

July 12, 2012

***** Hearing Notice *****

MEMORANDUM

To: Members, Committee on Natural Resources,
Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands

From: The Honorable Rob Bishop, Chairman

Subject: Legislative Hearing – July 20, 2012

On **Friday, July 20, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in room 1334 Longworth House Office Building**, the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands will hold a legislative hearing on the following bills:

- **HR 5744 (Gosar)**, To address the forest health, public safety, and wildlife habitat threat presented by the risk of wildfire, including catastrophic wildfire, on National Forest System lands and public lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management by requiring the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to expedite forest management projects relating to hazardous fuels reduction, forest health, and economic development, and for other purposes. “*Catastrophic Wildfire Prevention Act of 2012*”
- **HR 5960 (Markey)**, To amend the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 to improve the response to insect infestations and related diseases and to change the funding source for the Healthy Forests Reserve Program, to codify the stewardship end result contracting and good neighbor authorities, and to amend the emergency watershed protection program to improve post fire rehabilitation, and for other purposes. “*Depleting Risk from Insect Infestation, Soil Erosion, and Catastrophic Fire Act of 2012*”
- **HR 6089 (Tipton)**, To address the bark beetle epidemic, drought, deteriorating forest health conditions, and high risk of wildfires on National Forest System land and land under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management in the United States by expanding authorities established in the Healthy Forest Restoration Act of 2003 to provide emergency measures for high-risk areas identified by such States, to make permanent Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management authority to conduct good-neighbor cooperation with States to reduce wildfire risks, and for other purposes.

Witnesses are by invitation only.

If you need further information, please contact Jim Streeter, Staff Director, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, at (202) 226-7736 or Bryson Wong, Clerk, at (202) 226-7736.

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