



SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE

November 2, 2021

The Honorable Joe Neguse
United States House of Representatives
Longworth House Office Building 1419
Washington, D.C. 20515

Subject: Support for H. R. 5001 -- To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to continue to implement endangered fish recovery programs for the Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basins, and for other purposes.

Dear Representative Neguse:

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has been participating in and supporting the San Juan River Basin Recovery Implementation Program since its inception in 1992. The Tribe strongly supports H.R. 5001, which extends for one year the recovery programs (P.L. 106-392) essential for continuity of recovery program operations. This is important to our Tribe because the San Juan Recovery Program provides Endangered Species Act compliance for tribal water projects while also recovering endangered fish species.

Thank you for introducing the legislation. We look forward to its swift passage by the House of Representatives. Please let us know how we can be of support.

Sincerely,

Melvin J. Baker
Chairman
Southern Ute Indian Tribe

cc: Water, Oceans, and Wildlife Subcommittee, House Committee on Natural Resources, United States House of Representatives