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Making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2027, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 5, 2026

Mr. SIMPSON, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following bill; which was committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

A BILL

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

MANAGEMENT OF LANDS AND RESOURCES

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1 U.S.C. 1331 et seq.), shall remain available until ex-
2 pended: *Provided*, That amounts in the fee account of the
3 BLM Permit Processing Improvement Fund may be used
4 for any bureau-related expenses associated with the proc-
5 essing of oil and gas applications for permits to drill and
6 related use of authorizations: *Provided further*, That of the
7 amounts made available under this heading, up to
8 \$5,000,000 may be made available for the purposes de-
9 scribed in section 122(e)(1)(A) of division G of Public Law
10 115–31 (43 U.S.C. 1748c(e)(1)(A)): *Provided further*,
11 That of the amounts made available under this heading,
12 not to exceed \$15,000 may be for official reception and
13 representation expenses.

14 In addition, \$42,696,000 is for Mining Law Adminis-
15 tration program operations, including the cost of admin-
16 istering the mining claim fee program, to remain available
17 until expended, to be reduced by amounts collected by the
18 Bureau and credited to this appropriation from mining
19 claim maintenance fees and location fees that are hereby
20 authorized for fiscal year 2027, so as to result in a final
21 appropriation estimated at not more than \$1,212,095,000,
22 and \$2,000,000, to remain available until expended, from
23 communication site rental fees established by the Bureau
24 for the cost of administering communication site activities.

1 OREGON AND CALIFORNIA GRANT LANDS

2 For expenses necessary for management, protection,
3 and development of resources and for construction, oper-
4 ation, and maintenance of access roads, reforestation, and
5 other improvements on the revested Oregon and California
6 Railroad grant lands, on other Federal lands in the Or-
7 egon and California land-grant counties of Oregon, and
8 on adjacent rights-of-way; and acquisition of lands or in-
9 terests therein, including existing connecting roads on or
10 adjacent to such grant lands; \$104,954,000, to remain
11 available until expended.

12 RANGE IMPROVEMENTS

13 For rehabilitation, protection, and acquisition of
14 lands and interests therein, and improvement of Federal
15 rangelands pursuant to section 401 of the Federal Land
16 Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1751),
17 notwithstanding any other Act, sums equal to 50 percent
18 of all moneys received during the prior fiscal year under
19 sections 3 and 15 of the Taylor Grazing Act (43 U.S.C.
20 315b, 315m) and the amount designated for range im-
21 provements from grazing fees and mineral leasing receipts
22 from Bankhead-Jones lands transferred to the Depart-
23 ment of the Interior pursuant to law, but not less than
24 \$10,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*

1 *vided*, That not to exceed \$600,000 shall be available for
2 administrative expenses.

3 SERVICE CHARGES, DEPOSITS, AND FORFEITURES

4 For administrative expenses and other costs related
5 to processing application documents and other authoriza-
6 tions for use and disposal of public lands and resources,
7 for costs of providing copies of official public land docu-
8 ments, for monitoring construction, operation, and termi-
9 nation of facilities in conjunction with use authorizations,
10 and for rehabilitation of damaged property, such amounts
11 as may be collected under Public Law 94–579 (43 U.S.C.
12 1701 et seq.), and under section 28 of the Mineral Leasing
13 Act (30 U.S.C. 185), to remain available until expended:
14 *Provided*, That notwithstanding any provision to the con-
15 trary of section 305(a) of Public Law 94–579 (43 U.S.C.
16 1735(a)), any moneys that have been or will be received
17 pursuant to that section, whether as a result of forfeiture,
18 compromise, or settlement, if not appropriate for refund
19 pursuant to section 305(c) of Public Law 94–579 (43
20 U.S.C. 1735(c)), shall be available and may be expended
21 under the authority of this Act by the Secretary of the
22 Interior to improve, protect, or rehabilitate any public
23 lands administered through the Bureau of Land Manage-
24 ment which have been damaged by the action of a resource
25 developer, purchaser, permittee, or any unauthorized per-

1 son, without regard to whether all moneys collected from
2 each such action are used on the exact lands damaged
3 which led to the action: *Provided further*, That any such
4 moneys that are in excess of amounts needed to repair
5 damage to the exact land for which funds were collected
6 may be used to repair other damaged public lands.

7 MISCELLANEOUS TRUST FUNDS

8 In addition to amounts authorized to be expended
9 under existing laws, there is hereby appropriated such
10 amounts as may be contributed under section 307 of Pub-
11 lic Law 94-579 (43 U.S.C. 1737), and such amounts as
12 may be advanced for administrative costs, surveys, ap-
13 praisals, and costs of making conveyances of omitted lands
14 under section 211(b) of that Act (43 U.S.C. 1721(b)), to
15 remain available until expended.

16 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

17 The Bureau of Land Management may carry out the
18 operations funded under this Act by direct expenditure,
19 contracts, grants, cooperative agreements, and reimburs-
20 able agreements with public and private entities, including
21 with States. Appropriations for the Bureau shall be avail-
22 able for purchase, erection, and dismantlement of tem-
23 porary structures, and alteration and maintenance of nec-
24 essary buildings and appurtenant facilities to which the
25 United States has title; up to \$100,000 for payments, at

1 the discretion of the Secretary, for information or evidence
2 concerning violations of laws administered by the Bureau;
3 miscellaneous and emergency expenses of enforcement ac-
4 tivities authorized or approved by the Secretary and to be
5 accounted for solely on the Secretary's certificate, not to
6 exceed \$10,000: *Provided*, That notwithstanding Public
7 Law 90–620 (44 U.S.C. 501), the Bureau may, under co-
8 operative cost-sharing and partnership arrangements au-
9 thorized by law, procure printing services from cooperators
10 in connection with jointly produced publications for which
11 the cooperators share the cost of printing either in cash
12 or in services, and the Bureau determines the cooperator
13 is capable of meeting accepted quality standards: *Provided*
14 *further*, That projects to be funded pursuant to a written
15 commitment by a State government to provide an identi-
16 fied amount of money in support of the project may be
17 carried out by the Bureau on a reimbursable basis.

18 UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

19 RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

20 For necessary expenses of the United States Fish and
21 Wildlife Service, as authorized by law, and for scientific
22 and economic studies, general administration, and for the
23 performance of other authorized functions related to such
24 resources, \$1,362,899,000, to remain available until Sep-
25 tember 30, 2028, of which not to exceed \$15,000 may be

1 for official reception and representation expenses: *Pro-*
2 *vided*, That not to exceed \$7,352,000 shall be used for
3 implementing subsections (a), (b), (c), and (e) of section
4 4 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C.
5 1533) (except for processing petitions, developing and
6 issuing proposed and final regulations, and taking any
7 other steps to implement actions described in subsection
8 (c)(2)(A), (c)(2)(B)(i), or (c)(2)(B)(ii) of such section), of
9 which not to exceed \$1,622,500 shall be used for any ac-
10 tivity regarding the designation of critical habitat, pursu-
11 ant to subsection (a)(3), excluding litigation support, for
12 species listed pursuant to subsection (a)(1) prior to Octo-
13 ber 1, 2015; of which not to exceed \$516,250 shall be used
14 for any activity regarding petitions to list species that are
15 indigenous to the United States pursuant to subsections
16 (b)(3)(A) and (b)(3)(B); and, of which not to exceed
17 \$516,250 shall be used for implementing subsections (a),
18 (b), (c), and (e) of section 4 of the Endangered Species
19 Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1533) for species that are not
20 indigenous to the United States.

21 CONSTRUCTION

22 For construction, improvement, acquisition, or re-
23 moval of buildings and other facilities required in the con-
24 servation, management, investigation, protection, and uti-
25 lization of fish and wildlife resources, and the acquisition

1 of lands and interests therein; \$13,705,000, to remain
2 available until expended.

3 COOPERATIVE ENDANGERED SPECIES CONSERVATION
4 FUND

5 For expenses necessary to carry out section 6 of the
6 Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1535),
7 \$22,202,000, to remain available until expended, to be de-
8 rived from the Cooperative Endangered Species Conserva-
9 tion Fund.

10 NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE FUND

11 For expenses necessary to implement the Act of Octo-
12 ber 17, 1978 (16 U.S.C. 715s), \$16,228,000.

13 NORTH AMERICAN WETLANDS CONSERVATION FUND

14 For expenses necessary to carry out the provisions
15 of the North American Wetlands Conservation Act (16
16 U.S.C. 4401 et seq.), \$52,000,000, to remain available
17 until expended.

18 NEOTROPICAL MIGRATORY BIRD CONSERVATION

19 For expenses necessary to carry out the Neotropical
20 Migratory Bird Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 6101 et
21 seq.), \$5,000,000, to remain available until expended.

22 MULTINATIONAL SPECIES CONSERVATION FUND

23 For expenses necessary to carry out the African Ele-
24 phant Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 4201 et seq.), the
25 Asian Elephant Conservation Act of 1997 (16 U.S.C.

1 4261 et seq.), the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act
2 of 1994 (16 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), the Great Ape Con-
3 servation Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.), and the
4 Marine Turtle Conservation Act of 2004 (16 U.S.C. 6601
5 et seq.), \$21,000,000, to remain available until expended.

6 STATE AND TRIBAL WILDLIFE GRANTS

7 For wildlife conservation grants to States and to the
8 District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the United
9 States Virgin Islands, the Northern Mariana Islands,
10 American Samoa, and Indian Tribes under the provisions
11 of the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 and the Fish and
12 Wildlife Coordination Act, for the development and imple-
13 mentation of programs for the benefit of wildlife and their
14 habitat, including species that are not hunted or fished,
15 \$75,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*
16 *vided*, That of the amount provided herein, \$6,300,000 is
17 for a competitive grant program for Indian Tribes not sub-
18 ject to the remaining provisions of this appropriation: *Pro-*
19 *vided further*, That \$7,700,000 is for a competitive grant
20 program to implement approved plans for States, terri-
21 tories, and other jurisdictions and at the discretion of af-
22 fected States, the regional Associations of fish and wildlife
23 agencies, not subject to the remaining provisions of this
24 appropriation: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall,
25 after deducting \$14,000,000 and administrative expenses,

1 apportion the amount provided herein in the following
2 manner: (1) to the District of Columbia and to the Com-
3 monwealth of Puerto Rico, each a sum equal to not more
4 than one-half of 1 percent thereof; and (2) to Guam,
5 American Samoa, the United States Virgin Islands, and
6 the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, each
7 a sum equal to not more than one-fourth of 1 percent
8 thereof: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Inte-
9 rior shall apportion the remaining amount in the following
10 manner: (1) one-third of which is based on the ratio to
11 which the land area of such State bears to the total land
12 area of all such States; and (2) two-thirds of which is
13 based on the ratio to which the population of such State
14 bears to the total population of all such States: *Provided*
15 *further*, That the amounts apportioned under this para-
16 graph shall be adjusted equitably so that no State shall
17 be apportioned a sum which is less than 1 percent of the
18 amount available for apportionment under this paragraph
19 for any fiscal year or more than 5 percent of such amount:
20 *Provided further*, That the Federal share of planning
21 grants shall not exceed 75 percent of the total costs of
22 such projects and the Federal share of implementation
23 grants shall not exceed 65 percent of the total costs of
24 such projects: *Provided further*, That the non-Federal
25 share of such projects may not be derived from Federal

1 grant programs: *Provided further*, That any amount ap-
2 portioned in 2027 to any State, territory, or other jurisdic-
3 tion that remains unobligated as of September 30, 2028,
4 shall be reapportioned, together with funds appropriated
5 in 2029, in the manner provided herein.

6 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

7 The United States Fish and Wildlife Service may
8 carry out the operations of Service programs by direct ex-
9 penditure, contracts, grants, cooperative agreements and
10 reimbursable agreements with public and private entities.
11 Appropriations and funds available to the United States
12 Fish and Wildlife Service shall be available for repair of
13 damage to public roads within and adjacent to reservation
14 areas caused by operations of the Service; options for the
15 purchase of land at not to exceed one dollar for each op-
16 tion; facilities incident to such public recreational uses on
17 conservation areas as are consistent with their primary
18 purpose; and the maintenance and improvement of aquar-
19 ia, buildings, and other facilities under the jurisdiction of
20 the Service and to which the United States has title, and
21 which are used pursuant to law in connection with man-
22 agement, and investigation of fish and wildlife resources:
23 *Provided*, That notwithstanding 44 U.S.C. 501, the Serv-
24 ice may, under cooperative cost sharing and partnership
25 arrangements authorized by law, procure printing services

1 from cooperators in connection with jointly produced pub-
2 lications for which the cooperators share at least one-half
3 the cost of printing either in cash or services and the Serv-
4 ice determines the cooperator is capable of meeting accept-
5 ed quality standards: *Provided further*, That the Service
6 may accept donated aircraft as replacements for existing
7 aircraft: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding 31 U.S.C.
8 3302, all fees collected for non-toxic shot review and ap-
9 proval shall be deposited under the heading “United
10 States Fish and Wildlife Service—Resource Management”
11 and shall be available to the Secretary, without further
12 appropriation, to be used for expenses of processing of
13 such non-toxic shot type or coating applications and revis-
14 ing regulations as necessary, and shall remain available
15 until expended.

16 NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

17 OPERATION OF THE NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM

18 For expenses necessary for the management, oper-
19 ation, and maintenance of areas and facilities adminis-
20 tered by the National Park Service and for the general
21 administration of the National Park Service,
22 \$2,874,162,000, of which \$11,661,000 for planning and
23 interagency coordination in support of Everglades restora-
24 tion and \$15,000,000 for uses authorized by section
25 101122 of title 54, United States Code shall remain avail-

1 able until September 30, 2028, and not to exceed \$15,000
2 may be for official reception and representation expenses:
3 *Provided*, That funds appropriated under this heading in
4 this Act are available for the purposes of section 5 of Pub-
5 lic Law 95–348.

6 In addition, for purposes described in section 2404
7 of Public Law 116–9, an amount equal to the amount de-
8 posited in this fiscal year into the National Park Medical
9 Services Fund established pursuant to such section of
10 such Act, to remain available until expended, shall be de-
11 rived from such Fund.

12 NATIONAL RECREATION AND PRESERVATION

13 For expenses necessary to carry out recreation pro-
14 grams, natural programs, cultural programs, heritage
15 partnership programs, environmental compliance and re-
16 view, international park affairs, and grant administration,
17 not otherwise provided for, \$92,346,000, to remain avail-
18 able until September 30, 2028.

19 HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND

20 For expenses necessary in carrying out the National
21 Historic Preservation Act (division A of subtitle III of title
22 54, United States Code), \$163,650,000, to be derived
23 from the Historic Preservation Fund and to remain avail-
24 able until September 30, 2028, of which \$25,500,000 shall
25 be for Save America’s Treasures grants for preservation

1 of nationally significant sites, structures and artifacts as
2 authorized by section 7303 of the Omnibus Public Land
3 Management Act of 2009 (54 U.S.C. 3089): *Provided*,
4 That an individual Save America's Treasures grant shall
5 be matched by non-Federal funds: *Provided further*, That
6 individual projects shall only be eligible for one grant: *Pro-*
7 *vided further*, That all projects to be funded shall be ap-
8 proved by the Secretary of the Interior in consultation
9 with the House and Senate Committees on Appropria-
10 tions: *Provided further*, That of the funds provided for the
11 Historic Preservation Fund, \$30,250,000 is for the Com-
12 petitive Grants Subactivity; \$11,000,000 is for grants to
13 Historically Black Colleges and Universities; \$7,000,000
14 is for competitive grants for the restoration of historic
15 properties of national, State, and local significance listed
16 on or eligible for inclusion on the National Register of His-
17 toric Places, to be made without imposing the usage or
18 direct grant restrictions of section 101(e)(3) (54 U.S.C.
19 302904) of the National Historic Preservation Act;
20 \$4,000,000 is for a competitive grant program to honor
21 the semiquincentennial anniversary of the United States
22 by restoring and preserving sites and structures listed on
23 the National Register of Historic Places that commemo-
24 rate the founding of the nation: *Provided further*, That
25 such competitive grants shall be made without imposing

1 the matching requirements in section 302902(b)(3) of title
2 54, United States Code to States and Indian Tribes as
3 defined in chapter 3003 of such title, Native Hawaiian or-
4 ganizations, local governments, including Certified Local
5 Governments, and nonprofit organizations.

6 CONSTRUCTION

7 For construction, improvements, repair, or replace-
8 ment of physical facilities, and related equipment, and
9 compliance and planning for programs and areas adminis-
10 tered by the National Park Service, \$90,139,000, to re-
11 main available until expended: *Provided*, That notwith-
12 standing any other provision of law, for any project ini-
13 tially funded in fiscal year 2027 with a future phase indi-
14 cated in the National Park Service 5–Year Line Item Con-
15 struction Plan, a single procurement may be issued which
16 includes the full scope of the project: *Provided further*,
17 That the solicitation and contract shall contain the clause
18 availability of funds found at 48 CFR 52.232–18: *Pro-*
19 *vided further*, That National Park Service Donations,
20 Park Concessions Franchise Fees, and Recreation Fees
21 may be made available for the cost of adjustments and
22 changes within the original scope of effort for projects
23 funded by the National Park Service Construction appro-
24 priation: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Inte-
25 rior shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations,

1 in accordance with current reprogramming thresholds,
2 prior to making any charges authorized under this head-
3 ing.

4 CENTENNIAL CHALLENGE

5 For expenses necessary to carry out the provisions
6 of section 101701 of title 54, United States Code, relating
7 to challenge cost share agreements, \$5,000,000, to remain
8 available until expended, for Centennial Challenge projects
9 and programs: *Provided*, That not less than 50 percent
10 of the total cost of each project or program shall be de-
11 rived from non-Federal sources in the form of donated
12 cash, assets, or a pledge of donation guaranteed by an ir-
13 revocable letter of credit.

14 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

15 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

16 In addition to other uses set forth in section
17 101917(c)(2) of title 54, United States Code, franchise
18 fees credited to a sub-account shall be available for ex-
19 penditure by the Secretary, without further appropriation,
20 for use at any unit within the National Park System to
21 extinguish or reduce liability for Possessory Interest or
22 leasehold surrender interest. Such funds may only be used
23 for this purpose to the extent that the benefitting unit an-
24 ticipated franchise fee receipts over the term of the con-
25 tract at that unit exceed the amount of funds used to ex-

1 tinguish or reduce liability. Franchise fees at the benefit-
2 ting unit shall be credited to the sub-account of the origi-
3 nating unit over a period not to exceed the term of a single
4 contract at the benefitting unit, in the amount of funds
5 so expended to extinguish or reduce liability.

6 For the costs of administration of the Land and
7 Water Conservation Fund grants authorized by section
8 105(a)(2)(B) of Public Law 109–432 (43 U.S.C. 1331
9 note), the National Park Service may retain up to 3 per-
10 cent of the amounts which are authorized to be disbursed
11 under such section, such retained amounts to remain
12 available until expended.

13 National Park Service funds may be transferred to
14 the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Depart-
15 ment of Transportation, for purposes authorized under 23
16 U.S.C. 203. Transfers may include a reasonable amount
17 for FHWA administrative support costs.

18 The National Park Service shall maintain staffing
19 levels in order to fulfill the mission required under the
20 Acts within title 16 and title 43, United States Code, and
21 title 54, United States Code, including to protect natural
22 and cultural resources, provide and maintain appropriate
23 access and recreation for visitors, provide safety pre-
24 cautions for visitors and staff, maintain physical and nat-
25 ural infrastructure, provide information and respond to

1 stakeholders and the general public, conduct Tribal con-
2 sultation, provide for administrative support, administer
3 historic and other preservation programs, and carry out
4 other activities in support of effectively operating the Na-
5 tional Park System and carrying out programs adminis-
6 tered by the National Park Service in a timely manner.

7 UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

8 SURVEYS, INVESTIGATIONS, AND RESEARCH

9 For expenses necessary for the United States Geo-
10 logical Survey to perform surveys, investigations, and re-
11 search covering topography, geology, hydrology, biology,
12 and the mineral and water resources of the United States,
13 its territories and possessions, and other areas as author-
14 ized by 43 U.S.C. 31, 1332, and 1340; classify lands as
15 to their mineral and water resources; give engineering su-
16 pervision to power permittees and Federal Energy Regu-
17 latory Commission licensees; administer the minerals ex-
18 ploration program (30 U.S.C. 641); conduct inquiries into
19 the economic conditions affecting mining and materials
20 processing industries (30 U.S.C. 3, 21a, and 1603; 50
21 U.S.C. 98g(a)(1)) and related purposes as authorized by
22 law; and to publish and disseminate data relative to the
23 foregoing activities; \$1,367,928,000, to remain available
24 until September 30, 2028; of which \$95,334,000 shall re-
25 main available until expended for satellite operations; and

1 of which \$53,130,000 shall be available until expended for
2 deferred maintenance and capital improvement projects
3 that exceed \$100,000 in cost: *Provided*, That none of the
4 funds provided for the ecosystem research activity shall
5 be used to conduct new surveys on private property, unless
6 specifically authorized in writing by the property owner:
7 *Provided further*, That no part of this appropriation shall
8 be used to pay more than one-half the cost of topographic
9 mapping or water resources data collection and investiga-
10 tions carried on in cooperation with States and municipali-
11 ties: *Provided further*, That of the amount appropriated
12 under this heading, not to exceed \$15,000 may be for offi-
13 cial reception and representation expenses.

14 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

15 From within the amount appropriated for activities
16 of the United States Geological Survey such sums as are
17 necessary shall be available for contracting for the fur-
18 nishing of topographic maps and for the making of geo-
19 physical or other specialized surveys when it is administra-
20 tively determined that such procedures are in the public
21 interest; construction and maintenance of necessary build-
22 ings and appurtenant facilities; acquisition of lands for
23 gauging stations, observation wells, and seismic equip-
24 ment; expenses of the United States National Committee
25 for Geological Sciences; and payment of compensation and

1 expenses of persons employed by the Survey duly ap-
2 pointed to represent the United States in the negotiation
3 and administration of interstate compacts: *Provided*, That
4 activities funded by appropriations herein made may be
5 accomplished through the use of contracts, grants, or co-
6 operative agreements (including noncompetitive coopera-
7 tive agreements with Tribes) as defined in section 6302
8 of title 31, United States Code: *Provided further*, That the
9 United States Geological Survey may enter into contracts
10 or cooperative agreements directly with individuals or indi-
11 rectly with institutions or nonprofit organizations, without
12 regard to 41 U.S.C. 6101, for the temporary or intermit-
13 tent services of students or recent graduates, who shall
14 be considered employees for the purpose of chapters 57
15 and 81 of title 5, United States Code, relating to com-
16 pensation for travel and work injuries, and chapter 171
17 of title 28, United States Code, relating to tort claims,
18 but shall not be considered to be Federal employees for
19 any other purposes.

20 BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT

21 OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT

22 For expenses necessary for granting and admin-
23 istering leases, easements, rights-of-way, and agreements
24 for use for oil and gas, other minerals, energy, and ma-
25 rine-related purposes on the Outer Continental Shelf and

1 approving operations related thereto, as authorized by law;
2 for environmental studies, as authorized by law; for imple-
3 menting other laws and to the extent provided by Presi-
4 dential or Secretarial delegation; and for matching grants
5 or cooperative agreements, \$182,928,000, of which
6 \$105,928,000 is to remain available until September 30,
7 2028, and of which \$77,000,000 is to remain available
8 until expended: *Provided*, That this total appropriation
9 shall be reduced by amounts collected by the Secretary of
10 the Interior and credited to this appropriation from addi-
11 tions to receipts resulting from increases to lease rental
12 rates in effect on August 5, 1993, and from cost recovery
13 fees from activities conducted by the Bureau of Ocean En-
14 ergy Management pursuant to the Outer Continental Shelf
15 Lands Act, including studies, assessments, analysis, and
16 miscellaneous administrative activities: *Provided further*,
17 That the sum herein appropriated shall be reduced as such
18 collections are received during the fiscal year, so as to re-
19 sult in a final fiscal year 2027 appropriation estimated
20 at not more than \$105,928,000: *Provided further*, That
21 not to exceed \$3,000 shall be available for reasonable ex-
22 penses related to promoting volunteer beach and marine
23 cleanup activities: *Provided further*, That not to exceed
24 \$5,000 shall be available for official reception and rep-
25 resentation expenses.

1 BUREAU OF SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL
2 ENFORCEMENT
3 OFFSHORE SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT
4 For expenses necessary for the regulation of oper-
5 ations related to leases, easements, rights-of-way, and
6 agreements for use for oil and gas, other minerals, energy,
7 and marine-related purposes on the Outer Continental
8 Shelf, as authorized by law; for enforcing and imple-
9 menting laws and regulations as authorized by law and
10 to the extent provided by Presidential or Secretarial dele-
11 gation; and for matching grants or cooperative agree-
12 ments, \$159,300,000, of which \$118,420,000, including
13 not to exceed \$3,000 for official reception and representa-
14 tion expenses, is to remain available until September 30,
15 2028, and of which \$40,880,000 is to remain available
16 until expended, including \$2,880,000 for offshore decom-
17 missioning activities: *Provided*, That this total appropria-
18 tion shall be reduced by amounts collected by the Sec-
19 retary of the Interior and credited to this appropriation
20 from additions to receipts resulting from increases to lease
21 rental rates in effect on August 5, 1993, and from cost
22 recovery fees from activities conducted by the Bureau of
23 Safety and Environmental Enforcement pursuant to the
24 Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, including studies, as-
25 sessments, analysis, and miscellaneous administrative ac-

1 tivities: *Provided further*, That the sum herein appro-
2 priated shall be reduced as such collections are received
3 during the fiscal year, so as to result in a final fiscal year
4 2027 appropriation estimated at not more than
5 \$121,300,000.

6 For an additional amount, \$35,000,000, to remain
7 available until expended, to be reduced by amounts col-
8 lected by the Secretary and credited to this appropriation,
9 which shall be derived from non-refundable inspection fees
10 collected in fiscal year 2027, as provided in this Act: *Pro-*
11 *vided*, That for fiscal year 2027, not less than 50 percent
12 of the inspection fees expended by the Bureau of Safety
13 and Environmental Enforcement will be used to fund per-
14 sonnel and mission-related costs to expand capacity and
15 expedite the orderly development, subject to environmental
16 safeguards, of the Outer Continental Shelf pursuant to the
17 Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1331 et
18 seq.), including the review of applications for permits to
19 drill.

20 OIL SPILL RESEARCH

21 For necessary expenses to carry out title I, section
22 1016; title IV, sections 4202 and 4303; title VII; and title
23 VIII, section 8201 of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990,
24 \$15,099,000, which shall be derived from the Oil Spill Li-
25 ability Trust Fund, to remain available until expended.

16 In addition, for costs to review, administer, and en-
17 force permits issued by the Office pursuant to section 507
18 of Public Law 95-87 (30 U.S.C. 1257), \$40,000, to re-
19 main available until expended: *Provided*, That fees as-
20 sessed and collected by the Office pursuant to such section
21 507 shall be credited to this account as discretionary off-
22 setting collections, to remain available until expended:
23 *Provided further*, That the sum herein appropriated from
24 the general fund shall be reduced as collections are re-
25 ceived during the fiscal year, so as to result in a fiscal

1 year 2027 appropriation estimated at not more than
2 \$119,786,000.

3 ABANDONED MINE RECLAMATION FUND

4 For necessary expenses to carry out title IV of the
5 Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977,
6 Public Law 95–87, \$33,377,000, to be derived from re-
7 ceipts of the Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund and to
8 remain available until expended: *Provided*, That pursuant
9 to Public Law 97–365, the Department of the Interior is
10 authorized to use up to 20 percent from the recovery of
11 the delinquent debt owed to the United States Government
12 to pay for contracts to collect these debts: *Provided fur-*
13 *ther*, That funds made available under title IV of Public
14 Law 95–87, may be used for any required non-Federal
15 share of the cost of projects funded by the Federal Gov-
16 ernment for the purpose of environmental restoration re-
17 lated to treatment or abatement of acid mine drainage
18 from abandoned mines: *Provided further*, That such
19 projects must be consistent with the purposes and prior-
20 ities of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act:
21 *Provided further*, That amounts provided under this head-
22 ing may be used for the travel and per diem expenses of
23 State and Tribal personnel attending Office of Surface
24 Mining Reclamation and Enforcement sponsored training:
25 *Provided further*, That of the amounts provided under this

1 heading, not to exceed \$5,000 shall be available for official
2 reception and representation expenses.

3 In addition, \$135,000,000, to remain available until
4 expended, for payments to States and federally recognized
5 Indian Tribes for reclamation of abandoned mine lands
6 and other related activities in accordance with the terms
7 and conditions described in the report accompanying this
8 Act: *Provided*, That such additional amount shall be used
9 for economic and community development in conjunction
10 with the priorities described in section 403(a) of the Sur-
11 face Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 (30
12 U.S.C. 1233(a)): *Provided further*, That of such additional
13 amount, \$88,850,000 shall be distributed in equal
14 amounts to the three Appalachian States with the greatest
15 amount of unfunded needs to meet the priorities described
16 in paragraphs (1) and (2) of such section, \$34,400,000
17 shall be distributed in equal amounts to the three Appa-
18 lachian States with the subsequent greatest amount of un-
19 funded needs to meet such priorities, and \$11,750,000
20 shall be for grants to federally recognized Indian Tribes,
21 without regard to their status as certified or uncertified
22 under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act
23 of 1977 (30 U.S.C. 1233(a)), for reclamation of aban-
24 doned mine lands and other related activities in accord-
25 ance with the terms and conditions described in the report

1 accompanying this Act and shall be used for economic and
 2 community development in conjunction with the priorities
 3 in section 403(a) of the Surface Mining Control and Rec-
 4 lamation Act of 1977: *Provided further*, That such pay-
 5 ments shall be made to States and federally recognized
 6 Indian Tribes not later than 90 days after the date of the
 7 enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That if payments
 8 have not been made by the date specified in the preceding
 9 proviso, the amount appropriated for salaries and ex-
 10 penses under the heading “Office of Surface Mining Rec-
 11 lamation and Enforcement” shall be reduced by \$100,000
 12 per day until such payments have been made.

13 INDIAN AFFAIRS

14 BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

15 OPERATION OF INDIAN PROGRAMS

16 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

17 For expenses necessary for the operation of Indian
 18 programs, as authorized by law, including the Snyder Act
 19 of November 2, 1921 (25 U.S.C. 13) and the Indian Self-
 20 Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (25
 21 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), \$2,269,716,000, to remain available
 22 until September 30, 2028, except as otherwise provided
 23 herein; of which not to exceed \$15,000 may be for official
 24 reception and representation expenses; of which not to ex-
 25 ceed \$1,500,000 shall be available for the assumption of

1 functions and activities formerly performed by the Office
2 of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation (ONHIR) as au-
3 thorized by the Navajo-Hopi Land Settlement Act of 1974
4 (Public Law 93–351, as amended), to ensure the full and
5 complete discharge of the functions of ONHIR, including
6 the functions and responsibilities of ONHIR relating to
7 certified relocation applications, appeals pending with
8 ONHIR, records management, and support services for
9 households relocated pursuant to the Navajo-Hopi Land
10 Settlement Act of 1974: *Provided*, That any funding made
11 available in prior Acts to the Office of Navajo and Hopi
12 Indian Relocation or in this or prior Acts to the “Depart-
13 ment of the Interior — Indian Affairs — Bureau of In-
14 dian Affairs — Operation of Indian Programs” for the
15 Navajo-Hopi Settlement Program may be used by the De-
16 partment for such purposes including through reprogram-
17 ming or transfer: *Provided further*, That not to exceed
18 \$80,494,000 of funds made available under this heading
19 shall be for welfare assistance payments: *Provided further*,
20 That in cases of designated Federal disasters, the Sec-
21 retary of the Interior may exceed such cap for welfare pay-
22 ments from the amounts provided herein, to provide for
23 disaster relief to Indian communities affected by the dis-
24 aster: *Provided further*, That federally recognized Indian
25 Tribes and Tribal organizations of federally recognized In-

1 dian Tribes may use their Tribal priority allocations for
2 unmet welfare assistance costs: *Provided further*, That not
3 to exceed \$78,661,000 shall remain available until ex-
4 pended for housing improvement, road maintenance, land
5 acquisition, attorney fees, litigation support, land records
6 improvement, hearings and appeals, and the Navajo-Hopi
7 Settlement Program: *Provided further*, That any forestry
8 funds allocated to a federally recognized Indian Tribe
9 which remain unobligated as of September 30, 2028, may
10 be transferred during fiscal year 2029 to an Indian forest
11 land assistance account established for the benefit of the
12 holder of the funds within the holder’s trust fund account:
13 *Provided further*, That any such unobligated balances not
14 so transferred shall expire on September 30, 2029: *Pro-*
15 *vided further*, That in order to enhance the safety of Bu-
16 reau field employees, the Bureau may use funds to pur-
17 chase uniforms or other identifying articles of clothing for
18 personnel: *Provided further*, That not to exceed
19 \$7,664,000 of funds made available under this heading
20 may, as needed, be transferred to “Office of the Sec-
21 retary—Departmental Operations” for trust, probate, and
22 administrative functions: *Provided further*, That the Bu-
23 reau of Indian Affairs may accept transfers of funds from
24 United States Customs and Border Protection to supple-
25 ment any other funding available for reconstruction or re-

1 pair of roads owned by the Bureau of Indian Affairs as
2 identified on the National Tribal Transportation Facility
3 Inventory, 23 U.S.C. 202(b)(1).

4 CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS

5 For payments to Tribes and Tribal organizations for
6 contract support costs associated with Indian Self-Deter-
7 mination and Education Assistance Act agreements with
8 the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau of Indian
9 Education for fiscal year 2027, such sums as may be nec-
10 essary, which shall be available for obligation through Sep-
11 tember 30, 2028: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any
12 other provision of law, no amounts made available under
13 this heading shall be available for transfer to another
14 budget account.

15 PAYMENTS FOR TRIBAL LEASES

16 For payments to Tribes and Tribal organizations for
17 leases pursuant to section 105(l) of the Indian Self-Deter-
18 mination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C.
19 5324(l)) for fiscal year 2027, such sums as may be nec-
20 essary, which shall be available for obligation through Sep-
21 tember 30, 2028: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any
22 other provision of law, no amounts made available under
23 this heading shall be available for transfer to another
24 budget account.

CONSTRUCTION

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For construction, repair, improvement, and maintenance of irrigation and power systems, buildings, utilities, and other facilities, including architectural and engineering services by contract; acquisition of lands, and interests in lands; and preparation of lands for farming, and for construction of the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project pursuant to Public Law 87-483; \$167,096,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That such amounts as may be available for the construction of the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project may be transferred to the Bureau of Reclamation: *Provided further*, That any funds provided for the Safety of Dams program pursuant to the Indian Dams Safety Act of 1994 (25 U.S.C. 3804), shall be made available on a nonreimbursable basis: *Provided further*, That this appropriation may be reimbursed from the Bureau of Trust Funds Administration appropriation for the appropriate share of construction costs for space expansion needed in agency offices to meet trust reform implementation: *Provided further*, That of the funds made available under this heading, \$10,000,000 shall be derived from the Indian Irrigation Fund established by section 3211 of the WIIN Act (Public Law 114-322): *Provided further*, That amounts provided under this heading are

1 made available for the modernization of Federal field com-
2 munication capabilities, in addition to amounts otherwise
3 made available for such purpose.

4 INDIAN LAND AND WATER CLAIM SETTLEMENTS AND
5 MISCELLANEOUS PAYMENTS TO INDIANS

6 For payments and necessary administrative expenses
7 for implementation of Indian land and water claim settle-
8 ments pursuant to Public Laws 99–264, 101–618, and
9 117–349, and for implementation of other land and water
10 rights settlements, \$58,897,000, to remain available until
11 expended.

12 INDIAN GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

13 For the cost of guaranteed loans and insured loans,
14 \$25,000,000, to remain available until September 30,
15 2028, of which \$2,850,000 is for administrative expenses,
16 as authorized by the Indian Financing Act of 1974: *Pro-*
17 *vided*, That such costs, including the cost of modifying
18 such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Con-
19 gressional Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further*, That
20 these funds are available to subsidize total loan principal,
21 any part of which is to be guaranteed or insured, not to
22 exceed \$502,176,031.

BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION

OPERATION OF INDIAN EDUCATION PROGRAMS

For expenses necessary for the operation of Indian education programs, as authorized by law, including the Snyder Act of November 2, 1921 (25 U.S.C. 13), the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), the Education Amendments of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 2001–2019), and the Tribally Controlled Schools Act of 1988 (25 U.S.C. 2501 et seq.), \$1,243,283,000 to remain available until September 30, 2028, except as otherwise provided herein: *Provided*, That federally recognized Indian Tribes and Tribal organizations of federally recognized Indian Tribes may use their Tribal priority allocations for unmet welfare assistance costs: *Provided further*, That not to exceed \$900,869,000 for school operations costs of Bureau-funded schools and other education programs shall become available on June 1, 2027, and shall remain available until September 30, 2028: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, including but not limited to the Indian Self-Determination Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.) and section 1128 of the Education Amendments of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 2008), not to exceed \$99,886,000 within and only from such amounts made available for school operations shall be available for administrative cost grants as-

1 sociated with grants approved prior to June 1, 2027: *Pro-*
2 *vided further*, That in order to enhance the safety of Bu-
3 reau field employees, the Bureau may use funds to pur-
4 chase uniforms or other identifying articles of clothing for
5 personnel.

6 EDUCATION CONSTRUCTION

7 For construction, repair, improvement, and mainte-
8 nance of buildings, utilities, and other facilities necessary
9 for the operation of Indian education programs, including
10 architectural and engineering services by contract; acquisi-
11 tion of lands, and interests in lands; \$304,678,000, to re-
12 main available until expended: *Provided*, That in order to
13 ensure timely completion of construction projects, the Sec-
14 retary of the Interior may assume control of a project and
15 all funds related to the project, if, not later than 18
16 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, any
17 Public Law 100–297 (25 U.S.C. 2501, et seq.) grantee
18 receiving funds appropriated in this Act or in any prior
19 Act, has not completed the planning and design phase of
20 the project and commenced construction.

21 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

22 The Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau of In-
23 dian Education may carry out the operation of Indian pro-
24 grams by direct expenditure, contracts, cooperative agree-

1 ments, compacts, and grants, either directly or in coopera-
2 tion with States and other organizations.

3 Notwithstanding Public Law 87–279 (25 U.S.C. 15),
4 the Bureau of Indian Affairs may contract for services in
5 support of the management, operation, and maintenance
6 of the Power Division of the San Carlos Irrigation Project.

7 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no funds
8 available to the Bureau of Indian Affairs or the Bureau
9 of Indian Education for central office oversight and Exec-
10 utive Direction and Administrative Services (except Exec-
11 utive Direction and Administrative Services funding for
12 Tribal Priority Allocations, regional offices, and facilities
13 operations and maintenance) shall be available for con-
14 tracts, grants, compacts, or cooperative agreements with
15 the Bureau of Indian Affairs or the Bureau of Indian
16 Education under the provisions of the Indian Self-Deter-
17 mination Act or the Tribal Self-Governance Act of 1994
18 (Public Law 103–413).

19 In the event any Tribe returns appropriations made
20 available by this Act to the Bureau of Indian Affairs or
21 the Bureau of Indian Education, this action shall not di-
22 minish the Federal Government’s trust responsibility to
23 that Tribe, or the government-to-government relationship
24 between the United States and that Tribe, or that Tribe’s
25 ability to access future appropriations.

1 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no funds
2 available to the Bureau of Indian Education, other than
3 the amounts provided herein for assistance to public
4 schools under 25 U.S.C. 5342 et seq., shall be available
5 to support the operation of any elementary or secondary
6 school in the State of Alaska.

7 No funds available to the Bureau of Indian Edu-
8 cation shall be used to support expanded grades for any
9 school or dormitory beyond the grade structure in place
10 or approved by the Secretary of the Interior at each school
11 in the Bureau of Indian Education school system as of
12 October 1, 1995, except that the Secretary of the Interior
13 may waive this prohibition to support expansion of up to
14 one additional grade when the Secretary determines such
15 waiver is needed to support accomplishment of the mission
16 of the Bureau of Indian Education, or more than one
17 grade to expand the elementary grade structure for Bu-
18 reau-funded schools with a K–2 grade structure on Octo-
19 ber 1, 1996. Appropriations made available in this or any
20 prior Act for schools funded by the Bureau shall be avail-
21 able, in accordance with the Bureau’s funding formula,
22 only to the schools in the Bureau school system as of Sep-
23 tember 1, 1996, and to any school or school program that
24 was reinstated in fiscal year 2012. Funds made available
25 under this Act may not be used to establish a charter

1 school at a Bureau-funded school (as that term is defined
2 in section 1141 of the Education Amendments of 1978
3 (25 U.S.C. 2021)), except that a charter school that is
4 in existence on the date of the enactment of this Act and
5 that has operated at a Bureau-funded school before Sep-
6 tember 1, 1999, may continue to operate during that pe-
7 riod, but only if the charter school pays to the Bureau
8 a pro rata share of funds to reimburse the Bureau for
9 the use of the real and personal property (including buses
10 and vans), the funds of the charter school are kept sepa-
11 rate and apart from Bureau funds, and the Bureau does
12 not assume any obligation for charter school programs of
13 the State in which the school is located if the charter
14 school loses such funding. Employees of Bureau-funded
15 schools sharing a campus with a charter school and per-
16 forming functions related to the charter school's operation
17 and employees of a charter school shall not be treated as
18 Federal employees for purposes of chapter 171 of title 28,
19 United States Code.

20 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, including
21 section 113 of title I of appendix C of Public Law 106–
22 113, if in fiscal year 2003 or 2004 a grantee received indi-
23 rect and administrative costs pursuant to a distribution
24 formula based on section 5(f) of Public Law 101–301, the
25 Secretary shall continue to distribute indirect and admin-

1 istrative cost funds to such grantee using the section 5(f)
2 distribution formula.

3 Funds available under this Act may not be used to
4 establish satellite locations of schools in the Bureau school
5 system as of September 1, 1996, except that the Secretary
6 may waive this prohibition in order for an Indian Tribe
7 to provide language and cultural immersion educational
8 programs for non-public schools located within the juris-
9 dictional area of the Tribal government which exclusively
10 serve Tribal members, do not include grades beyond those
11 currently served at the existing Bureau-funded school,
12 provide an educational environment with educator pres-
13 ence and academic facilities comparable to the Bureau-
14 funded school, comply with all applicable Tribal, Federal,
15 or State health and safety standards, and the Americans
16 with Disabilities Act, and demonstrate the benefits of es-
17 tablishing operations at a satellite location in lieu of incur-
18 ring extraordinary costs, such as for transportation or
19 other impacts to students such as those caused by busing
20 students extended distances: *Provided*, That no funds
21 available under this Act may be used to fund operations,
22 maintenance, rehabilitation, construction, or other facili-
23 ties-related costs for such assets that are not owned by
24 the Bureau: *Provided further*, That the term “satellite
25 school” means a school location physically separated from

1 the existing Bureau school by more than 50 miles but that
2 forms part of the existing school in all other respects.

3 Funds made available for Tribal Priority Allocations
4 within Operation of Indian Programs and Operation of In-
5 dian Education Programs may be used to execute re-
6 quested adjustments in Tribal priority allocations initiated
7 by an Indian Tribe.

8 BUREAU OF TRUST FUNDS ADMINISTRATION

9 FEDERAL TRUST PROGRAMS

10 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

11 For the operation of trust programs for Indians by
12 direct expenditure, contracts, cooperative agreements,
13 compacts, and grants, \$108,077,000, to remain available
14 until expended, of which not to exceed \$8,676,000 from
15 this or any other Act, may be available for settlement sup-
16 port: *Provided*, That funds for trust management improve-
17 ments and litigation support may, as needed, be trans-
18 ferred to or merged with the Bureau of Indian Affairs,
19 “Operation of Indian Programs” and Bureau of Indian
20 Education, “Operation of Indian Education Programs”
21 accounts; the Office of the Solicitor, “Salaries and Ex-
22 penses” account; and the Office of the Secretary, “Depart-
23 mental Operations” account: *Provided further*, That funds
24 made available through contracts or grants obligated dur-
25 ing fiscal year 2027, as authorized by the Indian Self-De-

1 termination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (25
2 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), shall remain available until expended
3 by the contractor or grantee: *Provided further*, That not-
4 withstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary
5 shall not be required to provide a quarterly statement of
6 performance for any Indian trust account that has not had
7 activity for at least 15 months and has a balance of \$15
8 or less: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall issue
9 an annual account statement and maintain a record of any
10 such accounts and shall permit the balance in each such
11 account to be withdrawn upon the express written request
12 of the account holder: *Provided further*, That not to exceed
13 \$100,000 is available for the Secretary to make payments
14 to correct administrative errors of either disbursements
15 from or deposits to Individual Indian Money or Tribal ac-
16 counts after September 30, 2002: *Provided further*, That
17 erroneous payments that are recovered shall be credited
18 to and remain available in this account for this purpose:
19 *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall not be required
20 to reconcile Special Deposit Accounts with a balance of
21 less than \$500 unless the Bureau of Trust Funds Admin-
22 istration receives proof of ownership from a Special De-
23 posit Accounts claimant: *Provided further*, That notwith-
24 standing section 102 of the American Indian Trust Fund
25 Management Reform Act of 1994 (Public Law 103–412)

1 or any other provision of law, the Secretary may aggregate
 2 the trust accounts of individuals whose whereabouts are
 3 unknown for a continuous period of at least 5 years and
 4 shall not be required to generate periodic statements of
 5 performance for the individual accounts: *Provided further*,
 6 That with respect to the preceding proviso, the Secretary
 7 shall continue to maintain sufficient records to determine
 8 the balance of the individual accounts, including any ac-
 9 crued interest and income, and such funds shall remain
 10 available to the individual account holders.

11 U.S. WILDLAND FIRE SERVICE

12 WILDLAND FIRE SERVICE OPERATIONS

13 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

14 For necessary expenses of the existing United States
 15 Wildland Fire Service within the Department of the Inte-
 16 rior, \$1,164,721,000, to remain available until expended,
 17 of which not to exceed \$11,000,000 shall be for the ren-
 18 ovation or construction of fire facilities: *Provided*, That
 19 such funds are also available for repayment of advances
 20 to other appropriation accounts from which funds were
 21 previously transferred for such purposes: *Provided further*,
 22 That of the funds provided, \$219,000,000 is for fuels
 23 management activities: *Provided further*, That of the funds
 24 provided, \$10,000,000 is for burned area rehabilitation:
 25 *Provided further*, That persons hired pursuant to 43

1 U.S.C. 1469 may be furnished subsistence and lodging
2 without cost from funds available from this appropriation:
3 *Provided further*, That notwithstanding 42 U.S.C. 1856d,
4 sums received by a bureau or office of the Department
5 of the Interior for fire protection rendered pursuant to 42
6 U.S.C. 1856 et seq., for protection of United States prop-
7 erty, may be credited to the appropriation from which
8 funds were expended to provide that protection, and are
9 available without fiscal year limitation: *Provided further*,
10 That using the amounts designated under this title of this
11 Act, the Secretary of the Interior may enter into procure-
12 ment contracts, grants, or cooperative agreements, for
13 fuels management and burned area rehabilitation activi-
14 ties, and for training and monitoring associated with such
15 fuels management activities on Federal land, or on adja-
16 cent non-Federal land for activities that benefit resources
17 on Federal land or Federally-recognized Tribal land: *Pro-*
18 *vided further*, That the costs of implementing any coopera-
19 tive agreement between the Federal Government and any
20 non-Federal entity may be shared, as mutually agreed on
21 by the affected parties: *Provided further*, That notwith-
22 standing requirements of the Competition in Contracting
23 Act, the Secretary, for purposes of fuels management ac-
24 tivities, may obtain maximum practicable competition
25 among:

1 (1) local private, nonprofit, or cooperative enti-
2 ties;

3 (2) Youth Conservation Corps crews, Public
4 Lands Corps (Public Law 109–154), or related part-
5 nerships with State, local, or nonprofit youth groups;

6 (3) small or micro-businesses; or

7 (4) other entities that will hire or train locally
8 a significant percentage, defined as 50 percent or
9 more, of the project workforce to complete such con-
10 tracts: *Provided further*, That in implementing this
11 section, the Secretary shall develop written guidance
12 to field units to ensure accountability and consistent
13 application of the authorities provided herein: *Pro-*
14 *vided further*, That funds appropriated under this
15 heading may be used to reimburse the United States
16 Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine
17 Fisheries Service for the costs of carrying out their
18 responsibilities under the Endangered Species Act of
19 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) to consult and con-
20 ference, as required by section 7 of such Act, in con-
21 nection with wildland fire management activities:
22 *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Interior
23 may use wildland fire appropriations to enter into
24 leases of real property with local governments, at or
25 below fair market value, to construct capitalized im-

1 improvements for fire facilities on such leased prop-
2 erties, including but not limited to fire guard sta-
3 tions, retardant stations, and other initial attack and
4 fire support facilities, and to make advance pay-
5 ments for any such lease or for construction activity
6 associated with the lease: *Provided further*, That the
7 Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agri-
8 culture may authorize the transfer of funds appro-
9 priated for wildland fire management, in an aggre-
10 gate amount not to exceed \$50,000,000 between the
11 Departments when such transfers would facilitate
12 and expedite wildland fire management programs
13 and projects: *Provided further*, That funds provided
14 for wildfire suppression shall be available for support
15 of Federal emergency response actions: *Provided fur-*
16 *ther*, That funds appropriated under this heading
17 shall be available for assistance to or through the
18 Department of State in connection with forest and
19 rangeland research, technical information, and as-
20 sistance in foreign countries, and, with the concur-
21 rence of the Secretary of State, shall be available to
22 support forestry, wildland fire management, and re-
23 lated natural resource activities outside the United
24 States and its territories and possessions, including
25 technical assistance, education and training, and co-

1 operation with United States and international orga-
 2 nizations: *Provided further*, That of the funds pro-
 3 vided under this heading, \$387,157,000 shall be
 4 available for wildfire suppression operations, and is
 5 provided to meet the terms of section
 6 251(b)(2)(F)(ii)(I) of the Balanced Budget and
 7 Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

8 WILDFIRE SUPPRESSION OPERATION RESERVE FUND
 9 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

10 In addition to the amounts provided under the head-
 11 ing “Wildland Fire Service Operations” for wildfire sup-
 12 pression operations, \$380,000,000, to remain available
 13 until transferred, is additional new budget authority as
 14 specified for purposes of section 251(b)(2)(F) of the Bal-
 15 anced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985:
 16 *Provided*, That such amounts may be transferred to and
 17 merged with amounts made available under the headings
 18 “Department of the Interior—U.S. Wildland Fire Serv-
 19 ice—Wildland Fire Service Operations” and “Department
 20 of Agriculture—Forest Service—Wildland Fire Manage-
 21 ment” for wildfire suppression operations in the fiscal year
 22 in which such amounts are transferred: *Provided further*,
 23 That amounts may be transferred to the “Wildland Fire
 24 Management” account in the Department of Agriculture
 25 or the “Wildland Fire Service Operations” account in the

1 Department of the Interior only upon the notification of
2 the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations that
3 all wildfire suppression operations funds appropriated
4 under such headings in this Act and under the headings
5 “Department of the Interior—Department-Wide Pro-
6 grams—Wildland Fire Management” and “Department of
7 Agriculture—Forest Service—Wildland Fire Manage-
8 ment” in prior appropriations Acts to the agency to which
9 the funds will be transferred will be obligated within 30
10 days: *Provided further*, That the transfer authority pro-
11 vided under this heading is in addition to any other trans-
12 fer authority provided by law: *Provided further*, That in
13 determining whether all wildfire suppression operations
14 funds appropriated under the heading “Wildland Fire
15 Service Operations” in this Act and “Wildland Fire Man-
16 agement” in this and prior appropriations Acts to either
17 the Department of Agriculture or the Department of the
18 Interior will be obligated within 30 days pursuant to the
19 preceding two provisos, any funds transferred or permitted
20 to be transferred pursuant to any other transfer authority
21 provided by law shall be excluded.

1 DEPARTMENTAL OFFICES

2 OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

3 DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS

4 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

5 For necessary expenses for management of the De-
6 partment of the Interior and for grants and cooperative
7 agreements, as authorized by law, \$112,247,000, to re-
8 main available until September 30, 2028; of which not to
9 exceed \$15,000 may be for official reception and represen-
10 tation expenses; of which up to \$1,000,000 shall be avail-
11 able for workers compensation payments and unemploy-
12 ment compensation payments associated with the orderly
13 closure of the United States Bureau of Mines; and of
14 which \$19,295,000 for Indian land, mineral, and resource
15 valuation activities shall remain available until expended:
16 *Provided*, That funds for Indian land, mineral, and re-
17 source valuation activities may, as needed, be transferred
18 to and merged with the Bureau of Indian Affairs “Oper-
19 ation of Indian Programs” and Bureau of Indian Edu-
20 cation “Operation of Indian Education Programs” ac-
21 counts and the Bureau of Trust Funds Administration
22 “Federal Trust Programs” account: *Provided further*,
23 That funds made available through contracts or grants ob-
24 ligated during fiscal year 2027, as authorized by the In-
25 dian Self-Determination Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 5301 et

1 seq.), shall remain available until expended by the con-
2 tractor or grantee.

3 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

4 For fiscal year 2027, up to \$550,000 of the payments
5 authorized by chapter 69 of title 31, United States Code,
6 may be retained for administrative expenses of the Pay-
7 ments in Lieu of Taxes Program: *Provided*, That the
8 amounts provided under this Act specifically for the Pay-
9 ments in Lieu of Taxes program are the only amounts
10 available for payments authorized under chapter 69 of
11 title 31, United States Code: *Provided further*, That in the
12 event the sums appropriated for any fiscal year for pay-
13 ments pursuant to this chapter are insufficient to make
14 the full payments authorized by that chapter to all units
15 of local government, then the payment to each local gov-
16 ernment shall be made proportionally: *Provided further*,
17 That the Secretary may make adjustments to payment to
18 individual units of local government to correct for prior
19 overpayments or underpayments: *Provided further*, That
20 no payment shall be made pursuant to that chapter to oth-
21 erwise eligible units of local government if the computed
22 amount of the payment is less than \$100.

1 INSULAR AFFAIRS

2 ASSISTANCE TO TERRITORIES

3 For expenses necessary for assistance to territories
4 under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior,
5 \$115,217,000, of which: (1) \$104,217,000 shall remain
6 available until expended for territorial assistance, includ-
7 ing general technical assistance, maintenance assistance,
8 disaster assistance, coral reef initiative and natural re-
9 sources activities, and brown tree snake control and re-
10 search; grants to the judiciary in American Samoa for
11 compensation and expenses, as authorized by law (48
12 U.S.C. 1661(c)); grants to the Government of American
13 Samoa, in addition to current local revenues, for construc-
14 tion and support of governmental functions; grants to the
15 Government of the Virgin Islands, as authorized by law;
16 grants to the Government of Guam, as authorized by law;
17 and grants to the Government of the Northern Mariana
18 Islands, as authorized by law (Public Law 94–241; 90
19 Stat. 272); and (2) \$11,000,000 shall be available until
20 September 30, 2028, for salaries and expenses of the Of-
21 fice of Insular Affairs: *Provided*, That all financial trans-
22 actions of the territorial and local governments herein pro-
23 vided for, including such transactions of all agencies or
24 instrumentalities established or used by such governments,
25 may be audited by the Government Accountability Office,

1 at its discretion, in accordance with chapter 35 of title
2 31, United States Code: *Provided further*, That Northern
3 Mariana Islands Covenant grant funding shall be provided
4 according to those terms of the Agreement of the Special
5 Representatives on Future United States Financial Assist-
6 ance for the Northern Mariana Islands approved by Public
7 Law 104–134: *Provided further*, That the funds for the
8 program of operations and maintenance improvement are
9 appropriated to institutionalize routine operations and
10 maintenance improvement of capital infrastructure with
11 territorial participation and cost sharing to be determined
12 by the Secretary based on the grantee’s commitment to
13 timely maintenance of its capital assets: *Provided further*,
14 That any appropriation for disaster assistance under this
15 heading in this Act or previous appropriations Acts may
16 be used as non–Federal matching funds for the purpose
17 of hazard mitigation grants provided pursuant to section
18 404 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emer-
19 gency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5170c).

20 COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION

21 For grants and necessary expenses, \$813,000, to re-
22 main available until expended, to support Federal services
23 and programs provided to the Republic of Palau, the Re-
24 public of the Marshall Islands, and the Federated States
25 of Micronesia.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

At the request of the Governor of Guam, the Secretary may transfer discretionary funds or mandatory funds provided under section 104(e) of Public Law 108–188 and Public Law 104–134, that are allocated for Guam, to the Secretary of Agriculture for the subsidy cost of direct or guaranteed loans, plus not to exceed three percent of the amount of the subsidy transferred for the cost of loan administration, for the purposes authorized by the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 and section 306(a)(1) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act for construction and repair projects in Guam, and such funds shall remain available until expended: *Provided*, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further*, That such loans or loan guarantees may be made without regard to the population of the area, credit elsewhere requirements, and restrictions on the types of eligible entities under the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 and section 306(a)(1) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act: *Provided further*, That any funds transferred to the Secretary of Agriculture shall be in addition to funds otherwise made available to make or guarantee loans under such authorities.

1 OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR

2 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

3 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Solicitor,
4 \$63,321,000, to remain available until September 30,
5 2028.

6 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

7 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

8 For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector
9 General, \$49,500,000, to remain available until September
10 30, 2028.

11 DEPARTMENT-WIDE PROGRAMS

12 CENTRAL HAZARDOUS MATERIALS FUND

13 For necessary expenses of the Department of the In-
14 terior and any of its component offices and bureaus for
15 the response action, including associated activities, per-
16 formed pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Re-
17 sponse, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. 9601
18 et seq.), \$7,500,000, to remain available until expended.

19 ENERGY COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION PROGRAM

20 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

21 For necessary expenses of the Department of the In-
22 terior to inventory, assess, decommission, reclaim, respond
23 to hazardous substance releases, remediate lands pursuant
24 to section 40704 of Public Law 117–58 (30 U.S.C. 1245),
25 and carry out the purposes of section 349 of the Energy

1 Policy Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 15907), as amended,
 2 \$4,700,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*,
 3 That such amount shall be in addition to amounts other-
 4 wise available for such purposes: *Provided further*, That
 5 amounts appropriated under this heading are available for
 6 program management and oversight of these activities:
 7 *Provided further*, That the Secretary may transfer the
 8 funds provided under this heading in this Act to any other
 9 account in the Department to carry out such purposes,
 10 and may expend such funds directly, or through grants:
 11 *Provided further*, That these amounts are not available to
 12 fulfill Comprehensive Environmental Response, Com-
 13 pensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.) obli-
 14 gations agreed to in settlement or imposed by a court,
 15 whether for payment of funds or for work to be performed.

16 NATURAL RESOURCE DAMAGE ASSESSMENT AND
 17 RESTORATION

18 NATURAL RESOURCE DAMAGE ASSESSMENT FUND

19 To conduct natural resource damage assessment, res-
 20 toration activities, and onshore oil spill preparedness by
 21 the Department of the Interior necessary to carry out the
 22 provisions of the Comprehensive Environmental Response,
 23 Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.),
 24 the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251
 25 et seq.), the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (33 U.S.C. 2701

1 et seq.), and 54 U.S.C. 100721 et seq., \$5,100,000, to
2 remain available until expended.

3 WORKING CAPITAL FUND

4 For the operation and maintenance of a departmental
5 financial and business management system, data manage-
6 ment, information technology improvements of general
7 benefit to the Department, cybersecurity, and the consoli-
8 dation of facilities and operations throughout the Depart-
9 ment, \$78,764,000, to remain available until expended:
10 *Provided*, That none of the funds appropriated in this Act
11 or any other Act may be used to establish reserves in the
12 Working Capital Fund account other than for accrued an-
13 nual leave and depreciation of equipment without prior ap-
14 proval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House
15 of Representatives and the Senate: *Provided further*, That
16 the Secretary of the Interior may assess reasonable
17 charges to State, local, and Tribal government employees
18 for training services provided by the National Indian Pro-
19 gram Training Center, other than training related to Pub-
20 lic Law 93–638: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may
21 lease or otherwise provide space and related facilities,
22 equipment, or professional services of the National Indian
23 Program Training Center to State, local, and Tribal gov-
24 ernment employees or persons or organizations engaged
25 in cultural, educational, or recreational activities (as de-

1 fined in section 3306(a) of title 40, United States Code)
 2 at the prevailing rate for similar space, facilities, equip-
 3 ment, or services in the vicinity of the National Indian
 4 Program Training Center: *Provided further*, That all funds
 5 received pursuant to the two preceding provisos shall be
 6 credited to this account, shall be available until expended,
 7 and shall be used by the Secretary for necessary expenses
 8 of the National Indian Program Training Center: *Provided*
 9 *further*, That the Secretary may enter into grants and co-
 10 operative agreements to support the Office of Natural Re-
 11 source Revenue's collection and disbursement of royalties,
 12 fees, and other mineral revenue proceeds, as authorized
 13 by law.

14 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

15 There is hereby authorized for acquisition from avail-
 16 able resources within the Working Capital Fund, aircraft
 17 which may be obtained by donation, purchase, or through
 18 available excess surplus property: *Provided*, That existing
 19 aircraft being replaced may be sold, with proceeds derived
 20 or trade-in value used to offset the purchase price for the
 21 replacement aircraft.

22 OFFICE OF NATURAL RESOURCES REVENUE

23 For necessary expenses for management of the collec-
 24 tion and disbursement of royalties, fees, and other mineral
 25 revenue proceeds, and for grants and cooperative agree-

1 ments, as authorized by law, \$157,850,000, to remain
2 available until September 30, 2028; of which \$54,512,000
3 shall remain available until expended for the purpose of
4 mineral revenue management activities: *Provided*, That
5 notwithstanding any other provision of law, \$50,000 shall
6 be available for refunds of overpayments in connection
7 with certain Indian leases in which the Secretary of the
8 Interior concurred with the claimed refund due, to pay
9 amounts owed to Indian allottees or Tribes, or to correct
10 prior unrecoverable erroneous payments.

11 GREAT SALT LAKE WATERSHED RECOVERY PROGRAM
12 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

13 For carrying out activities that support the long-term
14 sustainability of the Great Salt Lake watershed and its
15 ecosystems, in addition to amounts otherwise available,
16 \$10,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Pro-*
17 *vided*, That the Secretary may transfer such amounts to
18 any bureau or office of the Department of the Interior
19 and the head of any Federal department or agency to
20 carry out such purposes: *Provided further*, That such
21 transfer authority is in addition to any other transfer au-
22 thority provided by law.

1 GENERAL PROVISIONS, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
2 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

3 EMERGENCY TRANSFER AUTHORITY—INTRA-BUREAU

4 SEC. 101. Appropriations made in this title shall be
5 available for expenditure or transfer (within each bureau
6 or office), with the approval of the Secretary of the Inte-
7 rior, for the emergency reconstruction, replacement, or re-
8 pair of aircraft, buildings, utilities, or other facilities or
9 equipment damaged or destroyed by fire, flood, storm, or
10 other unavoidable causes: *Provided*, That no funds shall
11 be made available under this authority until funds specifi-
12 cally made available to the Department of the Interior for
13 emergencies shall have been exhausted: *Provided further*,
14 That all funds used pursuant to this section must be re-
15 plenished by a supplemental appropriation, which must be
16 requested as promptly as possible.

17 EMERGENCY TRANSFER AUTHORITY—DEPARTMENT-WIDE

18 SEC. 102. The Secretary of the Interior may author-
19 ize the expenditure or transfer of any no-year appropria-
20 tion in this title, in addition to the amounts included in
21 the budget programs of the several agencies, for the sup-
22 pression or emergency prevention of wildland fires on or
23 threatening lands under the jurisdiction of the Depart-
24 ment of the Interior; for the emergency rehabilitation of
25 burned-over lands under its jurisdiction; for emergency ac-

1 tions related to potential or actual earthquakes, floods,
2 volcanoes, storms, or other unavoidable causes; for contin-
3 gency planning subsequent to actual oil spills; for response
4 and natural resource damage assessment activities related
5 to actual oil spills or releases of hazardous substances into
6 the environment; for the prevention, suppression, and con-
7 trol of actual or potential grasshopper and Mormon cricket
8 outbreaks on lands under the jurisdiction of the Secretary,
9 pursuant to the authority in section 417(b) of Public Law
10 106–224 (7 U.S.C. 7717(b)); for emergency reclamation
11 projects under section 410 of Public Law 95–87; and shall
12 transfer, from any no-year funds available to the Office
13 of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, such
14 funds as may be necessary to permit assumption of regu-
15 latory authority in the event a primacy State is not car-
16 rying out the regulatory provisions of the Surface Mining
17 Act: *Provided*, That appropriations made in this title for
18 wildland fire operations shall be available for the payment
19 of obligations incurred during the preceding fiscal year,
20 and for reimbursement to other Federal agencies for de-
21 struction of vehicles, aircraft, or other equipment in con-
22 nection with their use for wildland fire operations, with
23 such reimbursement to be credited to appropriations cur-
24 rently available at the time of receipt thereof: *Provided*
25 *further*, That for wildland fire operations, no funds shall

1 be made available under this authority until the Secretary
2 determines that funds appropriated for “wildland fire sup-
3 pression” shall be exhausted within 30 days: *Provided fur-*
4 *ther*, That all funds used pursuant to this section must
5 be replenished by a supplemental appropriation, which
6 must be requested as promptly as possible: *Provided fur-*
7 *ther*, That such replenishment funds shall be used to reim-
8 burse, on a pro rata basis, accounts from which emergency
9 funds were transferred.

10 AUTHORIZED USE OF FUNDS

11 SEC. 103. Appropriations made to the Department
12 of the Interior in this title shall be available for services
13 as authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States
14 Code, when authorized by the Secretary of the Interior,
15 in total amount not to exceed \$500,000; purchase and re-
16 placement of motor vehicles, including specially equipped
17 law enforcement vehicles; hire, maintenance, and oper-
18 ation of aircraft; hire of passenger motor vehicles; pur-
19 chase of reprints; payment for telephone service in private
20 residences in the field, when authorized under regulations
21 approved by the Secretary; and the payment of dues, when
22 authorized by the Secretary, for library membership in so-
23 cieties or associations which issue publications to members
24 only or at a price to members lower than to subscribers
25 who are not members.

1 AUTHORIZED USE OF FUNDS, INDIAN TRUST

2 MANAGEMENT

3 SEC. 104. Appropriations made in this Act under the
4 headings Bureau of Indian Affairs and Bureau of Indian
5 Education, and Bureau of Trust Funds Administration
6 and any unobligated balances from prior appropriations
7 Acts made under the same headings shall be available for
8 expenditure or transfer for Indian trust management and
9 reform activities. Total funding for settlement support ac-
10 tivities shall not exceed amounts specifically designated in
11 this Act for such purpose. The Secretary shall notify the
12 House and Senate Committees on Appropriations within
13 60 days of the expenditure or transfer of any funds under
14 this section, including the amount expended or transferred
15 and how the funds will be used.

16 REDISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS, BUREAU OF INDIAN

17 AFFAIRS

18 SEC. 105. Notwithstanding any other provision of
19 law, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to redis-
20 tribute any Tribal Priority Allocation funds, including
21 Tribal base funds, to alleviate Tribal funding inequities
22 by transferring funds to address identified, unmet needs,
23 dual enrollment, overlapping service areas or inaccurate
24 distribution methodologies. No Tribe shall receive a reduc-
25 tion in Tribal Priority Allocation funds of more than 10

1 percent in fiscal year 2027. Under circumstances of dual
2 enrollment, overlapping service areas or inaccurate dis-
3 tribution methodologies, the 10 percent limitation does not
4 apply.

5 OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF INSPECTION FEES

6 SEC. 106. (a) In fiscal year 2027, the Secretary of
7 the Interior shall collect a nonrefundable inspection fee,
8 which shall be deposited in the “Offshore Safety and Envi-
9 ronmental Enforcement” account, from the designated op-
10 erator for facilities subject to inspection under 43 U.S.C.
11 1348(c).

12 (b) Annual fees shall be collected for facilities that
13 are above the waterline, excluding drilling rigs, and are
14 in place at the start of the fiscal year. Fees for fiscal year
15 2027 shall be—

16 (1) \$10,500 for facilities with no wells, but with
17 processing equipment or gathering lines;

18 (2) \$17,000 for facilities with 1 to 10 wells,
19 with any combination of active or inactive wells; and

20 (3) \$31,500 for facilities with more than 10
21 wells, with any combination of active or inactive
22 wells.

23 (c) Fees for drilling rigs shall be assessed for all in-
24 spections completed in fiscal year 2027. Fees for fiscal
25 year 2027 shall be—

1 (1) \$30,500 per inspection for rigs operating in
2 water depths of 500 feet or more; and

3 (2) \$16,700 per inspection for rigs operating in
4 water depths of less than 500 feet.

5 (d) Fees for inspection of well operations conducted
6 via non-rig units as outlined in title 30 CFR 250 subparts
7 D, E, F, and Q shall be assessed for all inspections com-
8 pleted in fiscal year 2027. Fees for fiscal year 2027 shall
9 be—

10 (1) \$13,260 per inspection for non-rig units op-
11 erating in water depths of 2,500 feet or more;

12 (2) \$11,530 per inspection for non-rig units op-
13 erating in water depths between 500 and 2,499 feet;
14 and

15 (3) \$4,470 per inspection for non-rig units op-
16 erating in water depths of less than 500 feet.

17 (e) Annual fees shall be collected for each offshore
18 wind facility either under construction or operating on the
19 Outer Continental Shelf at the start of the fiscal year.
20 Fees for fiscal year 2027 shall be—

21 (1) \$7,300 for a control center facility associ-
22 ated with an offshore wind project;

23 (2) \$15,400 for a visual inspection of a wind
24 turbine generator; and

1 (3) \$15,400 for a visual inspection of a sub-
2 station facility.

3 (f) Fees for physical inspections of offshore wind fa-
4 cilities either under construction or operating on the Outer
5 Continental Shelf shall be assessed for all inspections com-
6 pleted in fiscal year 2027. Fees for fiscal year 2027 shall
7 be—

8 (1) \$72,800 per inspection of a wind turbine
9 generator; and

10 (2) \$72,800 per inspection of a substation facil-
11 ity.

12 (g) The Secretary shall bill designated operators
13 under subsection (b) and (e) quarterly, with payment re-
14 quired within 30 days of billing. The Secretary shall bill
15 designated operators under subsection (c) and (f) within
16 30 days of the end of the month in which the inspection
17 occurred, with payment required within 30 days of billing.
18 The Secretary shall bill designated operators under sub-
19 section (d) with payment required by the end of the fol-
20 lowing quarter.

21 CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS FOR WILD HORSE AND

22 BURRO HOLDING FACILITIES

23 SEC. 107. Notwithstanding any other provision of
24 this Act, the Secretary of the Interior may enter into
25 multiyear cooperative agreements with nonprofit organiza-

1 tions and other appropriate entities, and may enter into
2 multiyear contracts in accordance with the provisions of
3 section 3903 of title 41, United States Code (except that
4 the 5-year term restriction in subsection (a) shall not
5 apply), for the long-term care and maintenance of excess
6 wild free roaming horses and burros by such organizations
7 or entities on private land. Such cooperative agreements
8 and contracts may not exceed 10 years, subject to renewal
9 at the discretion of the Secretary.

10 MASS MARKING OF SALMONIDS

11 SEC. 108. The United States Fish and Wildlife Serv-
12 ice shall, in carrying out its responsibilities to protect
13 threatened and endangered species of salmon, implement
14 a system of mass marking of salmonid stocks, intended
15 for harvest, that are released from federally operated or
16 federally financed hatcheries including but not limited to
17 fish releases of coho, chinook, and steelhead species.
18 Marked fish must have a visible mark that can be readily
19 identified by commercial and recreational fishers.

20 CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS WITH INDIAN AFFAIRS

21 SEC. 109. Notwithstanding any other provision of
22 law, during fiscal year 2027, in carrying out work involv-
23 ing cooperation with State, local, and Tribal governments
24 or any political subdivision thereof, Indian Affairs may
25 record obligations against accounts receivable from any

1 such entities, except that total obligations at the end of
2 the fiscal year shall not exceed total budgetary resources
3 available at the end of the fiscal year.

4 DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR EXPERIENCED SERVICES
5 PROGRAM

6 SEC. 110. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision
7 of law relating to Federal grants and cooperative agree-
8 ments, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to make
9 grants to, or enter into cooperative agreements with, pri-
10 vate nonprofit organizations designated by the Secretary
11 of Labor under title V of the Older Americans Act of 1965
12 to utilize the talents of older Americans in programs au-
13 thorized by other provisions of law administered by the
14 Secretary and consistent with such provisions of law.

15 (b) Prior to awarding any grant or agreement under
16 subsection (a), the Secretary shall ensure that the agree-
17 ment would not—

18 (1) result in the displacement of individuals
19 currently employed by the Department, including
20 partial displacement through reduction of non-over-
21 time hours, wages, or employment benefits;

22 (2) result in the use of an individual under the
23 Department of the Interior Experienced Services
24 Program for a job or function in a case in which a
25 Federal employee is in a layoff status from the same

1 or substantially equivalent job within the Depart-
2 ment; or

3 (3) affect existing contracts for services.

4 OBLIGATION OF FUNDS

5 SEC. 111. Amounts appropriated by this Act to the
6 Department of the Interior shall be available for obligation
7 and expenditure not later than 60 days after the date of
8 enactment of this Act.

9 SEPARATION OF ACCOUNTS

10 SEC. 112. The Secretary of the Interior, in order to
11 implement an orderly transition to separate accounts of
12 the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau of Indian
13 Education, may transfer funds among and between the
14 successor offices and bureaus affected by the reorganiza-
15 tion only in conformance with the reprogramming guide-
16 lines described in this Act.

17 PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES (PILT)

18 SEC. 113. Section 6906 of title 31, United States
19 Code, shall be applied by substituting “fiscal year 2027”
20 for “fiscal year 2019”.

21 INTERAGENCY MOTOR POOL

22 SEC. 114. Notwithstanding any other provision of law
23 or Federal regulation, federally recognized Indian Tribes
24 or authorized Tribal organizations that receive Tribally
25 Controlled School Grants pursuant to Public Law 100–

1 297 (25 U.S.C. 2501, et seq.), may obtain interagency
2 motor vehicles and related services for performance of any
3 activities carried out under such grants to the same extent
4 as if they were contracting under the Indian Self-Deter-
5 mination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (25
6 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.).

7 APPRAISER PAY AUTHORITY

8 SEC. 115. For fiscal year 2027, funds made available
9 in this or any other Act or otherwise made available to
10 the Department of the Interior for the Appraisal and
11 Valuation Services Office may be used by the Secretary
12 of the Interior to establish higher minimum rates of basic
13 pay for employees of the Department of the Interior in
14 the Appraiser (GS–1171) job series at grades 11 through
15 15 carrying out appraisals of real property and appraisal
16 reviews conducted in support of the Department’s realty
17 programs at rates no greater than 15 percent above the
18 minimum rates of basic pay normally scheduled, and such
19 higher rates shall be consistent with subsections (e)
20 through (h) of section 5305 of title 5, United States Code.

21 SAGE-GROUSE

22 SEC. 116. None of the funds made available by this
23 or any other Act may be used by the Secretary of the Inte-
24 rior, pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16
25 U.S.C. 1533)—

1 (1) to write or issue a proposed or final rule
2 with regard to the greater sage-grouse (*Centrocercus*
3 *urophasianus*) or any distinct population segment of
4 greater sage-grouse; or

5 (2) to implement, administer, or enforce any
6 threatened species or endangered species status of
7 the greater sage-grouse (*Centrocercus urophasianus*)
8 or any distinct population segment of greater sage-
9 grouse.

10 STATE CONSERVATION GRANTS

11 SEC. 117. For expenses necessary to carry out section
12 200305 of title 54, United States Code, the National Park
13 Service may retain up to 7 percent of the State Conserva-
14 tion Grants program to provide to States, the District of
15 Columbia, and insular areas, as matching grants to sup-
16 port state program administrative costs.

17 HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND DEPOSITS

18 SEC. 118. Section 303102 of title 54, United States
19 Code, shall be applied by substituting “fiscal year 2027”
20 for “fiscal year 2023”.

21 INTERIOR AUTHORITY FOR OPERATING EFFICIENCIES

22 SEC. 119. (a) In fiscal years 2027 and 2028, the Sec-
23 retary of the Interior may authorize and execute agree-
24 ments to achieve operating efficiencies among and between

1 two or more component bureaus and offices through the
2 following activities:

3 (1) co-locating in facilities leased or owned by
4 any such component bureau or office and sharing re-
5 lated utilities and equipment;

6 (2) detailing or assigning staff on a nonreim-
7 bursable basis for up to 5 business days; and

8 (3) sharing staff and equipment necessary to
9 meet mission requirements.

10 (b) The authority provided by subsection (a) shall be
11 to support areas of mission alignment between and among
12 component bureaus and offices or where geographic prox-
13 imity allows for efficiencies.

14 (c) Bureaus and offices entering into agreements au-
15 thorized under subsections (a)(1) and (a)(3) shall bear
16 costs for such agreements in a manner that reflects their
17 approximate benefit and share of total costs, which may
18 or may not include indirect costs.

19 (d) In furtherance of the requirement in subsection
20 (c), the Secretary of the Interior may make transfers of
21 funds in advance or on a reimbursable basis.

22 LAVA RIDGE WIND PROJECT

23 SEC. 120. None of the funds made available by this
24 Act may be obligated or expended for the purpose of
25 issuing a right-of-way, or processing or approving any no-

1 tice to proceed or related action, to approve any construc-
2 tion or operational activities relating to the Lava Ridge
3 Wind Project right-of-way authorization.

4 LIMITATION

5 SEC. 121. If requested by the claimant of any mining
6 claim located within the area covered by Public Land
7 Order 7921, the Bureau of Land Management shall
8 prioritize completion of a validity determination for such
9 claim. The Bureau of Land Management shall strive to
10 complete any such validity determination not later than
11 3 years of receipt of the request.

12 LEAD AMMUNITION AND TACKLE

13 SEC. 122. (a) None of the funds made available by
14 this or any other Act may be used to prohibit the use of
15 lead ammunition or tackle on Federal land or water that
16 is made available for hunting or fishing activities or to
17 issue regulations relating to the level of lead in ammuni-
18 tion or tackle to be used on Federal land or water, un-
19 less—

20 (1) the Secretary of the Interior determines that a
21 decline in wildlife population on the specific unit of Fed-
22 eral land or water is primarily caused by the use of lead
23 in ammunition or tackle, based on field data from the spe-
24 cific unit of Federal land or water; and

25 (2) the prohibition or regulation, as applicable, is—

1 (A) consistent with—

2 (i) the law of the State in which the spe-
3 cific unit of Federal land or water is located; or

4 (ii) an applicable policy of the fish and
5 wildlife department of the State in which the
6 specific unit of Federal land or water is located;
7 or

8 (B) approved by the fish and wildlife depart-
9 ment of the State in which the specific unit of Fed-
10 eral land or water is located.

11 (b) In any case in which the Secretary of the Interior
12 determines under subsection (a) that there is a wildlife
13 population decline on a specific unit of Federal land or
14 water that warrants a prohibition on or regulation relating
15 to the level of lead in ammunition or tackle, the Secretary
16 shall include in a Federal Register notice an explanation
17 of how the prohibition or regulation, as applicable, meets
18 the requirements of this section.

19 LESSER PRAIRIE-CHICKEN

20 SEC. 123. None of the funds made available by this
21 or any other Act may be used to implement, administer,
22 or enforce the final rule titled “Endangered and Threat-
23 ened Wildlife and Plants; Lesser Prairie-Chicken; Threat-
24 ened Status With Section 4(d) Rule for the Northern Dis-
25 tinct Population Segment and Endangered Status for the

1 Southern Distinct Population Segment” (87 Fed. Reg.
2 72674 (November 25, 2022)).

3 NORTHERN LONG-EARED BAT

4 SEC. 124. None of the funds made available by this
5 or any other Act may be used to implement, administer,
6 or enforce the final rule titled “Endangered and Threat-
7 ened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Species Status for
8 Northern Long-Eared Bat” (87 Fed. Reg. 73488 (Novem-
9 ber 30, 2022)).

10 GRAY WOLF

11 SEC. 125. (a) Not later than 60 days after the date
12 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior
13 shall reissue the final rule titled “Endangered and Threat-
14 ened Wildlife and Plants; Removing the Gray Wolf (*Canis*
15 *lupus*) From the List of Endangered and Threatened
16 Wildlife” (85 Fed. Reg. 69778 (November 3, 2020)).

17 (b) The reissuance of the final rule described in sub-
18 section (a) (including this section) shall not be subject to
19 judicial review.

20 WOLVERINE

21 SEC. 126. None of the funds made available by this
22 or any other Act may be used to implement, administer,
23 or enforce the final rule titled “Endangered and Threat-
24 ened Wildlife and Plants; Threatened Species Status With

1 Section 4(d) Rule for North American Wolverine” (88
2 Fed. Reg. 83726 (November 30, 2023)).

3 NORTH CASCADES ECOSYSTEM GRIZZLY BEAR

4 SEC. 127. None of the funds made available by this
5 or any other Act may be used to implement, administer,
6 or enforce the final rule titled “Endangered and Threat-
7 ened Wildlife and Plants; Establishment of a Nonessential
8 Experimental Population of Grizzly Bear in the North
9 Cascades Ecosystem, Washington State” (89 Fed. Reg.
10 36982 (May 3, 2024)).

11 BITTERROOT ECOSYSTEM GRIZZLY BEAR

12 SEC. 128. None of the funds made available by this
13 or any other Act may be used by the Secretary of the Inte-
14 rior pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16
15 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) to establish an experimental popu-
16 lation of the grizzly bear (*Ursus arctos horribilis*) within
17 the Bitterroot Ecosystem of Montana and Idaho.

18 FISH LEGALLY HELD IN CAPTIVITY

19 SEC. 129. None of the funds made available by this
20 or any other Act may be used by the Secretary of the Inte-
21 rior pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16
22 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) to implement, administer, or enforce
23 a proposed or final rule with regard to a fish legally held
24 in captivity or in a controlled environment in a manner

1 that maintains physical separation of such fish from any
2 wild population of the same species.

3 CHARLES M. RUSSELL NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

4 SEC. 130. None of the funds made available by this
5 or any other Act may be used by the Secretary of the Inte-
6 rior to facilitate or allow for the introduction of American
7 bison (*Bison bison*) on the Charles M. Russell National
8 Wildlife Refuge (as originally established in Executive
9 Order No. 7509, renamed in Public Land Order 2951, and
10 redesignated in Public Land Order 5635).

11 ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT RULES

12 SEC. 131. None of the funds made available by this
13 Act may be used to implement, administer, or enforce—

14 (1) the final rule titled “Endangered and
15 Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Regulations Per-
16 taining to Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and
17 Plants” (89 Fed. Reg. 23919 (April 5, 2024));

18 (2) the final rule titled “Endangered and
19 Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Listing Endangered
20 and Threatened Species and Designating Critical
21 Habitat” (89 Fed. Reg. 24300 (April 5, 2024)); or

22 (3) the final rule titled “Endangered and
23 Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Regulations for
24 Interagency Cooperation” (89 Fed. Reg. 24268
25 (April 5, 2024)).

TRANSPARENCY

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2 SEC. 132. (a) Not later than 60 days after the date
3 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior
4 shall reissue and implement Order No. 3368 “Promoting
5 Transparency and Accountability in Consent Decrees and
6 Settlement Agreements” dated September 11, 2018.

7 (b) None of the funds made available by this Act may
8 be used to—

9 (1) rescind the Order reissued under subsection
10 (a);

11 (2) reissue, enforce, administer, or implement
12 Order No. 3408 “Rescission of Secretary’s Order
13 3368” dated June 17, 2022; or

14 (3) issue, enforce, administer, or implement any
15 substantially similar order to the order described in
16 paragraph (2).

FUNDING LIMITATION REGARDING BLM RULE

17 SEC. 133. None of the funds made available by this
18 Act may be obligated or expended to implement or enforce
19 the final rule from the Bureau of Land Management enti-
20 tled “Conservation and Landscape Health” and published
21 in the Federal Register on May 9, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg.
22 40308).

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1 GRAND STAIRCASE-ESCALANTE NATIONAL MONUMENT

2 SEC. 134. None of the funds made available by this
3 or any other Act may be used for management of the
4 Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument except in
5 compliance with the document titled “Record of Decision
6 and Approved Resource Management Plans for the Grand
7 Staircase-Escalante National Monument” (February
8 2020).

9 COTTONWOOD

10 SEC. 135. Not later than 60 days after the date of
11 the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior
12 shall issue the final rule titled “Endangered and Threat-
13 ened Wildlife and Plants; Regulations for Interagency Co-
14 operation” (86 Fed. Reg. 2373 (January 12, 2021)).

15 NATIONAL PARK SERVICE HOUSING

16 SEC. 136. None of the funds made available by this
17 Act may be used by the National Park Service to provide
18 housing to an alien without lawful status under the immi-
19 gration laws (as such term is defined in section 101 of
20 the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101)).

21 BIG CYPRESS NATIONAL PRESERVE

22 SEC. 137. The Secretary of the Interior, acting
23 through the Director of the National Park Service, shall
24 prepare an environmental impact statement under the Na-
25 tional Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321

1 et seq.), prior to approving an operations permit, as de-
 2 scribed in 36 Code of Federal Regulations, subpart B
 3 §§9.80 through 9.90, for the purpose of conducting or pro-
 4 posing to conduct non-federal oil or gas operations within
 5 the Big Cypress National Preserve.

6 EFFECT ON OTHER LAW

7 SEC. 138. Nothing in this Act shall affect the Presi-
 8 dential memorandum titled “Memorandum on Withdrawal
 9 of Certain Areas of the United States Outer Continental
 10 Shelf From Leasing Disposition” and dated September 8,
 11 2020.

12 TEN-DAY NOTICES

13 SEC. 139. None of the funds made available by this
 14 or any other Act may be used by the Secretary of the Inte-
 15 rior to implement, enforce, or finalize the changes an-
 16 nounced on April 9, 2024, to the Ten-Day Notice rule or
 17 to make any further changes to the Ten-Day Notice rule.

18 NATIONAL PETROLEUM RESERVE IN ALASKA

19 SEC. 140. None of the funds made available by this
 20 or any other Act may be used to implement, administer,
 21 or enforce the final rule titled “Management and Protec-
 22 tion of the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska” pub-
 23 lished by the Bureau of Land Management and dated May
 24 7, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg. 38712), or any successor or sub-
 25 stantially similar rule.

1 GREATER YELLOWSTONE ECOSYSTEM GRIZZLY BEAR

2 SEC. 141. (a) Not later than 180 days after the date
3 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior
4 shall reissue the final rule titled “Endangered and Threat-
5 ened Wildlife and Plants; Removing the Greater Yellow-
6 stone Ecosystem Population of Grizzly Bears From the
7 Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife” (82
8 Fed. Reg. 30502 (June 30, 2017)).

9 (b) The reissuance of the final rule described in sub-
10 section (a) (including this section) shall not be subject to
11 judicial review.

12 WILDERNESS AREA

13 SEC. 142. None of the funds made available by this
14 or any other Act may be used by the National Park Serv-
15 ice to designate or manage Big Cypress National Preserve
16 as wilderness or as a component of the National Wilder-
17 ness Preservation System.

18 EXEMPTION FOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE TEMPORARY

19 SEASONALS

20 SEC. 143. Section 316.401(d)(1)(ii) of title 5, Code
21 of Federal Regulations (as published by the Office of Per-
22 sonnel Management in the Federal Register on September
23 13, 1994 (59 Fed. Reg. 46898) and effective as of Novem-
24 ber 14, 1994), shall be applied by the National Park Serv-
25 ice—

- 1 (1) by substituting “9 months (1,560 hours)”
2 for “6 months (1,040 hours)”; and
3 (2) by substituting “9 months or more” for “6
4 months or more”.

5 APPLICATIONS FOR PERMITS TO DRILL FEES EXTENSION

6 SEC. 144. Section 35 of the Mineral Leasing Act of
7 1920, as amended (30 U.S.C. 191), is further amended
8 in subsection (d) by striking “2026” each place it appears
9 and inserting “2027”.

10 OFFICE OF NAVAJO AND HOPI INDIAN RELOCATION

11 SEC. 145. (a) MODIFICATION.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subsection 12(f) of the Nav-
13 ajo Hopi Land Settlement Act of 1974, Public Law
14 93–531, as amended, is further amended—

15 (A) by striking “cease to exist when the
16 President determines that its functions have
17 been fully discharged” and inserting “terminate
18 effective September 30, 2026”; and

19 (B) by inserting at the end of the sub-
20 section the following new sentence: “Upon ter-
21 mination, the Secretary shall assume any re-
22 maining functions or responsibilities of the Of-
23 fice of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation
24 (ONHIR) authorized by the Navajo-Hopi Land
25 Settlement Act of 1974, including functions or

1 responsibilities of ONHIR relating to certified
2 relocation applications and appeals pending as
3 of the date of the enactment of this Act, bene-
4 ficiary support services, warranty and repair
5 obligations for relocation homes, and records
6 management.”

7 (2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made
8 by paragraph (1) shall take effect on the date of en-
9 actment of this Act.

10 (b) EFFECT ON OTHER LAWS.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this section or
12 the amendments made by this section affects;

13 (A) The application or effect of any Fed-
14 eral law other than the Navajo-Hopi Land Set-
15 tlement Act of 1974 (25 U.S.C. 640d et seq.),
16 as amended by subsection (a); or

17 (B) Any limitation on the authority of the
18 Secretary of the Interior under any Federal law
19 or regulation other than the Navajo-Hopi Land
20 Settlement Act of 1974 (25 U.S.C. 640d et
21 seq.), as amended.

22 (2) REFERENCE IN OTHER LAWS.—An express
23 reference to the Navajo Hopi Land Settlement Act
24 of 1974 (25 U.S.C. 640d et seq.) contained in any

1 other Federal law shall be considered to be a ref-
2 erence to that Act, as amended by subsection (a).

3 NORTHERN SPOTTED OWL

4 SEC. 146. Not later than 60 days after the date of
5 enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall
6 reissue the final rule entitled “Endangered and Threat-
7 ened Wildlife and Plants; Revised Designation of Critical
8 Habitat for the Northern Spotted Owl” and published in
9 the Federal Register on January 15, 2021 (86 Fed. Reg.
10 4820).

11 CANADA LYNX

12 SEC. 147. None of the funds made available by this
13 or any other Act may be used to implement, administer,
14 or enforce the proposed rule titled “Endangered and
15 Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Revised Designation of
16 Critical Habitat for the Contiguous U.S. Distinct Popu-
17 lation Segment of the Canada Lynx” (89 Fed. Reg. 94656
18 (November 29, 2024)).

19 FIELD UNIT LOCAL HIRING

20 SEC. 148. The Secretary of the Interior may recruit
21 and directly appoint qualified individuals into the competi-
22 tive service who are certified as maintaining a permanent
23 and exclusive residence in the vicinity of a field unit, into
24 any position at or below grades GS–9 or WG–15 or equiv-
25 alent within such field unit: *Provided*, That any action au-

1 thorized herein shall be consistent with the merit prin-
 2 ciples of section 2301 of such title 5, and with the public
 3 notice requirements of section 3327 of such title 5: *Pro-*
 4 *vided further*, That appointments under this authority
 5 shall be considered compliant with all applicable provisions
 6 of chapter 33 of title 5.

7 NORTHERN CONTINENTAL DIVIDE GRIZZLY BEAR

8 SEC. 149. (a) Not later than 180 days after the date
 9 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior
 10 shall issue a final rule removing the Northern Continental
 11 Divide Ecosystem population of grizzly bears (*Ursus*
 12 *arctos horribilis*) from the Federal List of Endangered and
 13 Threatened Wildlife without regard to any other provision
 14 of law that applies to the issuance of such rule.

15 (b) The issuance of the final rule described in sub-
 16 section (a) (including this section) shall not be subject to
 17 judicial review.

18 TITLE II

19 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

20 SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

21 For science and technology, including research and
 22 development activities, which shall include research and
 23 development activities under the Comprehensive Environ-
 24 mental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of
 25 1980; necessary expenses for personnel and related costs

1 and travel expenses; procurement of laboratory equipment
2 and supplies; hire, maintenance, and operation of aircraft;
3 and other operating expenses in support of research and
4 development, \$527,935,000, to remain available until Sep-
5 tember 30, 2028: *Provided*, That of the funds included
6 under this heading, \$22,025,000 shall be for Research:
7 National Priorities as specified in the report accom-
8 panying this Act.

9 ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS AND MANAGEMENT

10 For environmental programs and management, in-
11 cluding necessary expenses not otherwise provided for, for
12 personnel and related costs and travel expenses; hire of
13 passenger motor vehicles; hire, maintenance, and oper-
14 ation of aircraft; purchase of reprints; library member-
15 ships in societies or associations which issue publications
16 to members only or at a price to members lower than to
17 subscribers who are not members; administrative costs of
18 the brownfields program under the Small Business Liabil-
19 ity Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act of 2002; im-
20 plementation of a coal combustion residual permit pro-
21 gram under section 2301 of the Water and Waste Act of
22 2016; and not to exceed \$40,000 for official reception and
23 representation expenses, \$2,293,668,000, to remain avail-
24 able until September 30, 2028: *Provided*, That of the
25 funds included under this heading—

1 (1) not less than \$33,024,000 shall be for car-
2 rying out the Energy Star Program pursuant to sec-
3 tion 324(c) of the Energy Policy and Conservation
4 Act (42 U.S.C. 6294a(c));

5 (2) \$35,000,000 shall be for Environmental
6 Protection: National Priorities as specified in the re-
7 port accompanying this Act; and

8 (3) \$659,202,000 shall be for Geographic Pro-
9 grams as specified in the report accompanying this
10 Act.

11 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

12 For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector
13 General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector
14 General Act of 1978, \$43,250,000, to remain available
15 until September 30, 2028.

16 BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

17 For construction, repair, improvement, extension, al-
18 teration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities of,
19 or for use by, the Environmental Protection Agency,
20 \$40,676,000, to remain available until expended.

21 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE SUPERFUND

22 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

23 For necessary expenses to carry out the Comprehen-
24 sive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liabil-
25 ity Act of 1980 (CERCLA), including sections 111(c)(3),

1 (c)(5), (c)(6), and (e)(4) (42 U.S.C. 9611), and hire,
2 maintenance, and operation of aircraft, \$290,043,000, to
3 remain available until expended, consisting of such sums
4 as are available in the Trust Fund on September 30,
5 2026, and not otherwise appropriated from the Trust
6 Fund, as authorized by section 517(a) of the Superfund
7 Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)
8 and up to \$290,043,000 as a payment from general reve-
9 nues to the Hazardous Substance Superfund for purposes
10 as authorized by section 517(b) of SARA: *Provided*, That
11 funds appropriated under this heading may be allocated
12 to other Federal agencies in accordance with section
13 111(a) of CERCLA: *Provided further*, That of the funds
14 appropriated under this heading, \$11,328,000 shall be
15 paid to the “Office of Inspector General” appropriation
16 to remain available until September 30, 2028, and
17 \$17,216,000 shall be paid to the “Science and Tech-
18 nology” appropriation to remain available until September
19 30, 2028.

20 LEAKING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK TRUST FUND
21 PROGRAM

22 For necessary expenses to carry out leaking under-
23 ground storage tank cleanup activities authorized by sub-
24 title I of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, \$53,259,000, to
25 remain available until expended, which shall be for car-

1 rying out leaking underground storage tank cleanup ac-
 2 tivities authorized by section 9003(h) of the Solid Waste
 3 Disposal Act: *Provided*, That the Administrator is author-
 4 ized to use appropriations made available under this head-
 5 ing to implement section 9013 of the Solid Waste Disposal
 6 Act to provide financial assistance to federally recognized
 7 Indian Tribes for the development and implementation of
 8 programs to manage underground storage tanks.

9 INLAND OIL SPILL PROGRAMS

10 For expenses necessary to carry out the Environ-
 11 mental Protection Agency's responsibilities under the Oil
 12 Pollution Act of 1990, including hire, maintenance, and
 13 operation of aircraft, \$16,085,000, to be derived from the
 14 Oil Spill Liability trust fund, to remain available until ex-
 15 pended.

16 STATE AND TRIBAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

17 For environmental programs and infrastructure as-
 18 sistance, including capitalization grants for State revolv-
 19 ing funds and performance partnership grants,
 20 \$3,696,414,000, to remain available until expended, of
 21 which—

22 (1) \$1,192,296,000 shall be for making capital-
 23 ization grants for the Clean Water State Revolving
 24 Funds under title VI of the Federal Water Pollution
 25 Control Act; and of which \$910,755,000 shall be for

1 making capitalization grants for the Drinking Water
2 State Revolving Funds under section 1452 of the
3 Safe Drinking Water Act: *Provided*, That
4 \$525,486,678 of the funds made available for cap-
5 italization grants for the Clean Water State Revolv-
6 ing Funds and \$506,395,022 of the funds made
7 available for capitalization grants for the Drinking
8 Water State Revolving Funds shall be for the con-
9 struction of drinking water, wastewater, and storm
10 water infrastructure and for water quality protection
11 in accordance with the terms and conditions speci-
12 fied for such grants in the report accompanying this
13 Act for projects specified for “STAG—Drinking
14 Water State Revolving Fund” and “STAG—Clean
15 Water State Revolving Fund” in the table titled “In-
16 terior and Environment Incorporation of Community
17 Project Funding Items” included in the report ac-
18 companying this Act, and, for purposes of these
19 grants, each grantee shall contribute not less than
20 20 percent of the cost of the project unless the
21 grantee is approved for a waiver by the Agency: *Pro-*
22 *vided further*, That the Administrator is authorized
23 to use up to \$1,500,000 of funds made available for
24 the Clean Water State Revolving Funds under this
25 heading under title VI of the Federal Water Pollu-

1 tion Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1381) to conduct the
2 Clean Watersheds Needs Survey: *Provided further*,
3 That notwithstanding section 603(d)(7) of the Fed-
4 eral Water Pollution Control Act, the limitation on
5 the amounts in a State water pollution control re-
6 volving fund that may be used by a State to admin-
7 ister the fund shall not apply to amounts included
8 as principal in loans made by such fund in fiscal
9 year 2027 and prior years where such amounts rep-
10 resent costs of administering the fund to the extent
11 that such amounts are or were deemed reasonable by
12 the Administrator, accounted for separately from
13 other assets in the fund, and used for eligible pur-
14 poses of the fund, including administration: *Provided*
15 *further*, That for fiscal year 2027, notwithstanding
16 the provisions of subsections (g)(1), (h), and (l) of
17 section 201 of the Federal Water Pollution Control
18 Act, grants made under title II of such Act for
19 American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the
20 Northern Marianas, the United States Virgin Is-
21 lands, and the District of Columbia may also be
22 made for the purpose of providing assistance: (1)
23 solely for facility plans, design activities, or plans,
24 specifications, and estimates for any proposed
25 project for the construction of treatment works; and

1 (2) for the construction, repair, or replacement of
2 privately owned treatment works serving one or
3 more principal residences or small commercial estab-
4 lishments: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year
5 2027, notwithstanding the provisions of such sub-
6 sections (g)(1), (h), and (l) of section 201 and sec-
7 tion 518(c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control
8 Act, funds reserved by the Administrator for grants
9 under section 518(c) of the Federal Water Pollution
10 Control Act may also be used to provide assistance:
11 (1) solely for facility plans, design activities, or
12 plans, specifications, and estimates for any proposed
13 project for the construction of treatment works; and
14 (2) for the construction, repair, or replacement of
15 privately owned treatment works serving one or
16 more principal residences or small commercial estab-
17 lishments: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year
18 2027, notwithstanding any provision of the Federal
19 Water Pollution Control Act and regulations issued
20 pursuant thereof, up to a total of \$2,000,000 of the
21 funds reserved by the Administrator for grants
22 under section 518(c) of such Act may also be used
23 for grants for training, technical assistance, and
24 educational programs relating to the operation and
25 management of the treatment works specified in sec-

1 tion 518(c) of such Act: *Provided further*, That for
2 fiscal year 2027, funds reserved under section
3 518(c) of such Act shall be available for grants only
4 to Indian Tribes, as defined in section 518(h) of
5 such Act and former Indian reservations in Okla-
6 homa (as determined by the Secretary of the Inte-
7 rior) and Native Villages as defined in Public Law
8 92–203: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year 2027,
9 notwithstanding the limitation on amounts in section
10 518(c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act,
11 up to a total of 2 percent of the funds appropriated,
12 or \$30,000,000, whichever is greater, and notwith-
13 standing the limitation on amounts in section
14 1452(i) of the Safe Drinking Water Act, up to a
15 total of 2 percent of the funds appropriated, or
16 \$20,000,000, whichever is greater, for State Revolv-
17 ing Funds under such Acts may be reserved by the
18 Administrator for grants under section 518(c) and
19 section 1452(i) of such Acts: *Provided further*, That
20 for fiscal year 2027, notwithstanding the amounts
21 specified in section 205(c) of the Federal Water Pol-
22 lution Control Act, up to 1.5 percent of the aggre-
23 gate funds appropriated for the Clean Water State
24 Revolving Fund program under the Act less any
25 sums reserved under section 518(c) of the Act, may

1 be reserved by the Administrator for grants made
2 under title II of the Federal Water Pollution Control
3 Act for American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth
4 of the Northern Marianas, and United States Virgin
5 Islands: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year 2027,
6 notwithstanding the limitations on amounts specified
7 in section 1452(j) of the Safe Drinking Water Act,
8 up to 1.5 percent of the funds appropriated for the
9 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund programs
10 under the Safe Drinking Water Act may be reserved
11 by the Administrator for grants made under section
12 1452(j) of the Safe Drinking Water Act: *Provided*
13 *further*, That 10 percent of the funds made available
14 under this title to each State for Clean Water State
15 Revolving Fund capitalization grants and 14 percent
16 of the funds made available under this title to each
17 State for Drinking Water State Revolving Fund cap-
18 italization grants shall be used by the State to pro-
19 vide additional subsidy to eligible recipients in the
20 form of forgiveness of principal, negative interest
21 loans, or grants (or any combination of these), and
22 shall be so used by the State only where such funds
23 are provided as initial financing for an eligible re-
24 cipient or to buy, refinance, or restructure the debt
25 obligations of eligible recipients only where such debt

1 was incurred on or after the date of enactment of
2 this Act, or where such debt was incurred prior to
3 the date of enactment of this Act if the State, with
4 concurrence from the Administrator, determines that
5 such funds could be used to help address a threat
6 to public health from heightened exposure to lead in
7 drinking water or if a Federal or State emergency
8 declaration has been issued due to a threat to public
9 health from heightened exposure to lead in a munic-
10 ipal drinking water supply before the date of enact-
11 ment of this Act: *Provided further*, That in a State
12 in which such an emergency declaration has been
13 issued, the State may use more than 14 percent of
14 the funds made available under this title to the
15 State for Drinking Water State Revolving Fund cap-
16 italization grants to provide additional subsidy to eli-
17 gible recipients: *Provided further*, That notwith-
18 standing section 1452(o) of the Safe Drinking Water
19 Act (42 U.S.C. 300j-12(o)), the Administrator shall
20 reserve up to \$12,000,000 of the amounts made
21 available for fiscal year 2027 for making capitaliza-
22 tion grants for the Drinking Water State Revolving
23 Funds to pay the costs of monitoring for unregu-
24 lated contaminants under section 1445(a)(2)(C) of
25 such Act: *Provided further*, That the funds made

1 available under this heading for Community Project
2 Funding grants in this or prior appropriations Acts
3 are not subject to compliance with Federal procure-
4 ment requirements for competition and methods of
5 procurement applicable to Federal financial assist-
6 ance, if a Community Project Funding recipient has
7 procured services or products through contracts en-
8 tered into prior to the date of enactment of this Act
9 that complied with State and/or local laws governing
10 competition;

11 (2) \$35,000,000 shall be for architectural, engi-
12 neering, planning, design, construction and related
13 activities in connection with the construction of high
14 priority water and wastewater facilities in the area
15 of the United States-Mexico border, after consulta-
16 tion with the appropriate border commission: *Pro-*
17 *vided*, That no funds provided by this appropriations
18 Act to address the water, wastewater and other crit-
19 ical infrastructure needs of the colonias in the
20 United States along the United States-Mexico bor-
21 der shall be made available to a county or municipal
22 government unless that government has established
23 an enforceable local ordinance, or other zoning rule,
24 which prevents in that jurisdiction the development
25 or construction of any additional colonia areas, or

1 the development within an existing colonia the con-
2 struction of any new home, business, or other struc-
3 ture which lacks water, wastewater, or other nec-
4 essary infrastructure;

5 (3) \$20,000,000 shall be for grants to the State
6 of Alaska to address drinking water and wastewater
7 infrastructure needs of rural and Alaska Native Vil-
8 lages: *Provided*, That of these funds: (A) the State
9 of Alaska shall provide a match of 25 percent; (B)
10 no more than 5 percent of the funds may be used
11 for administrative and overhead expenses; and (C)
12 the State of Alaska shall make awards consistent
13 with the Statewide priority list established in con-
14 junction with the Agency and the U.S. Department
15 of Agriculture for all water, sewer, waste disposal,
16 and similar projects carried out by the State of Alas-
17 ka that are funded under section 221 of the Federal
18 Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1301) or
19 the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act
20 (7 U.S.C. 1921 et seq.) which shall allocate not less
21 than 25 percent of the funds provided for projects
22 in regional hub communities;

23 (4) \$85,100,000 shall be to carry out section
24 104(k) of the Comprehensive Environmental Re-
25 sponse, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980

1 (CERCLA), including grants, interagency agree-
2 ments, and associated program support costs: *Pro-*
3 *vided*, That at least 10 percent shall be allocated for
4 assistance in persistent poverty counties: *Provided*
5 *further*, That for purposes of this section, the term
6 “persistent poverty counties” means any county that
7 has had 20 percent or more of its population living
8 in poverty over the past 30 years, as measured by
9 the 1993 Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates,
10 the 2000 decennial census, and the most recent
11 Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates, or any
12 territory or possession of the United States;

13 (5) \$90,000,000 shall be for grants under title
14 VII, subtitle G of the Energy Policy Act of 2005;

15 (6) \$67,800,000 shall be for targeted airshed
16 grants in accordance with the terms and conditions
17 in the report accompanying this Act;

18 (7) \$28,500,000 shall be for grants under sub-
19 sections (a) through (j) of section 1459A of the Safe
20 Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300j–19a): *Pro-*
21 *vided*, That for fiscal year 2027, funds provided
22 under subsections (a) through (j) of such section of
23 such Act may be used—

24 (A) by a State to provide assistance to
25 benefit one or more owners of drinking water

1 wells that are not public water systems or con-
2 nected to a public water system for necessary
3 and appropriate activities related to a contami-
4 nant pursuant to subsection (j) of such section
5 of such Act; and

6 (B) to support a community described in
7 subsection (c)(2) of such section of such Act;

8 (8) \$28,000,000 shall be for grants under sec-
9 tion 1464(d) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42
10 U.S.C. 300j–24(d));

11 (9) \$22,000,000 shall be for grants under sec-
12 tion 1459B of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42
13 U.S.C. 300j–19b);

14 (10) \$7,500,000 shall be for grants under sec-
15 tion 1459A(l) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42
16 U.S.C. 300j–19a(l));

17 (11) \$26,000,000 shall be for grants under sec-
18 tion 104(b)(8) of the Federal Water Pollution Con-
19 trol Act (33 U.S.C. 1254(b)(8));

20 (12) \$5,000,000 shall be for grants under sec-
21 tion 220 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act
22 (33 U.S.C. 1300);

23 (13) \$42,000,000 shall be for grants under sec-
24 tion 221 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act
25 (33 U.S.C. 1301);

1 (14) \$5,000,000 shall be for grants under sec-
2 tion 4304(b) of the America’s Water Infrastructure
3 Act of 2018 (Public Law 115–270);

4 (15) \$3,500,000 shall be for carrying out sec-
5 tion 302(a) of the Save Our Seas 2.0 Act (33 U.S.C.
6 4282(a)), of which not more than 2 percent shall be
7 for administrative costs to carry out such section:
8 *Provided*, That notwithstanding section 302(a) of
9 such Act, the Administrator may also provide grants
10 pursuant to such authority to intertribal consortia
11 consistent with the requirements in 40 CFR
12 35.504(a), to former Indian reservations in Okla-
13 homa (as determined by the Secretary of the Inte-
14 rior), and Alaska Native Villages as defined in Pub-
15 lic Law 92–203;

16 (16) \$2,250,000 shall be for grants under sec-
17 tion 1459F of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42
18 U.S.C. 300j–19g);

19 (17) \$7,000,000 shall be for carrying out sec-
20 tion 2001 of the America’s Water Infrastructure Act
21 of 2018 (Public Law 115–270, 42 U.S.C. 300j–3c
22 note): *Provided*, That the Administrator may award
23 grants to and enter into contracts with Tribes, inter-
24 tribal consortia, public or private agencies, institu-
25 tions, organizations, and individuals, without regard

1 to section 3324(a) and (b) of title 31 and section
2 6101 of title 41, United States Code, and enter into
3 interagency agreements as appropriate;

4 (18) \$2,000,000 shall be for grants under sec-
5 tion 50217(b) of the Infrastructure Investment and
6 Jobs Act (33 U.S.C. 1302f(b); Public Law 117–58);

7 (19) \$3,500,000 shall be for grants under sec-
8 tion 124 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act
9 (33 U.S.C. 1276); and

10 (20) \$1,113,213,000 shall be for grants, includ-
11 ing associated program support costs, to States, fed-
12 erally recognized Tribes, interstate agencies, Tribal
13 consortia, and air pollution control agencies for
14 multi-media or single media pollution prevention,
15 control and abatement, and related activities, includ-
16 ing activities pursuant to the provisions set forth
17 under this heading in Public Law 104–134, and for
18 making grants under section 103 of the Clean Air
19 Act for particulate matter monitoring and data col-
20 lection activities subject to terms and conditions
21 specified by the Administrator, and under section
22 2301 of the Water and Waste Act of 2016 to assist
23 States in developing and implementing programs for
24 control of coal combustion residuals, of which:
25 \$46,250,000 shall be for carrying out section 128 of

1 CERCLA; \$9,500,000 shall be for Environmental
2 Information Exchange Network grants, including as-
3 sociated program support costs; \$1,475,000 shall be
4 for grants to States under section 2007(f)(2) of the
5 Solid Waste Disposal Act, which shall be in addition
6 to funds appropriated under the heading “Leaking
7 Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund Program”
8 to carry out the provisions of the Solid Waste Dis-
9 posal Act specified in section 9508(c) of the Internal
10 Revenue Code other than section 9003(h) of the
11 Solid Waste Disposal Act; \$18,512,000 of the funds
12 available for grants under section 106 of the Federal
13 Water Pollution Control Act shall be for State par-
14 ticipation in national- and State-level statistical sur-
15 veys of water resources and enhancements to State
16 monitoring programs.

17 WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AND INNOVATION
18 PROGRAM ACCOUNT

19 For the cost of direct loans and for the cost of guar-
20 anteed loans, as authorized by the Water Infrastructure
21 Finance and Innovation Act of 2014, \$64,634,000, to re-
22 main available until expended: *Provided*, That such costs,
23 including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as de-
24 fined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of
25 1974: *Provided further*, That these funds are available to

1 subsidize gross obligations for the principal amount of di-
2 rect loans, including capitalized interest, and total loan
3 principal, including capitalized interest, any part of which
4 is to be guaranteed, not to exceed \$12,500,000,000: *Pro-*
5 *vided further*, That of the funds made available under this
6 heading, \$5,000,000 shall be used solely for the cost of
7 direct loans and for the cost of guaranteed loans for
8 projects described in section 5026(9) of the Water Infra-
9 structure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 to State
10 infrastructure financing authorities, as authorized by sec-
11 tion 5033(e) of such Act: *Provided further*, That the use
12 of direct loans or loan guarantee authority under this
13 heading for direct loans or commitments to guarantee
14 loans for any project shall be in accordance with the cri-
15 teria published in the Federal Register on June 30, 2020
16 (85 FR 39189) pursuant to the fourth proviso under the
17 heading “Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation
18 Program Account” in division D of the Further Consoli-
19 dated Appropriations Act, 2020 (Public Law 116–94):
20 *Provided further*, That none of the direct loans or loan
21 guarantee authority made available under this heading
22 shall be available for any project unless the Administrator
23 and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget
24 have certified in advance in writing that the direct loan
25 or loan guarantee, as applicable, and the project comply

1 with the criteria referenced in the previous proviso: *Pro-*
2 *vided further*, That, for the purposes of carrying out the
3 Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Director of the
4 Congressional Budget Office may request, and the Admin-
5 istrator shall promptly provide, documentation and infor-
6 mation relating to a project identified in a Letter of Inter-
7 est submitted to the Administrator pursuant to a Notice
8 of Funding Availability for applications for credit assist-
9 ance under the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innova-
10 tion Act Program, including with respect to a project that
11 was initiated or completed before the date of enactment
12 of this Act.

13 In addition, fees authorized to be collected pursuant
14 to sections 5029 and 5030 of the Water Infrastructure
15 Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 shall be deposited
16 in this account, to remain available until expended.

17 In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out
18 the direct and guaranteed loan programs, notwithstanding
19 section 5033 of the Water Infrastructure Finance and In-
20 novation Act of 2014, \$7,640,000, to remain available
21 until September 30, 2028.

22 GOOD SAMARITAN MINE REMEDIATION
23 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

24 For necessary expenses to implement the Good Sa-
25 maritan Remediation of Abandoned Hardrock Mines Act

1 of 2024 (Public Law 118–155; 30 U.S.C. 1245 note),
2 \$1,700,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*,
3 That the Administrator is authorized to transfer such
4 sums as may be necessary from the Good Samaritan Mine
5 Remediation Fund, authorized by section 5 of such Act,
6 to the head of any Federal land management agency to
7 carry out activities authorized by such Act; enter into
8 interagency agreements with the head of any Federal de-
9 partment or agency to carry out activities authorized by
10 such Act; and make grants to States, local governments,
11 interstate agencies, Tribes, intertribal consortia, Alaska
12 Native Regional Corporations, Alaska Native Village Cor-
13 porations, nonprofit organizations or associations, institu-
14 tions, and individuals for planning, research, monitoring,
15 outreach, and implementation in furtherance of such Act.

16 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—ENVIRONMENTAL

17 PROTECTION AGENCY

18 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

19 For fiscal year 2027, notwithstanding 31 U.S.C.
20 6303(1) and 6305(1), the Administrator of the Environ-
21 mental Protection Agency, in carrying out the Agency’s
22 function to implement directly Federal environmental pro-
23 grams required or authorized by law in the absence of an
24 acceptable Tribal program, may award cooperative agree-
25 ments to federally recognized Indian Tribes or Intertribal

1 consortia, if authorized by their member Tribes, to assist
2 the Administrator in implementing Federal environmental
3 programs for Indian Tribes required or authorized by law,
4 except that no such cooperative agreements may be award-
5 ed from funds designated for State financial assistance
6 agreements.

7 The Administrator of the Environmental Protection
8 Agency is authorized to collect and obligate pesticide reg-
9 istration service fees in accordance with section 33 of the
10 Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7
11 U.S.C. 136w–8), to remain available until expended.

12 Notwithstanding section 33(d)(2) of the Federal In-
13 secticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) (7
14 U.S.C. 136w–8(d)(2)), the Administrator of the Environ-
15 mental Protection Agency may assess fees under section
16 33 of FIFRA (7 U.S.C. 136w–8) for fiscal year 2027.

17 The Administrator of the Environmental Protection
18 Agency is authorized to collect and obligate fees in accord-
19 ance with section 3024 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act
20 (42 U.S.C. 6939g) for fiscal year 2027, to remain avail-
21 able until expended.

22 The Administrator is authorized to transfer up to
23 \$369,000,000 of the funds appropriated for the Great
24 Lakes Restoration Initiative under the heading “Environ-
25 mental Programs and Management” to the head of any

1 Federal department or agency, with the concurrence of
2 such head, to carry out activities that would support the
3 Great Lakes Restoration Initiative and Great Lakes
4 Water Quality Agreement programs, projects, or activities;
5 to enter into an interagency agreement with the head of
6 such Federal department or agency to carry out these ac-
7 tivities; and to make grants to governmental entities, non-
8 profit organizations, institutions, and individuals for plan-
9 ning, research, monitoring, outreach, and implementation
10 in furtherance of the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative
11 and the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement.

12 The Science and Technology, Environmental Pro-
13 grams and Management, Office of Inspector General, Haz-
14 ardous Substance Superfund, and Leaking Underground
15 Storage Tank Trust Fund Program Accounts, are avail-
16 able for the construction, alteration, repair, rehabilitation,
17 and renovation of facilities, provided that the cost does
18 not exceed \$300,000 per project.

19 For fiscal year 2027, and notwithstanding section
20 518(f) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33
21 U.S.C. 1377(f)), the Administrator is authorized to use
22 the amounts appropriated for any fiscal year under section
23 319 of the Act to make grants to Indian Tribes pursuant
24 to sections 319(h) and 518(e) of that Act.

1 The Administrator is authorized to use the amounts
2 appropriated under the heading “Environmental Pro-
3 grams and Management” for fiscal year 2027 to provide
4 grants to implement the Southeast New England Water-
5 shed Restoration Program.

6 Notwithstanding the limitations on amounts in sec-
7 tion 320(i)(2)(B) of the Federal Water Pollution Control
8 Act, not less than \$2,500,000 of the funds made available
9 under this title for the National Estuary Program shall
10 be for making competitive awards described in section
11 320(g)(4).

12 For fiscal year 2027, the Office of Chemical Safety
13 and Pollution Prevention and the Office of Water may,
14 using funds appropriated under the headings “Environ-
15 mental Programs and Management” and “Science and
16 Technology”, contract directly with individuals or indi-
17 rectly with institutions or nonprofit organizations, without
18 regard to 41 U.S.C. 5, for the temporary or intermittent
19 personal services of students or recent graduates, who
20 shall be considered employees for the purposes of chapters
21 57 and 81 of title 5, United States Code, relating to com-
22 pensation for travel and work injuries, and chapter 171
23 of title 28, United States Code, relating to tort claims,
24 but shall not be considered to be Federal employees for
25 any other purpose: *Provided*, That amounts used for this

1 purpose by the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution
2 Prevention and the Office of Water collectively may not
3 exceed \$2,000,000.

4 The Environmental Protection agency shall provide
5 the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Rep-
6 resentatives and Senate with copies of any available De-
7 partment of Treasury quarterly certification of trust fund
8 receipts collected from section 13601 of Public Law 117–
9 169 and section 80201 of Public Law 117–58, an annual
10 operating plan for such receipts showing amounts allo-
11 cated by program area and program project, and quarterly
12 reports for such receipts of obligated balances by program
13 area and program project.

1 TITLE III
2 RELATED AGENCIES
3 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
4 OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR NATURAL
5 RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

6 For necessary expenses of the Office of the Under
7 Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment,
8 \$1,000,000: *Provided*, That funds made available by this
9 Act to any agency in the Natural Resources and Environ-
10 ment mission area for salaries and expenses are available
11 to fund up to one administrative support staff for the of-
12 fice.

13 FOREST SERVICE
14 FOREST SERVICE OPERATIONS
15 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

16 For necessary expenses of the Forest Service, not
17 otherwise provided for, \$1,000,283,000, to remain avail-
18 able through September 30, 2030: *Provided*, That a por-
19 tion of the funds made available under this heading shall
20 be for the base salary and expenses of employees in the
21 Chief's Office, the Work Environment and Performance
22 Office, the Business Operations Deputy Area, and the
23 Chief Financial Officer's Office to carry out administra-
24 tive and general management support functions: *Provided*
25 *further*, That funds provided under this heading shall be

1 available for the costs of facility maintenance, repairs, and
2 leases for buildings and sites where these administrative,
3 general management and other Forest Service support
4 functions take place; the costs of all utility and tele-
5 communication expenses of the Forest Service, as well as
6 business services; and, for information technology, includ-
7 ing cybersecurity requirements: *Provided further*, That
8 funds provided under this heading may be used for nec-
9 essary expenses to carry out administrative and general
10 management support functions of the Forest Service not
11 otherwise provided for and necessary for its operation.

12 FOREST AND RANGELAND RESEARCH

13 For necessary expenses of forest and rangeland re-
14 search as authorized by law, \$295,000,000, to remain
15 available through September 30, 2030: *Provided*, That of
16 the funds provided, \$34,000,000 is for the forest inventory
17 and analysis program: *Provided further*, That all authori-
18 ties for the use of funds, including the use of contracts,
19 grants, and cooperative agreements, available to execute
20 the Forest and Rangeland Research appropriation, are
21 also available in the utilization of these funds for Fire
22 Science Research.

23 STATE, PRIVATE, AND TRIBAL FORESTRY

24 For necessary expenses of cooperating with and pro-
25 viding technical and financial assistance to States, terri-

1 tories, possessions, Tribes, and others, and for forest
2 health management, including for invasive plants, and
3 conducting an international program and trade activities
4 as authorized, \$283,500,000, to remain available through
5 September 30, 2030, as authorized by law.

6 NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM

7 For necessary expenses of the Forest Service, not
8 otherwise provided for, for management, protection, im-
9 provement, and utilization of the National Forest System,
10 and for hazardous fuels management on or adjacent to
11 such lands, \$1,876,907,000, to remain available through
12 September 30, 2030: *Provided*, That of the funds pro-
13 vided, \$31,000,000 shall be deposited in the Collaborative
14 Forest Landscape Restoration Fund for ecological restora-
15 tion treatments as authorized by 16 U.S.C. 7303(f): *Pro-*
16 *vided further*, That of the funds provided, \$45,000,000
17 shall be for forest products: *Provided further*, That of the
18 funds provided, \$185,000,000 shall be for hazardous fuels
19 management activities, of which not to exceed
20 \$30,000,000 may be used to make grants, using any au-
21 thorities available to the Forest Service under the “State,
22 Private, and Tribal Forestry” appropriation, for the pur-
23 pose of creating incentives for increased use of biomass
24 from National Forest System lands: *Provided further*,
25 That \$20,000,000 may be used by the Secretary of Agri-

1 culture to enter into procurement contracts or cooperative
2 agreements or to issue grants for hazardous fuels manage-
3 ment activities, and for training or monitoring associated
4 with such hazardous fuels management activities on Fed-
5 eral land, or on non-Federal land if the Secretary deter-
6 mines such activities benefit resources on Federal land:
7 *Provided further*, That funds made available to implement
8 the Community Forest Restoration Act, Public Law 106–
9 393, title VI, shall be available for use on non-Federal
10 lands in accordance with authorities made available to the
11 Forest Service under the “State, Private, and Tribal For-
12 estry” appropriation: *Provided further*, That notwith-
13 standing section 33 of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant
14 Act (7 U.S.C. 1012), the Secretary of Agriculture, in cal-
15 culating a fee for grazing on a National Grassland, may
16 provide a credit of up to 50 percent of the calculated fee
17 to a Grazing Association or direct permittee for a con-
18 servation practice approved by the Secretary in advance
19 of the fiscal year in which the cost of the conservation
20 practice is incurred, and that the amount credited shall
21 remain available to the Grazing Association or the direct
22 permittee, as appropriate, in the fiscal year in which the
23 credit is made and each fiscal year thereafter for use on
24 the project for conservation practices approved by the Sec-
25 retary: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated to this

1 account shall be available for the base salary and expenses
2 of employees that carry out the functions funded by the
3 “Capital Improvement and Maintenance” account, the
4 “Range Betterment Fund” account, and the “Manage-
5 ment of National Forest Lands for Subsistence Uses” ac-
6 count.

7 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE

8 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

9 For necessary expenses of the Forest Service, not
10 otherwise provided for, \$152,800,000, to remain available
11 through September 30, 2030, for construction, capital im-
12 provement, maintenance, and acquisition of buildings and
13 other facilities and infrastructure; for construction, recon-
14 struction, and decommissioning of unauthorized roads
15 that are not part of the transportation system; and for
16 maintenance of forest roads and trails by the Forest Serv-
17 ice as authorized by 16 U.S.C. 532–538 and 23 U.S.C.
18 101 and 205: *Provided*, That \$7,000,000 shall be for ac-
19 tivities authorized by 16 U.S.C. 538(a): *Provided further*,
20 That funds becoming available in fiscal year 2027 under
21 the Act of March 4, 1913 (16 U.S.C. 501) shall be trans-
22 ferred to the General Fund of the Treasury and shall not
23 be available for transfer or obligation for any other pur-
24 pose unless the funds are appropriated.

1 ACQUISITION OF LANDS FOR NATIONAL FORESTS SPECIAL
2 ACTS

3 For acquisition of lands within the exterior bound-
4 aries of the Cache, Uinta, and Wasatch National Forests,
5 Utah; the Toiyabe National Forest, Nevada; and the An-
6 geles, San Bernardino, Sequoia, and Cleveland National
7 Forests, California; and the Ozark-St. Francis and
8 Ouachita National Forests, Arkansas; as authorized by
9 law, \$664,000, to be derived from forest receipts.

10 ACQUISITION OF LANDS TO COMPLETE LAND EXCHANGES

11 For acquisition of lands, such sums, to be derived
12 from funds deposited by State, county, or municipal gov-
13 ernments, public school districts, or other public school au-
14 thorities, and for authorized expenditures from funds de-
15 posited by non-Federal parties pursuant to Land Sale and
16 Exchange Acts, pursuant to the Act of December 4, 1967
17 (16 U.S.C. 484a), to remain available through September
18 30, 2030, (16 U.S.C. 516–617a, 555a; Public Law 96–
19 586; Public Law 76–589, Public Law 76–591; and Public
20 Law 78–310).

21 RANGE BETTERMENT FUND

22 For necessary expenses of range rehabilitation, pro-
23 tection, and improvement, 50 percent of all moneys re-
24 ceived during the prior fiscal year, as fees for grazing do-
25 mestic livestock on lands in National Forests in the 16

1 Western States, pursuant to section 401(b)(1) of Public
2 Law 94–579, to remain available through September 30,
3 2030, of which not to exceed 6 percent shall be available
4 for administrative expenses associated with on-the-ground
5 range rehabilitation, protection, and improvements.

6 GIFTS, DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS FOR FOREST AND
7 RANGELAND RESEARCH

8 For expenses authorized by 16 U.S.C. 1643(b),
9 \$45,000, to remain available through September 30, 2030,
10 to be derived from the fund established pursuant to the
11 above Act.

12 MANAGEMENT OF NATIONAL FOREST LANDS FOR
13 SUBSISTENCE USES

14 For necessary expenses of the Forest Service to man-
15 age Federal lands in Alaska for subsistence uses under
16 title VIII of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conserva-
17 tion Act (16 U.S.C. 3111 et seq.), \$1,099,000, to remain
18 available through September 30, 2030.

19 WILDLAND FIRE MANAGEMENT
20 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

21 For necessary expenses for forest fire presuppression
22 activities on National Forest System lands, for emergency
23 wildland fire suppression on or adjacent to such lands or
24 other lands under fire protection agreement, and for emer-
25 gency rehabilitation of burned-over National Forest Sys-

1 tem lands and water, \$2,628,000,000, to remain available
2 until expended: *Provided*, That such funds, including un-
3 obligated balances under this heading, are available for re-
4 payment of advances from other appropriations accounts
5 previously transferred for such purposes: *Provided further*,
6 That any unobligated funds appropriated in a previous fis-
7 cal year for hazardous fuels management may be trans-
8 ferred to the “National Forest System” account: *Provided*
9 *further*, That such funds shall be available to reimburse
10 State and other cooperating entities for services provided
11 in response to wildfire, search and rescue, and other emer-
12 gencies or disasters to the extent such reimbursements by
13 the Forest Service for non-fire emergencies are fully re-
14 paid by the responsible emergency management agency:
15 *Provided further*, That funds provided shall be available
16 for support to Federal emergency response: *Provided fur-*
17 *ther*, That the costs of implementing any cooperative
18 agreement between the Federal Government and any non-
19 Federal entity may be shared, as mutually agreed on by
20 the affected parties: *Provided further*, That of the funds
21 provided under this heading, \$1,011,000,000 shall be
22 available for wildfire suppression operations, and is pro-
23 vided to meet the terms of section 251(b)(2)(F)(ii)(I) of
24 the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act
25 of 1985.

1 WILDFIRE SUPPRESSION OPERATIONS RESERVE FUND
2 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

3 In addition to the amounts provided under the head-
4 ing “Department of Agriculture—Forest Service—
5 Wildland Fire Management” for wildfire suppression oper-
6 ations, \$2,570,000,000, to remain available until trans-
7 ferred, is additional new budget authority as specified for
8 purposes of section 251(b)(2)(F) of the Balanced Budget
9 and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985: *Provided*,
10 That such amounts may be transferred to and merged
11 with amounts made available under the headings “Depart-
12 ment of the Interior—U.S. Wildland Fire Service—
13 Wildland Fire Service Operations” and “Department of
14 Agriculture—Forest Service—Wildland Fire Manage-
15 ment” for wildfire suppression operations in the fiscal year
16 in which such amounts are transferred: *Provided further*,
17 That amounts may be transferred to the “Wildland Fire
18 Management” account in the Department of Agriculture
19 or the “Wildland Fire Service Operations” account in the
20 Department of the Interior only upon the notification of
21 the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations that
22 all wildfire suppression operations funds appropriated
23 under such headings in this Act and under the headings
24 “Department of the Interior—Department-Wide Pro-
25 grams—Wild land Fire Management” and “Department

1 of Agriculture—Forest Service—Wildland Fire Manage-
2 ment” in prior appropriations Acts to the agency to which
3 the funds will be transferred will be obligated within 30
4 days: *Provided further*, That the transfer authority pro-
5 vided under this heading is in addition to any other trans-
6 fer authority provided by law: *Provided further*, That, in
7 determining whether all wildfire suppression operations
8 funds appropriated under the heading “Wildland Fire
9 Service Operations” in this Act and “Wildland Fire Man-
10 agement” in this and prior appropriations Acts to either
11 the Department of Agriculture or the Department of the
12 Interior will be obligated within 30 days pursuant to the
13 preceding proviso, any funds transferred or permitted to
14 be transferred pursuant to any other transfer authority
15 provided by law shall be excluded.

16 COMMUNICATIONS SITE ADMINISTRATION

17 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

18 Amounts collected in this fiscal year pursuant to sec-
19 tion 8705(f)(2) of the Agriculture Improvement Act of
20 2018 (Public Law 115–334), shall be deposited in the spe-
21 cial account established by section 8705(f)(1) of such Act,
22 shall be available to cover the costs described in subsection
23 (c)(3) of such section of such Act, and shall remain avail-
24 able until expended: *Provided*, That such amounts shall
25 be transferred to the “National Forest System” account.

1 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FOREST SERVICE
2 (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

3 Appropriations to the Forest Service for the current
4 fiscal year shall be available for: (1) purchase of passenger
5 motor vehicles; acquisition of passenger motor vehicles
6 from excess sources, and hire of such vehicles; purchase,
7 lease, operation, maintenance, and acquisition of aircraft
8 to maintain the operable fleet for use in Forest Service
9 wildland fire programs and other Forest Service programs;
10 notwithstanding other provisions of law, existing aircraft
11 being replaced may be sold, with proceeds derived or
12 trade-in value used to offset the purchase price for the
13 replacement aircraft; (2) services pursuant to 7 U.S.C.
14 2225, and not to exceed \$100,000 for employment under
15 5 U.S.C. 3109; (3) purchase, erection, and alteration of
16 buildings and other public improvements (7 U.S.C. 2250);
17 (4) acquisition of land, waters, and interests therein pur-
18 suant to 7 U.S.C. 428a; (5) for expenses pursuant to the
19 Volunteers in the National Forest Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C.
20 558a, 558d, and 558a note); (6) the cost of uniforms as
21 authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901–5902; and (7) for debt col-
22 lection contracts in accordance with 31 U.S.C. 3718(c).
23 Funds made available to the Forest Service in this
24 Act may be transferred between accounts affected by the
25 Forest Service budget restructure outlined in section 435

1 of division D of the Further Consolidated Appropriations
2 Act, 2020 (Public Law 116–94): *Provided*, That any
3 transfer of funds pursuant to this paragraph shall not in-
4 crease or decrease the funds appropriated to any account
5 in this fiscal year by more than ten percent: *Provided fur-*
6 *ther*, That such transfer authority is in addition to any
7 other transfer authority provided by law.

8 Any appropriations or funds available to the Forest
9 Service may be transferred to the Wildland Fire Manage-
10 ment appropriation for forest firefighting, emergency re-
11 habilitation of burned-over or damaged lands or waters
12 under its jurisdiction, and fire preparedness due to severe
13 burning conditions upon the Secretary of Agriculture’s no-
14 tification of the House and Senate Committees on Appro-
15 priations that all fire suppression funds appropriated
16 under the heading “Wildland Fire Management” will be
17 obligated within 30 days: *Provided*, That all funds used
18 pursuant to this paragraph must be replenished by a sup-
19 plemental appropriation which must be requested as
20 promptly as possible.

21 Not more than \$50,000,000 of funds appropriated to
22 the Forest Service shall be available for expenditure or
23 transfer to the Department of the Interior for wildland
24 fire management, hazardous fuels management, and State

1 fire assistance when such transfers would facilitate and
2 expedite wildland fire management programs and projects.

3 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the
4 Forest Service may transfer unobligated balances of dis-
5 cretionary funds appropriated to the Forest Service by
6 this Act to or within the National Forest System Account,
7 or reprogram funds to be used for the purposes of haz-
8 ardous fuels management and urgent rehabilitation of
9 burned-over National Forest System lands and water: *Pro-*
10 *vided*, That such transferred funds shall remain available
11 through September 30, 2030: *Provided further*, That none
12 of the funds transferred pursuant to this paragraph shall
13 be available for obligation without written notification to
14 and the prior approval of the Committees on Appropria-
15 tions of both Houses of Congress.

16 Funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be
17 available for assistance to or through the U.S. Department
18 of State and other Federal agencies in connection with for-
19 est and rangeland research, technical information, and as-
20 sistance in foreign countries, and shall be available to sup-
21 port forestry and related natural resource activities out-
22 side the United States and its territories and possessions,
23 including technical assistance, education and training, and
24 cooperation with the United States government, private
25 sector, and international organizations: *Provided*, That the

1 International Programs and Trade may utilize all authori-
2 ties related to forestry, research, and cooperative assist-
3 ance regardless of program designations.

4 Funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be
5 available for expenditure or transfer to the Department
6 of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, for removal,
7 preparation, and adoption of excess wild horses and burros
8 from National Forest System lands, and for the perform-
9 ance of cadastral surveys to designate the boundaries of
10 such lands.

11 None of the funds made available to the Forest Serv-
12 ice in this Act or any other Act with respect to any fiscal
13 year shall be subject to transfer under the provisions of
14 section 702(b) of the Department of Agriculture Organic
15 Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2257), section 442 of Public Law
16 106–224 (7 U.S.C. 7772), or section 10417(b) of Public
17 Law 107–171 (7 U.S.C. 8316(b)).

18 Not more than \$82,000,000 of funds available to the
19 Forest Service shall be transferred to the Working Capital
20 Fund of the Department of Agriculture and not more than
21 \$14,500,000 of funds available to the Forest Service shall
22 be transferred to the Department of Agriculture for De-
23 partment Reimbursable Programs, commonly referred to
24 as Greenbook charges: *Provided*, That nothing in this
25 paragraph shall prohibit or limit the use of reimbursable

1 agreements requested by the Forest Service in order to
2 obtain information technology services, including tele-
3 communications and system modifications or enhance-
4 ments, from the Working Capital Fund of the Department
5 of Agriculture.

6 Of the funds available to the Forest Service, up to
7 \$5,000,000 shall be available for priority projects within
8 the scope of the approved budget, which shall be carried
9 out by the Youth Conservation Corps and shall be carried
10 out under the authority of the Public Lands Corps Act
11 of 1993 (16 U.S.C. 1721 et seq.).

12 Of the funds available to the Forest Service, \$4,000
13 is available to the Chief of the Forest Service for official
14 reception and representation expenses.

15 Pursuant to sections 405(b) and 410(b) of Public
16 Law 101–593, of the funds available to the Forest Service,
17 up to \$3,000,000 may be advanced in a lump sum to the
18 National Forest Foundation to aid conservation partner-
19 ship projects in support of the Forest Service mission,
20 without regard to when the Foundation incurs expenses,
21 for projects on or benefitting National Forest System
22 lands or related to Forest Service programs: *Provided*,
23 That of the Federal funds made available to the Founda-
24 tion, no more than \$300,000 shall be available for admin-
25 istrative expenses: *Provided further*, That the Foundation

1 shall obtain, by the end of the period of Federal financial
2 assistance, private contributions to match funds made
3 available by the Forest Service on at least a one-for-one
4 basis: *Provided further*, That the Foundation may transfer
5 Federal funds to a Federal or a non-Federal recipient for
6 a project at the same rate that the recipient has obtained
7 the non-Federal matching funds.

8 Pursuant to section 2(b)(2) of Public Law 98-244,
9 up to \$3,000,000 of the funds available to the Forest
10 Service may be advanced to the National Fish and Wildlife
11 Foundation in a lump sum to aid cost-share conservation
12 projects, without regard to when expenses are incurred,
13 on or benefitting National Forest System lands or related
14 to Forest Service programs: *Provided*, That such funds
15 shall be matched on at least a one-for-one basis by the
16 Foundation or its sub-recipients: *Provided further*, That
17 the Foundation may transfer Federal funds to a Federal
18 or non-Federal recipient for a project at the same rate
19 that the recipient has obtained the non-Federal matching
20 funds.

21 Any amounts made available to the Forest Service
22 in this fiscal year, including available collections, may be
23 used by the Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the
24 Chief of the Forest Service, to enter into Federal financial
25 assistance grants and cooperative agreements to support

1 forest or grassland collaboratives in the accomplishment
2 of activities benefitting both the public and the National
3 Forest System, Federal lands and adjacent non-Federal
4 lands. Eligible activities are those that will improve or en-
5 hance Federal investments, resources, or lands, including
6 for collaborative and collaboration-based activities, includ-
7 ing but not limited to facilitation, planning, and imple-
8 menting projects, technical assistance, administrative
9 functions, operational support, participant costs, and
10 other capacity support needs, as identified by the Forest
11 Service. Eligible recipients are Indian Tribal entities (de-
12 fined at 25 U.S.C. 5304(e)), state government, local gov-
13 ernments, private and nonprofit entities, for-profit organi-
14 zations, and educational institutions. The Secretary of Ag-
15 riculture, acting through the Chief of the Forest Service,
16 may enter into such cooperative agreements notwith-
17 standing chapter 63 of title 31 when the Secretary deter-
18 mines that the public interest will be benefited and that
19 there exists a mutual interest other than monetary consid-
20 erations. Transactions subject to Title 2 of the Code of
21 Federal Regulations shall be publicly advertised and re-
22 quire competition when required by such Title 2. For those
23 transactions not subject to Title 2 of the Code of Federal
24 Regulations, the agency may require public advertising
25 and competition when deemed appropriate. The term “for-

1 est and grassland collaboratives” means groups of individ-
2 uals or entities with diverse interests participating in a
3 cooperative process to share knowledge, ideas, and re-
4 sources about the protection, restoration, or enhancement
5 of natural and other resources on Federal and adjacent
6 non-Federal lands, the improvement or maintenance of
7 public access to Federal lands, or the reduction of risk
8 to such lands caused by natural disasters.

9 The 19th unnumbered paragraph under the heading
10 “Administrative Provisions, Forest Service” in title III of
11 Public Law 109–54 is amended in the first sentence by
12 inserting “and future Acts” after “funds available to the
13 Forest Service in this Act” and by striking “prior to the
14 date of enactment of this Act”.

15 Funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be
16 available for interactions with and providing technical as-
17 sistance to rural communities and natural resource-based
18 businesses for sustainable rural development purposes.

19 Funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be
20 available for payments to counties within the Columbia
21 River Gorge National Scenic Area, pursuant to section
22 14(c)(1) and (2), and section 16(a)(2) of Public Law 99–
23 663.

24 Any funds appropriated to the Forest Service may
25 be used to meet the non-Federal share requirement in sec-

1 tion 502(c) of the Older Americans Act of 1965 (42
2 U.S.C. 3056(c)(2)).

3 The Forest Service shall not assess funds for the pur-
4 pose of performing fire, administrative, and other facilities
5 maintenance and decommissioning.

6 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, of any
7 appropriations or funds available to the Forest Service,
8 not to exceed \$500,000 may be used to reimburse the Of-
9 fice of the General Counsel (OGC), Department of Agri-
10 culture, for travel and related expenses incurred as a re-
11 sult of OGC assistance or participation requested by the
12 Forest Service at meetings, training sessions, management
13 reviews, land purchase negotiations, and similar matters
14 unrelated to civil litigation: *Provided*, That future budget
15 justifications for both the Forest Service and the Depart-
16 ment of Agriculture should clearly display the sums pre-
17 viously transferred and the sums requested for transfer.

18 An eligible individual who is employed in any project
19 funded under title V of the Older Americans Act of 1965
20 (42 U.S.C. 3056 et seq.) and administered by the Forest
21 Service shall be considered to be a Federal employee for
22 purposes of chapter 171 of title 28, United States Code.

23 The Forest Service may employ or contract with an
24 individual who is enrolled in a training program at a long-
25 standing Civilian Conservation Center (as defined in sec-

tion 147(d) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3197(d))) at regular rates of pay for necessary hours of work on National Forest System lands.

Funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be available to pay, from a single account, the base salary and expenses of employees who carry out functions funded by other accounts for Enterprise Program, Geospatial Technology and Applications Center, remnant Natural Resource Manager, Job Corps, and National Technology and Development Program.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN
SERVICES

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES

For expenses necessary to carry out the Act of August 5, 1954 (68 Stat. 674), the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, and titles II and III of the Public Health Service Act with respect to the Indian Health Service, \$402,930,000, to remain available until September 30, 2028, except as otherwise provided herein, which shall be in addition to funds previously appropriated under this heading that became available on October 1, 2026; in addition, \$173,673,000, to remain available until September 30, 2028, for the Electronic Health Record System and

1 the Indian Healthcare Improvement Fund, of which
2 \$78,673,000 is for the Indian Health Care Improvement
3 Fund and may be used, as needed, to carry out activities
4 typically funded under the Indian Health Facilities ac-
5 count; and, in addition, \$5,192,661,000, which shall be-
6 come available on October 1, 2027, and remain available
7 through September 30, 2029, except as otherwise provided
8 herein; together with payments received during the fiscal
9 year pursuant to sections 231(b) and 233 of the Public
10 Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 238(b) and 238b), for serv-
11 ices furnished by the Indian Health Service: *Provided*,
12 That funds made available to Tribes and Tribal organiza-
13 tions through contracts, grant agreements, or any other
14 agreements or compacts authorized by the Indian Self-De-
15 termination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (25
16 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), shall be deemed to be obligated at
17 the time of the grant or contract award and thereafter
18 shall remain available to the Tribe or Tribal organization
19 without fiscal year limitation: *Provided further*, That from
20 the amounts that become available on October 1, 2027,
21 \$2,500,000 shall be available for grants or contracts with
22 public or private institutions to provide alcohol or drug
23 treatment services to Indians, including alcohol detoxifica-
24 tion services: *Provided further*, That from the amounts
25 that become available on October 1, 2027, \$1,055,713,000

1 shall remain available until expended for Purchased/Re-
2 ferred Care: *Provided further*, That of the total amount
3 specified in the preceding proviso for Purchased/Referred
4 Care, \$54,000,000 shall be for the Indian Catastrophic
5 Health Emergency Fund: *Provided further*, That from the
6 amounts that become available on October 1, 2027, up to
7 \$53,000,000 shall remain available until expended for im-
8 plementation of the loan repayment program under section
9 108 of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act: *Provided*
10 *further*, That from the amounts that become available on
11 October 1, 2027, \$58,000,000, to remain available until
12 expended, shall be for costs related to or resulting from
13 accreditation emergencies, including supplementing activi-
14 ties funded under the heading “Indian Health Facilities”,
15 of which up to \$4,000,000 may be used to supplement
16 amounts otherwise available for Purchased/Referred Care:
17 *Provided further*, That the amounts collected by the Fed-
18 eral Government as authorized by sections 104 and 108
19 of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C.
20 1613a and 1616a) during the preceding fiscal year for
21 breach of contracts shall be deposited in the Fund author-
22 ized by section 108A of that Act (25 U.S.C. 1616a–1) and
23 shall remain available until expended and, notwithstanding
24 section 108A(c) of that Act (25 U.S.C. 1616a–1(c)), funds
25 shall be available to make new awards under the loan re-

1 payment and scholarship programs under sections 104
2 and 108 of that Act (25 U.S.C. 1613a and 1616a): *Pro-*
3 *vided further*, That the amounts made available within this
4 account for the Substance Abuse and Suicide Prevention
5 Program, for Opioid Prevention, Treatment and Recovery
6 Services, for the Domestic Violence Prevention Program,
7 for the Zero Suicide Initiative, for the housing subsidy au-
8 thority for civilian employees, for Aftercare Pilot Pro-
9 grams at Youth Regional Treatment Centers, for trans-
10 formation and modernization costs of the Indian Health
11 Service Electronic Health Record system, for national
12 quality and oversight activities, to improve collections from
13 public and private insurance at Indian Health Service and
14 Tribally operated facilities, for an initiative to treat or re-
15 duce the transmission of HIV and HCV, for a maternal
16 health initiative, for the Telebehavioral Health Center of
17 Excellence, for Alzheimer's activities, for Village Built
18 Clinics, for a produce prescription pilot, and for accredita-
19 tion emergencies shall be allocated at the discretion of the
20 Director of the Indian Health Service and shall remain
21 available until expended: *Provided further*, That funds pro-
22 vided in this Act may be used for annual contracts and
23 grants that fall within 2 fiscal years, provided the total
24 obligation is recorded in the year the funds are appro-
25 priated: *Provided further*, That the amounts collected by

1 the Secretary of Health and Human Services under the
2 authority of title IV of the Indian Health Care Improve-
3 ment Act (25 U.S.C. 1613) shall remain available until
4 expended for the purpose of achieving compliance with the
5 applicable conditions and requirements of titles XVIII and
6 XIX of the Social Security Act, except for those related
7 to the planning, design, or construction of new facilities:
8 *Provided further*, That funding contained herein for schol-
9 arship programs under the Indian Health Care Improve-
10 ment Act (25 U.S.C. 1613) shall remain available until
11 expended: *Provided further*, That amounts received by
12 Tribes and Tribal organizations under title IV of the In-
13 dian Health Care Improvement Act shall be reported and
14 accounted for and available to the receiving Tribes and
15 Tribal organizations until expended: *Provided further*,
16 That the Bureau of Indian Affairs may collect from the
17 Indian Health Service, and from Tribes and Tribal organi-
18 zations operating health facilities pursuant to Public Law
19 93-638, such individually identifiable health information
20 relating to disabled children as may be necessary for the
21 purpose of carrying out its functions under the Individuals
22 with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.):
23 *Provided further*, That none of the funds provided that be-
24 come available on October 1, 2027, may be used for imple-
25 mentation of the Electronic Health Record System or the

1 Indian Health Care Improvement Fund: *Provided further*,
2 That none of the funds appropriated by this Act, or any
3 other Act, to the Indian Health Service for the Electronic
4 Health Record system shall be available for obligation or
5 expenditure for the selection or implementation of a new
6 Information Technology infrastructure system, unless the
7 Committees on Appropriations of the House of Represent-
8 atives and the Senate are consulted 90 days in advance
9 of such obligation.

10 CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS

11 For payments to Tribes and Tribal organizations for
12 contract support costs associated with Indian Self-Deter-
13 mination and Education Assistance Act agreements with
14 the Indian Health Service for fiscal year 2027, such sums
15 as may be necessary: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any
16 other provision of law, no amounts made available under
17 this heading shall be available for transfer to another
18 budget account: *Provided further*, That amounts obligated
19 but not expended by a Tribe or Tribal organization for
20 contract support costs for such agreements for the current
21 fiscal year shall be applied to contract support costs due
22 for such agreements for subsequent fiscal years.

23 PAYMENTS FOR TRIBAL LEASES

24 For payments to Tribes and Tribal organizations for
25 leases pursuant to section 105(l) of the Indian Self-Deter-

mination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5324(l)) for fiscal year 2027, such sums as may be necessary, which shall be available for obligation through September 30, 2028: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, no amounts made available under this heading shall be available for transfer to another budget account.

INDIAN HEALTH FACILITIES

For construction, repair, maintenance, demolition, improvement, and equipment of health and related auxiliary facilities, including quarters for personnel; preparation of plans, specifications, and drawings; acquisition of sites, purchase and erection of modular buildings, and purchases of trailers; and for provision of domestic and community sanitation facilities for Indians, as authorized by section 7 of the Act of August 5, 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2004a), the Indian Self-Determination Act, and the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, and for expenses necessary to carry out such Acts and titles II and III of the Public Health Service Act with respect to environmental health and facilities support activities of the Indian Health Service, \$354,474,000, to remain available until expended, which shall be in addition to funds previously appropriated under this heading that became available on October 1, 2026; in addition, \$871,074,000, which shall become

1 available on October 1, 2027, and remain available until
2 expended: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any other pro-
3 vision of law, funds appropriated for the planning, design,
4 construction, renovation, or expansion of health facilities
5 for the benefit of an Indian Tribe or Tribes may be used
6 to purchase land on which such facilities will be located:
7 *Provided further*, That not to exceed \$500,000 may be
8 used for fiscal year 2028 by the Indian Health Service
9 to purchase TRANSAM equipment from the Department
10 of Defense for distribution to the Indian Health Service
11 and Tribal facilities: *Provided further*, That none of the
12 funds appropriated to the Indian Health Service may be
13 used for sanitation facilities construction for new homes
14 funded with grants by the housing programs of the United
15 States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

16 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE

17 Appropriations provided in this Act to the Indian
18 Health Service shall be available for services as authorized
19 by 5 U.S.C. 3109 at rates not to exceed the per diem rate
20 equivalent to the maximum rate payable for senior-level
21 positions under 5 U.S.C. 5376; hire of passenger motor
22 vehicles and aircraft; purchase of medical equipment; pur-
23 chase of reprints; purchase, renovation, and erection of
24 modular buildings and renovation of existing facilities;
25 payments for telephone service in private residences in the

1 field, when authorized under regulations approved by the
2 Secretary of Health and Human Services; uniforms, or al-
3 lowances therefor as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901–5902;
4 and for expenses of attendance at meetings that relate to
5 the functions or activities of the Indian Health Service:
6 *Provided*, That in accordance with the provisions of the
7 Indian Health Care Improvement Act, non-Indian patients
8 may be extended health care at all Tribally administered
9 or Indian Health Service facilities, subject to charges, and
10 the proceeds along with funds recovered under the Federal
11 Medical Care Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. 2651–2653) shall
12 be credited to the account of the facility providing the
13 service and shall be available without fiscal year limitation:
14 *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other law or
15 regulation, funds transferred from the Department of
16 Housing and Urban Development to the Indian Health
17 Service shall be administered under Public Law 86–121,
18 the Indian Sanitation Facilities Act and Public Law 93–
19 638: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated to the In-
20 dian Health Service in this Act, except those used for ad-
21 ministrative and program direction purposes, shall not be
22 subject to limitations directed at curtailing Federal travel
23 and transportation: *Provided further*, That none of the
24 funds made available to the Indian Health Service in this
25 Act shall be used for any assessments or charges by the

1 Department of Health and Human Services unless such
2 assessments or charges are identified in the budget jus-
3 tification and provided in this Act, or approved by the
4 House and Senate Committees on Appropriations through
5 the reprogramming process: *Provided further*, That not-
6 withstanding any other provision of law, funds previously
7 or herein made available to a Tribe or Tribal organization
8 through a contract, grant, or agreement authorized by
9 title I or title V of the Indian Self-Determination and
10 Education Assistance Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 5301 et
11 seq.), may be deobligated and reobligated to a self-deter-
12 mination contract under title I, or a self-governance agree-
13 ment under title V of such Act and thereafter shall remain
14 available to the Tribe or Tribal organization without fiscal
15 year limitation: *Provided further*, That none of the funds
16 made available to the Indian Health Service in this Act
17 shall be used to implement the final rule published in the
18 Federal Register on September 16, 1987, by the Depart-
19 ment of Health and Human Services, relating to the eligi-
20 bility for the health care services of the Indian Health
21 Service until the Indian Health Service has submitted a
22 budget request reflecting the increased costs associated
23 with the proposed final rule, and such request has been
24 included in an appropriations Act and enacted into law:
25 *Provided further*, That with respect to functions trans-

1 ferred by the Indian Health Service to Tribes or Tribal
2 organizations, the Indian Health Service is authorized to
3 provide goods and services to those entities on a reimburs-
4 able basis, including payments in advance with subsequent
5 adjustment, and the reimbursements received therefrom,
6 along with the funds received from those entities pursuant
7 to the Indian Self-Determination Act, may be credited to
8 the same or subsequent appropriation account from which
9 the funds were originally derived, with such amounts to
10 remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That re-
11 imbursements for training, technical assistance, or serv-
12 ices provided by the Indian Health Service will contain
13 total costs, including direct, administrative, and overhead
14 costs associated with the provision of goods, services, or
15 technical assistance: *Provided further*, That the Indian
16 Health Service may provide to civilian medical personnel
17 serving in hospitals operated by the Indian Health Service
18 housing allowances equivalent to those that would be pro-
19 vided to members of the Commissioned Corps of the
20 United States Public Health Service serving in similar po-
21 sitions at such hospitals: *Provided further*, That the appro-
22 priation structure for the Indian Health Service may not
23 be altered without advance notification to the House and
24 Senate Committees on Appropriations.

1 NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH
2 NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
3 SCIENCES

4 For necessary expenses for the National Institute of
5 Environmental Health Sciences in carrying out activities
6 set forth in section 311(a) of the Comprehensive Environ-
7 mental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of
8 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9660(a)) and section 126(g) of the
9 Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986,
10 \$51,814,000.

11 AGENCY FOR TOXIC SUBSTANCES AND DISEASE
12 REGISTRY
13 TOXIC SUBSTANCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC
14 HEALTH

15 For necessary expenses for the Agency for Toxic Sub-
16 stances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) in carrying out
17 activities set forth in sections 104(i) and 111(c)(4) of the
18 Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation,
19 and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) and section 3019
20 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, \$78,000,000: *Provided,*
21 That notwithstanding any other provision of law, in lieu
22 of performing a health assessment under section 104(i)(6)
23 of CERCLA, the Administrator of ATSDR may conduct
24 other appropriate health studies, evaluations, or activities,
25 including, without limitation, biomedical testing, clinical

1 evaluations, medical monitoring, and referral to accredited
2 healthcare providers: *Provided further*, That in performing
3 any such health assessment or health study, evaluation,
4 or activity, the Administrator of ATSDR shall not be
5 bound by the deadlines in section 104(i)(6)(A) of
6 CERCLA: *Provided further*, That none of the funds appro-
7 priated under this heading shall be available for ATSDR
8 to issue in excess of 40 toxicological profiles pursuant to
9 section 104(i) of CERCLA during fiscal year 2027, and
10 existing profiles may be updated as necessary.

11 OTHER RELATED AGENCIES

12 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

13 COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND OFFICE OF

14 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

15 For necessary expenses to continue functions as-
16 signed to the Council on Environmental Quality and Office
17 of Environmental Quality pursuant to the National Envi-
18 ronmental Policy Act of 1969, the Environmental Quality
19 Improvement Act of 1970, and Reorganization Plan No.
20 1 of 1977, and not to exceed \$750 for official reception
21 and representation expenses, \$4,629,000: *Provided*, That
22 notwithstanding section 202 of the National Environ-
23 mental Policy Act of 1970, the Council shall consist of
24 one member, appointed by the President, by and with the

1 advice and consent of the Senate, serving as chairman and
2 exercising all powers, functions, and duties of the Council.

3 CHEMICAL SAFETY AND HAZARD INVESTIGATION BOARD

4 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

5 For necessary expenses in carrying out activities pur-
6 suant to section 112(r)(6) of the Clean Air Act, including
7 hire of passenger vehicles, uniforms or allowances there-
8 for, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901–5902, rental of space,
9 and for services authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109 but at rates
10 for individuals not to exceed the per diem equivalent to
11 the maximum rate payable for senior level positions under
12 5 U.S.C. 5376, \$14,000,000: *Provided*, That the Chemical
13 Safety and Hazard Investigation Board (Board) shall have
14 not more than three career Senior Executive Service posi-
15 tions: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other
16 provision of law, the individual appointed to the position
17 of Inspector General of the Environmental Protection
18 Agency (EPA) shall, by virtue of such appointment, also
19 hold the position of Inspector General of the Board: *Pro-*
20 *vided further*, That notwithstanding any other provision of
21 law, the Inspector General of the Board shall utilize per-
22 sonnel of the Office of Inspector General of EPA in per-
23 forming the duties of the Inspector General of the Board,
24 and shall not appoint any individuals to positions within
25 the Board.

1 INSTITUTE OF AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE
2 CULTURE AND ARTS DEVELOPMENT
3 PAYMENT TO THE INSTITUTE

4 For payment to the Institute of American Indian and
5 Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development, as author-
6 ized by part A of title XV of Public Law 99–498 (20
7 U.S.C. 4411 et seq.), \$13,232,000, which shall become
8 available on July 1, 2027, and shall remain available until
9 September 30, 2028.

10 SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION
11 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

12 For necessary expenses of the Smithsonian Institu-
13 tion, as authorized by law, including research in the fields
14 of art, science, and history; development, preservation, and
15 documentation of the National Collections; presentation of
16 public exhibits and performances; collection, preparation,
17 dissemination, and exchange of information and publica-
18 tions; conduct of education, training, and museum assist-
19 ance programs; maintenance, alteration, operation, lease
20 agreements of no more than 30 years, and protection of
21 buildings, facilities, and approaches; not to exceed
22 \$100,000 for services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109; and
23 purchase, rental, repair, and cleaning of uniforms for em-
24 ployees, \$851,692,000, to remain available until Sep-
25 tember 30, 2028, except as otherwise provided herein; of

1 which not to exceed \$27,000,000 for the instrumentation
2 program, collections acquisition, exhibition reinstallation,
3 Smithsonian American Women's History Museum, Na-
4 tional Museum of the American Latino, and the repatri-
5 ation of skeletal remains program shall remain available
6 until expended; and including such funds as may be nec-
7 essary to support American overseas research centers:
8 *Provided*, That funds appropriated herein are available for
9 advance payments to independent contractors performing
10 research services or participating in official Smithsonian
11 presentations: *Provided further*, That the Smithsonian In-
12 stitution may expend Federal appropriations designated in
13 this Act for lease or rent payments, as rent payable to
14 the Smithsonian Institution, and such rent payments may
15 be deposited into the general trust funds of the Institution
16 to be available as trust funds for expenses associated with
17 the purchase of a portion of the building at 600 Maryland
18 Avenue, SW, Washington, DC, to the extent that federally
19 supported activities will be housed there: *Provided further*,
20 That the use of such amounts in the general trust funds
21 of the Institution for such purpose shall not be construed
22 as Federal debt service for, a Federal guarantee of, a
23 transfer of risk to, or an obligation of the Federal Govern-
24 ment: *Provided further*, That no appropriated funds may
25 be used directly to service debt which is incurred to fi-

1 nance the costs of acquiring a portion of the building at
2 600 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC, or of plan-
3 ning, designing, and constructing improvements to such
4 building: *Provided further*, That any agreement entered
5 into by the Smithsonian Institution for the sale of its own-
6 ership interest, or any portion thereof, in such building
7 so acquired may not take effect until the expiration of a
8 30 day period which begins on the date on which the Sec-
9 retary of the Smithsonian submits to the House and Sen-
10 ate Committees on Appropriations, the Committees on
11 House Administration and Transportation and Infrastruc-
12 ture of the House of Representatives, and the Committee
13 on Rules and Administration of the Senate a report, as
14 outlined in the explanatory statement described in section
15 4 of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020
16 (Public Law 116–94; 133 Stat. 2536) on the intended
17 sale.

18 FACILITIES CAPITAL

19 For necessary expenses of repair, revitalization, and
20 alteration of facilities owned or occupied by the Smithso-
21 nian Institution, by contract or otherwise, as authorized
22 by section 2 of the Act of August 22, 1949 (63 Stat. 623),
23 and for construction, including necessary personnel,
24 \$109,608,000, to remain available until expended, of

1 which not to exceed \$10,000 shall be for services as au-
2 thorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109.

3 NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART

4 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

5 For the upkeep and operations of the National Gal-
6 lery of Art, the protection and care of the works of art
7 therein, and administrative expenses incident thereto, as
8 authorized by the Act of March 24, 1937 (50 Stat. 51),
9 as amended by the public resolution of April 13, 1939
10 (Public Resolution 9, 76th Congress), including services
11 as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109; payment in advance when
12 authorized by the treasurer of the Gallery for membership
13 in library, museum, and art associations or societies whose
14 publications or services are available to members only, or
15 to members at a price lower than to the general public;
16 purchase, repair, and cleaning of uniforms for guards, and
17 uniforms, or allowances therefor, for other employees as
18 authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901–5902); purchase or
19 rental of devices and services for protecting buildings and
20 contents thereof, and maintenance, alteration, improve-
21 ment, and repair of buildings, approaches, and grounds;
22 and purchase of services for restoration and repair of
23 works of art for the National Gallery of Art by contracts
24 made, without advertising, with individuals, firms, or or-
25 ganizations at such rates or prices and under such terms

1 and conditions as the Gallery may deem proper,
2 \$178,250,000, to remain available until September 30,
3 2028, of which not to exceed \$3,893,000 for the special
4 exhibition program shall remain available until expended.

5 REPAIR, RESTORATION AND RENOVATION OF BUILDINGS

6 For necessary expenses of repair, restoration, and
7 renovation of buildings, grounds and facilities owned or
8 occupied by the National Gallery of Art, by contract or
9 otherwise, for operating lease agreements of no more than
10 10 years, that address space needs created by the ongoing
11 renovations in the Master Facilities Plan, as authorized,
12 \$7,750,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*,
13 That funds made available in prior Acts under this head-
14 ing for the design and construction of an off-site art stor-
15 age facility in partnership with the Smithsonian Institu-
16 tion may be used for the repair, restoration, and renova-
17 tion of other National Gallery of Art buildings, grounds,
18 and facilities: *Provided further*, That contracts awarded
19 for environmental systems, protection systems, and exte-
20 rior repair or renovation of buildings of the National Gal-
21 lery of Art may be negotiated with selected contractors
22 and awarded on the basis of contractor qualifications as
23 well as price.

10 CAPITAL REPAIR AND RESTORATION

15 WOODROW WILSON INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR
16 SCHOLARS

For expenses necessary in carrying out the provisions of the Woodrow Wilson Memorial Act of 1968 (82 Stat. 1356) including hire of passenger vehicles and services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$4,250,000, to remain available until September 30, 2028.

16 NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES
17 GRANTS AND ADMINISTRATION

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1 pursuant to section 7(f) of the Act: *Provided further*, That
2 appropriations for carrying out section 10(a)(2) shall be
3 available for obligation only in such amounts as may be
4 equal to the total amounts of gifts, bequests, devises of
5 money, and other property accepted by the chairman or
6 by grantees of the National Endowment for the Human-
7 ities under the provisions of sections 11(a)(2)(B) and
8 11(a)(3)(B) during the current and preceding fiscal years
9 for which equal amounts have not previously been appro-
10 priated.

11 ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

12 None of the funds appropriated to the National
13 Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities may be used
14 to process any grant or contract documents which do not
15 include the text of 18 U.S.C. 1913: *Provided*, That none
16 of the funds appropriated to the National Foundation on
17 the Arts and the Humanities may be used for official re-
18 ception and representation expenses: *Provided further*,
19 That funds from nonappropriated sources may be used as
20 necessary for official reception and representation ex-
21 penses: *Provided further*, That the Chairperson of the Na-
22 tional Endowment for the Arts may approve grants of up
23 to \$10,000, if in the aggregate the amount of such grants
24 does not exceed 5 percent of the sums appropriated for
25 grantmaking purposes per year: *Provided further*, That

1 such small grant actions are taken pursuant to the terms
2 of an expressed and direct delegation of authority from
3 the National Council on the Arts to the Chairperson.

4 COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS

5 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

6 For expenses of the Commission of Fine Arts under
7 chapter 91 of title 40, United States Code, \$3,461,000:
8 *Provided*, That the Commission is authorized to charge
9 fees to cover the full costs of its publications, and such
10 fees shall be credited to this account as an offsetting col-
11 lection, to remain available until expended without further
12 appropriation: *Provided further*, That the Commission is
13 authorized to accept gifts, including objects, papers, art-
14 work, drawings and artifacts, that pertain to the history
15 and design of the Nation's Capital or the history and ac-
16 tivities of the Commission of Fine Arts, for the purpose
17 of artistic display, study, or education: *Provided further*,
18 That one-tenth of one percent of the funds provided under
19 this heading may be used for official reception and rep-
20 resentation expenses.

21 NATIONAL CAPITAL ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

22 For necessary expenses as authorized by Public Law
23 99–190 (20 U.S.C. 956a), \$4,000,000.

1 ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION

2 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

3 For necessary expenses of the Advisory Council on
4 Historic Preservation (Public Law 89–665), \$6,200,000.

5 NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION

6 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

7 For necessary expenses of the National Capital Plan-
8 ning Commission under chapter 87 of title 40, United
9 States Code, including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C.
10 3109, \$8,750,000: *Provided*, That one-quarter of 1 per-
11 cent of the funds provided under this heading may be used
12 for official reception and representational expenses associ-
13 ated with hosting international visitors engaged in the
14 planning and physical development of world capitals.

15 UNITED STATES HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM

16 HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM

17 For expenses of the Holocaust Memorial Museum, as
18 authorized by Public Law 106–292 (36 U.S.C. 2301–
19 2310), \$65,231,000, to remain available until September
20 30, 2028, of which \$1,000,000 shall remain available until
21 September 30, 2029, for the Museum’s equipment replace-
22 ment program; and of which \$4,000,000 for the Museum’s
23 repair and rehabilitation program and \$1,264,000 for the
24 Museum’s outreach initiatives program shall remain avail-
25 able until expended.

1 UNITED STATES SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL COMMISSION

2 SALARIES AND EXPENSES

3 For necessary expenses of the United States
4 Semiquincentennial Commission to plan and coordinate
5 observances and activities associated with the 250th anni-
6 versary of the founding of the United States, as authorized
7 by Public Law 116–282, the technical amendments to
8 Public Law 114–196, \$15,000,000, to remain available
9 until September 30, 2028.

1 TITLE IV
2 GENERAL PROVISIONS
3 (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)
4 RESTRICTION ON USE OF FUNDS

5 SEC. 401. No part of any appropriation contained in
6 this Act shall be available for any activity or the publica-
7 tion or distribution of literature that in any way tends to
8 promote public support or opposition to any legislative
9 proposal on which Congressional action is not complete
10 other than to communicate to Members of Congress as
11 described in 18 U.S.C. 1913.

12 OBLIGATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

13 SEC. 402. No part of any appropriation contained in
14 this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the
15 current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.

16 DISCLOSURE OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

17 SEC. 403. The amount and basis of estimated over-
18 head charges, deductions, reserves, or holdbacks, including
19 working capital fund charges, from programs, projects, ac-
20 tivities and subactivities to support government-wide, de-
21 partmental, agency, or bureau administrative functions or
22 headquarters, regional, or central operations shall be pre-
23 sented in annual budget justifications and subject to ap-
24 proval by the Committees on Appropriations of the House
25 of Representatives and the Senate. Changes to such esti-

1 mates shall be presented to the Committees on Appropria-
2 tions for approval.

3 MINING APPLICATIONS

4 SEC. 404. (a) LIMITATION OF FUNDS.—None of the
5 funds appropriated or otherwise made available pursuant
6 to this Act shall be obligated or expended to accept or
7 process applications for a patent for any mining or mill
8 site claim located under the general mining laws.

9 (b) EXCEPTIONS.—Subsection (a) shall not apply if
10 the Secretary of the Interior determines that, for the claim
11 concerned: (1) a patent application was filed with the Sec-
12 retary on or before September 30, 1994; and (2) all re-
13 quirements established under sections 2325 and 2326 of
14 the Revised Statutes (30 U.S.C. 29 and 30) for vein or
15 lode claims, sections 2329, 2330, 2331, and 2333 of the
16 Revised Statutes (30 U.S.C. 35, 36, and 37) for placer
17 claims, and section 2337 of the Revised Statutes (30
18 U.S.C. 42) for mill site claims, as the case may be, were
19 fully complied with by the applicant by that date.

20 (c) REPORT.—On September 30, 2028, the Secretary
21 of the Interior shall file with the House and Senate Com-
22 mittees on Appropriations and the Committee on Natural
23 Resources of the House and the Committee on Energy and
24 Natural Resources of the Senate a report on actions taken
25 by the Department under the plan submitted pursuant to

1 section 314(c) of the Department of the Interior and Re-
2 lated Agencies Appropriations Act, 1997 (Public Law
3 104–208).

4 (d) MINERAL EXAMINATIONS.—In order to process
5 patent applications in a timely and responsible manner,
6 upon the request of a patent applicant, the Secretary of
7 the Interior shall allow the applicant to fund a qualified
8 third-party contractor to be selected by the Director of the
9 Bureau of Land Management to conduct a mineral exam-
10 ination of the mining claims or mill sites contained in a
11 patent application as set forth in subsection (b). The Bu-
12 reau of Land Management shall have the sole responsi-
13 bility to choose and pay the third-party contractor in ac-
14 cordance with the standard procedures employed by the
15 Bureau of Land Management in the retention of third-
16 party contractors.

17 CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS, PRIOR YEAR LIMITATION

18 SEC. 405. Sections 405 and 406 of division F of the
19 Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act,
20 2015 (Public Law 113–235) shall continue in effect in fis-
21 cal year 2027.

22 CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS, FISCAL YEAR 2027

23 LIMITATION

24 SEC. 406. Amounts provided by this Act for fiscal
25 year 2027 under the headings “Department of Health and

1 Human Services, Indian Health Service, Contract Support
 2 Costs” and “Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian
 3 Affairs and Bureau of Indian Education, Contract Sup-
 4 port Costs” are the only amounts available for contract
 5 support costs arising out of self-determination or self-gov-
 6 ernance contracts, grants, compacts, or annual funding
 7 agreements for fiscal year 2027 with the Bureau of Indian
 8 Affairs, Bureau of Indian Education, and the Indian
 9 Health Service: *Provided*, That such amounts provided by
 10 this Act are not available for payment of claims for con-
 11 tract support costs for prior years, or for repayments of
 12 payments for settlements or judgments awarding contract
 13 support costs for prior years.

14 FOREST MANAGEMENT PLANS

15 SEC. 407. The Secretary of Agriculture shall not be
 16 considered to be in violation of section 6(f)(5)(A) of the
 17 Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act
 18 of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1604(f)(5)(A)) solely because more
 19 than 15 years have passed without revision of the plan
 20 for a unit of the National Forest System. Nothing in this
 21 section exempts the Secretary from any other requirement
 22 of the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Plan-
 23 ning Act (16 U.S.C. 1600 et seq.) or any other law: *Pro-*
 24 *vided*, That if the Secretary is not acting expeditiously and
 25 in good faith, within the funding available, to revise a plan

1 for a unit of the National Forest System, this section shall
2 be void with respect to such plan and a court of proper
3 jurisdiction may order completion of the plan on an accel-
4 erated basis.

5 PROHIBITION WITHIN NATIONAL MONUMENTS

6 SEC. 408. No funds provided in this Act may be ex-
7 pended to conduct preleasing, leasing and related activities
8 under either the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 181 et
9 seq.) or the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C.
10 1331 et seq.) within the boundaries of a National Monu-
11 ment established pursuant to the Act of June 8, 1906 (16
12 U.S.C. 431 et seq.) as such boundary existed on January
13 20, 2001, except where such activities are allowed under
14 the Presidential proclamation establishing such monu-
15 ment.

16 LIMITATION ON TAKINGS

17 SEC. 409. Unless otherwise provided herein, no funds
18 appropriated in this Act for the acquisition of lands or
19 interests in lands may be expended for the filing of dec-
20 larations of taking or complaints in condemnation without
21 the approval of the House and Senate Committees on Ap-
22 propriations: *Provided*, That this provision shall not apply
23 to funds appropriated to implement the Everglades Na-
24 tional Park Protection and Expansion Act of 1989, or to
25 funds appropriated for Federal assistance to the State of

1 Florida to acquire lands for Everglades restoration pur-
2 poses.

3 PROHIBITION ON NO-BID CONTRACTS

4 SEC. 410. None of the funds appropriated or other-
5 wise made available by this Act to executive branch agen-
6 cies may be used to enter into any Federal contract unless
7 such contract is entered into in accordance with the re-
8 quirements of Chapter 33 of title 41, United States Code,
9 or Chapter 137 of title 10, United States Code, and the
10 Federal Acquisition Regulation, unless—

11 (1) Federal law specifically authorizes a con-
12 tract to be entered into without regard for these re-
13 quirements, including formula grants for States, or
14 federally recognized Indian Tribes;

15 (2) such contract is authorized by the Indian
16 Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act
17 (Public Law 93–638, 25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.) or by
18 any other Federal laws that specifically authorize a
19 contract within an Indian Tribe as defined in section
20 4(e) of that Act (25 U.S.C. 5304(e)); or

21 (3) such contract was awarded prior to the date
22 of enactment of this Act.

23 POSTING OF REPORTS

24 SEC. 411. (a) Any agency receiving funds made avail-
25 able in this Act, shall, subject to subsections (b) and (c),

1 post on the public website of that agency any report re-
2 quired to be submitted by the Congress in this or any
3 other Act, upon the determination by the head of the agen-
4 cy that it shall serve the national interest.

5 (b) Subsection (a) shall not apply to a report if—

6 (1) the public posting of the report com-
7 promises national security; or

8 (2) the report contains proprietary information.

9 (c) The head of the agency posting such report shall
10 do so only after such report has been made available to
11 the requesting Committee or Committees of Congress for
12 no less than 45 days.

13 NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS GRANT

14 GUIDELINES

15 SEC. 412. Of the funds provided to the National En-
16 dowment for the Arts—

17 (1) The Chairperson shall only award a grant
18 to an individual if such grant is awarded to such in-
19 dividual for a literature fellowship, National Herit-
20 age Fellowship, or American Jazz Masters Fellow-
21 ship.

22 (2) The Chairperson shall establish procedures
23 to ensure that no funding provided through a grant,
24 except a grant made to a State or local arts agency,
25 or regional group, may be used to make a grant to

1 any other organization or individual to conduct ac-
2 tivity independent of the direct grant recipient.
3 Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit payments
4 made in exchange for goods and services.

5 (3) No grant shall be used for seasonal support
6 to a group, unless the application is specific to the
7 contents of the season, including identified programs
8 or projects.

9 NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS PROGRAM

10 PRIORITIES

11 SEC. 413. (a) In providing services or awarding fi-
12 nancial assistance under the National Foundation on the
13 Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965 from funds appro-
14 priated under this Act, the Chairperson of the National
15 Endowment for the Arts shall ensure that priority is given
16 to providing services or awarding financial assistance for
17 projects, productions, workshops, or programs that serve
18 underserved populations.

19 (b) In this section:

20 (1) The term “underserved population” means
21 a population of individuals, including urban minori-
22 ties, who have historically been outside the purview
23 of arts and humanities programs due to factors such
24 as a high incidence of income below the poverty line
25 or to geographic isolation.

1 (2) The term “poverty line” means the poverty
2 line (as defined by the Office of Management and
3 Budget, and revised annually in accordance with sec-
4 tion 673(2) of the Community Services Block Grant
5 Act (42 U.S.C. 9902(2))) applicable to a family of
6 the size involved.

7 (c) In providing services and awarding financial as-
8 sistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and
9 Humanities Act of 1965 with funds appropriated by this
10 Act, the Chairperson of the National Endowment for the
11 Arts shall ensure that priority is given to providing serv-
12 ices or awarding financial assistance for projects, produc-
13 tions, workshops, or programs that will encourage public
14 knowledge, education, understanding, and appreciation of
15 the arts.

16 (d) With funds appropriated by this Act to carry out
17 section 5 of the National Foundation on the Arts and Hu-
18 manities Act of 1965—

19 (1) the Chairperson shall establish a grant cat-
20 egory for projects, productions, workshops, or pro-
21 grams that are of national impact or availability or
22 are able to tour several States;

23 (2) the Chairperson shall not make grants ex-
24 ceeding 15 percent, in the aggregate, of such funds

1 to any single State, excluding grants made under the
2 authority of paragraph (1);

3 (3) the Chairperson shall report to the Con-
4 gress annually and by State, on grants awarded by
5 the Chairperson in each grant category under sec-
6 tion 5 of such Act; and

7 (4) the Chairperson shall encourage the use of
8 grants to improve and support community-based
9 music performance and education.

10 STATUS OF BALANCES OF APPROPRIATIONS

11 SEC. 414. The Department of the Interior, the Envi-
12 ronmental Protection Agency, the Forest Service, and the
13 Indian Health Service shall provide the Committees on
14 Appropriations of the House of Representatives and Sen-
15 ate quarterly reports on the status of balances of appro-
16 priations including all uncommitted, committed, and unob-
17 ligated funds in each program and activity within 60 days
18 of enactment of this Act.

19 EXTENSION OF GRAZING PERMITS

20 SEC. 415. The terms and conditions of section 325
21 of Public Law 108–108 (117 Stat. 1307), regarding graz-
22 ing permits issued by the Forest Service on any lands not
23 subject to administration under section 402 of the Federal
24 Lands Policy and Management Act (43 U.S.C. 1752),
25 shall remain in effect for fiscal year 2027.

SEC. 416. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to maintain or establish a computer network unless such network is designed to block access to pornography websites.

HUMANE TRANSFER AND TREATMENT OF ANIMALS

(b) The Secretary concerned may make a transfer under subsection (a) immediately on the request of a Federal, State, or local government agency.

1 (c) An excess wild horse or burro transferred under
2 subsection (a) shall lose status as a wild free-roaming
3 horse or burro (as defined in section 2 of Public Law 92–
4 195 (commonly known as the “Wild Free-Roaming Horses
5 and Burros Act”) (16 U.S.C. 1332)).

6 (d) A Federal, State, or local government agency re-
7 ceiving an excess wild horse or burro pursuant to sub-
8 section (a) shall not—

9 (1) destroy the horse or burro in a manner that
10 results in the destruction of the horse or burro into
11 a commercial product;

12 (2) sell or otherwise transfer the horse or burro
13 in a manner that results in the destruction of the
14 horse or burro for processing into a commercial
15 product; or

16 (3) euthanize the horse or burro, except on the
17 recommendation of a licensed veterinarian in a case
18 of severe injury, illness, or advanced age.

19 (e) Amounts appropriated by this Act shall not be
20 available for—

21 (1) the destruction of any healthy, unadopted,
22 and wild horse or burro under the jurisdiction of the
23 Secretary concerned (including a contractor); or

1 (2) the sale of a wild horse or burro that results
2 in the destruction of the wild horse or burro for
3 processing into a commercial product.

4 FOREST SERVICE FACILITY REALIGNMENT AND
5 ENHANCEMENT AUTHORIZATION EXTENSION

6 SEC. 418. Section 503(f) of Public Law 109–54 (16
7 U.S.C. 580d note) shall be applied by substituting “Sep-
8 tember 30, 2027” for “September 30, 2019”.

9 USE OF AMERICAN IRON AND STEEL

10 SEC. 419. (a)(1) None of the funds made available
11 by a State water pollution control revolving fund as au-
12 thorized by section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act
13 (42 U.S.C. 300j–12) shall be used for a project for the
14 construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public
15 water system or treatment works unless all of the iron and
16 steel products used in the project are produced in the
17 United States.

18 (2) In this section, the term “iron and steel” products
19 means the following products made primarily of iron or
20 steel: lined or unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers
21 and other municipal castings, hydrants, tanks, flanges,
22 pipe clamps and restraints, valves, structural steel, rein-
23 forced precast concrete, and construction materials.

24 (b) Subsection (a) shall not apply in any case or cat-
25 egory of cases in which the Administrator of the Environ-

1 mental Protection Agency (in this section referred to as
2 the “Administrator”) finds that—

3 (1) applying subsection (a) would be incon-
4 sistent with the public interest;

5 (2) iron and steel products are not produced in
6 the United States in sufficient and reasonably avail-
7 able quantities and of a satisfactory quality; or

8 (3) inclusion of iron and steel products pro-
9 duced in the United States will increase the cost of
10 the overall project by more than 25 percent.

11 (c) If the Administrator receives a request for a waiv-
12 er under this section, the Administrator shall make avail-
13 able to the public on an informal basis a copy of the re-
14 quest and information available to the Administrator con-
15 cerning the request, and shall allow for informal public
16 input on the request for at least 15 days prior to making
17 a finding based on the request. The Administrator shall
18 make the request and accompanying information available
19 by electronic means, including on the official public Inter-
20 net Web site of the Environmental Protection Agency.

21 (d) This section shall be applied in a manner con-
22 sistent with United States obligations under international
23 agreements.

24 (e) The Administrator may retain up to 0.25 percent
25 of the funds appropriated in this Act for the Clean and

1 Drinking Water State Revolving Funds for carrying out
2 the provisions described in subsection (a)(1) for manage-
3 ment and oversight of the requirements of this section.

4 LOCAL COOPERATOR TRAINING AGREEMENTS AND
5 TRANSFERS OF EXCESS EQUIPMENT AND
6 SUPPLIES FOR WILDFIRES

7 SEC. 420. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized
8 to enter into grants and cooperative agreements with vol-
9 unteer fire departments, rural fire departments, rangeland
10 fire protection associations, and similar organizations to
11 provide for wildland fire training and equipment, including
12 supplies and communication devices. Notwithstanding sec-
13 tion 121(c) of title 40, United States Code, or section 521
14 of title 40, United States Code, the Secretary is further
15 authorized to transfer title to excess Department of the
16 Interior firefighting equipment no longer needed to carry
17 out the functions of the Department's wildland fire man-
18 agement program to such organizations.

19 REPROGRAMMING GUIDELINES

20 SEC. 421. None of the funds made available in this
21 Act, in this and prior fiscal years, may be reprogrammed
22 without the advance approval of the House and Senate
23 Committees on Appropriations in accordance with the re-
24 programming procedures contained in the report accom-
25 panying this Act.

1 LOCAL CONTRACTORS

2 SEC. 422. Section 412 of division E of Public Law
3 112–74 shall be applied by substituting “fiscal year 2027”
4 for “fiscal year 2019”.

5 INTERPRETIVE ASSOCIATION AUTHORIZATION EXTENSION

6 SEC. 423. Section 426 of division G of Public Law
7 113–76 (16 U.S.C. 565a–1 note) shall be applied by sub-
8 stituting “September 30, 2027” for “September 30,
9 2019”.

10 FOREST BOTANICAL PRODUCTS FEE COLLECTION

11 AUTHORIZATION EXTENSION

12 SEC. 424. Section 339 of the Department of the Inte-
13 rior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2000 (as
14 enacted into law by Public Law 106–113; 16 U.S.C. 528
15 note), as amended by section 335(6) of Public Law 108–
16 108 and section 432 of Public Law 113–76, shall be ap-
17 plied by substituting “fiscal year 2027” for “fiscal year
18 2019”.

19 TRIBAL LEASES

20 SEC. 425. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision
21 of law, in the case of any lease under section 105(l) of
22 the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance
23 Act (25 U.S.C. 5324(l)), the initial lease term shall com-
24 mence no earlier than the date of receipt of the lease pro-
25 posal.

1 (b) The Secretaries of the Interior and Health and
2 Human Services shall, jointly or separately, during fiscal
3 year 2027 consult with Tribes and Tribal organizations
4 through public solicitation and other means regarding the
5 requirements for leases under section 105(l) of the Indian
6 Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25
7 U.S.C. 5324(l)) on how to implement a consistent and
8 transparent process for the payment of such leases.

9 FOREST ECOSYSTEM HEALTH AND RECOVERY FUND

10 SEC. 426. The authority provided under the heading
11 “Forest Ecosystem Health and Recovery Fund” in title
12 I of Public Law 111-88, as amended by section 117 of
13 division F of Public Law 113–235, shall be applied by sub-
14 stituting “fiscal year 2027” for “fiscal year 2020” each
15 place it appears.

16 ALLOCATION OF PROJECTS, LAND AND WATER

17 CONSERVATION FUND

18 SEC. 427. (a)(1) Not later than 45 days after the
19 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the
20 Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture, as appropriate,
21 shall allocate amounts made available for expenditure
22 from the Land and Water Conservation Fund for fiscal
23 year 2027 pursuant to subsection (a) of section 200303
24 of title 54, United States Code, to the agencies and ac-
25 counts specified, in the amounts specified, and for the

1 projects and activities specified in the table titled “Alloca-
2 tion of Funds: Land and Water Conservation Fund Fiscal
3 Year 2027” in the report accompanying this Act.

4 (2) If any portion of a project specified under the
5 accounts titled “Land Acquisition Projects” in the Forest
6 Service of the Department of Agriculture or the Depart-
7 ment of the Interior or “Forest Legacy Projects” in the
8 Forest Service in the table titled “Allocation of Funds:
9 Land and Water Conservation Fund Fiscal Year 2027”
10 in the report accompanying this Act is intended to be car-
11 ried out within the Federal land unit or project boundary
12 as specified in such table (or any prior allocation table
13 incorporated by reference into a prior Act or approved by
14 the Committees on Appropriations, as applicable) but out-
15 side the specific tracts for the project described in the cor-
16 responding project data sheet submitted to the Commit-
17 tees on Appropriations required by section 200303(c)(1)
18 of title 54, United States Code, not later than 30 days
19 before the date on which the Secretary of the Interior or
20 the Secretary of Agriculture expends amounts on the
21 project, the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of
22 Agriculture, as appropriate, shall provide written notice to
23 the Committees on Appropriations of such expenditure.

24 (b) Neither the President nor his designee may allo-
25 cate any amounts that are made available for any fiscal

1 year under subsection (a) of section 200303 of title 54,
2 United States Code, other than in amounts and for
3 projects and activities that are allocated under subsection
4 (a)(1) of this section: *Provided*, That in any fiscal year,
5 the matter preceding this proviso shall not apply to the
6 allocation of amounts for continuing administration of
7 programs allocated funds from the Land and Water Con-
8 servation Fund, which may be allocated only in amounts
9 that are no more than the allocation for such purposes
10 in subsections (a)(1).

11 (c)(1) Concurrent with the annual budget submission
12 of the President for fiscal year 2028, the Secretary of Ag-
13 riculture shall submit to the Committees on Appropria-
14 tions a list of supplementary allocations for Federal land
15 acquisition and Forest Legacy projects at the Forest Serv-
16 ice that are in addition to the “Submission of Cost Esti-
17 mates” required by section 200303(c)(1) of title 54,
18 United States Code, that are prioritized and detailed by
19 account, program, and project, and that total no less than
20 half the full amount allocated to each such account for
21 the Forest Service under the allocations submitted under
22 that section: *Provided*, That in the event amounts allo-
23 cated by this Act or any prior Act pursuant to section
24 200303(a) of title 54, United States Code, are no longer
25 needed because a project has been completed or can no

1 longer be executed, such amounts shall be clearly identi-
2 fied if proposed for reallocation in the annual budget sub-
3 mission.

4 (2) Concurrent with the annual budget submission of
5 the President for fiscal year 2028, the Secretary of the
6 Interior shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations
7 a list of supplementary allocations for Federal land acqui-
8 sition projects at the National Park Service, the United
9 States Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Bureau of Land
10 Management that are in addition to the “Submission of
11 Cost Estimates” required by section 200303(c)(1) of title
12 54, United States Code, that are prioritized and detailed
13 by account, program, and project, and that total the full
14 amount allocated to each such account titled “Land Acqui-
15 sition Projects” for that land management Agency in the
16 table titled “Allocation of Funds: Land and Water Con-
17 servation Fund Fiscal Year 2027” in the report accom-
18 panying this Act: *Provided*, That in the event amounts al-
19 located by this Act or any prior Act pursuant to section
20 200303(a) of title 54, United States Code, are no longer
21 needed because a project has been completed or can no
22 longer be executed, such amounts shall be clearly identi-
23 fied if proposed for reallocation in the annual budget sub-
24 mission.

1 (3) The Federal land acquisition and Forest Legacy
2 projects in the “Submission of Cost Estimates” required
3 by section 200303(c)(1) of title 54, United States Code
4 and on the lists of supplementary allocations required by
5 paragraphs (1) and (2) shall be comprised only of projects
6 for which a willing seller has been identified and for which
7 an appraisal or market research has been initiated.

8 (4) Concurrent with the annual budget submission of
9 the President for fiscal year 2028, the Secretary of the
10 Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture shall each sub-
11 mit to the Committees on Appropriations project data
12 sheets in the same format and containing the same level
13 of detailed information that is found on such sheets in
14 the Budget Justifications annually submitted by the Sec-
15 retary of the Interior with the President’s Budget for the
16 projects in the “Submission of Cost Estimates” required
17 by section 200303(c)(1) of title 54, United States Code,
18 and in the same format and containing the same level of
19 detailed information that is found on such sheets sub-
20 mitted to the Committees on Appropriations pursuant to
21 section 427 of division D of the Further Consolidated Ap-
22 propriations Act, 2020 (Public Law 116–94) for the list
23 of supplementary allocations required by paragraphs (1)
24 and (2).

1 (5) The Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary
2 of Agriculture shall provide to the Committees on Appro-
3 priations quarterly reports on the status of balances of
4 projects and activities funded by the National Parks and
5 Public Land Legacy Restoration Fund and the Land and
6 Water Conservation Fund, including all uncommitted,
7 committed, and unobligated funds.

8 POLICIES RELATING TO BIOMASS ENERGY

9 SEC. 428. To support the key role that forests in the
10 United States can play in addressing the energy needs of
11 the United States, the Secretary of Energy, the Secretary
12 of Agriculture, and the Administrator of the Environ-
13 mental Protection Agency shall, consistent with their mis-
14 sions, jointly—

15 (1) ensure that Federal policy relating to forest
16 bioenergy—

17 (A) is consistent across all Federal depart-
18 ments and agencies; and

19 (B) recognizes the full benefits of the use
20 of forest biomass for energy, conservation, and
21 responsible forest management; and

22 (2) establish clear and simple policies for the
23 use of forest biomass as an energy solution, includ-
24 ing policies that—

1 (A) reflect the carbon neutrality of forest
 2 bioenergy and recognize biomass as a renewable
 3 energy source, provided the use of forest bio-
 4 mass for energy production does not cause con-
 5 version of forests to non-forest use;

6 (B) encourage private investment through-
 7 out the forest biomass supply chain, including
 8 in—

- 9 (i) working forests;
- 10 (ii) harvesting operations;
- 11 (iii) forest improvement operations;
- 12 (iv) forest bioenergy production;
- 13 (v) wood products manufacturing; or
- 14 (vi) paper manufacturing;

15 (C) encourage forest management to im-
 16 prove forest health; and

17 (D) recognize State initiatives to produce
 18 and use forest biomass.

19 SMALL REMOTE INCINERATORS

20 SEC. 429. None of the funds made available in this
 21 Act may be used to implement or enforce the regulation
 22 issued on March 21, 2011 at 40 CFR part 60 subparts
 23 CCCC and DDDD with respect to units in the State of
 24 Alaska that are defined as “small, remote incinerator”
 25 units in those regulations and, until a subsequent regula-

tion is issued, the Administrator shall implement the law and regulations in effect prior to such date.

TIMBER SALE REQUIREMENTS

SEC. 430. No timber sale in Alaska's Region 10 shall be advertised if the indicated rate is deficit (defined as the value of the timber is not sufficient to cover all logging and stumpage costs and provide a normal profit and risk allowance under the Forest Service's appraisal process) when appraised using a residual value appraisal. The western red cedar timber from those sales which is surplus to the needs of the domestic processors in Alaska, shall be made available to domestic processors in the contiguous 48 United States at prevailing domestic prices. All additional western red cedar volume not sold to Alaska or contiguous 48 United States domestic processors may be exported to foreign markets at the election of the timber sale holder. All Alaska yellow cedar may be sold at prevailing export prices at the election of the timber sale holder.

TRANSFER AUTHORITY TO FEDERAL HIGHWAY

ADMINISTRATION FOR THE NATIONAL PARKS AND

PUBLIC LAND LEGACY RESTORATION FUND

SEC. 431. Funds made available or allocated in this Act to the Department of the Interior or the Department of Agriculture that are subject to the allocations and limitations in 54 U.S.C. 200402(e) and prohibitions in 54

1 U.S.C. 200402(f) may be further allocated or reallocated
2 to the Federal Highway Administration for transportation
3 projects of the covered agencies defined in 54 U.S.C.
4 200401(2).

5 PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS

6 SEC. 432. Notwithstanding any other provision of
7 law, none of the funds made available in this Act or any
8 other Act may be used to promulgate or implement any
9 regulation requiring the issuance of permits under title V
10 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7661 et seq.) for carbon
11 dioxide, nitrous oxide, water vapor, or methane emissions
12 resulting from biological processes associated with live-
13 stock production.

14 GREENHOUSE GAS REPORTING RESTRICTIONS

15 SEC. 433. Notwithstanding any other provision of
16 law, none of the funds made available in this or any other
17 Act may be used to implement any provision in a rule,
18 if that provision requires mandatory reporting of green-
19 house gas emissions from manure management systems.

20 FUNDING PROHIBITION

21 SEC. 434. None of the funds made available by this
22 or any other Act may be used to regulate the lead content
23 of ammunition, ammunition components, or fishing tackle
24 under the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. 2601
25 et seq.) or any other law.

FIREFIGHTER PAY CAP

SEC. 435. Section 1701 of division B of the Extending Government Funding and Delivering Emergency Assistance Act (5 U.S.C. 5547 note) is amended in subsections (a), (b), and (c) by striking “2021 or 2022 or 2023 or 2024” each place it appears and inserting “calendar years 2021 through 2026 and each calendar year thereafter”.

ALASKA NATIVE REGIONAL HEALTH ENTITIES

AUTHORIZATION EXTENSION

SEC. 436. Section 424(a) of title IV of division G of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014 (Public Law 113–76) shall be applied by substituting “October 1, 2027” for “December 24, 2022”.

HUNTING, FISHING, AND RECREATIONAL SHOOTING ON

FEDERAL LAND

SEC. 437. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), none of the funds made available by this or any other Act for any fiscal year may be used to prohibit the use of or access to Federal land (as such term is defined in section 3 of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6502)) for hunting, fishing, or recreational shooting if such use or access—

(1) was not prohibited on such Federal land as of January 1, 2013; and

(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed as affecting the authority, jurisdiction, or responsibility of the several States to manage, control, or regulate fish and resident wildlife under State law or regulations.

20 LIMITATION

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LIMITATION

SEC. 439. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to carry out any program, project, or activity that promotes or advances Critical Race Theory or any concept associated with Critical Race Theory.

MARRIAGE

SEC. 440. (a) In general.—Notwithstanding section 7 of title 1, United States Code, section 1738C of title 28, United States Code, or any other provision of law, none of the funds provided by this Act, or previous appropriations Acts, shall be used in whole or in part to take any discriminatory action against a person, wholly or partially, on the basis that such person speaks, or acts, in accordance with a sincerely held religious belief, or moral conviction, that marriage is, or should be recognized as, a union of one man and one woman.

(b) Discriminatory action defined.—As used in subsection (a), a discriminatory action means any action taken by the Federal Government to—

(1) alter in any way the Federal tax treatment of, or cause any tax, penalty, or payment to be assessed against, or deny, delay, or revoke an exemption from taxation under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 of, any person referred to in subsection (a);

1 (2) disallow a deduction for Federal tax pur-
2 poses of any charitable contribution made to or by
3 such person;

4 (3) withhold, reduce the amount or funding for,
5 exclude, terminate, or otherwise make unavailable or
6 deny, any Federal grant, contract, subcontract, co-
7 operative agreement, guarantee, loan, scholarship, li-
8 cense, certification, accreditation, employment, or
9 other similar position or status from or to such per-
10 son;

11 (4) withhold, reduce, exclude, terminate, or oth-
12 erwise make unavailable or deny, any entitlement or
13 benefit under a Federal benefit program, including
14 admission to, equal treatment in, or eligibility for a
15 degree from an educational program, from or to
16 such person; or

17 (5) withhold, reduce, exclude, terminate, or oth-
18 erwise make unavailable or deny access or an entitle-
19 ment to Federal property, facilities, educational in-
20 stitutions, speech fora (including traditional, limited,
21 and nonpublic fora), or charitable fundraising cam-
22 paigns from or to such person.

23 (c) Accreditation; Licensure; Certification.—The
24 Federal Government shall consider accredited, licensed, or
25 certified for purposes of Federal law any person that

1 would be accredited, licensed, or certified, respectively, for
2 such purposes but for a determination against such person
3 wholly or partially on the basis that the person speaks,
4 or acts, in accordance with a sincerely held religious belief
5 or moral conviction described in subsection (a).

6 MINERAL LEASES

7 SEC. 441. Notwithstanding any other provision of law
8 and not subject to further judicial review, not later than
9 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act the
10 Secretary of the Interior shall reinstate the hardrock min-
11 eral leases in the Superior National Forest in the State
12 of Minnesota issued in 2019 and identified as MNES-
13 01352 and MNES-01353.

14 SOCIAL COST OF CARBON

15 SEC. 442. None of the funds made available by this
16 or any other Act may be used to consider or incorporate
17 the social cost of carbon—

18 (1) as part of any cost-benefit analysis required
19 or performed pursuant to—

20 (A) any law;

21 (B) Executive Order No. 13990 (86 Fed.
22 Reg. 7037; relating to protecting public health
23 and the environment and restoring science to
24 tackle the climate crisis);

1 (C) Executive Order No. 14094 (88 Fed.
2 Reg. 21879; relating to modernizing regulatory
3 review);

4 (D) the Presidential Memorandum titled
5 “Modernizing Regulatory Review” issued by the
6 President on January 20, 2021;

7 (E) any revisions to Office of Management
8 and Budget Circular A-4 proposed or finalized
9 under Executive Order No. 14094; or

10 (F) “Technical Support Document: Social
11 Cost of Carbon, Methane, and Nitrous Oxide
12 Interim Estimates under Executive Order
13 13990,” published under the Interagency Work-
14 ing Group on the Social Cost of Greenhouse
15 Gases, in February of 2021;

16 (2) in any rulemaking;

17 (3) in the issuance of any guidance;

18 (4) in taking any other agency action; or

19 (5) as a justification for any rulemaking, guid-
20 ance document, or agency action.

21 INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

22 SEC. 443. (a) The provisions of the following bills of
23 the 119th Congress are hereby enacted into law:

1 (1) H.R. 226 (Eastern Band of Cherokee His-
2 toric Lands Reacquisition Act), as passed by the
3 House of Representatives on February 4, 2025.

4 (2) H.R. 1366 (Mining Regulatory Clarity Act),
5 as passed by the House of Representatives on De-
6 cember 18, 2025.

7 (3) H.R. 1276 (To remove restrictions from a
8 parcel of land in Paducah, Kentucky), as passed by
9 the House of Representatives on December 9, 2025.

10 (b) In publishing this Act in slip form and in the
11 United States Statutes at large pursuant to section 112
12 of title 1, United States Code, the Archivist of the United
13 States shall include after the date of approval at the end
14 an appendix setting forth the text of the sections of the
15 bills referred to in subsection (a).

16 WATER RIGHTS

17 SEC. 444. None of the funds made available by this
18 or any other Act may be obligated to require or request,
19 as a condition of the issuance, renewal, or extension of
20 any Forest Service or Bureau of Land Management per-
21 mit, lease, allotment, easement, or other land use and oc-
22 cupancy, arrangement, the transfer, or relinquishment of
23 any water right, in whole, or in part, granted under State
24 law.

1 LAND WITHDRAWALS

2 SEC. 445. None of the funds made available by this
3 Act may be used to withdraw any Federal land from any
4 form of entry, appropriation, or disposal under the public
5 land laws, location, entry, or patent under the general
6 mining laws, or disposition under the mineral leasing, min-
7 eral materials, or geothermal leasing laws unless such
8 withdrawal is authorized by an Act of Congress.

9 PRIVATELY OWNED MINERAL ESTATES

10 SEC. 446. None of the funds made available by this
11 Act may be used to issue or revise any regulation pursuant
12 to Section 17(o) of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C.
13 226(o)) relating to oil and gas development of outstanding
14 and reserved mineral rights within the Allegheny National
15 Forest.

16 APPRAISALS

17 SEC. 447. Section 5 of the Act of June 22, 1948 (62
18 Stat. 570; 16 U.S.C. 577g), is amended by striking “of
19 the fair appraised value of such” and inserting “of the
20 highest fair appraised value, including the historical fair
21 appraised value, as determined by the Secretary of Agri-
22 culture in accordance with this section, of such”.

1 AERIALLY APPLIED FIRE RETARDANT

2 SEC. 448. None of the funds made available by this
3 or any other Act may be used to ban the use of aerially
4 applied fire retardant.

5 CALIFORNIA RCRA ACTION

6 SEC. 449. None of the funds made available by this
7 Act may be used to implement a regulation issued by the
8 State of California, pursuant to the authority provided
9 under the 2009 Memorandum of Agreement between the
10 California Department of Toxic Substances Control and
11 Region IX of the Environmental Protection Agency (or
12 any successor agreement), to regulate metal shredding fa-
13 cilities in a manner that is inconsistent with or in any
14 respect different from the requirements of the Solid Waste
15 Disposal Act (42 U.S.C. 6091 et seq.).

16 STATE PERMIT PROGRAM

17 SEC. 450. The notice of the Environmental Protec-
18 tion Agency approving the State of Florida's request to
19 carry out a permit program for the discharge of dredged
20 or fill material pursuant to section 404 of the Federal
21 Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1344), published
22 on December 22, 2020, and titled "EPA's Approval of
23 Florida's Clean Water Act Section 404 Assumption Re-
24 quest" (85 Fed. Reg. 83553) shall have the force and ef-
25 fect of law.

1 TITLE V

2 OTHER MATTERS

3 ABANDONED MINE RECLAMATION FUND

4 SEC. 501. None of the funds made available by this
5 or any other Act for payments to States and federally rec-
6 ognized Indian Tribes for reclamation of abandoned mine
7 lands and other related activities under the heading “Of-
8 fice of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement—
9 Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund” may be used to im-
10 plement, administer, or enforce section 200.311 of title 2,
11 Code of Federal Regulations.

12 TEXAS FRESHWATER MUSSELS

13 SEC. 502. None of the funds made available by this
14 or any other Act may be used to implement, administer,
15 or enforce the final rule titled “Endangered and Threat-
16 ened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Species Status
17 With Critical Habitat for Guadalupe Fatmucket, Texas
18 Fatmucket, Guadalupe Orb, Texas Pimpleback, Balcones
19 Spike, and False Spike, and Threatened Species Status
20 With Section 4(d) Rule and Critical Habitat for Texas
21 Fawnsfoot” (89 Fed. Reg. 48034 (June 4, 2024)).

22 FLUID MINERAL LEASES

23 SEC. 503. None of the funds made available by this
24 or any other Act may be used to implement, administer,
25 or enforce the final rule titled “Fluid Mineral Leases and

1 Leasing Process” published by the Bureau of Land Man-
2 agement in the Federal Register on April 23, 2024 (89
3 Fed. Reg. 30916).

4 EXHAUSTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

5 SEC. 504. Paragraph (1) of section 122(a) of division
6 E of Public Law 112-74 (125 Stat. 1013) is amended by
7 striking “For fiscal years 2012 through 2027” and insert-
8 ing “During fiscal year 2012 and thereafter”.

9 HETCH HETCHY RESERVOIR AND LAKE ELEANOR BASIN

10 SEC. 505. None of the funds made available by this
11 Act may be obligated, expended, or used in any manner
12 to restrict or impede access to the Hetch Hetchy Reservoir
13 and Lake Eleanor Basin areas for public recreation, ben-
14 efit, and use.

15 PRESIDIO TRUST

16 SEC. 506. None of the funds made available by this
17 Act may be used for the Presidio Trust.

18 FOREST SERVICE PARTICIPATION IN ACES PROGRAM

19 SEC. 507. Section 8302(b) of the Agricultural Act of
20 2014 (16 U.S.C. 3851a(b)) shall be applied by sub-
21 stituting “October 1, 2027” for “October 1, 2023”.

22 DOG TESTING

23 SEC. 508. None of the funds made available by this
24 Act may be used to require, on or after the date of the
25 enactment of this Act, testing on dogs or the submission

1 of data derived from testing conducted in dogs in order
2 to approve an application for any product regulated under
3 the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act
4 (7 U.S.C. 136 et seq.) or the Toxic Substances Control
5 Act (15 U.S.C. 2601 et seq.) except for cases in which
6 the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agen-
7 cy determines that, as of the date on which the application
8 is submitted—

9 (1) there is not a viable alternative to such test-
10 ing or the use of such data; or

11 (2) use of such an alternative is not consistent
12 with the best available science.

13 ALTERNATIVE TEST METHODS

14 SEC. 509. None of the funds made available by this
15 Act may be used to implement, administer, or enforce sec-
16 tion 63.7(f)(5) of title 40, Code of Federal Regulations.

17 NORTH TOPSAIL BEACH

18 SEC. 510. (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days
19 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
20 of the Interior shall make such corrections to the maps
21 described in subsection (e) as are necessary to exclude
22 from Unit L06 of the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier
23 Resources System each parcel in the town of North Top-
24 sail Beach, North Carolina, that is designated by local

1 zoning ordinance for purposes other than conservation as
2 of the date of the enactment of this Act.

3 (b) APPLICATION OF CORRECTION.—This Act applies
4 only to areas of Unit L06 that are within the municipality
5 of the town of North Topsail Beach.

6 (c) DEFINING OF LOCAL ZONING ORDINANCE.—In
7 this section, the term “local zoning ordinance” means zon-
8 ing regulations in effect for the town of North Topsail
9 Beach, North Carolina, as of the date of enactment of this
10 Act.

11 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The revised maps referred to
12 in subsection (a) shall take effect on the date that is 30
13 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

14 (e) MAPS DESCRIBED.—The maps referred to in sub-
15 section (a) are entitled “Onslow Beach Complex L05 (2
16 of 2) Topsail Unit L06 (1 of 2)” and dated November
17 25, 2024, and “Topsail Unit L06 (2 of 2)” and dated
18 December 21, 2018, and are included in the set of maps
19 of the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System
20 referred to in section 4(a) of the Coastal Barrier Re-
21 sources Act (16 U.S.C. 3503(a)).

22 (f) AVAILABILITY.—The Secretary of the Interior
23 shall keep the revised maps referred to in subsection (a)
24 on file and available for inspection in accordance with sec-

tion 4(b) of the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (16 U.S.C. 3503(b)).

APOSTLE ISLANDS NATIONAL PARK AND PRESERVE

SEC. 511. (a) IN GENERAL.—

(1) REDESIGNATION.—Apostle Islands National Lakeshore, established under Public Law 91–424 (16 U.S.C. 460w et seq.), shall be known and designated as “Apostle Islands National Park and Preserve”, comprised of—

(A) Apostle Islands National Park; and

(B) Apostle Islands National Preserve.

(2) APOSTLE ISLANDS NATIONAL PARK.—

(A) BOUNDARIES.—The boundaries of Apostle Islands National Park are the boundaries of the area generally depicted as “Apostle Islands National Park Proposed Boundary” on the Map.

(B) ASHLAND HARBOR BREAKWATER LIGHT.—

Nothing in this Act creates a protective perimeter or buffer zone around the boundary of the property labeled “Ashland Harbor Breakwater Light” on the Map.

(3) APOSTLE ISLANDS NATIONAL PRESERVE.—The boundaries of Apostle Islands National Preserve are the boundaries of the area generally depicted as “Apostle Islands National Preserve Proposed Boundary” on the Map.

1 (b) ADMINISTRATION.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Apostle Islands National
3 Park and Preserve shall be administered by the Secretary
4 as a single unit of the National Park System in accordance
5 with—

6 (A) this section;

7 (B) the laws generally applicable to units of the
8 National Park System, including—

9 (i) sections 100101(a), 100751(a),
10 100752, 100753, and 102101 of title 54,
11 United States Code; and

12 (ii) chapters 1003 and 3201 of title 54,
13 United States Code; and

14 (C) except as provided in paragraph (2), Public
15 Law 91–424 (16 U.S.C. 460w et seq.).

16 (2) HUNTING, FISHING, AND TRAPPING.—

17 (A) HUNTING AND TRAPPING.—

18 (i) APOSTLE ISLANDS NATIONAL PARK.—
19 Except where permitted under a treaty, statute,
20 or executive order pertaining to a Tribe, hunt-
21 ing and trapping are prohibited within Apostle
22 Islands National Park.

23 (ii) APOSTLE ISLANDS NATIONAL PRE-
24 SERVE.—The Secretary shall administer hunt-

1 ing and trapping within Apostle Islands Na-
2 tional Preserve—

3 (I) in the same manner that hunting
4 and trapping were administered on the day
5 before the date of the enactment of this
6 Act within the portion of Apostle Islands
7 National Lakeshore that comprises Apostle
8 Island National Preserve; and

9 (II) in accordance with section 5 of
10 Public Law 91–424 (16 U.S.C. 460w–4)
11 and other applicable laws.

12 (B) FISHING.—The Secretary shall administer
13 fishing within the Apostle Islands National Park and
14 Preserve—

15 (i) in the same manner that fishing was
16 administered within the Apostle Islands Na-
17 tional Lakeshore on the day before the date of
18 enactment of this Act; and

19 (ii) in accordance with section 5 of Public
20 Law 91–424 (16 U.S.C. 460w–4) and other ap-
21 plicable laws.

22 (C) PRIVATE LAND.—Nothing in this section
23 prohibits hunting, fishing, or trapping on private
24 land in accordance with applicable State and Federal
25 laws.

1 (c) REFERENCES AND MAP.—

2 (1) REFERENCES.—

3 (A) IN GENERAL.—Any reference in a law,
4 map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of
5 the United States to “Apostle Islands National
6 Lakeshore” shall be deemed to be a reference to
7 “Apostle Islands National Park and Preserve”.

8 (B) PUBLIC LAW 91–424.—Any reference in
9 Public Law 91–424 (16 U.S.C. 460w et seq.) to the
10 “lakeshore” shall be deemed to be a reference to
11 “Apostle Islands National Park and Preserve”.

12 (2) MAP.—The Map shall be—

13 (A) on file and available for public inspection in
14 the appropriate offices of the National Park Service;
15 and

16 (B) made available on a publicly accessible
17 website of the National Park Service.

18 (d) INTERPRETIVE FEATURES.—The Secretary shall
19 include at the principal visitor centers of the Apostle Is-
20 lands National Park and Preserve the following interpre-
21 tive features:

22 (1) Signage that describes the history of the region,
23 including information about the Ojibwe tribes, early Euro-
24 pean settlers, fur trade, logging, stone quarries, light-
25 houses and commercial fishing.

1 (2) A copy of this Act.

2 (e) TREATY AND RESERVED RIGHTS.—Nothing in
3 this Act shall be construed as affecting any rights granted,
4 reserved, or established pursuant to treaty, statute, or ex-
5 ecutive order pertaining to any Tribe, including, but not
6 limited to, rights to hunt, trap, fish, and gather on lands
7 included within the boundary of Apostle Islands National
8 Park and Preserve or any other rights asserted by any
9 Tribe.

10 (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:

11 (1) MAP.—The term “Map” means the map titled
12 “Apostle Islands National Park and Preserve Proposed
13 Boundaries”, numbered 633/193,514, and dated October
14 2024.

15 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means the
16 Secretary of the Interior.

17 PROHIBITION OF FUNDS

18 SEC. 512. None of the funds provided in this Act may
19 be used by the Smithsonian Institution to implement the
20 amendments to Chapter 203 of title 51, United States
21 Code in Sec. 40005 of Public Law 119–21 relating to
22 “Space Vehicle Transfer”.

IRIS

SEC. 513. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to develop, finalize, or issue assessments under the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS).

BLM MINING CLAIM MAINTENANCE FEES

SEC. 514. (a) None of the funds made available by this Act may be used by the Secretary of the Interior to declare forfeited, abandoned, or void any unpatented lode mining claim, mill site, or tunnel site described in section 10101(a)(1) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 (30 U.S.C. 28f(a)(1)) for which the claim maintenance fee required by that section (30 U.S.C. 28f(a)(1)) was paid on or before September 1, 2012, on the ground that the holder of such unpatented lode mining claim, mill site, or tunnel site did not comply with the assessment work requirement or the related filing requirements described in that section (30 U.S.C. 28f(a)(1)), for the assessment year ending on September 1, 2012.

(b) Subsection (a) shall apply notwithstanding receipt by the holder of an unpatented lode mining claim, mill site, or tunnel site described in that subsection of a refund of the claim maintenance fee described in that subsection from the Secretary of the Interior.

(c) Subsection (a) shall not apply to an unpatented lode mining claim, mill site, or tunnel site described in

1 subsection (a) for which the claim maintenance fee de-
2 scribed in that subsection was waived under section
3 10101(d) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of
4 1993 (30 U.S.C. 28f(d)) for the assessment year ending
5 on September 1, 2012.

6 SPENDING REDUCTION ACCOUNT

7 SEC. 515. \$0.

8 This Act may be cited as the “Department of the In-
9 terior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations
10 Act, 2027”.

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