

Senate Moving on Infrastructure; House to Consider Brownfields Reauthorization

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Legislative Activity

Energy Infrastructure

Moving forward with her previously announced effort to write draft legislation to address energy infrastructure for the larger anticipated infrastructure bill, Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Chairman Lisa Murkowski (R-AK) will hold a hearing on Tuesday, April 4 to consider methods to protect the electricity grid and associated energy delivery systems from cybersecurity threats.

Brownfields

On Tuesday, April 4, the House Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Environment, will hold a hearing to consider a [discussion draft](#) of legislation that would reauthorize the Brownfields Program.

Water

On Tuesday, April 4, the House Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Water, Power, and Oceans, will hold a hearing to examine the [discussion draft](#) of the “Bureau of Reclamation Pumped Storage Hydropower Development Act,” which would authorize pumped storage hydropower development utilizing multiple Bureau of Reclamation reservoirs.

On Tuesday, April 4, the Senate Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, will hold a hearing to “examine national water hazards and vulnerabilities, focusing on forecasting for responses and mitigation.”

Coal Lands Restoration

On Wednesday, April 5, the House Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and

Mineral Resources, will hold a hearing to concerning [H.R. 1731](#), the Revitalizing the Economy of Coal Communities by Leveraging Local Activities and Investing More (RECLAIM) Act of 2017. The bill would amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to provide funds to states and Tribes for reclamation and restoration of land and water resources adversely affected by coal mining carried out before August 3, 1977.

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