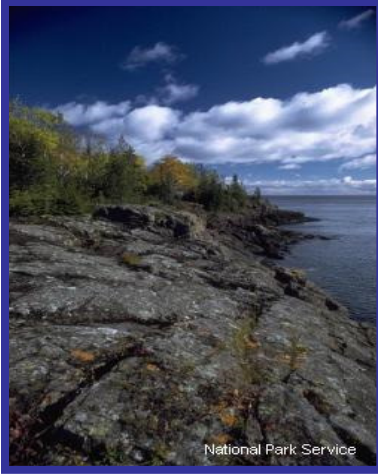


Cosponsor the Natural Resources Climate Adaptation Act of 2009 (S. 1933)

Bingaman-Baucus-Whitehouse-Udall bill to safeguard natural resources and associated ecosystem services threatened from the impacts of climate change



Climate change poses an immediate and profound threat to our natural world, our economy and our health. The natural systems that provide us with essential services such as drinking water, flood protection, food, jobs, medicine, timber, recreational opportunities, scenic beauty, and numerous other services are already affected by global warming—and the impacts will only grow in years to come. If supported with the necessary funding, “The Natural Resources Climate Adaptation Act”, S. 1933, will help protect the ecosystems that provide us with these essential services, safeguard wildlife that depend on those systems, and protect and create jobs across America.

S. 1933 establishes a series of strategies to coordinate solutions that will enhance ecosystem resiliency in a warming world. The bill also creates a dedicated funding approach, whereby necessary and consistent funding will flow directly to federal and state natural resource agencies to implement carefully designed natural resources adaptation strategies. As a result, natural resource agencies

will be in a much better position to develop comprehensive, multi-year strategies for conserving at-risk natural resources and ensuring that ecosystems continue to provide the goods and services that communities depend upon for their survival and quality of life.

S. 1933—Natural Resource Climate Adaptation Act of 2009

- Protects, restores and conserves natural resources threatened by climate change by using the best available science to establish a national adaptation strategy and requiring coordinated federal and state natural resource adaptation strategies.
- Dedicates a necessary and predictable funding stream to help local, state, federal and tribal fish, wildlife and land managers effectively respond to the combination of short- term and long-term challenges posed by climate change.
- Supports a suite of federal, state and tribal agencies currently leading conservation efforts across the country (programs at DOI, USFS, NOAA, EPA, Army Corp, State and Tribal Wildlife Agencies, and State Coastal Agencies).
- Creates thousands of green jobs - restoring habitat, removing invasive species, repairing wetlands and watersheds - and protecting the millions of jobs that rely on healthy natural resources.

Please demonstrate your support for safeguarding natural resources from climate change and create green jobs that restore America’s land, water and other natural resources by cosponsoring “The Natural Resources Climate Adaptation Act” S. 1933. Contact Linda Lance or Sara Tucker with the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee (linda_lance@energy.senate.gov, sara_tucker@energy.senate.gov)

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