

## Environment & Energy Congressional Round-Up | April 21 - April 25, 2025

### Highlights:

Reps. Doris Matsui (D-Calif.), Brian Fitzpatrick (R-Pa.), and Emanuel Cleaver (D-Mo.) reintroduced the TREES Act ([H.R.3009](#)). If passed, the bill would [lower](#) home energy costs—particularly in underserved communities—by increasing tree coverage in residential areas. To fund tree planting efforts, the bill would also create a \$50 million grant program under the Department of Energy.

Reps. Salud Carbajal (D-Calif.) and Brian Fitzpatrick (R-Pa.) reintroduced the *Coastal State Climate Preparedness Act* (H.R.2990) to [help](#) coastal states mitigate and respond to climate impacts such as sea level rise, beach erosion, and fish population decline. EESI's *Living with Climate Change* briefing on [sea level rise](#) highlights policies and tools that coastal communities can leverage to boost their resilience to climate impacts.

Reps. Brittany Pettersen (D-Colo.) and Chuck Edwards (R-N.C.) reintroduced the *Post-Disaster Reforestation and Restoration Act of 2025* ([H.R.528](#)) to [bolster](#) recovery and resilience efforts in communities struck by natural disasters.

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### April 25, 2025

The House and Senate did not meet today.

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### April 24, 2025

#### House:

#### Bills Introduced:

##### [H.R.2986](#)

To require the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to promulgate regulations that accelerate the interconnection of electric generation and storage resources to the transmission system through more efficient and effective interconnection procedures.

Sponsor: [Castor, Kathy \[Rep.-D-FL-14\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 04/24/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

### **H.R.2990**

**To amend the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 to require the Secretary of Commerce to establish a coastal climate change adaptation preparedness and response program, and for other purposes.**

Sponsor: [Carbajal, Salud O. \[Rep.-D-CA-24\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/24/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

### **H.R.2991**

**To provide for ocean acidification collaborative research grant opportunities.**

Sponsor: [Carbajal, Salud O. \[Rep.-D-CA-24\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 04/24/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

### **H.R.2995**

**To advance environmental justice by addressing cumulative impacts and underenforcement, and for other purposes.**

Sponsor: [DeGette, Diana \[Rep.-D-CO-1\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/24/2025 Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources

### **H.R.2996**

**To direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish a grant program to facilitate the development of climate adaptation plans by certain entities, and for other purposes.**

Sponsor: [Escobar, Veronica \[Rep.-D-TX-16\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 04/24/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

### **H.R.2997**

**To authorize appropriations for climate financing, and for other purposes.**

Sponsor: [Espaillat, Adriano \[Rep.-D-NY-13\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Foreign Affairs

Latest Action: House - 04/24/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

### **H.R.3002**

**To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish a council within the Department of Homeland Security to coordinate departmental efforts to identify, address, and mitigate cross-functional impacts of global climate change with respect to the Department's programs and operations, and for other purposes.**

Sponsor: [Goldman, Daniel S. \[Rep.-D-NY-10\]](#) Cosponsors: (3)

Committees: House - Homeland Security

Latest Action: House - 04/24/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Homeland Security.

### **H.R.3003**

**To direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to rescind a memorandum of understanding related to wildlife damage management, and for other purposes.**

Sponsor: [Gonzales, Tony \[Rep.-R-TX-23\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Agriculture; Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/24/2025 Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources

### **H.R.3009**

**To direct the Secretary of Energy to establish a grant program to facilitate tree planting that reduces residential energy consumption, and for other purposes.**

Sponsor: [Matsui, Doris O. \[Rep.-D-CA-7\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 04/24/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

### **H.R.3015**

**To reestablish the National Coal Council in the Department of Energy to provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Energy on matters related to coal and the coal industry, and for other purposes.**

Sponsor: [Rulli, Michael A. \[Rep.-R-OH-6\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 04/24/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

### **H.Res.346**

**Expressing the need for protecting and conserving at least 50 percent of the land, freshwater, and ocean ecosystems in the United States and encouraging diplomatic community efforts to achieve this goal worldwide.**

Sponsor: [Beyer, Donald S. \[Rep.-D-VA-8\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Foreign Affairs

Latest Action: House - 04/24/2025 Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

### **[H.Res.347](#)**

**Recognizing the significant impact and legacy of Cecil Corbin-Mark in the environmental justice community and further recognizing that climate change most severely impacts vulnerable and disadvantaged communities in the United States and around the world, and that it is the responsibility of the United States Government to work with its global partners to promote environmental justice.**

Sponsor: [Espaillat, Adriano \[Rep.-D-NY-13\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Foreign Affairs

Latest Action: House - 04/24/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

### **Senate:**

The Senate did not meet today.

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### **April 23, 2025**

### **House:**

### **Bills Introduced:**

#### **[H.R.528](#)**

**Post-Disaster Reforestation and Restoration Act of 2025**

Sponsor: [Pettersen, Brittany \[Rep.-D-CO-7\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 04/23/2025 Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Lands.

#### **[H.R.655](#)**

**The Dalles Watershed Development Act**

Sponsor: [Bentz, Cliff \[Rep.-R-OR-2\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/23/2025 Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Lands.

**[H.R.2876](#)**

**To confirm the use of certain non-Federal land in Salt Lake City, Utah, for public purposes, and for other purposes.**

Sponsor: [Moore, Blake D. \[Rep.-R-UT-1\]](#) Cosponsors: (3)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/23/2025 Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Lands.

**Senate:**

The Senate did not meet today.

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**April 22, 2025**

The House and Senate did not meet today.

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**April 21, 2025**

**House:**

**Bills Introduced:**

**[H.R.2971](#)**

**To direct the Secretary of Commerce to establish a youth biodiversity monitoring grant program.**

Sponsor: [Ansari, Yassamin \[Rep.-D-AZ-3\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/21/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

**[H.R.2975](#)**

**To direct the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information to establish a competitive grant program to assist local governments**

**in providing efficient review and approval of zoning and permitting applications that facilitate the deployment of broadband infrastructure, and for other purposes.**

Sponsor: [Fletcher, Lizzie \[Rep.-D-TX-7\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 04/21/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

### **H.R.2977**

**To establish the Mississippi River Restoration and Resilience Initiative to carry out projects for the protection and restoration of the Mississippi River Corridor, and for other purposes.**

Sponsor: [McCollum, Betty \[Rep.-D-MN-4\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure; Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 04/21/2025 Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources.

### **H.R.2980**

**To direct the Secretary of Energy to establish a program to provide financial assistance to graduate students and postdoctoral researchers pursuing certain courses of study relating to cybersecurity and energy infrastructure, and for other purposes.**

Sponsor: [Ross, Deborah K. \[Rep.-D-NC-2\]](#) Cosponsors: ([1](#))

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 04/21/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

### **H.Con.Res.29**

**Expressing support for the withdrawal of the United States from the Paris Agreement.**

Sponsor: [Barr, Andy \[Rep.-R-KY-6\]](#) Cosponsors: ([1](#))

Committees: House - Foreign Affairs

Latest Action: House - 04/21/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

### **H.Res.341**

**Expressing support for honoring Earth Day, and for other purposes.**

Sponsor: [Matsui, Doris O. \[Rep.-D-CA-7\]](#) Cosponsors: ([48](#))

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Foreign Affairs.

Latest Action: House - 04/21/2025 Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

**Senate:**

The Senate did not meet today.