

**COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES
SUBCOMMITTEE ON WATER, WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
LEGISLATIVE HEARING**

1334 Longworth House Office Building
October 25, 2023
2:15PM

AGENDA

- **H.R. 520 (Rep. McClintock)**, To amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to provide that artificially propagated animals shall be treated the same under that Act as naturally propagated animals;
- **H.R. 2990 (Rep. Bonamici)**, “*National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Sexual Harassment and Assault Prevention Improvements Act of 2023*”;
- **H.R. 5103 (Rep. Donalds)**, “*Fishery Improvement to Streamline untimely regulatory Hurdles post Emergency Situation Act*” or the “*FISHES Act*”;
- **H.R. 5504 (Rep. Newhouse)**, To require the Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to withdraw proposed rules relating to the Endangered Species Act of 1973, and for other purposes;
- **H.R. 5509 (Rep. Porter)**, “*Electronic Permitting Modernization Act*”;
- **H.R. 5874 (Rep. Ciscomani)**, “*Transboundary Aquifer Assessment Program Act*” or the “*TAAP Act*”;
- **Discussion Draft of H.R. ___ (Rep. Graves of Louisiana)**, To prohibit the implementation of certain documents until the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries of the National Marine Fisheries Service issues documents relating to the Rice’s whale.

LIST OF ITEMS FOR THE RECORD:

1. Chairman Bentz (R-OR) submitted a letter of support for H.R. 5504 from the Pet Advocacy Network.

Ranking Member Jared Huffman (D-CA) submitted for the record:

2. A one pager from the Defenders of Wildlife on the Endangered Species Act.
3. A letter in opposition to H.R. 6008 from a group of environmentalist stakeholders.
4. A letter in opposition to H.R. 5504 from a group of environmentalist stakeholders.
5. A letter in opposition to H.R. 520 from a group of environmentalist stakeholders.

Rep. Byron Donalds (R-FL) submitted for the record:

6. A letter of support for H.R. 5103 from GSMFC.
7. A letter of support for H.R. 5103 from Angler Action Foundation.
8. A letter of support for H.R. 5103 from FFWC.
9. A letter of support for H.R. 5103 from SCCF.

10. Rep. Dan Newhouse (R-WA) submitted a letter of support for H.R. 5504 from NAHB.

Rep. Lori Trahan (D-MA) submitted for the record:

11. A letter from a group of stakeholders to NMFS regarding the proposed rule to designate Rice's whale critical habitat.
12. A scientific review on the Rice's whale proposed critical habitat.
13. A study analyzing the economic impacts of Gulf of Mexico Oil and Natural Gas Vessel Transit Restrictions.

14. Mr. Jonathan Wood submitted an appendix to his testimony.