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and minimize the environmental impacts of these activities. Combined with administrative reforms to streamline permitting processes, these efforts would provide industry with access to the energy resources America needs, while ensuring that taxpayers receive a fair return from the development of these public resources.

“Together, we are going to start a new energy revolution—one that celebrates American production on American soil.”

President Donald J. Trump
March 28, 2017

Supports Reorganization of DOI. The Budget provides \$28 million to continue implementing DOI’s vision for a reorganized Department, focusing resources on its new unified regions, moving headquarters staff west, and expanding the use of shared services. Through its 12 new unified regions, DOI hopes to improve collaboration and coordination across its bureaus on key DOI missions—such as recreation, conservation, and permitting—and to focus regions on the same resources and constituents. By relocating staff, the Department brings employees closer to the public that they serve and the resources they manage. Efforts to expand shared ser-

vices will reduce duplicative capacity within DOI and increase the Department’s ability to deliver on DOI’s missions and responsibilities.

Supports Federal Efforts to Reduce Wildfire Risk. In light of historically catastrophic wildfire seasons in recent years, the Budget significantly increases funding for wildland fire management programs to reduce hazardous fuel loads and support wildfire preparedness efforts. The Budget responsibly funds base suppression costs pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018, which would be bolstered by \$300 million in additional suppression resources under the recently enacted wildfire cap adjustment. In addition, the Administration is unequivocal about the need to accelerate active forest management. The Budget reflects this critical priority by requesting \$194 million for DOI’s hazardous fuel mitigation work and \$172 million for DOI timber programs; together, these programs help ensure that Federal lands and watersheds are sustainable, healthy, and productive. These programs also generate jobs in rural communities and help make them safer and more resilient to the destructive impacts of wildfire.

Invests in Public Lands Infrastructure Fund. DOI and the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Forest Service manage an infrastructure asset portfolio with a replacement value exceeding \$300 billion. The buildings, trails, roads, water systems, and Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) schools managed by the Departments are deteriorating, as evidenced by a deferred maintenance backlog that exceeds \$18 billion. To address this backlog, the Budget proposes a \$6.5 billion Public Lands Infrastructure Fund (Fund) to improve and repair facilities at national parks and forests, wildlife refuges, BIE schools, and on other public lands. The Fund would be supported by the deposit of 50 percent of the proceeds received from Federal offshore and onshore energy leases over the 2020-2024 period, subject to an annual limit of \$1.3 billion. These investments would improve some of America’s most visited parks and public lands that support a multi-billion dollar outdoor recreation economy.

Preserves National Park Service (NPS) Assets for Future Generations. NPS has a long history of preserving and protecting the natural and cultural sites that tell America’s story. To continue this tradition and ensure preservation of national parks for generations to come, the Budget provides \$293 million to help address NPS’s \$12 billion deferred maintenance backlog. Along with the mandatory funding provided by the Public Lands Infrastructure Fund, this funding would help NPS maintain and preserve America’s highest priority assets.