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Interior and Environment, and Related Agencies

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The 2022 Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, includes \$43.4 billion in regular appropriations, an increase of \$7.3 billion – 20.2 percent – above 2021. There is also an additional \$2.45 billion of funding for fire suppression. The legislation:

- Creates good-paying American jobs through investments in renewable energy development, including offshore wind, and a national initiative to reclaim abandoned mines and cap orphan oil and gas wells
- Confronts the climate crisis by expanding environmental enforcement efforts, creating a Civilian Climate Corps, and launching a renewed focus on land and water conservation
- Supports Native American families by investing in a strong and resilient Indian Country, including through education and health care programs
- Dramatically expands environmental justice efforts to address unacceptable pollution in communities of color
- Honors the federal government’s responsibilities to Native Americans

Summary:

(In FY 2022, Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) allocations are maintained as mandatory appropriations.)

Department of the Interior (DOI) – The bill provides a total of \$15.6 billion in discretionary appropriations for DOI, an increase of \$2.3 billion above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$240 million below the President’s budget request. Of this amount, the bill includes:

- \$1.6 billion for the **Bureau of Land Management (MLR/O&C)**, \$285 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$26 million below the President’s budget request. Within this amount, the bill includes:
 - \$80 million for **sage-grouse conservation**, and \$66.5 million for the **National Landscape Conservation System**. It also provides \$162 million for the Wild Horse and Burro program which includes \$11 million for research on reversible immunocontraceptive fertility control and its administration.
- \$1.9 billion for **U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service**, an increase of \$301 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$32 million below the President’s budget request. Within this amount, the bill includes:
 - \$315million for **Ecological Services**, an increase of \$45.5 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$17 million below the President’s budget request.

- \$582 million for **National Wildlife Refuge System**, an increase of \$78 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$2 million below the President’s budget request.
- \$22 million for **Multinational Species Conservation Fund**, an increase of \$4 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and the President’s budget request.
- \$82 million for **State and Tribal Wildlife Grants**, an increase of \$10 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and equal to the President’s budget request.
- \$3.5 billion for **National Park Service**, an increase of \$324 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$28 million below the President’s budget request. Within this amount, the bill includes:
 - \$3 billion for **Operation of the National Park System**, an increase of \$277 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$12 million below the President’s budget request.
 - \$80 million for **National Recreation and Preservation**, an increase of \$6 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$6 million above the President’s budget request.
 - \$156 million for the **Historic Preservation Fund**, an increase of \$12 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$4 million above the President’s budget request. Within this amount, the bill includes \$81 million for State and Tribal Historic Preservation Offices, \$30 million for Save America’s Treasures grants, \$28 million for competitive grants to preserve the sites and stories of underrepresented community civil rights, and \$10 million for grants to Historically Black Colleges and Universities.
- \$1.6 billion for the **U.S. Geological Survey**, an increase of \$327 million above the enacted level and equal to the President’s budget request.
- \$223.93 million for the **Bureau of Ocean Energy Management**, an increase of \$31.12 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$3.85 million below the President’s budget request.
 - \$45.82 million for the Renewable Energy Program, an increase of \$17.35 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and equal to the President’s budget request.
- \$4 billion for **Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Indian Education, and Office of the Special Trustee**, an increase of \$507 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$65 million below the President’s budget request. Within this amount, the bill includes:
 - \$1.9 billion for **Bureau of Indian Affairs Operation of Indian Programs**, an increase of \$308 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$8 million above the President’s budget request.
 - \$75 million for a new **Indian Land Consolidation** account to acquire fractionated interests in trust land.
 - \$188 million for **Bureau of Indian Affairs Construction**, an increase of \$59 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and equal to the President’s budget request.
 - \$11.8 million for the **Indian Guaranteed Loan Program**, equal to the FY 2021 enacted level and the President’s budget request.
 - \$1.1 billion for **Bureau of Indian Education Operation of Indian Programs**, an increase of \$110 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and equal to the President’s budget request.
 - \$267 million to **Bureau of Indian Education Construction**, an increase of \$3 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$3 million above the President’s budget request.
 - Fully funds **Contract Support Costs** and **Payments for Tribal Leases**.
 - \$110 million for **Office of the Special Trustee**, an increase of \$1 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$110 million above the President’s budget request.

- \$421 million for **Departmental Offices**, \$57 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$6 million above the President’s budget request. Within this amount, the bill includes:
 - \$128 million for **Office of Insular Affairs**, an increase of \$12.8 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$5.5 million above the President’s budget request.
 - \$120 million for **Energy Community Revitalization Program** to address hard rock mining and orphaned oil and gas wells.

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) – The bill provides a total of \$11.34 billion in for EPA – an increase of \$2.11 billion above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$110.8 million above the President’s budget request. Of this amount, the bill includes:

- \$4.17 billion for EPA’s core **science and environmental program work**, an increase of \$681 million above the FY 2021 enacted level. Within these amounts, the bill includes:
 - \$642.7 million for **Geographic Programs** which help with restoration of nationally significant bodies of water like the Great Lakes, Chesapeake Bay, and Long Island Sound. This is an increase of \$100.8 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$64.4 million above the President’s budget request.
 - \$61.8 million in funding for **scientific and regulatory work on per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS)**, needed to establish drinking water and cleanup standards. This funding builds on the \$49 million the EPA received in 2021.
- \$5.32 billion for **State and Tribal Assistance Grants**, an increase of \$1.01 billion above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$194 million above the President’s budget request. Within this amount, the bill includes:
 - \$3.23 billion for **Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds**, \$464 million above the enacted level and equal to the President’s budget request. This includes \$428.6 million **Community Project Funding** for over 280 drinking water, wastewater, and storm water management projects across the country.
 - \$326.6 million for targeted grants for **drinking water contaminants and wastewater treatment** for lead, nitrates, and other health hazards, an increase of \$117.5 million above the enacted level and \$7.6 million above the request.
 - \$131 million for **Brownfields cleanups**, a \$49 million increase above the FY 2021 enacted level and equal to the President’s budget request.
 - \$150 million for **Diesel Emissions Reduction grants**, an increase of \$60 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and equal to the President’s budget request.
- \$1.54 billion for **Superfund**, an increase of \$331 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$2.5 million above the President’s request.
- \$248 million for **Environmental Justice** activities, an increase of \$235 million above the FY 2021 level. This includes:
 - \$148 million in programmatic funds to expand EPA’s ability to incorporate environmental justice considerations into all aspects of its work, and support other federal agencies’ environmental justice efforts.
 - \$100 million for six new environmental justice grant programs designed to begin implementing environmental justice solutions on the ground in frontline and fenceline communities.

Wildland Fire Management (WFM) - The bill provides \$5.66 billion for WFM, which includes \$2.45 billion in cap adjusted fire suppression funding. The total funding is \$385.82 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$380 thousand below the President's budget request.

Related Agencies –

- \$4.14 billion for the **Forest Service (non-fire/without LWCF)**, an increase of \$680.49 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$50.43 million below the President's budget request.
- \$8.1 billion for the **Indian Health Service**, an increase of \$1.8 billion above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$7.8 billion below the President's budget request.
 - \$5.8 billion for **Health Services**, an increase of \$189 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$101 million above the President's budget request.
 - \$1.3 billion for **Health Facilities**, an increase of \$351 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$232 million below the President's budget request.
 - Fully funds **Contract Support Costs** and **Payments for Tribal Leases**.
- \$201 million each for the **National Endowment for the Arts** and the **National Endowment for the Humanities**, an increase of \$33.5 million above the 2021 enacted levels, \$23.45 million over the requested level for the National Endowment for the Humanities and equal to the request for National Endowment for the Arts.
- \$1.102 billion for the **Smithsonian Institution**, an increase of \$69.3 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and equal to the President's budget request.
- \$14.1 million for the **Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars**, an increase of \$95,000 above the FY 2021 enacted level and equal to the President's budget request.
- \$40.4 million for the **John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts**, equal to the 2021 enacted level and equal to the President's budget request.
- \$62.6 million for the **United States Holocaust Memorial Museum**, an increase of \$1.2 million above the enacted level and equal to the President's budget request.

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