## Environment & Energy Congressional Round-Up | June 30 - July 4, 2025

## **Highlights:**

The Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation passed the *Harmful Algal Bloom and Hypoxia Research and Control Amendments Act of 2025* (S.93). Sens. Dan Sullivan (R-Alaska) and Tammy Baldwin (D-Wis.) reintroduced the bill to reauthorize and bolster federal programs that improve forecasting, monitoring, and mitigation of harmful algal blooms. Reps. Suzanne Bonamici (D-Ore.) and David Joyce (R-Ohio) lead the bill (<u>H.R.644</u>) in the House. Check out EESI's briefing on the <u>Mississippi River</u> to learn more about efforts to combat nitrogen pollution.

The House Committee on Natural Resources passed the *La Paz County Solar Energy and Job Creation Act* (H.R.1043). Reps. Paul Gosar (R-Ariz.) and Andy Biggs (R-Ariz.) reintroduced the bill to permit the transfer of federal lands to Arizona's La Paz County for solar energy development. The project would create more than 700 jobs, and the resulting solar park would have enough solar and battery storage capacity to power about 75,000 homes. Sens. Ruben Gallego (D-Ariz.) and Mark Kelly (D-Ariz.) lead the bill's Senate companion (<u>S.909</u>).

Rep. Dave Min (D-Calif.), alongside Reps. Rob Wittman (R-Va.), Kevin Mullin (D-Calif.), and Buddy Carter (R-Ga.), introduced <u>H.R.4256</u> to reauthorize the *Digital Coast Act*. The Act codifies the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Digital Coast project, which <u>provides</u> critical information to coastal managers and communities about coastal erosion, sea level rise, coastal storm surge, and more.

Congress also completed the <u>budget reconciliation</u> process, signed into law on July 4. The law (<u>P.L. 119-21</u>) makes significant changes to clean energy tax credits as well as a wide range of climate, energy, and environment-related programs across the federal government. In general, these changes will make <u>it far more challenging</u> for the United States to meet its prior climate and clean energy deployment goals.

<u>July 4, 2025</u>

Signed into Law:

H.R.1 One Big Beautiful Bill Act Sponsor: <u>Arrington, Jodey C. [Rep.-R-TX-19]</u> Cosponsors: (<u>0</u>) Committees: House - Budget Committee Reports: <u>H. Rept. 119-106,Book 1</u>, <u>H. Rept. 119-106,Book 2</u> Latest Action: 07/04/2025 Signed by President.

## <u>July 3, 2025</u>

#### House:

The House of Representatives did not meet today.

#### Senate:

No environmental or energy activity in the Senate today.

## <u>July 2, 2025</u>

#### House:

## **Bills Introduced:**

#### H.R.4279

To prohibit entities integral to the national interests of the United States from participating in any foreign sustainability due diligence regulation, including the Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive of the European Union, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: <u>Fitzgerald, Scott [Rep.-R-WI-5]</u> Cosponsors: (<u>0</u>) Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Judiciary Latest Action: House - 07/02/2025 Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### H.Res.567

Commemorating and honoring the 40-year anniversary of Entergy's Grand Gulf Nuclear Station located in Port Gibson, Mississippi, and recognizing the important role nuclear power plays in energizing life in Mississippi. Sponsor: <u>Thompson, Bennie G. [Rep.-D-MS-2]</u> Cosponsors: (<u>0</u>) Committees: House - Energy and Commerce Latest Action: House - 07/02/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

#### **Bills Reported:**

#### H.R.900

Sinkhole Mapping Act of 2025 Sponsor: <u>Soto, Darren [Rep.-D-FL-9]</u> Cosponsors: (<u>8</u>) Committees: House - Natural Resources Latest Action: House - 07/02/2025 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 147.

## <u>H.R.1043</u>

#### La Paz County Solar Energy and Job Creation Act

Sponsor: <u>Gosar, Paul A. [Rep.-R-AZ-9]</u> Cosponsors: (<u>2</u>) Committees: House - Natural Resources Latest Action: House - 07/02/2025 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 148.

#### H.R.3015

#### National Coal Council Reestablishment Act

Sponsor: <u>Rulli, Michael A. [Rep.-R-OH-6]</u> Cosponsors: (<u>5</u>) Committees: House - Energy and Commerce Latest Action: House - 07/02/2025 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 150

## H.R.3062

#### Promoting Cross-border Energy Infrastructure Act

Sponsor: Fedorchak, Julie [Rep.-R-ND-At Large] Cosponsors: (2) Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Transportation and Infrastructure; Natural Resources Committee Report: <u>H. Rept. 119-186</u> Latest Action: House - 07/02/2025 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 151.

## H.R.3898

PERMIT Act Sponsor: <u>Collins, Mike [Rep.-R-GA-10]</u> Cosponsors: (<u>8</u>) Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Report: <u>H. Rept. 119-180</u> Latest Action: House - 07/02/2025 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 145.

#### Senate:

The Senate did not meet today.

## <u>July 1, 2025</u>

#### House:

The House of Representatives did not meet today.

#### Senate:

## Bills Reported:

## <u>S.93</u>

# Harmful Algal Bloom and Hypoxia Research and Control Amendments Act of 2025

Sponsor: Sullivan, Dan [Sen.-R-AK] Cosponsors: (14)

Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation Latest Action: Senate - 07/01/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 109.

## Passed Senate:

## <u>H.R.1</u>

One Big Beautiful Bill Act

Sponsor: <u>Arrington, Jodey C. [Rep.-R-TX-19]</u> Cosponsors: (<u>0</u>) Committees: House - Budget Committee Reports: <u>H. Rept. 119-106,Book 1</u>, <u>H. Rept. 119-106,Book 2</u> Latest Action: Senate - 07/01/2025 Message on Senate action sent to the House.

# <u>June 30, 2025</u>

House:

## **Bills Introduced:**

## H.R.4255

To remove the Mexican wolf from the lists of threatened species and endangered species published pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: <u>Gosar, Paul A. [Rep.-R-AZ-9]</u> Cosponsors: (<u>10</u>) Committees: House - Natural Resources Latest Action: House - 06/30/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

# <u>H.R.4256</u>

**To reauthorize the Digital Coast Act.** Sponsor: <u>Min, Dave [Rep.-D-CA-47]</u> Cosponsors: (<u>3</u>) Committees: House - Natural Resources Latest Action: House - 06/30/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

# H.R.4263

# To enhance the competitiveness of the nuclear sector of the United States in foreign countries, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: <u>Self, Keith [Rep.-R-TX-3]</u> Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: House - Foreign Affairs; Armed Services; Energy and Commerce;

Financial Services; Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 06/30/2025 Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, Energy and Commerce, Financial Services, and Science, Space, and Technology.

# **Bills Reported:**

# <u>H.R.1044</u>

**To amend Public Law 99-338 with respect to Kaweah Project permits.** Sponsor: <u>Valadao, David G. [Rep.-R-CA-22]</u> Cosponsors: (<u>0</u>) Committees: House - Natural Resources Latest Action: House - 06/30/2025 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 140.

# Senate:

No environmental or energy related activity in the Senate today.