

## **INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES, 2024**

*\$38.550 billion in total base discretionary funding*

The Interior bill for Fiscal Year 2024 provides a base discretionary total of \$38.550 billion in nondefense funding. The bill also includes \$2.650 billion for the Wildfire Suppression Operations Reserve Fund. The bill provides support for tribal programs, National Parks, public lands, water and wastewater infrastructure, and federal efforts to suppress wildfires.

- Provides \$6.1 billion in discretionary funding to support wildland fire activities and maintain wildland firefighter pay and capacity.
- Maintains all legacy riders.
- Rejects Administration-proposed provisions that would have impeded oil and gas activities on public lands.
- 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.

### **BILL HIGHLIGHTS**

**Department of the Interior:** \$15.1 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. \$1.5 billion is provided to support wildland fire management activities and continued wildland firefighter base salary increases.

**Environmental Protection Agency:** \$9.2 billion in grants and program funding, including \$4.4 billion for State and Tribal Assistance Grants.

**U.S. Forest Service:** \$8.4 billion to support forest management, of which \$4.6 billion is for wildland fire preparedness and suppression activities and continued wildland firefighter base salary increases.

**Indian Health Services:** \$6.9 billion, which includes additional funding for staffing packages, tribal contract support costs and tribal leases. The bill also provides \$5.1 billion in advance appropriations for FY 2025.

**Smithsonian Institution:** \$1.1 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 2023 enacted levels.