the calculated fee  
17 to a Grazing Association or direct permittee for a con-  
18 servation practice approved by the Secretary in advance  
19 of the fiscal year in which the cost of the conservation  
20 practice is incurred, and that the amount credited shall  
21 remain available to the Grazing Association or the direct  
22 permittee, as appropriate, in the fiscal year in which the  
23 credit is made and each fiscal year thereafter for use on  
24 the project for conservation practices approved by the Sec-  
25 retary: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated to this

1 account shall be available for the base salary and expenses  
2 of employees that carry out the functions funded by the  
3 “Capital Improvement and Maintenance” account, the  
4 “Range Betterment Fund” account, and the “Manage-  
5 ment of National Forest Lands for Subsistence Uses” ac-  
6 count.

7 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE

8 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

9 For necessary expenses of the Forest Service, not  
10 otherwise provided for, \$152,800,000, to remain available  
11 through September 30, 2030, for construction, capital im-  
12 provement, maintenance, and acquisition of buildings and  
13 other facilities and infrastructure; for construction, recon-  
14 struction, and decommissioning of unauthorized roads  
15 that are not part of the transportation system; and for  
16 maintenance of forest roads and trails by the Forest Serv-  
17 ice as authorized by 16 U.S.C. 532–538 and 23 U.S.C.  
18 101 and 205: *Provided*, That \$7,000,000 shall be for ac-  
19 tivities authorized by 16 U.S.C. 538(a): *Provided further*,  
20 That funds becoming available in fiscal year 2027 under  
21 the Act of March 4, 1913 (16 U.S.C. 501) shall be trans-  
22 ferred to the General Fund of the Treasury and shall not  
23 be available for transfer or obligation for any other pur-  
24 pose unless the funds are appropriated.

1 ACQUISITION OF LANDS FOR NATIONAL FORESTS SPECIAL  
2 ACTS

3 For acquisition of lands within the exterior bound-  
4 aries of the Cache, Uinta, and Wasatch National Forests,  
5 Utah; the Toiyabe National Forest, Nevada; and the An-  
6 geles, San Bernardino, Sequoia, and Cleveland National  
7 Forests, California; and the Ozark-St. Francis and  
8 Ouachita National Forests, Arkansas; as authorized by  
9 law, \$664,000, to be derived from forest receipts.

10 ACQUISITION OF LANDS TO COMPLETE LAND EXCHANGES

11 For acquisition of lands, such sums, to be derived  
12 from funds deposited by State, county, or municipal gov-  
13 ernments, public school districts, or other public school au-  
14 thorities, and for authorized expenditures from funds de-  
15 posited by non-Federal parties pursuant to Land Sale and  
16 Exchange Acts, pursuant to the Act of December 4, 1967  
17 (16 U.S.C. 484a), to remain available through September  
18 30, 2030, (16 U.S.C. 516–617a, 555a; Public Law 96–  
19 586; Public Law 76–589, Public Law 76–591; and Public  
20 Law 78–310).

21 RANGE BETTERMENT FUND

22 For necessary expenses of range rehabilitation, pro-  
23 tection, and improvement, 50 percent of all moneys re-  
24 ceived during the prior fiscal year, as fees for grazing do-  
25 mestic livestock on lands in National Forests in the 16

1 Western States, pursuant to section 401(b)(1) of Public  
2 Law 94–579, to remain available through September 30,  
3 2030, of which not to exceed 6 percent shall be available  
4 for administrative expenses associated with on-the-ground  
5 range rehabilitation, protection, and improvements.

6 GIFTS, DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS FOR FOREST AND  
7 RANGELAND RESEARCH

8 For expenses authorized by 16 U.S.C. 1643(b),  
9 \$45,000, to remain available through September 30, 2030,  
10 to be derived from the fund established pursuant to the  
11 above Act.

12 MANAGEMENT OF NATIONAL FOREST LANDS FOR  
13 SUBSISTENCE USES

14 For necessary expenses of the Forest Service to man-  
15 age Federal lands in Alaska for subsistence uses under  
16 title VIII of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conserva-  
17 tion Act (16 U.S.C. 3111 et seq.), \$1,099,000, to remain  
18 available through September 30, 2030.

19 WILDLAND FIRE MANAGEMENT  
20 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

21 For necessary expenses for forest fire presuppression  
22 activities on National Forest System lands, for emergency  
23 wildland fire suppression on or adjacent to such lands or  
24 other lands under fire protection agreement, and for emer-  
25 gency rehabilitation of burned-over National Forest Sys-

1 tem lands and water, \$2,628,000,000, to remain available  
2 until expended: *Provided*, That such funds, including un-  
3 obligated balances under this heading, are available for re-  
4 payment of advances from other appropriations accounts  
5 previously transferred for such purposes: *Provided further*,  
6 That any unobligated funds appropriated in a previous fis-  
7 cal year for hazardous fuels management may be trans-  
8 ferred to the “National Forest System” account: *Provided*  
9 *further*, That such funds shall be available to reimburse  
10 State and other cooperating entities for services provided  
11 in response to wildfire, search and rescue, and other emer-  
12 gencies or disasters to the extent such reimbursements by  
13 the Forest Service for non-fire emergencies are fully re-  
14 paid by the responsible emergency management agency:  
15 *Provided further*, That funds provided shall be available  
16 for support to Federal emergency response: *Provided fur-*  
17 *ther*, That the costs of implementing any cooperative  
18 agreement between the Federal Government and any non-  
19 Federal entity may be shared, as mutually agreed on by  
20 the affected parties: *Provided further*, That of the funds  
21 provided under this heading, \$1,011,000,000 shall be  
22 available for wildfire suppression operations, and is pro-  
23 vided to meet the terms of section 251(b)(2)(F)(ii)(I) of  
24 the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act  
25 of 1985.

1 WILDFIRE SUPPRESSION OPERATIONS RESERVE FUND  
2 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

3 In addition to the amounts provided under the head-  
4 ing “Department of Agriculture—Forest Service—  
5 Wildland Fire Management” for wildfire suppression oper-  
6 ations, \$2,570,000,000, to remain available until trans-  
7 ferred, is additional new budget authority as specified for  
8 purposes of section 251(b)(2)(F) of the Balanced Budget  
9 and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985: *Provided*,  
10 That such amounts may be transferred to and merged  
11 with amounts made available under the headings “Depart-  
12 ment of the Interior—U.S. Wildland Fire Service—  
13 Wildland Fire Service Operations” and “Department of  
14 Agriculture—Forest Service—Wildland Fire Manage-  
15 ment” for wildfire suppression operations in the fiscal year  
16 in which such amounts are transferred: *Provided further*,  
17 That amounts may be transferred to the “Wildland Fire  
18 Management” account in the Department of Agriculture  
19 or the “Wildland Fire Service Operations” account in the  
20 Department of the Interior only upon the notification of  
21 the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations that  
22 all wildfire suppression operations funds appropriated  
23 under such headings in this Act and under the headings  
24 “Department of the Interior—Department-Wide Pro-  
25 grams—Wild land Fire Management” and “Department

1 of Agriculture—Forest Service—Wildland Fire Manage-  
2 ment” in prior appropriations Acts to the agency to which  
3 the funds will be transferred will be obligated within 30  
4 days: *Provided further*, That the transfer authority pro-  
5 vided under this heading is in addition to any other trans-  
6 fer authority provided by law: *Provided further*, That, in  
7 determining whether all wildfire suppression operations  
8 funds appropriated under the heading “Wildland Fire  
9 Service Operations” in this Act and “Wildland Fire Man-  
10 agement” in this and prior appropriations Acts to either  
11 the Department of Agriculture or the Department of the  
12 Interior will be obligated within 30 days pursuant to the  
13 preceding proviso, any funds transferred or permitted to  
14 be transferred pursuant to any other transfer authority  
15 provided by law shall be excluded.

16 COMMUNICATIONS SITE ADMINISTRATION

17 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

18 Amounts collected in this fiscal year pursuant to sec-  
19 tion 8705(f)(2) of the Agriculture Improvement Act of  
20 2018 (Public Law 115–334), shall be deposited in the spe-  
21 cial account established by section 8705(f)(1) of such Act,  
22 shall be available to cover the costs described in subsection  
23 (c)(3) of such section of such Act, and shall remain avail-  
24 able until expended: *Provided*, That such amounts shall  
25 be transferred to the “National Forest System” account.

1 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FOREST SERVICE  
2 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

3 Appropriations to the Forest Service for the current  
4 fiscal year shall be available for: (1) purchase of passenger  
5 motor vehicles; acquisition of passenger motor vehicles  
6 from excess sources, and hire of such vehicles; purchase,  
7 lease, operation, maintenance, and acquisition of aircraft  
8 to maintain the operable fleet for use in Forest Service  
9 wildland fire programs and other Forest Service programs;  
10 notwithstanding other provisions of law, existing aircraft  
11 being replaced may be sold, with proceeds derived or  
12 trade-in value used to offset the purchase price for the  
13 replacement aircraft; (2) services pursuant to 7 U.S.C.  
14 2225, and not to exceed \$100,000 for employment under  
15 5 U.S.C. 3109; (3) purchase, erection, and alteration of  
16 buildings and other public improvements (7 U.S.C. 2250);  
17 (4) acquisition of land, waters, and interests therein pur-  
18 suant to 7 U.S.C. 428a; (5) for expenses pursuant to the  
19 Volunteers in the National Forest Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C.  
20 558a, 558d, and 558a note); (6) the cost of uniforms as  
21 authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901–5902; and (7) for debt col-  
22 lection contracts in accordance with 31 U.S.C. 3718(c).

23 Funds made available to the Forest Service in this  
24 Act may be transferred between accounts affected by the  
25 Forest Service budget restructure outlined in section 435

1 of division D of the Further Consolidated Appropriations  
2 Act, 2020 (Public Law 116–94): *Provided*, That any  
3 transfer of funds pursuant to this paragraph shall not in-  
4 crease or decrease the funds appropriated to any account  
5 in this fiscal year by more than ten percent: *Provided fur-*  
6 *ther*, That such transfer authority is in addition to any  
7 other transfer authority provided by law.

8       Any appropriations or funds available to the Forest  
9 Service may be transferred to the Wildland Fire Manage-  
10 ment appropriation for forest firefighting, emergency re-  
11 habilitation of burned-over or damaged lands or waters  
12 under its jurisdiction, and fire preparedness due to severe  
13 burning conditions upon the Secretary of Agriculture’s no-  
14 tification of the House and Senate Committees on Appro-  
15 priations that all fire suppression funds appropriated  
16 under the heading “Wildland Fire Management” will be  
17 obligated within 30 days: *Provided*, That all funds used  
18 pursuant to this paragraph must be replenished by a sup-  
19 plemental appropriation which must be requested as  
20 promptly as possible.

21       Not more than \$50,000,000 of funds appropriated to  
22 the Forest Service shall be available for expenditure or  
23 transfer to the Department of the Interior for wildland  
24 fire management, hazardous fuels management, and State

1 fire assistance when such transfers would facilitate and  
2 expedite wildland fire management programs and projects.

3       Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the  
4 Forest Service may transfer unobligated balances of dis-  
5 cretionary funds appropriated to the Forest Service by  
6 this Act to or within the National Forest System Account,  
7 or reprogram funds to be used for the purposes of haz-  
8 ardous fuels management and urgent rehabilitation of  
9 burned-over National Forest System lands and water: *Pro-*  
10 *vided*, That such transferred funds shall remain available  
11 through September 30, 2030: *Provided further*, That none  
12 of the funds transferred pursuant to this paragraph shall  
13 be available for obligation without written notification to  
14 and the prior approval of the Committees on Appropria-  
15 tions of both Houses of Congress.

16       Funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be  
17 available for assistance to or through the U.S. Department  
18 of State and other Federal agencies in connection with for-  
19 est and rangeland research, technical information, and as-  
20 sistance in foreign countries, and shall be available to sup-  
21 port forestry and related natural resource activities out-  
22 side the United States and its territories and possessions,  
23 including technical assistance, education and training, and  
24 cooperation with the United States government, private  
25 sector, and international organizations: *Provided*, That the

1 International Programs and Trade may utilize all authori-  
2 ties related to forestry, research, and cooperative assist-  
3 ance regardless of program designations.

4 Funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be  
5 available for expenditure or transfer to the Department  
6 of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, for removal,  
7 preparation, and adoption of excess wild horses and burros  
8 from National Forest System lands, and for the perform-  
9 ance of cadastral surveys to designate the boundaries of  
10 such lands.

11 None of the funds made available to the Forest Serv-  
12 ice in this Act or any other Act with respect to any fiscal  
13 year shall be subject to transfer under the provisions of  
14 section 702(b) of the Department of Agriculture Organic  
15 Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2257), section 442 of Public Law  
16 106–224 (7 U.S.C. 7772), or section 10417(b) of Public  
17 Law 107–171 (7 U.S.C. 8316(b)).

18 Not more than \$82,000,000 of funds available to the  
19 Forest Service shall be transferred to the Working Capital  
20 Fund of the Department of Agriculture and not more than  
21 \$14,500,000 of funds available to the Forest Service shall  
22 be transferred to the Department of Agriculture for De-  
23 partment Reimbursable Programs, commonly referred to  
24 as Greenbook charges: *Provided*, That nothing in this  
25 paragraph shall prohibit or limit the use of reimbursable

1 agreements requested by the Forest Service in order to  
2 obtain information technology services, including tele-  
3 communications and system modifications or enhance-  
4 ments, from the Working Capital Fund of the Department  
5 of Agriculture.

6       Of the funds available to the Forest Service, up to  
7 \$5,000,000 shall be available for priority projects within  
8 the scope of the approved budget, which shall be carried  
9 out by the Youth Conservation Corps and shall be carried  
10 out under the authority of the Public Lands Corps Act  
11 of 1993 (16 U.S.C. 1721 et seq.).

12       Of the funds available to the Forest Service, \$4,000  
13 is available to the Chief of the Forest Service for official  
14 reception and representation expenses.

15       Pursuant to sections 405(b) and 410(b) of Public  
16 Law 101–593, of the funds available to the Forest Service,  
17 up to \$3,000,000 may be advanced in a lump sum to the  
18 National Forest Foundation to aid conservation partner-  
19 ship projects in support of the Forest Service mission,  
20 without regard to when the Foundation incurs expenses,  
21 for projects on or benefitting National Forest System  
22 lands or related to Forest Service programs: *Provided*,  
23 That of the Federal funds made available to the Founda-  
24 tion, no more than \$300,000 shall be available for admin-  
25 istrative expenses: *Provided further*, That the Foundation

1 shall obtain, by the end of the period of Federal financial  
2 assistance, private contributions to match funds made  
3 available by the Forest Service on at least a one-for-one  
4 basis: *Provided further*, That the Foundation may transfer  
5 Federal funds to a Federal or a non-Federal recipient for  
6 a project at the same rate that the recipient has obtained  
7 the non-Federal matching funds.

8 Pursuant to section 2(b)(2) of Public Law 98-244,  
9 up to \$3,000,000 of the funds available to the Forest  
10 Service may be advanced to the National Fish and Wildlife  
11 Foundation in a lump sum to aid cost-share conservation  
12 projects, without regard to when expenses are incurred,  
13 on or benefitting National Forest System lands or related  
14 to Forest Service programs: *Provided*, That such funds  
15 shall be matched on at least a one-for-one basis by the  
16 Foundation or its sub-recipients: *Provided further*, That  
17 the Foundation may transfer Federal funds to a Federal  
18 or non-Federal recipient for a project at the same rate  
19 that the recipient has obtained the non-Federal matching  
20 funds.

21 Any amounts made available to the Forest Service  
22 in this fiscal year, including available collections, may be  
23 used by the Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the  
24 Chief of the Forest Service, to enter into Federal financial  
25 assistance grants and cooperative agreements to support

1 forest or grassland collaboratives in the accomplishment  
2 of activities benefitting both the public and the National  
3 Forest System, Federal lands and adjacent non-Federal  
4 lands. Eligible activities are those that will improve or en-  
5 hance Federal investments, resources, or lands, including  
6 for collaborative and collaboration-based activities, includ-  
7 ing but not limited to facilitation, planning, and imple-  
8 menting projects, technical assistance, administrative  
9 functions, operational support, participant costs, and  
10 other capacity support needs, as identified by the Forest  
11 Service. Eligible recipients are Indian Tribal entities (de-  
12 fined at 25 U.S.C. 5304(e)), state government, local gov-  
13 ernments, private and nonprofit entities, for-profit organi-  
14 zations, and educational institutions. The Secretary of Ag-  
15 riculture, acting through the Chief of the Forest Service,  
16 may enter into such cooperative agreements notwith-  
17 standing chapter 63 of title 31 when the Secretary deter-  
18 mines that the public interest will be benefited and that  
19 there exists a mutual interest other than monetary consid-  
20 erations. Transactions subject to Title 2 of the Code of  
21 Federal Regulations shall be publicly advertised and re-  
22 quire competition when required by such Title 2. For those  
23 transactions not subject to Title 2 of the Code of Federal  
24 Regulations, the agency may require public advertising  
25 and competition when deemed appropriate. The term “for-

1 est and grassland collaboratives” means groups of individ-  
2 uals or entities with diverse interests participating in a  
3 cooperative process to share knowledge, ideas, and re-  
4 sources about the protection, restoration, or enhancement  
5 of natural and other resources on Federal and adjacent  
6 non-Federal lands, the improvement or maintenance of  
7 public access to Federal lands, or the reduction of risk  
8 to such lands caused by natural disasters.

9       The 19th unnumbered paragraph under the heading  
10 “Administrative Provisions, Forest Service” in title III of  
11 Public Law 109–54 is amended in the first sentence by  
12 inserting “and future Acts” after “funds available to the  
13 Forest Service in this Act” and by striking “prior to the  
14 date of enactment of this Act”.

15       Funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be  
16 available for interactions with and providing technical as-  
17 sistance to rural communities and natural resource-based  
18 businesses for sustainable rural development purposes.

19       Funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be  
20 available for payments to counties within the Columbia  
21 River Gorge National Scenic Area, pursuant to section  
22 14(c)(1) and (2), and section 16(a)(2) of Public Law 99–  
23 663.

24       Any funds appropriated to the Forest Service may  
25 be used to meet the non-Federal share requirement in sec-

1 tion 502(c) of the Older Americans Act of 1965 (42  
2 U.S.C. 3056(c)(2)).

3       The Forest Service shall not assess funds for the pur-  
4 pose of performing fire, administrative, and other facilities  
5 maintenance and decommissioning.

6       Notwithstanding any other provision of law, of any  
7 appropriations or funds available to the Forest Service,  
8 not to exceed \$500,000 may be used to reimburse the Of-  
9 fice of the General Counsel (OGC), Department of Agri-  
10 culture, for travel and related expenses incurred as a re-  
11 sult of OGC assistance or participation requested by the  
12 Forest Service at meetings, training sessions, management  
13 reviews, land purchase negotiations, and similar matters  
14 unrelated to civil litigation: *Provided*, That future budget  
15 justifications for both the Forest Service and the Depart-  
16 ment of Agriculture should clearly display the sums pre-  
17 viously transferred and the sums requested for transfer.

18       An eligible individual who is employed in any project  
19 funded under title V of the Older Americans Act of 1965  
20 (42 U.S.C. 3056 et seq.) and administered by the Forest  
21 Service shall be considered to be a Federal employee for  
22 purposes of chapter 171 of title 28, United States Code.

23       The Forest Service may employ or contract with an  
24 individual who is enrolled in a training program at a long-  
25 standing Civilian Conservation Center (as defined in sec-

1 tion 147(d) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity  
2 Act (29 U.S.C. 3197(d))) at regular rates of pay for nec-  
3 essary hours of work on National Forest System lands.

4 Funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be  
5 available to pay, from a single account, the base salary  
6 and expenses of employees who carry out functions funded  
7 by other accounts for Enterprise Program, Geospatial  
8 Technology and Applications Center, remnant Natural Re-  
9 source Manager, Job Corps, and National Technology and  
10 Development Program.

11 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN

12 SERVICES

13 INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE

14 INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES

15 For expenses necessary to carry out the Act of Au-  
16 gust 5, 1954 (68 Stat. 674), the Indian Self-Determina-  
17 tion and Education Assistance Act, the Indian Health  
18 Care Improvement Act, and titles II and III of the Public  
19 Health Service Act with respect to the Indian Health Serv-  
20 ice, \$402,930,000, to remain available until September 30,  
21 2028, except as otherwise provided herein, which shall be  
22 in addition to funds previously appropriated under this  
23 heading that became available on October 1, 2026; in ad-  
24 dition, \$173,673,000, to remain available until September  
25 30, 2028, for the Electronic Health Record System and

1 the Indian Healthcare Improvement Fund, of which  
2 \$78,673,000 is for the Indian Health Care Improvement  
3 Fund and may be used, as needed, to carry out activities  
4 typically funded under the Indian Health Facilities ac-  
5 count; and, in addition, \$5,192,661,000, which shall be-  
6 come available on October 1, 2027, and remain available  
7 through September 30, 2029, except as otherwise provided  
8 herein; together with payments received during the fiscal  
9 year pursuant to sections 231(b) and 233 of the Public  
10 Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 238(b) and 238b), for serv-  
11 ices furnished by the Indian Health Service: *Provided*,  
12 That funds made available to Tribes and Tribal organiza-  
13 tions through contracts, grant agreements, or any other  
14 agreements or compacts authorized by the Indian Self-De-  
15 termination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (25  
16 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), shall be deemed to be obligated at  
17 the time of the grant or contract award and thereafter  
18 shall remain available to the Tribe or Tribal organization  
19 without fiscal year limitation: *Provided further*, That from  
20 the amounts that become available on October 1, 2027,  
21 \$2,500,000 shall be available for grants or contracts with  
22 public or private institutions to provide alcohol or drug  
23 treatment services to Indians, including alcohol detoxifica-  
24 tion services: *Provided further*, That from the amounts  
25 that become available on October 1, 2027, \$1,055,713,000

1 shall remain available until expended for Purchased/Re-  
2 ferred Care: *Provided further*, That of the total amount  
3 specified in the preceding proviso for Purchased/Referred  
4 Care, \$54,000,000 shall be for the Indian Catastrophic  
5 Health Emergency Fund: *Provided further*, That from the  
6 amounts that become available on October 1, 2027, up to  
7 \$53,000,000 shall remain available until expended for im-  
8 plementation of the loan repayment program under section  
9 108 of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act: *Provided*  
10 *further*, That from the amounts that become available on  
11 October 1, 2027, \$58,000,000, to remain available until  
12 expended, shall be for costs related to or resulting from  
13 accreditation emergencies, including supplementing activi-  
14 ties funded under the heading “Indian Health Facilities”,  
15 of which up to \$4,000,000 may be used to supplement  
16 amounts otherwise available for Purchased/Referred Care:  
17 *Provided further*, That the amounts collected by the Fed-  
18 eral Government as authorized by sections 104 and 108  
19 of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C.  
20 1613a and 1616a) during the preceding fiscal year for  
21 breach of contracts shall be deposited in the Fund author-  
22 ized by section 108A of that Act (25 U.S.C. 1616a–1) and  
23 shall remain available until expended and, notwithstanding  
24 section 108A(c) of that Act (25 U.S.C. 1616a–1(c)), funds  
25 shall be available to make new awards under the loan re-

1 payment and scholarship programs under sections 104  
2 and 108 of that Act (25 U.S.C. 1613a and 1616a): *Pro-*  
3 *vided further*, That the amounts made available within this  
4 account for the Substance Abuse and Suicide Prevention  
5 Program, for Opioid Prevention, Treatment and Recovery  
6 Services, for the Domestic Violence Prevention Program,  
7 for the Zero Suicide Initiative, for the housing subsidy au-  
8 thority for civilian employees, for Aftercare Pilot Pro-  
9 grams at Youth Regional Treatment Centers, for trans-  
10 formation and modernization costs of the Indian Health  
11 Service Electronic Health Record system, for national  
12 quality and oversight activities, to improve collections from  
13 public and private insurance at Indian Health Service and  
14 Tribally operated facilities, for an initiative to treat or re-  
15 duce the transmission of HIV and HCV, for a maternal  
16 health initiative, for the Telebehavioral Health Center of  
17 Excellence, for Alzheimer’s activities, for Village Built  
18 Clinics, for a produce prescription pilot, and for accredita-  
19 tion emergencies shall be allocated at the discretion of the  
20 Director of the Indian Health Service and shall remain  
21 available until expended: *Provided further*, That funds pro-  
22 vided in this Act may be used for annual contracts and  
23 grants that fall within 2 fiscal years, provided the total  
24 obligation is recorded in the year the funds are appro-  
25 priated: *Provided further*, That the amounts collected by

1 the Secretary of Health and Human Services under the  
2 authority of title IV of the Indian Health Care Improve-  
3 ment Act (25 U.S.C. 1613) shall remain available until  
4 expended for the purpose of achieving compliance with the  
5 applicable conditions and requirements of titles XVIII and  
6 XIX of the Social Security Act, except for those related  
7 to the planning, design, or construction of new facilities:  
8 *Provided further*, That funding contained herein for schol-  
9 arship programs under the Indian Health Care Improve-  
10 ment Act (25 U.S.C. 1613) shall remain available until  
11 expended: *Provided further*, That amounts received by  
12 Tribes and Tribal organizations under title IV of the In-  
13 dian Health Care Improvement Act shall be reported and  
14 accounted for and available to the receiving Tribes and  
15 Tribal organizations until expended: *Provided further*,  
16 That the Bureau of Indian Affairs may collect from the  
17 Indian Health Service, and from Tribes and Tribal organi-  
18 zations operating health facilities pursuant to Public Law  
19 93-638, such individually identifiable health information  
20 relating to disabled children as may be necessary for the  
21 purpose of carrying out its functions under the Individuals  
22 with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.):  
23 *Provided further*, That none of the funds provided that be-  
24 come available on October 1, 2027, may be used for imple-  
25 mentation of the Electronic Health Record System or the

1 Indian Health Care Improvement Fund: *Provided further*,  
2 That none of the funds appropriated by this Act, or any  
3 other Act, to the Indian Health Service for the Electronic  
4 Health Record system shall be available for obligation or  
5 expenditure for the selection or implementation of a new  
6 Information Technology infrastructure system, unless the  
7 Committees on Appropriations of the House of Represent-  
8 atives and the Senate are consulted 90 days in advance  
9 of such obligation.

10 CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS

11 For payments to Tribes and Tribal organizations for  
12 contract support costs associated with Indian Self-Deter-  
13 mination and Education Assistance Act agreements with  
14 the Indian Health Service for fiscal year 2027, such sums  
15 as may be necessary: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any  
16 other provision of law, no amounts made available under  
17 this heading shall be available for transfer to another  
18 budget account: *Provided further*, That amounts obligated  
19 but not expended by a Tribe or Tribal organization for  
20 contract support costs for such agreements for the current  
21 fiscal year shall be applied to contract support costs due  
22 for such agreements for subsequent fiscal years.

23 PAYMENTS FOR TRIBAL LEASES

24 For payments to Tribes and Tribal organizations for  
25 leases pursuant to section 105(l) of the Indian Self-Deter-



1 available on October 1, 2027, and remain available until  
2 expended: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any other pro-  
3 vision of law, funds appropriated for the planning, design,  
4 construction, renovation, or expansion of health facilities  
5 for the benefit of an Indian Tribe or Tribes may be used  
6 to purchase land on which such facilities will be located:  
7 *Provided further*, That not to exceed \$500,000 may be  
8 used for fiscal year 2028 by the Indian Health Service  
9 to purchase TRANSAM equipment from the Department  
10 of Defense for distribution to the Indian Health Service  
11 and Tribal facilities: *Provided further*, That none of the  
12 funds appropriated to the Indian Health Service may be  
13 used for sanitation facilities construction for new homes  
14 funded with grants by the housing programs of the United  
15 States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

16 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE

17 Appropriations provided in this Act to the Indian  
18 Health Service shall be available for services as authorized  
19 by 5 U.S.C. 3109 at rates not to exceed the per diem rate  
20 equivalent to the maximum rate payable for senior-level  
21 positions under 5 U.S.C. 5376; hire of passenger motor  
22 vehicles and aircraft; purchase of medical equipment; pur-  
23 chase of reprints; purchase, renovation, and erection of  
24 modular buildings and renovation of existing facilities;  
25 payments for telephone service in private residences in the

1 field, when authorized under regulations approved by the  
2 Secretary of Health and Human Services; uniforms, or al-  
3 lowances therefor as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901–5902;  
4 and for expenses of attendance at meetings that relate to  
5 the functions or activities of the Indian Health Service:  
6 *Provided*, That in accordance with the provisions of the  
7 Indian Health Care Improvement Act, non-Indian patients  
8 may be extended health care at all Tribally administered  
9 or Indian Health Service facilities, subject to charges, and  
10 the proceeds along with funds recovered under the Federal  
11 Medical Care Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. 2651–2653) shall  
12 be credited to the account of the facility providing the  
13 service and shall be available without fiscal year limitation:  
14 *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other law or  
15 regulation, funds transferred from the Department of  
16 Housing and Urban Development to the Indian Health  
17 Service shall be administered under Public Law 86–121,  
18 the Indian Sanitation Facilities Act and Public Law 93–  
19 638: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated to the In-  
20 dian Health Service in this Act, except those used for ad-  
21 ministrative and program direction purposes, shall not be  
22 subject to limitations directed at curtailing Federal travel  
23 and transportation: *Provided further*, That none of the  
24 funds made available to the Indian Health Service in this  
25 Act shall be used for any assessments or charges by the

1 Department of Health and Human Services unless such  
2 assessments or charges are identified in the budget jus-  
3 tification and provided in this Act, or approved by the  
4 House and Senate Committees on Appropriations through  
5 the reprogramming process: *Provided further*, That not-  
6 withstanding any other provision of law, funds previously  
7 or herein made available to a Tribe or Tribal organization  
8 through a contract, grant, or agreement authorized by  
9 title I or title V of the Indian Self-Determination and  
10 Education Assistance Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 5301 et  
11 seq.), may be deobligated and reobligated to a self-deter-  
12 mination contract under title I, or a self-governance agree-  
13 ment under title V of such Act and thereafter shall remain  
14 available to the Tribe or Tribal organization without fiscal  
15 year limitation: *Provided further*, That none of the funds  
16 made available to the Indian Health Service in this Act  
17 shall be used to implement the final rule published in the  
18 Federal Register on September 16, 1987, by the Depart-  
19 ment of Health and Human Services, relating to the eligi-  
20 bility for the health care services of the Indian Health  
21 Service until the Indian Health Service has submitted a  
22 budget request reflecting the increased costs associated  
23 with the proposed final rule, and such request has been  
24 included in an appropriations Act and enacted into law:  
25 *Provided further*, That with respect to functions trans-

1 ferred by the Indian Health Service to Tribes or Tribal  
2 organizations, the Indian Health Service is authorized to  
3 provide goods and services to those entities on a reimburs-  
4 able basis, including payments in advance with subsequent  
5 adjustment, and the reimbursements received therefrom,  
6 along with the funds received from those entities pursuant  
7 to the Indian Self-Determination Act, may be credited to  
8 the same or subsequent appropriation account from which  
9 the funds were originally derived, with such amounts to  
10 remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That re-  
11 imbursements for training, technical assistance, or serv-  
12 ices provided by the Indian Health Service will contain  
13 total costs, including direct, administrative, and overhead  
14 costs associated with the provision of goods, services, or  
15 technical assistance: *Provided further*, That the Indian  
16 Health Service may provide to civilian medical personnel  
17 serving in hospitals operated by the Indian Health Service  
18 housing allowances equivalent to those that would be pro-  
19 vided to members of the Commissioned Corps of the  
20 United States Public Health Service serving in similar po-  
21 sitions at such hospitals: *Provided further*, That the appro-  
22 priation structure for the Indian Health Service may not  
23 be altered without advance notification to the House and  
24 Senate Committees on Appropriations.

1 NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH  
2 NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH  
3 SCIENCES

4 For necessary expenses for the National Institute of  
5 Environmental Health Sciences in carrying out activities  
6 set forth in section 311(a) of the Comprehensive Environ-  
7 mental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of  
8 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9660(a)) and section 126(g) of the  
9 Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986,  
10 \$51,814,000.

11 AGENCY FOR TOXIC SUBSTANCES AND DISEASE  
12 REGISTRY  
13 TOXIC SUBSTANCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC  
14 HEALTH

15 For necessary expenses for the Agency for Toxic Sub-  
16 stances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) in carrying out  
17 activities set forth in sections 104(i) and 111(c)(4) of the  
18 Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation,  
19 and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) and section 3019  
20 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, \$78,000,000: *Provided,*  
21 That notwithstanding any other provision of law, in lieu  
22 of performing a health assessment under section 104(i)(6)  
23 of CERCLA, the Administrator of ATSDR may conduct  
24 other appropriate health studies, evaluations, or activities,  
25 including, without limitation, biomedical testing, clinical

1 evaluations, medical monitoring, and referral to accredited  
2 healthcare providers: *Provided further*, That in performing  
3 any such health assessment or health study, evaluation,  
4 or activity, the Administrator of ATSDR shall not be  
5 bound by the deadlines in section 104(i)(6)(A) of  
6 CERCLA: *Provided further*, That none of the funds appro-  
7 priated under this heading shall be available for ATSDR  
8 to issue in excess of 40 toxicological profiles pursuant to  
9 section 104(i) of CERCLA during fiscal year 2027, and  
10 existing profiles may be updated as necessary.

#### 11 OTHER RELATED AGENCIES

##### 12 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

##### 13 COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND OFFICE OF

##### 14 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

15 For necessary expenses to continue functions as-  
16 signed to the Council on Environmental Quality and Office  
17 of Environmental Quality pursuant to the National Envi-  
18 ronmental Policy Act of 1969, the Environmental Quality  
19 Improvement Act of 1970, and Reorganization Plan No.  
20 1 of 1977, and not to exceed \$750 for official reception  
21 and representation expenses, \$4,629,000: *Provided*, That  
22 notwithstanding section 202 of the National Environ-  
23 mental Policy Act of 1970, the Council shall consist of  
24 one member, appointed by the President, by and with the

1 advice and consent of the Senate, serving as chairman and  
2 exercising all powers, functions, and duties of the Council.

3 CHEMICAL SAFETY AND HAZARD INVESTIGATION BOARD

4 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

5 For necessary expenses in carrying out activities pur-  
6 suant to section 112(r)(6) of the Clean Air Act, including  
7 hire of passenger vehicles, uniforms or allowances there-  
8 for, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901–5902, rental of space,  
9 and for services authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109 but at rates  
10 for individuals not to exceed the per diem equivalent to  
11 the maximum rate payable for senior level positions under  
12 5 U.S.C. 5376, \$14,000,000: *Provided*, That the Chemical  
13 Safety and Hazard Investigation Board (Board) shall have  
14 not more than three career Senior Executive Service posi-  
15 tions: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other  
16 provision of law, the individual appointed to the position  
17 of Inspector General of the Environmental Protection  
18 Agency (EPA) shall, by virtue of such appointment, also  
19 hold the position of Inspector General of the Board: *Pro-*  
20 *vided further*, That notwithstanding any other provision of  
21 law, the Inspector General of the Board shall utilize per-  
22 sonnel of the Office of Inspector General of EPA in per-  
23 forming the duties of the Inspector General of the Board,  
24 and shall not appoint any individuals to positions within  
25 the Board.

1 INSTITUTE OF AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE  
2 CULTURE AND ARTS DEVELOPMENT  
3 PAYMENT TO THE INSTITUTE

4 For payment to the Institute of American Indian and  
5 Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development, as author-  
6 ized by part A of title XV of Public Law 99–498 (20  
7 U.S.C. 4411 et seq.), \$13,232,000, which shall become  
8 available on July 1, 2027, and shall remain available until  
9 September 30, 2028.

10 SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION  
11 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

12 For necessary expenses of the Smithsonian Institu-  
13 tion, as authorized by law, including research in the fields  
14 of art, science, and history; development, preservation, and  
15 documentation of the National Collections; presentation of  
16 public exhibits and performances; collection, preparation,  
17 dissemination, and exchange of information and publica-  
18 tions; conduct of education, training, and museum assist-  
19 ance programs; maintenance, alteration, operation, lease  
20 agreements of no more than 30 years, and protection of  
21 buildings, facilities, and approaches; not to exceed  
22 \$100,000 for services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109; and  
23 purchase, rental, repair, and cleaning of uniforms for em-  
24 ployees, \$851,692,000, to remain available until Sep-  
25 tember 30, 2028, except as otherwise provided herein; of

1 which not to exceed \$27,000,000 for the instrumentation  
2 program, collections acquisition, exhibition reinstallation,  
3 Smithsonian American Women's History Museum, Na-  
4 tional Museum of the American Latino, and the repatri-  
5 ation of skeletal remains program shall remain available  
6 until expended; and including such funds as may be nec-  
7 essary to support American overseas research centers:  
8 *Provided*, That funds appropriated herein are available for  
9 advance payments to independent contractors performing  
10 research services or participating in official Smithsonian  
11 presentations: *Provided further*, That the Smithsonian In-  
12 stitution may expend Federal appropriations designated in  
13 this Act for lease or rent payments, as rent payable to  
14 the Smithsonian Institution, and such rent payments may  
15 be deposited into the general trust funds of the Institution  
16 to be available as trust funds for expenses associated with  
17 the purchase of a portion of the building at 600 Maryland  
18 Avenue, SW, Washington, DC, to the extent that federally  
19 supported activities will be housed there: *Provided further*,  
20 That the use of such amounts in the general trust funds  
21 of the Institution for such purpose shall not be construed  
22 as Federal debt service for, a Federal guarantee of, a  
23 transfer of risk to, or an obligation of the Federal Govern-  
24 ment: *Provided further*, That no appropriated funds may  
25 be used directly to service debt which is incurred to fi-

1 nance the costs of acquiring a portion of the building at  
2 600 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC, or of plan-  
3 ning, designing, and constructing improvements to such  
4 building: *Provided further*, That any agreement entered  
5 into by the Smithsonian Institution for the sale of its own-  
6 ership interest, or any portion thereof, in such building  
7 so acquired may not take effect until the expiration of a  
8 30 day period which begins on the date on which the Sec-  
9 retary of the Smithsonian submits to the House and Sen-  
10 ate Committees on Appropriations, the Committees on  
11 House Administration and Transportation and Infrastruc-  
12 ture of the House of Representatives, and the Committee  
13 on Rules and Administration of the Senate a report, as  
14 outlined in the explanatory statement described in section  
15 4 of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020  
16 (Public Law 116–94; 133 Stat. 2536) on the intended  
17 sale.

18 FACILITIES CAPITAL

19 For necessary expenses of repair, revitalization, and  
20 alteration of facilities owned or occupied by the Smithso-  
21 nian Institution, by contract or otherwise, as authorized  
22 by section 2 of the Act of August 22, 1949 (63 Stat. 623),  
23 and for construction, including necessary personnel,  
24 \$109,608,000, to remain available until expended, of

1 which not to exceed \$10,000 shall be for services as au-  
2 thorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109.

3 NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART

4 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

5 For the upkeep and operations of the National Gal-  
6 lery of Art, the protection and care of the works of art  
7 therein, and administrative expenses incident thereto, as  
8 authorized by the Act of March 24, 1937 (50 Stat. 51),  
9 as amended by the public resolution of April 13, 1939  
10 (Public Resolution 9, 76th Congress), including services  
11 as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109; payment in advance when  
12 authorized by the treasurer of the Gallery for membership  
13 in library, museum, and art associations or societies whose  
14 publications or services are available to members only, or  
15 to members at a price lower than to the general public;  
16 purchase, repair, and cleaning of uniforms for guards, and  
17 uniforms, or allowances therefor, for other employees as  
18 authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901–5902); purchase or  
19 rental of devices and services for protecting buildings and  
20 contents thereof, and maintenance, alteration, improve-  
21 ment, and repair of buildings, approaches, and grounds;  
22 and purchase of services for restoration and repair of  
23 works of art for the National Gallery of Art by contracts  
24 made, without advertising, with individuals, firms, or or-  
25 ganizations at such rates or prices and under such terms

1 and conditions as the Gallery may deem proper,  
2 \$178,250,000, to remain available until September 30,  
3 2028, of which not to exceed \$3,893,000 for the special  
4 exhibition program shall remain available until expended.

5 REPAIR, RESTORATION AND RENOVATION OF BUILDINGS

6 For necessary expenses of repair, restoration, and  
7 renovation of buildings, grounds and facilities owned or  
8 occupied by the National Gallery of Art, by contract or  
9 otherwise, for operating lease agreements of no more than  
10 10 years, that address space needs created by the ongoing  
11 renovations in the Master Facilities Plan, as authorized,  
12 \$7,750,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*,  
13 That funds made available in prior Acts under this head-  
14 ing for the design and construction of an off-site art stor-  
15 age facility in partnership with the Smithsonian Institu-  
16 tion may be used for the repair, restoration, and renova-  
17 tion of other National Gallery of Art buildings, grounds,  
18 and facilities: *Provided further*, That contracts awarded  
19 for environmental systems, protection systems, and exte-  
20 rior repair or renovation of buildings of the National Gal-  
21 lery of Art may be negotiated with selected contractors  
22 and awarded on the basis of contractor qualifications as  
23 well as price.

1 JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING  
2 ARTS  
3 OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

4 For necessary expenses for the operation, mainte-  
5 nance, and security of the John F. Kennedy Center for  
6 the Performing Arts, including rent of temporary office  
7 space in the District of Columbia during renovations of  
8 such Center, \$34,602,000, to remain available until Sep-  
9 tember 30, 2028.

10 CAPITAL REPAIR AND RESTORATION

11 For necessary expenses for capital repair and restora-  
12 tion of the existing features of the building and site of  
13 the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts,  
14 \$2,398,000, to remain available until expended.

15 WOODROW WILSON INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR  
16 SCHOLARS

17 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

18 For expenses necessary in carrying out the provisions  
19 of the Woodrow Wilson Memorial Act of 1968 (82 Stat.  
20 1356) including hire of passenger vehicles and services as  
21 authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$4,250,000, to remain avail-  
22 able until September 30, 2028.

1 NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE  
2 HUMANITIES

3 NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS  
4 GRANTS AND ADMINISTRATION

5 For necessary expenses to carry out the National  
6 Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965,  
7 \$135,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall  
8 be available to the National Endowment for the Arts for  
9 the support of projects and productions in the arts, includ-  
10 ing arts education and public outreach activities, through  
11 assistance to organizations and individuals pursuant to  
12 section 5 of the Act, for program support, and for admin-  
13 istering the functions of the Act, of which \$72,000,000  
14 shall be available for grants-in-aid to States pursuant to  
15 section 5(g) of the Act.

16 NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES  
17 GRANTS AND ADMINISTRATION

18 For necessary expenses to carry out the National  
19 Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965,  
20 \$135,000,000, to remain available until expended, for sup-  
21 port of activities in the humanities, including to carry out  
22 the matching grants program pursuant to section 10(a)(2)  
23 of the Act and for the purposes of section 7(h) of the Act:  
24 *Provided*, That of the amount made available under this  
25 heading, \$72,000,000 shall be available for grants-in-aid

1 pursuant to section 7(f) of the Act: *Provided further*, That  
2 appropriations for carrying out section 10(a)(2) shall be  
3 available for obligation only in such amounts as may be  
4 equal to the total amounts of gifts, bequests, devises of  
5 money, and other property accepted by the chairman or  
6 by grantees of the National Endowment for the Human-  
7 ities under the provisions of sections 11(a)(2)(B) and  
8 11(a)(3)(B) during the current and preceding fiscal years  
9 for which equal amounts have not previously been appro-  
10 priated.

11 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

12 None of the funds appropriated to the National  
13 Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities may be used  
14 to process any grant or contract documents which do not  
15 include the text of 18 U.S.C. 1913: *Provided*, That none  
16 of the funds appropriated to the National Foundation on  
17 the Arts and the Humanities may be used for official re-  
18 ception and representation expenses: *Provided further*,  
19 That funds from nonappropriated sources may be used as  
20 necessary for official reception and representation ex-  
21 penses: *Provided further*, That the Chairperson of the Na-  
22 tional Endowment for the Arts may approve grants of up  
23 to \$10,000, if in the aggregate the amount of such grants  
24 does not exceed 5 percent of the sums appropriated for  
25 grantmaking purposes per year: *Provided further*, That

1 such small grant actions are taken pursuant to the terms  
2 of an expressed and direct delegation of authority from  
3 the National Council on the Arts to the Chairperson.

4 COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS

5 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

6 For expenses of the Commission of Fine Arts under  
7 chapter 91 of title 40, United States Code, \$3,461,000:  
8 *Provided*, That the Commission is authorized to charge  
9 fees to cover the full costs of its publications, and such  
10 fees shall be credited to this account as an offsetting col-  
11 lection, to remain available until expended without further  
12 appropriation: *Provided further*, That the Commission is  
13 authorized to accept gifts, including objects, papers, art-  
14 work, drawings and artifacts, that pertain to the history  
15 and design of the Nation's Capital or the history and ac-  
16 tivities of the Commission of Fine Arts, for the purpose  
17 of artistic display, study, or education: *Provided further*,  
18 That one-tenth of one percent of the funds provided under  
19 this heading may be used for official reception and rep-  
20 resentation expenses.

21 NATIONAL CAPITAL ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

22 For necessary expenses as authorized by Public Law  
23 99-190 (20 U.S.C. 956a), \$4,000,000.



1 UNITED STATES SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL COMMISSION

2 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

3 For necessary expenses of the United States  
4 Semiquincentennial Commission to plan and coordinate  
5 observances and activities associated with the 250th anni-  
6 versary of the founding of the United States, as authorized  
7 by Public Law 116–282, the technical amendments to  
8 Public Law 114–196, \$15,000,000, to remain available  
9 until September 30, 2028.

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## TITLE IV

### GENERAL PROVISIONS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

#### RESTRICTION ON USE OF FUNDS

SEC. 401. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be available for any activity or the publication or distribution of literature that in any way tends to promote public support or opposition to any legislative proposal on which Congressional action is not complete other than to communicate to Members of Congress as described in 18 U.S.C. 1913.

#### OBLIGATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 402. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.

#### DISCLOSURE OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

SEC. 403. The amount and basis of estimated overhead charges, deductions, reserves, or holdbacks, including working capital fund charges, from programs, projects, activities and subactivities to support government-wide, departmental, agency, or bureau administrative functions or headquarters, regional, or central operations shall be presented in annual budget justifications and subject to approval by the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate. Changes to such esti-

1 mates shall be presented to the Committees on Appropria-  
2 tions for approval.

3 MINING APPLICATIONS

4 SEC. 404. (a) LIMITATION OF FUNDS.—None of the  
5 funds appropriated or otherwise made available pursuant  
6 to this Act shall be obligated or expended to accept or  
7 process applications for a patent for any mining or mill  
8 site claim located under the general mining laws.

9 (b) EXCEPTIONS.—Subsection (a) shall not apply if  
10 the Secretary of the Interior determines that, for the claim  
11 concerned: (1) a patent application was filed with the Sec-  
12 retary on or before September 30, 1994; and (2) all re-  
13 quirements established under sections 2325 and 2326 of  
14 the Revised Statutes (30 U.S.C. 29 and 30) for vein or  
15 lode claims, sections 2329, 2330, 2331, and 2333 of the  
16 Revised Statutes (30 U.S.C. 35, 36, and 37) for placer  
17 claims, and section 2337 of the Revised Statutes (30  
18 U.S.C. 42) for mill site claims, as the case may be, were  
19 fully complied with by the applicant by that date.

20 (c) REPORT.—On September 30, 2028, the Secretary  
21 of the Interior shall file with the House and Senate Com-  
22 mittees on Appropriations and the Committee on Natural  
23 Resources of the House and the Committee on Energy and  
24 Natural Resources of the Senate a report on actions taken  
25 by the Department under the plan submitted pursuant to

1 section 314(c) of the Department of the Interior and Re-  
2 lated Agencies Appropriations Act, 1997 (Public Law  
3 104–208).

4 (d) MINERAL EXAMINATIONS.—In order to process  
5 patent applications in a timely and responsible manner,  
6 upon the request of a patent applicant, the Secretary of  
7 the Interior shall allow the applicant to fund a qualified  
8 third-party contractor to be selected by the Director of the  
9 Bureau of Land Management to conduct a mineral exam-  
10 ination of the mining claims or mill sites contained in a  
11 patent application as set forth in subsection (b). The Bu-  
12 reau of Land Management shall have the sole responsi-  
13 bility to choose and pay the third-party contractor in ac-  
14 cordance with the standard procedures employed by the  
15 Bureau of Land Management in the retention of third-  
16 party contractors.

17 CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS, PRIOR YEAR LIMITATION

18 SEC. 405. Sections 405 and 406 of division F of the  
19 Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act,  
20 2015 (Public Law 113–235) shall continue in effect in fis-  
21 cal year 2027.

22 CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS, FISCAL YEAR 2027

23 LIMITATION

24 SEC. 406. Amounts provided by this Act for fiscal  
25 year 2027 under the headings “Department of Health and

1 Human Services, Indian Health Service, Contract Support  
2 Costs” and “Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian  
3 Affairs and Bureau of Indian Education, Contract Sup-  
4 port Costs” are the only amounts available for contract  
5 support costs arising out of self-determination or self-gov-  
6 ernance contracts, grants, compacts, or annual funding  
7 agreements for fiscal year 2027 with the Bureau of Indian  
8 Affairs, Bureau of Indian Education, and the Indian  
9 Health Service: *Provided*, That such amounts provided by  
10 this Act are not available for payment of claims for con-  
11 tract support costs for prior years, or for repayments of  
12 payments for settlements or judgments awarding contract  
13 support costs for prior years.

14 FOREST MANAGEMENT PLANS

15 SEC. 407. The Secretary of Agriculture shall not be  
16 considered to be in violation of section 6(f)(5)(A) of the  
17 Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act  
18 of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1604(f)(5)(A)) solely because more  
19 than 15 years have passed without revision of the plan  
20 for a unit of the National Forest System. Nothing in this  
21 section exempts the Secretary from any other requirement  
22 of the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Plan-  
23 ning Act (16 U.S.C. 1600 et seq.) or any other law: *Pro-*  
24 *vided*, That if the Secretary is not acting expeditiously and  
25 in good faith, within the funding available, to revise a plan

1 for a unit of the National Forest System, this section shall  
2 be void with respect to such plan and a court of proper  
3 jurisdiction may order completion of the plan on an accel-  
4 erated basis.

5 PROHIBITION WITHIN NATIONAL MONUMENTS

6 SEC. 408. No funds provided in this Act may be ex-  
7 pended to conduct preleasing, leasing and related activities  
8 under either the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 181 et  
9 seq.) or the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C.  
10 1331 et seq.) within the boundaries of a National Monu-  
11 ment established pursuant to the Act of June 8, 1906 (16  
12 U.S.C. 431 et seq.) as such boundary existed on January  
13 20, 2001, except where such activities are allowed under  
14 the Presidential proclamation establishing such monu-  
15 ment.

16 LIMITATION ON TAKINGS

17 SEC. 409. Unless otherwise provided herein, no funds  
18 appropriated in this Act for the acquisition of lands or  
19 interests in lands may be expended for the filing of dec-  
20 larations of taking or complaints in condemnation without  
21 the approval of the House and Senate Committees on Ap-  
22 propriations: *Provided*, That this provision shall not apply  
23 to funds appropriated to implement the Everglades Na-  
24 tional Park Protection and Expansion Act of 1989, or to  
25 funds appropriated for Federal assistance to the State of

1 Florida to acquire lands for Everglades restoration pur-  
2 poses.

3 PROHIBITION ON NO-BID CONTRACTS

4 SEC. 410. None of the funds appropriated or other-  
5 wise made available by this Act to executive branch agen-  
6 cies may be used to enter into any Federal contract unless  
7 such contract is entered into in accordance with the re-  
8 quirements of Chapter 33 of title 41, United States Code,  
9 or Chapter 137 of title 10, United States Code, and the  
10 Federal Acquisition Regulation, unless—

11 (1) Federal law specifically authorizes a con-  
12 tract to be entered into without regard for these re-  
13 quirements, including formula grants for States, or  
14 federally recognized Indian Tribes;

15 (2) such contract is authorized by the Indian  
16 Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act  
17 (Public Law 93–638, 25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.) or by  
18 any other Federal laws that specifically authorize a  
19 contract within an Indian Tribe as defined in section  
20 4(e) of that Act (25 U.S.C. 5304(e)); or

21 (3) such contract was awarded prior to the date  
22 of enactment of this Act.

23 POSTING OF REPORTS

24 SEC. 411. (a) Any agency receiving funds made avail-  
25 able in this Act, shall, subject to subsections (b) and (c),

1 post on the public website of that agency any report re-  
2 quired to be submitted by the Congress in this or any  
3 other Act, upon the determination by the head of the agen-  
4 cy that it shall serve the national interest.

5 (b) Subsection (a) shall not apply to a report if—

6 (1) the public posting of the report com-  
7 promises national security; or

8 (2) the report contains proprietary information.

9 (c) The head of the agency posting such report shall  
10 do so only after such report has been made available to  
11 the requesting Committee or Committees of Congress for  
12 no less than 45 days.

13 NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS GRANT

14 GUIDELINES

15 SEC. 412. Of the funds provided to the National En-  
16 dowment for the Arts—

17 (1) The Chairperson shall only award a grant  
18 to an individual if such grant is awarded to such in-  
19 dividual for a literature fellowship, National Herit-  
20 age Fellowship, or American Jazz Masters Fellow-  
21 ship.

22 (2) The Chairperson shall establish procedures  
23 to ensure that no funding provided through a grant,  
24 except a grant made to a State or local arts agency,  
25 or regional group, may be used to make a grant to

1 any other organization or individual to conduct ac-  
2 tivity independent of the direct grant recipient.  
3 Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit payments  
4 made in exchange for goods and services.

5 (3) No grant shall be used for seasonal support  
6 to a group, unless the application is specific to the  
7 contents of the season, including identified programs  
8 or projects.

9 NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS PROGRAM

10 PRIORITIES

11 SEC. 413. (a) In providing services or awarding fi-  
12 nancial assistance under the National Foundation on the  
13 Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965 from funds appro-  
14 priated under this Act, the Chairperson of the National  
15 Endowment for the Arts shall ensure that priority is given  
16 to providing services or awarding financial assistance for  
17 projects, productions, workshops, or programs that serve  
18 underserved populations.

19 (b) In this section:

20 (1) The term “underserved population” means  
21 a population of individuals, including urban minori-  
22 ties, who have historically been outside the purview  
23 of arts and humanities programs due to factors such  
24 as a high incidence of income below the poverty line  
25 or to geographic isolation.

1           (2) The term “poverty line” means the poverty  
2 line (as defined by the Office of Management and  
3 Budget, and revised annually in accordance with sec-  
4 tion 673(2) of the Community Services Block Grant  
5 Act (42 U.S.C. 9902(2))) applicable to a family of  
6 the size involved.

7           (c) In providing services and awarding financial as-  
8 sistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and  
9 Humanities Act of 1965 with funds appropriated by this  
10 Act, the Chairperson of the National Endowment for the  
11 Arts shall ensure that priority is given to providing serv-  
12 ices or awarding financial assistance for projects, produc-  
13 tions, workshops, or programs that will encourage public  
14 knowledge, education, understanding, and appreciation of  
15 the arts.

16           (d) With funds appropriated by this Act to carry out  
17 section 5 of the National Foundation on the Arts and Hu-  
18 manities Act of 1965—

19           (1) the Chairperson shall establish a grant cat-  
20 egory for projects, productions, workshops, or pro-  
21 grams that are of national impact or availability or  
22 are able to tour several States;

23           (2) the Chairperson shall not make grants ex-  
24 ceeding 15 percent, in the aggregate, of such funds

1 to any single State, excluding grants made under the  
2 authority of paragraph (1);

3 (3) the Chairperson shall report to the Con-  
4 gress annually and by State, on grants awarded by  
5 the Chairperson in each grant category under sec-  
6 tion 5 of such Act; and

7 (4) the Chairperson shall encourage the use of  
8 grants to improve and support community-based  
9 music performance and education.

10 STATUS OF BALANCES OF APPROPRIATIONS

11 SEC. 414. The Department of the Interior, the Envi-  
12 ronmental Protection Agency, the Forest Service, and the  
13 Indian Health Service shall provide the Committees on  
14 Appropriations of the House of Representatives and Sen-  
15 ate quarterly reports on the status of balances of appro-  
16 priations including all uncommitted, committed, and unob-  
17 ligated funds in each program and activity within 60 days  
18 of enactment of this Act.

19 EXTENSION OF GRAZING PERMITS

20 SEC. 415. The terms and conditions of section 325  
21 of Public Law 108–108 (117 Stat. 1307), regarding graz-  
22 ing permits issued by the Forest Service on any lands not  
23 subject to administration under section 402 of the Federal  
24 Lands Policy and Management Act (43 U.S.C. 1752),  
25 shall remain in effect for fiscal year 2027.



1 (c) An excess wild horse or burro transferred under  
2 subsection (a) shall lose status as a wild free-roaming  
3 horse or burro (as defined in section 2 of Public Law 92–  
4 195 (commonly known as the “Wild Free-Roaming Horses  
5 and Burros Act”) (16 U.S.C. 1332)).

6 (d) A Federal, State, or local government agency re-  
7 ceiving an excess wild horse or burro pursuant to sub-  
8 section (a) shall not—

9 (1) destroy the horse or burro in a manner that  
10 results in the destruction of the horse or burro into  
11 a commercial product;

12 (2) sell or otherwise transfer the horse or burro  
13 in a manner that results in the destruction of the  
14 horse or burro for processing into a commercial  
15 product; or

16 (3) euthanize the horse or burro, except on the  
17 recommendation of a licensed veterinarian in a case  
18 of severe injury, illness, or advanced age.

19 (e) Amounts appropriated by this Act shall not be  
20 available for—

21 (1) the destruction of any healthy, unadopted,  
22 and wild horse or burro under the jurisdiction of the  
23 Secretary concerned (including a contractor); or

1           (2) the sale of a wild horse or burro that results  
2           in the destruction of the wild horse or burro for  
3           processing into a commercial product.

4           FOREST SERVICE FACILITY REALIGNMENT AND  
5           ENHANCEMENT AUTHORIZATION EXTENSION

6           SEC. 418. Section 503(f) of Public Law 109–54 (16  
7           U.S.C. 580d note) shall be applied by substituting “Sep-  
8           tember 30, 2027” for “September 30, 2019”.

9           USE OF AMERICAN IRON AND STEEL

10          SEC. 419. (a)(1) None of the funds made available  
11          by a State water pollution control revolving fund as au-  
12          thorized by section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act  
13          (42 U.S.C. 300j–12) shall be used for a project for the  
14          construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public  
15          water system or treatment works unless all of the iron and  
16          steel products used in the project are produced in the  
17          United States.

18          (2) In this section, the term “iron and steel” products  
19          means the following products made primarily of iron or  
20          steel: lined or unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers  
21          and other municipal castings, hydrants, tanks, flanges,  
22          pipe clamps and restraints, valves, structural steel, rein-  
23          forced precast concrete, and construction materials.

24          (b) Subsection (a) shall not apply in any case or cat-  
25          egory of cases in which the Administrator of the Environ-

1 mental Protection Agency (in this section referred to as  
2 the “Administrator”) finds that—

3 (1) applying subsection (a) would be incon-  
4 sistent with the public interest;

5 (2) iron and steel products are not produced in  
6 the United States in sufficient and reasonably avail-  
7 able quantities and of a satisfactory quality; or

8 (3) inclusion of iron and steel products pro-  
9 duced in the United States will increase the cost of  
10 the overall project by more than 25 percent.

11 (c) If the Administrator receives a request for a waiv-  
12 er under this section, the Administrator shall make avail-  
13 able to the public on an informal basis a copy of the re-  
14 quest and information available to the Administrator con-  
15 cerning the request, and shall allow for informal public  
16 input on the request for at least 15 days prior to making  
17 a finding based on the request. The Administrator shall  
18 make the request and accompanying information available  
19 by electronic means, including on the official public Inter-  
20 net Web site of the Environmental Protection Agency.

21 (d) This section shall be applied in a manner con-  
22 sistent with United States obligations under international  
23 agreements.

24 (e) The Administrator may retain up to 0.25 percent  
25 of the funds appropriated in this Act for the Clean and

1 Drinking Water State Revolving Funds for carrying out  
2 the provisions described in subsection (a)(1) for manage-  
3 ment and oversight of the requirements of this section.

4 LOCAL COOPERATOR TRAINING AGREEMENTS AND  
5 TRANSFERS OF EXCESS EQUIPMENT AND  
6 SUPPLIES FOR WILDFIRES

7 SEC. 420. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized  
8 to enter into grants and cooperative agreements with vol-  
9 unteer fire departments, rural fire departments, rangeland  
10 fire protection associations, and similar organizations to  
11 provide for wildland fire training and equipment, including  
12 supplies and communication devices. Notwithstanding sec-  
13 tion 121(c) of title 40, United States Code, or section 521  
14 of title 40, United States Code, the Secretary is further  
15 authorized to transfer title to excess Department of the  
16 Interior firefighting equipment no longer needed to carry  
17 out the functions of the Department's wildland fire man-  
18 agement program to such organizations.

19 REPROGRAMMING GUIDELINES

20 SEC. 421. None of the funds made available in this  
21 Act, in this and prior fiscal years, may be reprogrammed  
22 without the advance approval of the House and Senate  
23 Committees on Appropriations in accordance with the re-  
24 programming procedures contained in the report accom-  
25 panying this Act.

## 1 LOCAL CONTRACTORS

2 SEC. 422. Section 412 of division E of Public Law  
3 112–74 shall be applied by substituting “fiscal year 2027”  
4 for “fiscal year 2019”.

## 5 INTERPRETIVE ASSOCIATION AUTHORIZATION EXTENSION

6 SEC. 423. Section 426 of division G of Public Law  
7 113–76 (16 U.S.C. 565a–1 note) shall be applied by sub-  
8 stituting “September 30, 2027” for “September 30,  
9 2019”.

## 10 FOREST BOTANICAL PRODUCTS FEE COLLECTION

## 11 AUTHORIZATION EXTENSION

12 SEC. 424. Section 339 of the Department of the Inte-  
13 rior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2000 (as  
14 enacted into law by Public Law 106–113; 16 U.S.C. 528  
15 note), as amended by section 335(6) of Public Law 108–  
16 108 and section 432 of Public Law 113–76, shall be ap-  
17 plied by substituting “fiscal year 2027” for “fiscal year  
18 2019”.

## 19 TRIBAL LEASES

20 SEC. 425. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision  
21 of law, in the case of any lease under section 105(l) of  
22 the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance  
23 Act (25 U.S.C. 5324(l)), the initial lease term shall com-  
24 mence no earlier than the date of receipt of the lease pro-  
25 posal.

1 (b) The Secretaries of the Interior and Health and  
2 Human Services shall, jointly or separately, during fiscal  
3 year 2027 consult with Tribes and Tribal organizations  
4 through public solicitation and other means regarding the  
5 requirements for leases under section 105(l) of the Indian  
6 Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25  
7 U.S.C. 5324(l)) on how to implement a consistent and  
8 transparent process for the payment of such leases.

9 FOREST ECOSYSTEM HEALTH AND RECOVERY FUND

10 SEC. 426. The authority provided under the heading  
11 “Forest Ecosystem Health and Recovery Fund” in title  
12 I of Public Law 111-88, as amended by section 117 of  
13 division F of Public Law 113–235, shall be applied by sub-  
14 stituting “fiscal year 2027” for “fiscal year 2020” each  
15 place it appears.

16 ALLOCATION OF PROJECTS, LAND AND WATER

17 CONSERVATION FUND

18 SEC. 427. (a)(1) Not later than 45 days after the  
19 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the  
20 Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture, as appropriate,  
21 shall allocate amounts made available for expenditure  
22 from the Land and Water Conservation Fund for fiscal  
23 year 2027 pursuant to subsection (a) of section 200303  
24 of title 54, United States Code, to the agencies and ac-  
25 counts specified, in the amounts specified, and for the

1 projects and activities specified in the table titled “Alloca-  
2 tion of Funds: Land and Water Conservation Fund Fiscal  
3 Year 2027” in the report accompanying this Act.

4 (2) If any portion of a project specified under the  
5 accounts titled “Land Acquisition Projects” in the Forest  
6 Service of the Department of Agriculture or the Depart-  
7 ment of the Interior or “Forest Legacy Projects” in the  
8 Forest Service in the table titled “Allocation of Funds:  
9 Land and Water Conservation Fund Fiscal Year 2027”  
10 in the report accompanying this Act is intended to be car-  
11 ried out within the Federal land unit or project boundary  
12 as specified in such table (or any prior allocation table  
13 incorporated by reference into a prior Act or approved by  
14 the Committees on Appropriations, as applicable) but out-  
15 side the specific tracts for the project described in the cor-  
16 responding project data sheet submitted to the Commit-  
17 tees on Appropriations required by section 200303(e)(1)  
18 of title 54, United States Code, not later than 30 days  
19 before the date on which the Secretary of the Interior or  
20 the Secretary of Agriculture expends amounts on the  
21 project, the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of  
22 Agriculture, as appropriate, shall provide written notice to  
23 the Committees on Appropriations of such expenditure.

24 (b) Neither the President nor his designee may allo-  
25 cate any amounts that are made available for any fiscal

1 year under subsection (a) of section 200303 of title 54,  
2 United States Code, other than in amounts and for  
3 projects and activities that are allocated under subsection  
4 (a)(1) of this section: *Provided*, That in any fiscal year,  
5 the matter preceding this proviso shall not apply to the  
6 allocation of amounts for continuing administration of  
7 programs allocated funds from the Land and Water Con-  
8 servation Fund, which may be allocated only in amounts  
9 that are no more than the allocation for such purposes  
10 in subsections (a)(1).

11 (c)(1) Concurrent with the annual budget submission  
12 of the President for fiscal year 2028, the Secretary of Ag-  
13 riculture shall submit to the Committees on Appropria-  
14 tions a list of supplementary allocations for Federal land  
15 acquisition and Forest Legacy projects at the Forest Serv-  
16 ice that are in addition to the “Submission of Cost Esti-  
17 mates” required by section 200303(c)(1) of title 54,  
18 United States Code, that are prioritized and detailed by  
19 account, program, and project, and that total no less than  
20 half the full amount allocated to each such account for  
21 the Forest Service under the allocations submitted under  
22 that section: *Provided*, That in the event amounts allo-  
23 cated by this Act or any prior Act pursuant to section  
24 200303(a) of title 54, United States Code, are no longer  
25 needed because a project has been completed or can no

1 longer be executed, such amounts shall be clearly identi-  
2 fied if proposed for reallocation in the annual budget sub-  
3 mission.

4 (2) Concurrent with the annual budget submission of  
5 the President for fiscal year 2028, the Secretary of the  
6 Interior shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations  
7 a list of supplementary allocations for Federal land acqui-  
8 sition projects at the National Park Service, the United  
9 States Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Bureau of Land  
10 Management that are in addition to the “Submission of  
11 Cost Estimates” required by section 200303(c)(1) of title  
12 54, United States Code, that are prioritized and detailed  
13 by account, program, and project, and that total the full  
14 amount allocated to each such account titled “Land Acqui-  
15 sition Projects” for that land management Agency in the  
16 table titled “Allocation of Funds: Land and Water Con-  
17 servation Fund Fiscal Year 2027” in the report accom-  
18 panying this Act: *Provided*, That in the event amounts al-  
19 located by this Act or any prior Act pursuant to section  
20 200303(a) of title 54, United States Code, are no longer  
21 needed because a project has been completed or can no  
22 longer be executed, such amounts shall be clearly identi-  
23 fied if proposed for reallocation in the annual budget sub-  
24 mission.

1           (3) The Federal land acquisition and Forest Legacy  
2 projects in the “Submission of Cost Estimates” required  
3 by section 200303(c)(1) of title 54, United States Code  
4 and on the lists of supplementary allocations required by  
5 paragraphs (1) and (2) shall be comprised only of projects  
6 for which a willing seller has been identified and for which  
7 an appraisal or market research has been initiated.

8           (4) Concurrent with the annual budget submission of  
9 the President for fiscal year 2028, the Secretary of the  
10 Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture shall each sub-  
11 mit to the Committees on Appropriations project data  
12 sheets in the same format and containing the same level  
13 of detailed information that is found on such sheets in  
14 the Budget Justifications annually submitted by the Sec-  
15 retary of the Interior with the President’s Budget for the  
16 projects in the “Submission of Cost Estimates” required  
17 by section 200303(c)(1) of title 54, United States Code,  
18 and in the same format and containing the same level of  
19 detailed information that is found on such sheets sub-  
20 mitted to the Committees on Appropriations pursuant to  
21 section 427 of division D of the Further Consolidated Ap-  
22 propriations Act, 2020 (Public Law 116–94) for the list  
23 of supplementary allocations required by paragraphs (1)  
24 and (2).

1           (5) The Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary  
2 of Agriculture shall provide to the Committees on Appro-  
3 priations quarterly reports on the status of balances of  
4 projects and activities funded by the National Parks and  
5 Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund and the Land and  
6 Water Conservation Fund, including all uncommitted,  
7 committed, and unobligated funds.

8                           POLICIES RELATING TO BIOMASS ENERGY

9           SEC. 428. To support the key role that forests in the  
10 United States can play in addressing the energy needs of  
11 the United States, the Secretary of Energy, the Secretary  
12 of Agriculture, and the Administrator of the Environ-  
13 mental Protection Agency shall, consistent with their mis-  
14 sions, jointly—

15                   (1) ensure that Federal policy relating to forest  
16 bioenergy—

17                           (A) is consistent across all Federal depart-  
18 ments and agencies; and

19                           (B) recognizes the full benefits of the use  
20 of forest biomass for energy, conservation, and  
21 responsible forest management; and

22                   (2) establish clear and simple policies for the  
23 use of forest biomass as an energy solution, includ-  
24 ing policies that—

1 (A) reflect the carbon neutrality of forest  
2 bioenergy and recognize biomass as a renewable  
3 energy source, provided the use of forest bio-  
4 mass for energy production does not cause con-  
5 version of forests to non-forest use;

6 (B) encourage private investment through-  
7 out the forest biomass supply chain, including  
8 in—

9 (i) working forests;

10 (ii) harvesting operations;

11 (iii) forest improvement operations;

12 (iv) forest bioenergy production;

13 (v) wood products manufacturing; or

14 (vi) paper manufacturing;

15 (C) encourage forest management to im-  
16 prove forest health; and

17 (D) recognize State initiatives to produce  
18 and use forest biomass.

19 SMALL REMOTE INCINERATORS

20 SEC. 429. None of the funds made available in this  
21 Act may be used to implement or enforce the regulation  
22 issued on March 21, 2011 at 40 CFR part 60 subparts  
23 CCCC and DDDD with respect to units in the State of  
24 Alaska that are defined as “small, remote incinerator”  
25 units in those regulations and, until a subsequent regula-

1 tion is issued, the Administrator shall implement the law  
2 and regulations in effect prior to such date.

3 TIMBER SALE REQUIREMENTS

4 SEC. 430. No timber sale in Alaska's Region 10 shall  
5 be advertised if the indicated rate is deficit (defined as  
6 the value of the timber is not sufficient to cover all logging  
7 and stumpage costs and provide a normal profit and risk  
8 allowance under the Forest Service's appraisal process)  
9 when appraised using a residual value appraisal. The west-  
10 ern red cedar timber from those sales which is surplus  
11 to the needs of the domestic processors in Alaska, shall  
12 be made available to domestic processors in the contiguous  
13 48 United States at prevailing domestic prices. All addi-  
14 tional western red cedar volume not sold to Alaska or con-  
15 tiguous 48 United States domestic processors may be ex-  
16 ported to foreign markets at the election of the timber sale  
17 holder. All Alaska yellow cedar may be sold at prevailing  
18 export prices at the election of the timber sale holder.

19 TRANSFER AUTHORITY TO FEDERAL HIGHWAY  
20 ADMINISTRATION FOR THE NATIONAL PARKS AND  
21 PUBLIC LAND LEGACY RESTORATION FUND

22 SEC. 431. Funds made available or allocated in this  
23 Act to the Department of the Interior or the Department  
24 of Agriculture that are subject to the allocations and limi-  
25 tations in 54 U.S.C. 200402(e) and prohibitions in 54

1 U.S.C. 200402(f) may be further allocated or reallocated  
2 to the Federal Highway Administration for transportation  
3 projects of the covered agencies defined in 54 U.S.C.  
4 200401(2).

5 PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS

6 SEC. 432. Notwithstanding any other provision of  
7 law, none of the funds made available in this Act or any  
8 other Act may be used to promulgate or implement any  
9 regulation requiring the issuance of permits under title V  
10 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7661 et seq.) for carbon  
11 dioxide, nitrous oxide, water vapor, or methane emissions  
12 resulting from biological processes associated with live-  
13 stock production.

14 GREENHOUSE GAS REPORTING RESTRICTIONS

15 SEC. 433. Notwithstanding any other provision of  
16 law, none of the funds made available in this or any other  
17 Act may be used to implement any provision in a rule,  
18 if that provision requires mandatory reporting of green-  
19 house gas emissions from manure management systems.

20 FUNDING PROHIBITION

21 SEC. 434. None of the funds made available by this  
22 or any other Act may be used to regulate the lead content  
23 of ammunition, ammunition components, or fishing tackle  
24 under the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. 2601  
25 et seq.) or any other law.

## 1 FIREFIGHTER PAY CAP

2 SEC. 435. Section 1701 of division B of the Extend-  
3 ing Government Funding and Delivering Emergency As-  
4 sistance Act (5 U.S.C. 5547 note) is amended in sub-  
5 sections (a), (b), and (c) by striking “2021 or 2022 or  
6 2023 or 2024” each place it appears and inserting “cal-  
7 endar years 2021 through 2026 and each calendar year  
8 thereafter”.

## 9 ALASKA NATIVE REGIONAL HEALTH ENTITIES

## 10 AUTHORIZATION EXTENSION

11 SEC. 436. Section 424(a) of title IV of division G of  
12 the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014 (Public Law  
13 113–76) shall be applied by substituting “October 1,  
14 2027” for “December 24, 2022”.

## 15 HUNTING, FISHING, AND RECREATIONAL SHOOTING ON

## 16 FEDERAL LAND

17 SEC. 437. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b),  
18 none of the funds made available by this or any other Act  
19 for any fiscal year may be used to prohibit the use of or  
20 access to Federal land (as such term is defined in section  
21 3 of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 (16  
22 U.S.C. 6502)) for hunting, fishing, or recreational shoot-  
23 ing if such use or access—

24 (1) was not prohibited on such Federal land as of  
25 January 1, 2013; and

1 (2) was conducted in compliance with the resource  
2 management plan (as defined in section 101 of such Act  
3 (16 U.S.C. 6511)) applicable to such Federal land as of  
4 January 1, 2013.

5 (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), the Secretary of  
6 the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture may tempo-  
7 rarily close, for a period not to exceed 30 days, Federal  
8 land managed by that Secretary to hunting, fishing, or  
9 recreational shooting if the Secretary determines that the  
10 temporary closure is necessary to accommodate a special  
11 event or for public safety reasons. The Secretary may ex-  
12 tend a temporary closure for one additional 90-day period  
13 only if the Secretary determines the extension is necessary  
14 because of extraordinary weather conditions or for public  
15 safety reasons.

16 (c) Nothing in this section shall be construed as af-  
17 fecting the authority, jurisdiction, or responsibility of the  
18 several States to manage, control, or regulate fish and  
19 resident wildlife under State law or regulations.

20 LIMITATION

21 SEC. 438. None of the funds made available by this  
22 Act may be used to implement, administer, apply, enforce,  
23 or carry out any office, program, or activity for the pur-  
24 poses of diversity, equity, and inclusion training or imple-  
25 mentation.

## 1 LIMITATION

2 SEC. 439. None of the funds made available by this  
3 Act may be used to carry out any program, project, or  
4 activity that promotes or advances Critical Race Theory  
5 or any concept associated with Critical Race Theory.

## 6 MARRIAGE

7 SEC. 440. (a) In general.—Notwithstanding section  
8 7 of title 1, United States Code, section 1738C of title  
9 28, United States Code, or any other provision of law,  
10 none of the funds provided by this Act, or previous appro-  
11 priations Acts, shall be used in whole or in part to take  
12 any discriminatory action against a person, wholly or par-  
13 tially, on the basis that such person speaks, or acts, in  
14 accordance with a sincerely held religious belief, or moral  
15 conviction, that marriage is, or should be recognized as,  
16 a union of one man and one woman.

17 (b) Discriminatory action defined.—As used in sub-  
18 section (a), a discriminatory action means any action  
19 taken by the Federal Government to—

20 (1) alter in any way the Federal tax treatment  
21 of, or cause any tax, penalty, or payment to be as-  
22 sessed against, or deny, delay, or revoke an exemp-  
23 tion from taxation under section 501(a) of the Inter-  
24 nal Revenue Code of 1986 of, any person referred to  
25 in subsection (a);

1           (2) disallow a deduction for Federal tax pur-  
2           poses of any charitable contribution made to or by  
3           such person;

4           (3) withhold, reduce the amount or funding for,  
5           exclude, terminate, or otherwise make unavailable or  
6           deny, any Federal grant, contract, subcontract, co-  
7           operative agreement, guarantee, loan, scholarship, li-  
8           cense, certification, accreditation, employment, or  
9           other similar position or status from or to such per-  
10          son;

11          (4) withhold, reduce, exclude, terminate, or oth-  
12          erwise make unavailable or deny, any entitlement or  
13          benefit under a Federal benefit program, including  
14          admission to, equal treatment in, or eligibility for a  
15          degree from an educational program, from or to  
16          such person; or

17          (5) withhold, reduce, exclude, terminate, or oth-  
18          erwise make unavailable or deny access or an entitle-  
19          ment to Federal property, facilities, educational in-  
20          stitutions, speech fora (including traditional, limited,  
21          and nonpublic fora), or charitable fundraising cam-  
22          paigns from or to such person.

23          (c) Accreditation; Licensure; Certification.—The  
24          Federal Government shall consider accredited, licensed, or  
25          certified for purposes of Federal law any person that

1 would be accredited, licensed, or certified, respectively, for  
2 such purposes but for a determination against such person  
3 wholly or partially on the basis that the person speaks,  
4 or acts, in accordance with a sincerely held religious belief  
5 or moral conviction described in subsection (a).

6 MINERAL LEASES

7 SEC. 441. Notwithstanding any other provision of law  
8 and not subject to further judicial review, not later than  
9 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act the  
10 Secretary of the Interior shall reinstate the hardrock min-  
11 eral leases in the Superior National Forest in the State  
12 of Minnesota issued in 2019 and identified as MNES-  
13 01352 and MNES-01353.

14 SOCIAL COST OF CARBON

15 SEC. 442. None of the funds made available by this  
16 or any other Act may be used to consider or incorporate  
17 the social cost of carbon—

18 (1) as part of any cost-benefit analysis required  
19 or performed pursuant to—

20 (A) any law;

21 (B) Executive Order No. 13990 (86 Fed.  
22 Reg. 7037; relating to protecting public health  
23 and the environment and restoring science to  
24 tackle the climate crisis);

1 (C) Executive Order No. 14094 (88 Fed.  
2 Reg. 21879; relating to modernizing regulatory  
3 review);

4 (D) the Presidential Memorandum titled  
5 “Modernizing Regulatory Review” issued by the  
6 President on January 20, 2021;

7 (E) any revisions to Office of Management  
8 and Budget Circular A-4 proposed or finalized  
9 under Executive Order No. 14094; or

10 (F) “Technical Support Document: Social  
11 Cost of Carbon, Methane, and Nitrous Oxide  
12 Interim Estimates under Executive Order  
13 13990,” published under the Interagency Work-  
14 ing Group on the Social Cost of Greenhouse  
15 Gases, in February of 2021;

16 (2) in any rulemaking;

17 (3) in the issuance of any guidance;

18 (4) in taking any other agency action; or

19 (5) as a justification for any rulemaking, guid-  
20 ance document, or agency action.

21 INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

22 SEC. 443. (a) The provisions of the following bills of  
23 the 119th Congress are hereby enacted into law:



## 1 LAND WITHDRAWALS

2 SEC. 445. None of the funds made available by this  
3 Act may be used to withdraw any Federal land from any  
4 form of entry, appropriation, or disposal under the public  
5 land laws, location, entry, or patent under the general  
6 mining laws, or disposition under the mineral leasing, min-  
7 eral materials, or geothermal leasing laws unless such  
8 withdrawal is authorized by an Act of Congress.

## 9 PRIVATELY OWNED MINERAL ESTATES

10 SEC. 446. None of the funds made available by this  
11 Act may be used to issue or revise any regulation pursuant  
12 to Section 17(o) of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C.  
13 226(o)) relating to oil and gas development of outstanding  
14 and reserved mineral rights within the Allegheny National  
15 Forest.

## 16 APPRAISALS

17 SEC. 447. Section 5 of the Act of June 22, 1948 (62  
18 Stat. 570; 16 U.S.C. 577g), is amended by striking “of  
19 the fair appraised value of such” and inserting “of the  
20 highest fair appraised value, including the historical fair  
21 appraised value, as determined by the Secretary of Agri-  
22 culture in accordance with this section, of such”.

## 1                   AERIALLY APPLIED FIRE RETARDANT

2           SEC. 448. None of the funds made available by this  
3 or any other Act may be used to ban the use of aerially  
4 applied fire retardant.

## 5                   CALIFORNIA RCRA ACTION

6           SEC. 449. None of the funds made available by this  
7 Act may be used to implement a regulation issued by the  
8 State of California, pursuant to the authority provided  
9 under the 2009 Memorandum of Agreement between the  
10 California Department of Toxic Substances Control and  
11 Region IX of the Environmental Protection Agency (or  
12 any successor agreement), to regulate metal shredding fa-  
13 cilities in a manner that is inconsistent with or in any  
14 respect different from the requirements of the Solid Waste  
15 Disposal Act (42 U.S.C. 6091 et seq.).

## 16                   STATE PERMIT PROGRAM

17           SEC. 450. The notice of the Environmental Protec-  
18 tion Agency approving the State of Florida's request to  
19 carry out a permit program for the discharge of dredged  
20 or fill material pursuant to section 404 of the Federal  
21 Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1344), published  
22 on December 22, 2020, and titled "EPA's Approval of  
23 Florida's Clean Water Act Section 404 Assumption Re-  
24 quest" (85 Fed. Reg. 83553) shall have the force and ef-  
25 fect of law.

## TITLE V

## OTHER MATTERS

## ABANDONED MINE RECLAMATION FUND

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4       SEC. 501. None of the funds made available by this  
5 or any other Act for payments to States and federally rec-  
6 ognized Indian Tribes for reclamation of abandoned mine  
7 lands and other related activities under the heading “Of-  
8 fice of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement—  
9 Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund” may be used to im-  
10 plement, administer, or enforce section 200.311 of title 2,  
11 Code of Federal Regulations.

## TEXAS FRESHWATER MUSSELS

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13       SEC. 502. None of the funds made available by this  
14 or any other Act may be used to implement, administer,  
15 or enforce the final rule titled “Endangered and Threat-  
16 ened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Species Status  
17 With Critical Habitat for Guadalupe Fatmucket, Texas  
18 Fatmucket, Guadalupe Orb, Texas Pimpleback, Balcones  
19 Spike, and False Spike, and Threatened Species Status  
20 With Section 4(d) Rule and Critical Habitat for Texas  
21 Fawnsfoot” (89 Fed. Reg. 48034 (June 4, 2024)).

## FLUID MINERAL LEASES

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23       SEC. 503. None of the funds made available by this  
24 or any other Act may be used to implement, administer,  
25 or enforce the final rule titled “Fluid Mineral Leases and

1 Leasing Process” published by the Bureau of Land Man-  
2 agement in the Federal Register on April 23, 2024 (89  
3 Fed. Reg. 30916).

4 EXHAUSTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

5 SEC. 504. Paragraph (1) of section 122(a) of division  
6 E of Public Law 112-74 (125 Stat. 1013) is amended by  
7 striking “For fiscal years 2012 through 2027” and insert-  
8 ing “During fiscal year 2012 and thereafter”.

9 HETCH HETCHY RESERVOIR AND LAKE ELEANOR BASIN

10 SEC. 505. None of the funds made available by this  
11 Act may be obligated, expended, or used in any manner  
12 to restrict or impede access to the Hetch Hetchy Reservoir  
13 and Lake Eleanor Basin areas for public recreation, ben-  
14 efit, and use.

15 PRESIDIO TRUST

16 SEC. 506. None of the funds made available by this  
17 Act may be used for the Presidio Trust.

18 FOREST SERVICE PARTICIPATION IN ACES PROGRAM

19 SEC. 507. Section 8302(b) of the Agricultural Act of  
20 2014 (16 U.S.C. 3851a(b)) shall be applied by sub-  
21 stituting “October 1, 2027” for “October 1, 2023”.

22 DOG TESTING

23 SEC. 508. None of the funds made available by this  
24 Act may be used to require, on or after the date of the  
25 enactment of this Act, testing on dogs or the submission



1 zoning ordinance for purposes other than conservation as  
2 of the date of the enactment of this Act.

3 (b) APPLICATION OF CORRECTION.—This Act applies  
4 only to areas of Unit L06 that are within the municipality  
5 of the town of North Topsail Beach.

6 (c) DEFINING OF LOCAL ZONING ORDINANCE.—In  
7 this section, the term “local zoning ordinance” means zon-  
8 ing regulations in effect for the town of North Topsail  
9 Beach, North Carolina, as of the date of enactment of this  
10 Act.

11 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The revised maps referred to  
12 in subsection (a) shall take effect on the date that is 30  
13 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

14 (e) MAPS DESCRIBED.—The maps referred to in sub-  
15 section (a) are entitled “Onslow Beach Complex L05 (2  
16 of 2) Topsail Unit L06 (1 of 2)” and dated November  
17 25, 2024, and “Topsail Unit L06 (2 of 2)” and dated  
18 December 21, 2018, and are included in the set of maps  
19 of the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System  
20 referred to in section 4(a) of the Coastal Barrier Re-  
21 sources Act (16 U.S.C. 3503(a)).

22 (f) AVAILABILITY.—The Secretary of the Interior  
23 shall keep the revised maps referred to in subsection (a)  
24 on file and available for inspection in accordance with sec-

1 tion 4(b) of the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (16 U.S.C.  
2 3503(b)).

3 APOSTLE ISLANDS NATIONAL PARK AND PRESERVE

4 SEC. 511. (a) IN GENERAL.—

5 (1) REDESIGNATION.—Apostle Islands National  
6 Lakeshore, established under Public Law 91–424 (16  
7 U.S.C. 460w et seq.), shall be known and designated as  
8 “Apostle Islands National Park and Preserve”, comprised  
9 of—

10 (A) Apostle Islands National Park; and

11 (B) Apostle Islands National Preserve.

12 (2) APOSTLE ISLANDS NATIONAL PARK.—

13 (A) BOUNDARIES.—The boundaries of Apostle  
14 Islands National Park are the boundaries of the  
15 area generally depicted as “Apostle Islands National  
16 Park Proposed Boundary” on the Map.

17 (B) ASHLAND HARBOR BREAKWATER LIGHT.—

18 Nothing in this Act creates a protective perimeter or  
19 buffer zone around the boundary of the property la-  
20 beled “Ashland Harbor Breakwater Light” on the  
21 Map.

22 (3) APOSTLE ISLANDS NATIONAL PRESERVE.—The  
23 boundaries of Apostle Islands National Preserve are the  
24 boundaries of the area generally depicted as “Apostle Is-  
25 lands National Preserve Proposed Boundary” on the Map.

1 (b) ADMINISTRATION.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Apostle Islands National  
3 Park and Preserve shall be administered by the Secretary  
4 as a single unit of the National Park System in accordance  
5 with—

6 (A) this section;

7 (B) the laws generally applicable to units of the  
8 National Park System, including—

9 (i) sections 100101(a), 100751(a),  
10 100752, 100753, and 102101 of title 54,  
11 United States Code; and

12 (ii) chapters 1003 and 3201 of title 54,  
13 United States Code; and

14 (C) except as provided in paragraph (2), Public  
15 Law 91–424 (16 U.S.C. 460w et seq.).

16 (2) HUNTING, FISHING, AND TRAPPING.—

17 (A) HUNTING AND TRAPPING.—

18 (i) APOSTLE ISLANDS NATIONAL PARK.—  
19 Except where permitted under a treaty, statute,  
20 or executive order pertaining to a Tribe, hunt-  
21 ing and trapping are prohibited within Apostle  
22 Islands National Park.

23 (ii) APOSTLE ISLANDS NATIONAL PRE-  
24 SERVE.—The Secretary shall administer hunt-

1           ing and trapping within Apostle Islands Na-  
2           tional Preserve—

3                   (I) in the same manner that hunting  
4                   and trapping were administered on the day  
5                   before the date of the enactment of this  
6                   Act within the portion of Apostle Islands  
7                   National Lakeshore that comprises Apostle  
8                   Island National Preserve; and

9                   (II) in accordance with section 5 of  
10                  Public Law 91–424 (16 U.S.C. 460w–4)  
11                  and other applicable laws.

12           (B) FISHING.—The Secretary shall administer  
13           fishing within the Apostle Islands National Park and  
14           Preserve—

15                   (i) in the same manner that fishing was  
16                   administered within the Apostle Islands Na-  
17                   tional Lakeshore on the day before the date of  
18                   enactment of this Act; and

19                   (ii) in accordance with section 5 of Public  
20                  Law 91–424 (16 U.S.C. 460w–4) and other ap-  
21                  plicable laws.

22           (C) PRIVATE LAND.—Nothing in this section  
23           prohibits hunting, fishing, or trapping on private  
24           land in accordance with applicable State and Federal  
25           laws.

1 (c) REFERENCES AND MAP.—

2 (1) REFERENCES.—

3 (A) IN GENERAL.—Any reference in a law,  
4 map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of  
5 the United States to “Apostle Islands National  
6 Lakeshore” shall be deemed to be a reference to  
7 “Apostle Islands National Park and Preserve”.

8 (B) PUBLIC LAW 91–424.—Any reference in  
9 Public Law 91–424 (16 U.S.C. 460w et seq.) to the  
10 “lakeshore” shall be deemed to be a reference to  
11 “Apostle Islands National Park and Preserve”.

12 (2) MAP.—The Map shall be—

13 (A) on file and available for public inspection in  
14 the appropriate offices of the National Park Service;  
15 and

16 (B) made available on a publicly accessible  
17 website of the National Park Service.

18 (d) INTERPRETIVE FEATURES.—The Secretary shall  
19 include at the principal visitor centers of the Apostle Is-  
20 lands National Park and Preserve the following interpre-  
21 tive features:

22 (1) Signage that describes the history of the region,  
23 including information about the Ojibwe tribes, early Euro-  
24 pean settlers, fur trade, logging, stone quarries, light-  
25 houses and commercial fishing.

1 (2) A copy of this Act.

2 (e) TREATY AND RESERVED RIGHTS.—Nothing in  
3 this Act shall be construed as affecting any rights granted,  
4 reserved, or established pursuant to treaty, statute, or ex-  
5 ecutive order pertaining to any Tribe, including, but not  
6 limited to, rights to hunt, trap, fish, and gather on lands  
7 included within the boundary of Apostle Islands National  
8 Park and Preserve or any other rights asserted by any  
9 Tribe.

10 (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:

11 (1) MAP.—The term “Map” means the map titled  
12 “Apostle Islands National Park and Preserve Proposed  
13 Boundaries”, numbered 633/193,514, and dated October  
14 2024.

15 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means the  
16 Secretary of the Interior.

17 PROHIBITION OF FUNDS

18 SEC. 512. None of the funds provided in this Act may  
19 be used by the Smithsonian Institution to implement the  
20 amendments to Chapter 203 of title 51, United States  
21 Code in Sec. 40005 of Public Law 119–21 relating to  
22 “Space Vehicle Transfer”.

## IRIS

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2 SEC. 513. None of the funds made available by this  
3 Act may be used to develop, finalize, or issue assessments  
4 under the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS).

## BLM MINING CLAIM MAINTENANCE FEES

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6 SEC. 514. (a) None of the funds made available by  
7 this Act may be used by the Secretary of the Interior to  
8 declare forfeited, abandoned, or void any unpatented lode  
9 mining claim, mill site, or tunnel site described in section  
10 10101(a)(1) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of  
11 1993 (30 U.S.C. 28f(a)(1)) for which the claim mainte-  
12 nance fee required by that section (30 U.S.C. 28f(a)(1))  
13 was paid on or before September 1, 2012, on the ground  
14 that the holder of such unpatented lode mining claim, mill  
15 site, or tunnel site did not comply with the assessment  
16 work requirement or the related filing requirements de-  
17 scribed in that section (30 U.S.C. 28f(a)(1)), for the as-  
18 sessment year ending on September 1, 2012.

19 (b) Subsection (a) shall apply notwithstanding receipt  
20 by the holder of an unpatented lode mining claim, mill  
21 site, or tunnel site described in that subsection of a refund  
22 of the claim maintenance fee described in that subsection  
23 from the Secretary of the Interior.

24 (c) Subsection (a) shall not apply to an unpatented  
25 lode mining claim, mill site, or tunnel site described in

1 subsection (a) for which the claim maintenance fee de-  
2 scribed in that subsection was waived under section  
3 10101(d) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of  
4 1993 (30 U.S.C. 28f(d)) for the assessment year ending  
5 on September 1, 2012.

6 SPENDING REDUCTION ACCOUNT

7 SEC. 515. \$0.

8 This Act may be cited as the “Department of the In-  
9 terior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations  
10 Act, 2027”.



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## **A BILL**

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