



Congressional Round-Up

October 5-9, 2026

Every week, the Environmental and Energy Study Institute publishes a legislative tracker of environment- and energy-related bills introduced, advanced, and passed by Congress, as well as relevant committee hearings. This document was put together with information from congress.gov, press releases from congressional offices, and news stories. (Note that we may have inadvertently missed a bill or hearing.)

Highlights:

The House Small Business Committee advanced the *Disaster Loan Outreach Consistency Act* ([H.R.10355](#)), led by Rep. Analilia Mejia (D-N.J.) and Del. Kimberlyn King-Hinds (R-Northern Mariana Islands). The bill would [create](#) standards for accurate and consistent information to be provided to small business owners in disaster recovery scenarios.

Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-Fla.), alongside Reps. Scott Franklin (R-Fla.), Darren Soto (D-Fla.), and Kat Cammack (R-Fla.), introduced the *RAISE Act of 2026* ([H.R.10749](#)). The bill [allows](#) the U.S. Department of Agriculture to provide block grants to states to compensate for damage to high-value crops after extreme weather events and other disasters.

Reps. Mike Ezell (R-Miss.) and Suzanne Bonamici (D-Ore.) introduced the *Regional Ocean Partnership Reauthorization Act* ([H.R.10756](#)) to [continue](#) the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's [Regional Ocean Partnerships program](#) through 2031. These partnerships facilitate coordination across coastal states, stakeholders, and the federal government on ocean and coastal conservation and adaptation. Sen. Roger Wicker (R-Miss.) leads the bill's bipartisan Senate counterpart ([S.3971](#)).

Rep. Yassamin Ansari (D-Ariz.) introduced the *Stop Orphaned Wells Act* ([H.R.10721](#)), alongside five lead Democratic sponsors. The bill would [amend](#) the *Mineral Leasing Act* to require oil well operators to cap their own wells on federal and tribal lands, rather than [abandoning them](#) for governments to clean up. Sen. Michael Bennet (D-Colo.) introduced an identical bill ([S.5630](#)) at the end of September.

October 9, 2026



House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.10771](#)

To establish an emergency preparedness grant program for higher education institutions, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Carter, Troy A. \[Rep.-D-LA-2\]](#) **Cosponsors:** ([1](#))

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 10/09/2026 Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

[H.R.10774](#)

To amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 and the Animal Welfare Act to prohibit the taking, importation, exportation, and breeding of certain cetaceans for public display, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [DelBene, Suzan K. \[Rep.-D-WA-1\]](#) **Cosponsors:** ([23](#))

Committees: House - Natural Resources; Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 10/09/2026 Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker

[H.R.10776](#)

To amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to change certain requirements regarding certain allowed take of marine mammals, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Ezell, Mike \[Rep.-R-MS-4\]](#) **Cosponsors:** ([0](#))

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 10/09/2026 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.10778](#)

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish a credit to incentivize the use of certain low-emission anesthetic gases by health care facilities, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Foushee, Valerie P. \[Rep.-D-NC-4\]](#) **Cosponsors:** ([0](#))

Committees: House - Ways and Means

Latest Action: House - 10/09/2026 Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

[H.R.10782](#)

To reauthorize the Clean School Bus Program.

Sponsor: [Hayes, Jahana \[Rep.-D-CT-5\]](#) **Cosponsors:** ([2](#))

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 10/09/2026 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.



[H.R.10789](#)

To establish a moratorium on oil and gas production and exploration activities in the Eglin Gulf Test and Training Range, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Patronis, Jimmy \[Rep.-R-FL-1\]](#) Cosponsors: ([8](#))

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 10/09/2026 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.10790](#)

To amend the Clean Air Act to require that at least one member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board has demonstrated knowledge and substantial experience in the trades or industrial labor, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Perez, Marie Gluesenkamp \[Rep.-D-WA-3\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 10/09/2026 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Bills Reported:

[H.R.10355](#)

Disaster Loan Outreach Consistency Act

Sponsor: [Mejia, Analilia \[Rep.-D-NJ-11\]](#) Cosponsors: ([2](#))

Committees: House - Small Business

Latest Action: House - 10/09/2026 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 743.

Senate:

No environmental or energy related activity in the Senate today.

October 8, 2026

The House and Senate did not meet today.

October 7, 2026

House:

The House did not meet today.



Senate:

Bills Enacted:

[S.766](#)

Billion Dollar Boondoggle Act of 2025

Sponsor: [Ernst, Joni \[Sen.-R-IA\]](#) **Cosponsors:** ([4](#))

Committees: Senate - Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Latest Action: 10/07/2026 Signed by President.

October 6, 2026

House:

Bills Introduced:

[H.R.10754](#)

To amend the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018 to update certain indicators of the local impact of a disaster, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Crane, Elijah \[Rep.-R-AZ-2\]](#) **Cosponsors:** ([0](#))

Committees: House - Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Action: House - 10/06/2026 Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

[H.R.10756](#)

To reauthorize Regional Ocean Partnerships, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Ezell, Mike \[Rep.-R-MS-4\]](#) **Cosponsors:** ([1](#))

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 10/06/2026 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

Senate:

No environmental or energy related activity in the Senate today.

October 5, 2026

House:

Bills Introduced:



[H.R.10721](#)

To amend the Mineral Leasing Act to ensure sufficient bonding and complete and timely reclamation of land and water disturbed by Federal and Indian oil and gas production, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Ansari, Yassamin \[Rep.-D-AZ-3\]](#) Cosponsors: ([5](#))

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 10/05/2026 Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

[H.R.10735](#)

To amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to require certain types of cattle to be included in a livestock pilot program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Evans, Gabe \[Rep.-R-CO-8\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 10/05/2026 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.R.10737](#)

To amend the Environmental Research, Development, and Demonstration Authorization Act of 1978 to promote transparency in science, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Franklin, Scott \[Rep.-R-FL-18\]](#) Cosponsors: ([12](#))

Committees: House - Science, Space, and Technology

Latest Action: House - 10/05/2026 Referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

[H.R.10738](#)

Affordable Power for Host Communities Act

Sponsor: [Gallagher, James \[Rep.-R-CA-1\]](#) Cosponsors: ([0](#))

Committees: House - Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: House - 10/05/2026 Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

[H.R.10746](#)

To amend the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 and the Financial Stability Act of 2010 to require a reduction of financial sector emissions to protect financial stability, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Pressley, Ayanna \[Rep.-D-MA-7\]](#) Cosponsors: ([1](#))

Committees: House - Financial Services

Latest Action: House - 10/05/2026 Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

[H.R.10749](#)

To amend the Agricultural Act of 2014 to authorize emergency assistance for high value crop losses, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Wasserman Schultz, Debbie \[Rep.-D-FL-25\]](#) Cosponsors: ([3](#))

Committees: House - Agriculture

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Latest Action: House - 10/05/2026 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.Res.1606](#)

Expressing support for the designation of the week of October 24, 2026, to October 31, 2026, as "Bat Week".

Sponsor: [Balint, Becca \[Rep.-D-VT-At Large\]](#) **Cosponsors:** ([0](#))

Committees: House - Agriculture

Latest Action: House - 10/05/2026 Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

[H.Res.1611](#)

Expressing support for the designation of October 8, 2026, as "National Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Day".

Sponsor: [Costa, Jim \[Rep.-D-CA-21\]](#) **Cosponsors:** ([8](#))

Committees: House - Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Action: House - 10/05/2026 Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

[H.Res.1616](#)

Recognizing the importance of biodiversity conservation, welcoming the Republic of Armenia as host of the Seventeenth Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, and supporting the protection of Armenia's sovereign territory and natural heritage.

Sponsor: [Valadao, David G. \[Rep.-R-CA-22\]](#) **Cosponsors:** ([1](#))

Committees: House - Foreign Affairs

Latest Action: House - 10/05/2026 Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Senate:

No environmental or energy related activity in the Senate today.

