

Environment & Energy Congressional Round-Up | November 3-November 9, 2025

The Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs agreed on the *Disaster Assistance Simplification Act* ([S.861](#)) reintroduced by Sen. Gary Peters (D-Mich.) and cosponsored by five Republican senators. The bipartisan bill, if passed, would [streamline](#) the application process for federal disaster recovery assistance, reducing the burden on disaster survivors seeking immediate assistance.

Reps. Morgan McGarvey (D-Ky.) and Erin Houchin (R-Ind.) introduced the *Ohio River Restoration Program Act* ([H.R.5966](#)) along with six bipartisan cosponsors. The bill, if passed, would [create](#) an Ohio River National Program Office in the Environmental Protection Agency to restore and protect the Ohio River, which is the second-most endangered river in the country. To learn more, check out EESI's joint briefing with the [Ohio River Basin Alliance](#) about [Ohio River restoration efforts](#).

Sens. Pete Ricketts (R-Neb.) and Kirsten Gillibrand (D-N.Y.) introduced the *Flood Protection and Infrastructure Resilience Act of 2025* ([S.3140](#)) to [prioritize](#) long-term flood resilience in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA's) Emergency Watershed Protection Program. The bill, if passed, would also improve the USDA's ability to provide technical and financial assistance to rehabilitate aging watershed dams.

November 7, 2025

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.5929](#)

To adjust the treatment of certain actions under Presidential Determination 2022-11 for Federal permitting improvement, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Barr, Andy \[Rep.-R-KY-6\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 11/07/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.5935](#)

Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians Water Rights Settlement Act

Sponsor: [Calvert, Ken \[Rep.-R-CA-41\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 11/07/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.5952](#)

To require the use of the voice and vote of the United States in international financial institutions to advance the cause of transitioning the global economy to a clean energy economy and to prohibit United States Government assistance to countries or entities to support fossil fuel activity, and for other purposes.

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

Committees: House - Financial Services; Foreign Affairs

Latest Action: House - 11/07/2025 Referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee.

[H.R.5961](#)

To increase the availability of flood insurance for agricultural structures, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [LaMalfa, Doug \[Rep.-R-CA-1\]](#) Cosponsors: (3)

Committees: House - Financial Services

Latest Action: House - 11/07/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

[H.R.5963](#)

To provide for cost-share waivers for projects carried out in response to wildland fires caused by certain Government actions, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Leger Fernandez, Teresa \[Rep.-D-NM-3\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Agriculture; Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 11/07/2025 Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

[H.R.5964](#)

To require the Secretary of Energy, acting through the Office of Electricity, to publish guidelines and best practices for integrated resource planning of the electricity system, provide technical assistance with respect to such guidelines

and best practices, and develop a grant program for modernizing integrated resource planning, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Leger Fernandez, Teresa \[Rep.-D-NM-3\]](#) Cosponsors: ([2](#))

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 11/07/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

[H.R.5966](#)

To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to establish an Ohio River Basin Restoration Program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [McGarvey, Morgan \[Rep.-D-KY-3\]](#) Cosponsors: ([7](#))

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 11/07/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

[H.R.5983](#)

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish a National Resilience and Recovery Fund, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Stansbury, Melanie A. \[Rep.-D-NM-1\]](#) Cosponsors: ([4](#))

Committees: House - Ways and Means; Transportation and Infrastructure; Financial Services

Latest Action: House - 11/07/2025 Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, and Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

[S.3162](#)

A bill to require the Secretary of Defense to carry out a pilot program under which the Secretary shall develop and implement a comprehensive wastewater surveillance system at certain installations of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes.

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

Committees: Senate - Armed Services

Latest Action: Senate - 11/07/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

[S.3164](#)

A bill to require a briefing on increasing procurement of strategic and critical materials from sources in the United States.

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

Committees: Senate - Armed Services

Latest Action: Senate - 11/07/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

Bills Reported:

[S.861](#)

Disaster Assistance Simplification Act

Sponsor: [Peters, Gary C. \[Sen.-D-MI\]](#) Cosponsors: ([5](#))

Committees: Senate - Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 11/07/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 264

November 6, 2025

House:

The House did not meet today.

Senate:

Bills Introduced:

[S.3120](#)

A bill to limit engagement with the Government of Mexico unless Mexico provides water to the United States pursuant to its obligations under the Treaty relating to the Utilization of Waters of the Colorado and Tijuana Rivers and of the Rio Grande.

Sponsor: [Cruz, Ted \[Sen.-R-TX\]](#) Cosponsors: ([1](#))

Committees: Senate - Foreign Relations

Latest Action: Senate - 11/06/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

S.3123

A bill to require the use of the voice and vote of the United States in international financial institutions to advance the cause of transitioning the global economy to a clean energy economy and to prohibit United States Government assistance to countries or entities to support fossil fuel activity, and for other purposes.

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

Committees: Senate - Foreign Relations

Latest Action: Senate - 11/06/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

S.3126

A bill to amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to reform farm loans, to amend the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 to reform the National Appeals Division process, and for other purposes.

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

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 11/06/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.3127

A bill to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to reauthorize the farm to school program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Welch, Peter \[Sen.-D-VT\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 11/06/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

S.3135

A bill to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to authorize manufacturers of certain vehicles to suspend engine derate or shutdown functions in prolonged cold weather conditions, and for other purposes.

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

Committees: Senate - Environment and Public Works

Latest Action: Senate - 11/06/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.3140

A bill to modify Department of Agriculture programs to improve flood protection and infrastructure resiliency, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Ricketts, Pete \[Sen.-R-NE\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 11/06/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.3149](#)

A bill to provide for cost-share waivers for projects carried out in response to wildland fires caused by certain Government actions, and for other purposes.

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

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 11/06/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

[S.3151](#)

A bill to amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 to provide for the automatic contingent extension of the National Flood Insurance Program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Cassidy, Bill \[Sen.-R-LA\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: Senate - Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 11/06/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

[S.3152](#)

A bill to amend the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to give preference to local contractors in awarding contracts to carry out certain hazardous fuel reduction projects on Federal land.

Sponsor: [Luján, Ben Ray \[Sen.-D-NM\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Action: Senate - 11/06/2025 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

November 5, 2025

House:

The House did not meet today.

Senate:

No environmental or energy-related activity in the Senate today.

November 4, 2025

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.5902](#)

To promote innovative practices for soil health through USDA conservation programs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Beyer, Donald S. \[Rep.-D-VA-8\]](#) Cosponsors: ([2](#))

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 11/04/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.5911](#)

To direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to the City of Ouray, Colorado, certain land managed by the Forest Service, together with a reservoir.

Sponsor: [Hurd, Jeff \[Rep.-R-CO-3\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 11/04/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.5920](#)

To amend the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 to allow the District of Columbia to receive Federal funding under such Act, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Norton, Eleanor Holmes \[Del.-D-DC-At Large\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 11/04/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

Senate:

Bills Reported:

[H.R.4550](#)

United States Grain Standards Reauthorization Act of 2025

Sponsor: [Thompson, Glenn \[Rep.-R-PA-15\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Agriculture | Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Committee Report: [H. Rept. 119-233](#)

Latest Action: Senate - 11/04/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 263.

[S.240](#)

Crow Tribe Water Rights Settlement Amendments Act of 2025

Sponsor: [Daines, Steve \[Sen.-R-MT\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Indian Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 11/04/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 260.

[S.546](#)

Technical Correction to the Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Reservation Water Rights Settlement Act of 2025

Sponsor: [Cortez Masto, Catherine \[Sen.-D-NV\]](#) Cosponsors: (3)

Committees: Senate - Indian Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 11/04/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 261.

[S.640](#)

Technical Corrections to the Northwestern New Mexico Rural Water Projects Act, Taos Pueblo Indian Water Rights Settlement Act, and Aamodt Litigation Settlement Act

Sponsor: [Luján, Ben Ray \[Sen.-D-NM\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: Senate - Indian Affairs

Latest Action: Senate - 11/04/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 262.

Passed Senate:

[S.1872](#)

Critical Infrastructure Manufacturing Feasibility Act

Sponsor: [Ernst, Joni \[Sen.-R-IA\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)
Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Committee Report: [S. Rept. 119-81](#)
Latest Action: Senate - 11/04/2025 Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.

November 3, 2025

House:

The House did not meet today.

Senate:

Bills Reported:

S.594

HELP Response and Recovery Act

Sponsor: [Peters, Gary C. \[Sen.-D-MI\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)
Committees: Senate - Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Latest Action: Senate - 11/03/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 252.

S.1626

National Landslide Preparedness Act Reauthorization Act of 2025

Sponsor: [Murkowski, Lisa \[Sen.-R-AK\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)
Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Latest Action: Senate - 11/03/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 249.

S.3095

An original bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to convey a parcel of property of the Forest Service to Perry County, Arkansas, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Boozman, John \[Sen.-R-AR\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)
Committees: Senate - Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
Latest Action: Senate - 11/03/2025 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 259.

