MEMORANDUM

To: Members, Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries

From: The Honorable Cliff Bentz, Chairman

Subject: Legislative Hearing – October 25, 2023

On Wednesday, October 25, 2023, at 2:15 p.m. in room 1334 Longworth House Office Building, the Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries will hold a legislative hearing on the following bills:

- **H.R. 520 (Rep. McClintock)**, To amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to provide that artificially propagated animals shall be treated the same under that Act as naturally propagated animals;
- **H.R. 5103 (Rep. Donalds)**, “Fishery Improvement to Streamline untimely regulatory Hurdles post Emergency Situation Act” or the “FISHES Act”;
- **H.R. 5504 (Rep. Newhouse)**, To require the Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to withdraw proposed rules relating to the Endangered Species Act of 1973, and for other purposes;
- **H.R. 5874 (Rep. Ciscomani)**, “Transboundary Aquifer Assessment Program Act” or the “TAAP Act”; and
- **Discussion Draft of H.R. ___ (Rep. Graves of Louisiana)**, To prohibit the implementation of certain documents until the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries of the National Marine Fisheries Service issues documents relating to the Rice’s whale.

Witnesses are by invitation only.

If you need further information, please call Thomas Shipman, Clerk, Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries at (202) 225-8331.

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