

## S 2806

Wildfire Emergency Act of 2021

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Public Lands and Natural Resources

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### Sponsor

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### Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Padilla, Alex [D-CA]	D · CA		Sep 22, 2021
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	D · OR		Sep 22, 2021
Sen. Daines, Steve [R-MT]	R · MT		Oct 20, 2021

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (full committee)	Oct 21, 2021

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 3534	Related bill	<b>Jul 7, 2021:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry.

## **Wildfire Emergency Act of 2021**

This bill provides for programs and activities in support of forest restoration, wildfire mitigation, and energy resilience.

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) shall select landscape-scale forest restoration projects located west of the 100th meridian to implement on National Forest System land and on land adjoining National Forest System land. USDA shall establish a pilot program under which USDA may enter into conservation finance agreements with public or private persons to implement and monitor such projects.

The Department of Energy shall establish a program to support critical infrastructure and microgrids, including by improving the energy resilience and power needs of critical facilities (e.g., hospitals) through the use of microgrids, renewable energy, energy efficiency, reduced electricity demand, and on-site storage.

USDA and the Department of the Interior shall establish one or more centers in western states to train individuals in methods relevant to the mitigation of wildfire risk.

USDA shall establish a competitive grant program to support workforce development in forestry and fire management.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Oct 21, 2021:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held.
- **Sep 22, 2021:** Introduced in Senate
- **Sep 22, 2021:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.