



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
NATURAL RESOURCES
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H.R. 1, the Working Families Tax Cut Natural Resources Related Provisions

Chairman's Topline

H.R. 1, the Working Families Tax Cut (WFTC), answers President Trump's call to unleash American energy. It provides robust onshore and offshore oil and gas, and coal leasing nationwide and reduces royalty rates to incentivize production and lower costs. It also invests in crucial water resource infrastructure and implements President Trump's executive orders on forest management.

By harnessing our nation's abundant natural resources, the legislation will ensure access to affordable American energy, create jobs, and drive massive economic growth across the country.

Highlights

- Ensures robust onshore and offshore oil and gas, and coal leasing nationwide, including reinstating leases and requiring new lease sales in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge and the National Petroleum Reserve Alaska.
- Lowers oil, gas, and coal royalty rates, incentivizing production and reducing costs.
- Streamlines federal permitting and delivers certain environmental review documents in one year or less.
- Codifies annual rent and fees for wind and solar projects on federal lands and creates a revenue-sharing system with states and counties.
- Implements President Trump's executive orders on forest management by increasing timber harvesting and mandating new 20-year contracts.
- Invests \$1 billion in western water infrastructure for surface storage and conveyance.
- Rescinds unobligated balances from slush funds at the National Park Service (NPS), Bureau of Land Management (BLM), the Forest Service (FS), the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), and the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS).

Significant Changes

- The Senate language combines water storage and conveyance funding under one account, funded at \$1 billion. The House bill allocated \$2 billion for storage and \$500 million for conveyance, with the funds maintained in separate accounts.