

Environment & Energy Congressional Round-Up | September 22 - September 26, 2025

Reps. Salud Carbajal (D-Calif.), David Valadao (R-Calif.), Troy Carter (D-La.), Jeff Van Drew (R-N.J.), and Brian Mast (R-Flo.) introduced the *Water Infrastructure Resilience and Sustainability Act* ([H.R.5566](#)). The bill would [reauthorize](#) funding for programs that boost the resilience of drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater infrastructure in the face of threats like extreme weather and cyberattacks.

Reps. Scott Peters (D-Calif.) and Andy Barr (R-Ky.) reintroduced the *Streamlining Powerlines Essential to Electric Demand (SPEED) and Reliability Act* ([H.R.5600](#)) to [promote](#) more reliable and efficient delivery of electricity. If passed, the bill would streamline siting and permitting of critical electricity lines, leading to cheaper and more efficient power delivery to consumers, as well as fewer blackouts.

The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), which covers [95%](#) of residential flood insurance policies in the country, is set to expire on September 30, 2025. Rep. Andrew Garbarino (R-N.Y.) introduced [H.R.5577](#) to reauthorize the NFIP, while Rep. Mike Ezell (R-Miss.) introduced the bipartisan [H.R.5574](#) to extend the program through November 21, 2025. Reps. Gregory Steube (R-Fla.) and Jimmy Patronis (R-Fla.) also introduced *Flood Insurance Transparency Act of 2025* ([H.R.5607](#)), which [requires](#) the disclosure of the tools used to establish premiums or flood elevations, along with the *Removing Barriers to Private Flood Insurance Act* ([H.R.5608](#)), which [eliminates](#) the NFIP's Write Your Own non-compete clause to increase private sector involvement. To learn more about the NFIP, check out EESI's [briefing](#) on insurance in the age of climate change.

September 26, 2025

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.5564](#)

To amend the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act to provide for improved coordination between the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency and the Secretary of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Arrington, Jodey C. \[Rep.-R-TX-19\]](#) Cosponsors: [\(1\)](#)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 09/26/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.5566](#)

To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and the Safe Drinking Water Act to reauthorize certain programs for water infrastructure resilience and sustainability, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Carbajal, Salud O. \[Rep.-D-CA-24\]](#) Cosponsors: (4)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 09/26/2025 Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker.

[H.R.5570](#)

To permit Amtrak to bring civil actions in Federal district court to enforce the right set forth in section 24308(c) of title 49, United States Code, which gives intercity and commuter rail passenger transportation preference over freight transportation in using a rail line, junction, or crossing, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Deluzio, Christopher R. \[Rep.-D-PA-17\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure; Judiciary

Latest Action: House - 09/26/2025 Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker.

[H.R.5571](#)

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide no-cost coverage for PFAS testing under the Medicare program.

Sponsor: [Dingell, Debbie \[Rep.-D-MI-6\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means

Latest Action: House - 09/26/2025 Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker.

[H.R.5574](#)

To extend the National Flood Insurance Program through November 21, 2025.

Sponsor: [Ezell, Mike \[Rep.-R-MS-4\]](#) Cosponsors: (4)

Committees: House - Financial Services

Latest Action: House - 09/26/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

[H.R.5576](#)

To amend the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 to promote timely exploration for geothermal resources under geothermal leases, and for other purposes.

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

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 09/26/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R.5577

To amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 to reauthorize the National Flood Insurance Program.

Sponsor: [Garbarino, Andrew R. \[Rep.-R-NY-2\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Financial Services

Latest Action: House - 09/26/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

H.R.5587

To amend the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 to waive the requirement for a Federal drilling permit for certain activities, to exempt certain activities from the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Kim, Young \[Rep.-R-CA-40\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 09/26/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R.5597

To establish the Bioenergy with Carbon Capture and Storage Advancement Commission in the Department of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

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

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Science, Space, and Technology; Agriculture; Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 09/26/2025 Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Science, Space, and Technology, Agriculture, and Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions.

H.R.5598

Revitalizing Rural Communities Act of 2025

Sponsor: [Nunn, Zachary \[Rep.-R-IA-3\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 09/26/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

H.R.5600

To amend the Federal Power Act to streamline the siting of certain transmission facilities in the national interest.

Sponsor: [Peters, Scott H. \[Rep.-D-CA-50\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 09/26/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

H.R.5607

To amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 to require that certain information is made publicly available, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Steube, W. Gregory \[Rep.-R-FL-17\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Financial Services

Latest Action: House - 09/26/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

H.R.5608

To ensure that Write Your Own companies can sell private flood insurance products that compete with National Flood Insurance Program products.

Sponsor: [Steube, W. Gregory \[Rep.-R-FL-17\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: House - Financial Services

Latest Action: House - 09/26/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

H.R.5610

To amend the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 to extend the program providing for improvements to the United States Drought Monitor.

Sponsor: [Taylor, David J. \[Rep.-R-OH-2\]](#) Cosponsors: (0)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 09/26/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

H.R.5614

To direct the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out an awareness campaign with respect to spotted lanternflies.

Sponsor: [Vindman, Eugene Simon \[Rep.-D-VA-7\]](#) Cosponsors: (6)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 09/26/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.Res.772](#)

Expressing support for "National Public Lands Day" and encouraging the people of the United States to visit public lands on this fee-free day and recognize their spiritual and cultural value, as well as their contribution to the economy of the United States.

Sponsor: [Titus, Dina \[Rep.-D-NV-1\]](#) Cosponsors: ([32](#))

Committees: House - Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Action: House - 09/26/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

Senate:

The Senate did not meet today.

September 25, 2025

The House and Senate did not meet today.

September 24, 2025

The House and Senate did not meet today.

September 23, 2025

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.5541](#)

To amend the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act to permanently authorize the Every Kid Outdoors program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Ansari, Yassamin \[Rep.-D-AZ-3\]](#) Cosponsors: ([13](#))

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Agriculture; Transportation and Infrastructure
Latest Action: House - 09/23/2025 Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Agriculture, and Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker.

[H.R.5549](#)

To amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to provide for more efficient hearings on nuclear facility construction applications, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Griffith, H. Morgan \[Rep.-R-VA-9\]](#) Cosponsors: (2)

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 09/23/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

[H.R.5551](#)

To amend the Agricultural Act of 2014 to require a one-time update of base acres for covered commodities to ensure base acres reflect recent planting history, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Johnson, Dusty \[Rep.-R-SD-At Large\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 09/23/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.5555](#)

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to assess the suitability and feasibility of designating certain land in California as the Monterey Bay National Heritage Area, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Panetta, Jimmy \[Rep.-D-CA-19\]](#) Cosponsors: (4)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 09/23/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.5562](#)

To amend the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 to provide research and extension grants to support the study of insects and pests that impact tropical plants, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Tokuda, Jill N. \[Rep.-D-HI-2\]](#) Cosponsors: (1)

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 09/23/2025 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

Bills Reported:

[H.R.3632](#)

Power Plant Reliability Act of 2025

Sponsor: [Griffith, H. Morgan \[Rep.-R-VA-9\]](#) Cosponsors: ([4](#))

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 09/23/2025 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 261.

Senate:

The Senate did not meet today.

September 22, 2025

The House and Senate did not meet today.