



# INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES



## SUMMARY OF FISCAL YEAR 2026 BILL

### Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies

The fiscal year 2026 Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies bill includes \$38.6 billion, which is \$9.5 billion above the Trump Administration's budget request. The bill also provides \$2.9 billion for the Wildfire Suppression Operations Reserve Fund. The bill does not include language to consolidate Forest Service and Department of Interior (DOI) wildland fire management into a new bureau within DOI.

The legislation:

- **Protects public lands, national parks, and endangered species** by rejecting more than \$9.5 billion in devastating cuts imposed in the House Republican bill and eliminating over 66 new House Republican poison pill policy riders.
- **Curtails the reckless abuses of the Trump Administration** by adding robust bill strengthening provisions, including staffing thresholds, notification requirements, and the incorporation of funding tables that codify precise dollar figures for specific programs, reasserting Congress's power of the purse and diminishing the administration's discretion over hundreds of millions of dollars in Congressionally approved spending.
- **Supports Native American families** by investing in a strong and resilient Indian Country, including through education and health care programs.
- **Prevents corrupt abuses by the Trump Administration** by blocking the use of National Park Service construction funding for a Triumphal Arch, protecting funding for the Smithsonian American Women's History Museum and National Museum of the American Latino, and rejecting Republican attempts to rename the Kennedy Center Opera House after a member of the Trump family.
- **Fully funds the National Endowments for the Arts and Humanities** at \$207 million each, rejecting extreme proposals by the Trump Administration to eliminate them entirely.
- **Protects the environment** by rejecting the administration's radical attempts to eliminate Environmental Justice funding, instead providing \$30 million in funds, and protecting environmental funding for states.

## **Bill Summary:**

**Department of the Interior (DOI)** – The bill provides a total of \$14.5 billion in discretionary appropriations for DOI, \$1.4 billion above the fiscal year 2026 President's budget request. Of this amount, the bill includes:

- \$1.3 billion for the **Bureau of Land Management (Management of Lands and Resources/Oregon and California Grant Lands [MLR/O&C])**, \$479 million above the fiscal year 2026 President's budget request. Within this amount, the bill includes:
  - \$84 million for **sage-grouse conservation**, \$34 million for **threatened and endangered species**, and \$11.2 million for **National and Scenic Historic Trails**, and \$25 million for **renewable energy**.
- \$1.7 billion for **U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service**, \$511 million above the fiscal year 2026 President's budget request. Within this amount, the bill includes:
  - \$12 million for Recovery Challenge Grants, \$3 million for the Prescott Grant Program and maintains the fiscal year 2024 enacted level for Marine Mammals and State of the Birds in **Ecological Services**.
  - \$6 million total for Nutria eradication in **Habitat Conservation** and the **National Wildlife Refuge System**, \$31 million for Invasive Carp in **Fish and Aquatic Conservation**, \$12 million for Delaware River Basin Conservation Act, and maintains \$8 million for the Chesapeake Watershed Investments for Landscape Defense Act (Chesapeake WILD).
- \$3.3 billion for the **National Park Service**, \$1.2 billion above the fiscal year 2026 President's budget request.
- \$1.4 billion for the **U.S. Geological Survey**, \$529 million above the fiscal year 2026 President's budget request which provides \$64 million for Climate Adaptation Science Centers, \$16 million for Water Resources Research Units, \$44 million for 3DEP, \$35 million for ShakeAlert, increases PFAS Research by \$400,000 and maintains funding at the fiscal year 2024 enacted level for Harmful Algal Blooms, Invasive Carp, Earth MRI, Cooperative Research Units, and priority ecosystems.
- \$133 million for the **Bureau of Ocean Energy Management**, \$43 million above the fiscal year 2026 President's budget request, which provides \$20 million for **renewable energy**, and \$147 million for **Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement**, \$68 million above the fiscal year 2026 President's budget request.
- \$285 million for the **Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement**, an increase of \$23 million above the fiscal year 2026 President's budget request.

- \$4 billion for the **Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Indian Education, and Bureau of Trust Fund Administration**, an increase of \$1.2 billion above the fiscal year 2026 President's budget request. Within this amount, the bill includes:
  - \$2.5 billion for the **Bureau of Indian Affairs** which provides \$56 million for Social Services, \$13 million for the Housing improvement program, and \$570 million for Public Safety and Justice programs.
  - \$1.4 billion for **Bureau of Indian Education** which maintains funding at the fiscal year 2024 enacted level for Elementary and Secondary programs and Post Secondary programs.
  - Fully funds **Contract Support Costs** and **Payments for Tribal Leases**.
- \$371 million for **Departmental Offices**, \$63 million above the budget request. Within this amount, the bill includes:
  - \$131 million for the **Office of the Secretary**, an increase of \$7 million above the budget request.
  - \$118 million for the **Office of Insular Affairs**, \$15 million above the budget request.

**Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)** – The bill provides a total of \$8.8 billion for the EPA. This is \$4.7 billion above the fiscal year 2026 President's budget request. Of this amount, the bill includes:

- \$3.9 billion for EPA's core **science and environmental program work**. Within these amounts, the bill includes:
  - \$690 million for **Geographic Programs**, a \$9 million increase from fiscal year 2025 enacted level, which helps restore nationally significant bodies of water like the Great Lakes, Chesapeake Bay, and Long Island Sound.
  - \$501 million in funding for **enforcement and compliance** activities, \$220 million above the budget request, providing a \$57 million increase above the fiscal year 2025 enacted level for **enforcement activities**, and \$30 million for **Environmental Justice** activities.
- \$4.4 billion for **State and Tribal Assistance Grants**, this is \$3.7 billion above the fiscal year 2026 President's budget request. Within this amount, the bill includes:
  - \$2.8 billion for **Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds**. This includes \$1.6 billion in **Community Project Funding** for 1,163 drinking water, wastewater, and storm water management projects across the country.

**Wildland Fire Management (WFM)** – The bill provides \$6.4 billion for WFM, which includes \$2.9 billion in cap adjusted fire suppression funding.

**Related Agencies –**

- \$3.7 billion for the **Forest Service (non-fire/without LWCF)**, \$1.6 billion above the budget request.
- \$8 billion for the **Indian Health Service**, an increase of \$76 million above the fiscal year 2026 President's budget request.
  - \$5 billion for **Health Services** and \$809 million for **Health Facilities** which includes funding for the staffing of new facilities.
  - Fully funds **Contract Support Costs** and **Payments for Tribal Leases**.
  - Provides advance appropriations for fiscal year 2027.
- \$207 million each for the **National Endowment for the Arts** and the **National Endowment for the Humanities**, equal to the fiscal year 2025 enacted levels.
- \$1.1 billion for the **Smithsonian Institution**, \$121 million above the fiscal year 2026 President's budget request.
- \$5 million for the **Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars**, \$5 million above the fiscal year 2026 President's budget request.
- \$37 million for the **John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts**, equal to the budget request.
- \$65 million for the **United States Holocaust Memorial Museum**, equal to the fiscal year 2025 enacted level.

**Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)** – The bill allocates \$900 million for land acquisition and support for state recreation programs.