



**Office of the Under Secretary**

Natural Resources and Environment  
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March 19, 2025

THE HONORABLE JEFF MERKLEY  
*Ranking Member*  
*Committee on Appropriations*  
*Subcommittee on Interior, Environment,*  
*and Related Agencies*  
*United States Senate*  
*125 Hart Senate Office Building*  
*Washington, D.C. 20510*

Dear Ranking Member Merkley:

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If you have any questions, please have a member of your staff contact the Office of Congressional Relations at (202) 720-7095. We sent an identical letter and the report to Chair Lisa Murkowski.

Sincerely,

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Kristin A. Sleeper

*Deputy Under Secretary*  
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*Chair*  
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*Ranking Member*  
*Committee on Appropriations*  
*Subcommittee on Interior, Environment,*  
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*U.S. House of Representatives*  
*1036 Longworth House Office Building*  
*Washington, D.C. 20515*

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