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**Earmark Moratorium Applies to Bills  
Referred to Natural Resources Committee**

Dear Colleague:

It is important for all Members to recognize that the moratorium on earmarks applies to matters and bills referred to the Natural Resources Committee.

If you are preparing or writing a bill that falls within the jurisdiction of the Natural Resources Committee, please feel free to have your staff contact Committee staff with questions.

Draft legislative text may also be submitted for review to ensure compliance before it is formally introduced.

Please contact Lisa Pittman, Counsel, or Todd Young, Chief of Staff, at 225-2761 for assistance. I look forward to working with all Members to ensure compliance with the earmark moratorium.

Sincerely,

/s  
Doc Hastings  
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