INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES, 2027

The Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies appropriations bill for Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 provides $42.6 billion in total discretionary funding, of which $39.7 billion is for regular discretionary funding and $2.95 billion is for the Wildfire Suppression Operations Reserve Fund. The bill provides support for tribal programs, National Parks, public lands, water and wastewater infrastructure, and supports federal efforts to suppress wildfires.

- Provides $6.7 billion for the Department of the Interior and U.S. Forest Service to prepare and respond to wildland fire.
- Upholds commitments to federally recognized tribes.
- Invests in U.S. energy dominance through onshore and offshore oil and gas production. Provides resources to support the President's Executive Order on American Timber Production.
- Bolsters national security with funding to support deep sea mapping, characterization of critical mineral resources, and increased support staffing in critical island locations.
- Fully funds the Payments in Lieu of Taxes to provide communities in 49 states, and in the territories, compensation for lost tax revenues resulting from federal land ownership within their jurisdiction.
- Maintains legacy riders.

Bill Highlights

Department of the Interior: $15.3 billion for the management of National Parks, refuges, and public lands; conservation and energy development on public lands and waters; and tribal trust responsibilities. The bill provides full funding for tribal contract support costs and lease payments and includes $1.5 billion to support the U.S. Wildland Fire Service.

Environmental Protection Agency: $8.56 billion in grants and program funding, including $4.4 billion for State and Tribal Assistance Grants.

U.S. Forest Service: $8.85 billion to support forest management, of which $4.6 billion is for wildland fire preparedness and suppression.

Indian Health Services: $8.4 billion, including additional funding for staffing packages, tribal contract support costs, and tribal leases. The bill also provides $5.4 billion in advance appropriations for FY 2028.

Smithsonian Institution: $1.05 billion to support the operation and maintenance of museums.

National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) and National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH): Each Endowment receives $207 million, equal to FY 2026 enacted levels.