ACTION ALERT: HR 3225

The Coalition has launched a sign-on letter for our members to urge their Congressional Representatives to support and co-sponsor H.R. 3225, Restoring Community Input and Public Protections in Oil and Gas Leasing Act.

H.R. 3225 would go a long way toward fixing a broken system that continues to damage national parks across our country every day. It would help protect our natural and cultural resources, restore and increase public participation in the leasing process, improve transparency, and ensure fair
market value for the use of public lands.

Please add your name and show your support for our national parks. The deadline is September 9, 2019. You can find the letter by clicking the box below.

Sign On Letter in Support of HR 3225

CPANP Speaks out Against ESA Changes

The Coalition issued a statement condemning the Trump administration's recent changes to the Endangered Species Act. Coalition Chair Phil Francis said, "The ESA is incredibly effective at saving plants, animals, and insects, from extinction. And it has widespread public support from the American people. Despite its success and popularity, the Trump administration has weakened the act and put countless species in danger of extinction." Read our full statement below.

ESA Statement

Opposing DOI Reorganization

The Coalition recently signed on to a letter,
written in partnership with other conservation groups and sent to Congressional leadership, expressing deep concern about the administration’s reorganization of the Department of the Interior, the threat of which has become even more ominous with the announcement of the relocation of the Bureau of Land Management headquarters and personnel. Click below to read the letter.

DOI Reorganization Letter

Concerns over USFS NEPA Changes

CPANP submitted comments on the US Forest Service’s proposed revisions to its National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) regulations, which would significantly reduce public involvement opportunities. We included a list of our concerns, which you can read about in the full comments linked in the gray box below.

Comments on USFS Regs

DOI-BLM Federal Pipeline Unit Wells

The Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance, National Parks Conservation Association, Coalition to Protect America’s National
Parks, and Center for Biological Diversity (collectively “SUWA”) submitted comments on the DOI-BLM Federal Pipeline Unit Wells located in the Colorado Plateau. The Environmental Assessment failed to analyze cumulative impacts of reasonably foreseeable oil and gas wells in the Uinta Basin to resource values such as Dinosaur National Monument, lands with wilderness characteristics, and the climate, among others. The full document is linked below.

**Comments on Pipeline Unit Wells**

**More Concerns Over Bears Ears**

The Coalition and partner groups submitted comments protesting the Bears Ears National Monument Proposed Monument Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement. Read the document below.

**Bears Ears Comments**

**This Land is Our Land Updates**

The month of August provided a great opportunity to undertake some advocacy. While traveling to Washington, D.C. to meet with your member of Congress might be logistically challenging, your Congressional
representatives were back in their home states during the month of August. We published a couple of blog posts about becoming an advocate for your national parks and scheduling meetings during August recess. You can find them here and here. Did you reach out to a member of Congress last month? Send us an email and let us know!

What We're Reading & Tracking This Month

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, a United Nations-led scientific panel, issued a major new report on climate change in August. And it’s full of disturbing facts - such as, "for everyone who lives on land, the planet’s dangerously warmed future is already here." Read more in this article from The Atlantic.

Need a visual on how much climate change has already impacted us? Check out this article from The Washington Post. While New Jersey may seem like an odd choice to measure the impacts of climate change, it is "one of the fastest-warming states in the nation."

The current administration says it's "streamlining" the government by moving agencies and employees out of Washington, D.C. This recent editorial by The Washington
Post Editorial Board provides an excellent counterpoint; the recent moves are pushing experts out. You can also read more here.

How about something uplifting to wrap up this newsletter? This grandson is taking his nearly 90-year-old grandmother on an epic national park adventure. Read more here.

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