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Chairman Hastings' Statement on Senate-Passed Natural Resources Bills

WASHINGTON, D.C. – House Committee on Natural Resources Chairman Doc Hastings (WA-04), released the following statement on the Senate's passage of 16 natural resources bills last night:

"I applaud the Senate's bipartisan action to pass sixteen bills under the jurisdiction of the House Natural Resources Committee. This is a positive sign that public lands bills important to states and communities across the country can be successfully enacted by the Congress. Ten bipartisan House bills will go to the President to become law, and six Senate bills will arrive here in the House where it's my hope we can begin work on them this month. As Chairman of the House Committee, I intend to continue ongoing discussions with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle and both sides of the Capitol to seek agreement to address additional priorities that protect historic and special places, ensure public access to public lands, resolve local community issues, and facilitate common sense economic development. I'm hopeful the Senate's action will provide momentum for further legislative progress in the near future."

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