



## The Weekly Preview

June 28 – July 2, 2010

### *This Week's Hearings and Markups*

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- On Wednesday, the **Committee on Natural Resources** will receive testimony on the "Discussion Draft, Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to H.R. 3534, dated June 22, 2010 (5:25 PM)." The Discussion Draft maintains and builds upon the "**Consolidated Land, Energy, and Aquatic Resources (CLEAR) Act**" (**H.R. 3534**), as introduced by Chairman Nick J. Rahall last year and which was the subject of two days of hearings by the Committee. In recognition of the enormous sea change caused by the Deepwater Horizon incident, the draft would enact significant and wide-ranging amendments to ensure that oil and gas development in the U.S. is done efficiently while protecting human safety and the environment. The draft would also create an Oceans Resources Conservation and Assistance Fund (ORCA) with oil and gas leasing revenues and fully fund the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) and the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF). Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar is expected to testify at the hearing.

Visit the Committee's Web site to access [witness testimony](#) following the conclusion of the hearing. (*June 30, 2010, at 10:00 a.m., Room 1324 Longworth House Office Building*)

### *In Case You Missed It*

- This week, the **House of Representatives** approved the following bill under the jurisdiction of the Committee on Natural Resources:
  - [H.R. 5481](#) (Capps): To give subpoena power to the National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and Offshore Drilling.

### *Quotable Quote*

“Just as the disaster at the Massey Upper Big Branch Mine in West Virginia does not signal the end of coal mining in the United States, the Deepwater Horizon incident does not signal the end of oil and gas drilling off America's coasts. The Committee's investigation has, however, made it abundantly clear that the incident is a game changer in the way we manage America's offshore energy resources. Reforms are needed to ensure that our public energy resources are developed in a safe and fiscally sound manner.”

– *Chairman Nick J. Rahall II (D-WV), upon unveiling comprehensive energy legislation to address the Deepwater Horizon oil rig explosion and the future of America's domestic energy production on June 24, 2010. Visit the Committee's Web site to view the [press release](#), [fact sheet](#), or [full text](#) of the Discussion Draft for additional information.*

## Calendar

<b>Monday 6/28</b>	<b>Tuesday 6/29</b>	<b>Wednesday 6/30</b>	<b>Thursday 7/1</b>	<b>Friday 7/2</b>
		Full Committee Legislative Hearing (10:00 AM)		

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