

**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

**2021**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

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**A For the 2021 calendar year, or tax year beginning , and ending**

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| <b>B</b> Check if applicable:<br><input type="checkbox"/> Address change<br><input type="checkbox"/> Name change<br><input type="checkbox"/> Initial return<br><input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated<br><input type="checkbox"/> Amended return<br><input type="checkbox"/> Application pending | <b>C</b> Name of organization<br>WESTERN ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CENTER<br>Doing business as<br>Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite<br>120 SHELTON MCMURPHEY BLVD STE 340<br>City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code<br>EUGENE OR 97401 | <b>D</b> Employer identification number<br>93-1010269<br><b>E</b> Telephone number<br>541-485-2471<br><b>G</b> Gross receipts \$ 3,795,370  |
| <b>F</b> Name and address of principal officer:<br>ERIK SCHLENKER-GOODRICH<br>120 SHELTON MCMURPHEY BLVD STE 340<br>EUGENE OR 97401  |  | <b>H(a)</b> Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No<br><b>H(b)</b> Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No<br>If "No," attach a list. See instructions |
| <b>I</b> Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( ) (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527   |  | <b>H(c)</b> Group exemption number ▶  |
| <b>J</b> Website: ▶ WWW.WESTERNLAW.ORG   |  | <b>L</b> Year of formation: 1989 <b>M</b> State of legal domicile: OR   |
| <b>K</b> Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶  |  |   |

**Part I Summary**

|  |  |                           |              |
|--|--|---------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Activities &amp; Governance</b>   | <b>1</b> Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities:<br>SEE SCHEDULE O   |                           |              |
|  | <b>2</b> Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets. |                           |              |
|  | <b>3</b> Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)   | <b>3</b>                  | 9            |
|  | <b>4</b> Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)   | <b>4</b>                  | 9            |
|  | <b>5</b> Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2021 (Part V, line 2a)  | <b>5</b>                  | 27           |
|  | <b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)  | <b>6</b>                  | 10           |
|  | <b>7a</b> Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12   | <b>7a</b>                 | 0            |
| <b>7b</b> Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11 | <b>7b</b>  | 0                         |              |
| <b>Revenue</b>   | <b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)   | Prior Year                | Current Year |
|  | <b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)  | 3,110,076                 | 3,429,967    |
|  | <b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)  | 529,056                   | 365,403      |
|  | <b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)   | 20,225                    | 0            |
|  | <b>12</b> Total revenue – add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)   | 3,659,357                 | 3,795,370    |
| <b>Expenses</b>  | <b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)   |                           | 6,388        |
|  | <b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)  |                           | 0            |
|  | <b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)  | 2,100,720                 | 2,428,972    |
|  | <b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)   |                           | 0            |
|  | <b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶ 198,284   |                           |              |
|  | <b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)   | 630,130                   | 740,381      |
|  | <b>18</b> Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)  | 2,730,850                 | 3,175,741    |
| <b>19</b> Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12                   | 928,507  | 619,629                   |              |
| <b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>   | <b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16)   | Beginning of Current Year | End of Year  |
|  | <b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)  | 4,213,625                 | 4,952,217    |
|  | <b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20   | 169,708                   | 281,788      |
|  |  | 4,043,917                 | 4,670,429    |

**Part II Signature Block**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

|                               |   |   |
|-------------------------------|---|---|
| <b>Sign Here</b>              | Signature of officer<br>ERIK SCHLENKER-GOODRICH<br>Type or print name and title       | Date<br>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR                        |
|                               | Print/Type preparer's name<br>KARI YOUNG  | Preparer's signature<br>KARI YOUNG                |
| <b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b> | Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed                                       | PTIN<br>P0132552                                  |
|                               | Firm's name ▶ JONES & ROTH, P.C.<br>PO BOX 10086<br>Firm's address ▶ EUGENE, OR 97440 | Firm's EIN ▶ 93-0819646<br>Phone no. 541-687-2320 |

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions  Yes  No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

SEE SCHEDULE O

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2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ?

Yes  No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services?

Yes  No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code: ) (Expenses \$ 2,672,345 including grants of \$ 6,388 ) (Revenue \$ 365,403 )

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SEE CASE DESCRIPTIONS ON SCHEDULE O.

4b (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

N/A

4c (Code: ) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

N/A

4d Other program services (Describe on Schedule O.)

(Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ )

4e Total program service expenses 2,672,345

**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

|     |   | Yes | No |
|-----|---|-----|----|
| 1   | Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A   | X   |    |
| 2   | Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)?   | X   |    |
| 3   | Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I  |     | X  |
| 4   | <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II   | X   |    |
| 5   | Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Rev. Proc. 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III  |     | X  |
| 6   | Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I  |     | X  |
| 7   | Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II  |     | X  |
| 8   | Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III   |     | X  |
| 9   | Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV            |     | X  |
| 10  | Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in donor-restricted endowments or in quasi endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V  | X   |    |
| 11  | If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X, as applicable.  |     |    |
| a   | Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI   | X   |    |
| b   | Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII  |     | X  |
| c   | Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII  |     | X  |
| d   | Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX   |     | X  |
| e   | Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X   | X   |    |
| f   | Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X  |     | X  |
| 12a | Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII  | X   |    |
| b   | Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional   |     | X  |
| 13  | Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E   |     | X  |
| 14a | Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?   |     | X  |
| b   | Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV |     | X  |
| 15  | Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV  |     | X  |
| 16  | Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV  |     | X  |
| 17  | Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I. See instructions  |     | X  |
| 18  | Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II  |     | X  |
| 19  | Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III  |     | X  |
| 20a | Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H   |     | X  |
| b   | If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?  |     |    |
| 21  | Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II   | X   |    |

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include questions 22 through 38 regarding grants, compensation, tax-exempt bonds, and excess benefit transactions.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

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Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include questions 1a, 1b, and 1c regarding Form 1096, W-2G forms, and backup withholding rules.

| Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued) |  | Yes        | No |   |   |
|--|--|------------|----|---|---|
| <b>2a</b>  | Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return  | <b>2a</b>  | 27 |   |   |
| <b>b</b>   | If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?<br><b>Note:</b> If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file. See instructions.             | <b>2b</b>  |    | X |   |
| <b>3a</b>  | Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?  | <b>3a</b>  |    |   | X |
| <b>b</b>   | If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation on Schedule O  | <b>3b</b>  |    |   |   |
| <b>4a</b>  | At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?     | <b>4a</b>  |    |   | X |
| <b>b</b>   | If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country<br>See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).   |            |    |   |   |
| <b>5a</b>  | Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?  | <b>5a</b>  |    |   | X |
| <b>b</b>   | Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?   | <b>5b</b>  |    |   | X |
| <b>c</b>   | If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?  | <b>5c</b>  |    |   |   |
| <b>6a</b>  | Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?  | <b>6a</b>  |    |   | X |
| <b>b</b>   | If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?  | <b>6b</b>  |    |   |   |
| <b>7</b>   | <b>Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>   |            |    |   |   |
| <b>a</b>   | Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?  | <b>7a</b>  |    |   | X |
| <b>b</b>   | If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?  | <b>7b</b>  |    |   |   |
| <b>c</b>   | Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?   | <b>7c</b>  |    |   | X |
| <b>d</b>   | If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year  | <b>7d</b>  |    |   |   |
| <b>e</b>   | Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?  | <b>7e</b>  |    |   | X |
| <b>f</b>   | Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?   | <b>7f</b>  |    |   | X |
| <b>g</b>   | If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?   | <b>7g</b>  |    |   | X |
| <b>h</b>   | If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?   | <b>7h</b>  |    |   | X |
| <b>8</b>   | <b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b> Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?   | <b>8</b>   |    |   |   |
| <b>9</b>   | <b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b>   |            |    |   |   |
| <b>a</b>   | Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?   | <b>9a</b>  |    |   |   |
| <b>b</b>   | Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?  | <b>9b</b>  |    |   |   |
| <b>10</b>  | <b>Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</b> Enter:   |            |    |   |   |
| <b>a</b>   | Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12   | <b>10a</b> |    |   |   |
| <b>b</b>   | Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities  | <b>10b</b> |    |   |   |
| <b>11</b>  | <b>Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</b> Enter:  |            |    |   |   |
| <b>a</b>   | Gross income from members or shareholders  | <b>11a</b> |    |   |   |
| <b>b</b>   | Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)  | <b>11b</b> |    |   |   |
| <b>12a</b>   | <b>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?  | <b>12a</b> |    |   |   |
| <b>b</b>   | If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year  | <b>12b</b> |    |   |   |
| <b>13</b>  | <b>Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.</b>  |            |    |   |   |
| <b>a</b>   | Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state?<br><b>Note:</b> See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.   | <b>13a</b> |    |   |   |
| <b>b</b>   | Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans  | <b>13b</b> |    |   |   |
| <b>c</b>   | Enter the amount of reserves on hand   | <b>13c</b> |    |   |   |
| <b>14a</b>   | Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?   | <b>14a</b> |    |   | X |
| <b>b</b>   | If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation on Schedule O  | <b>14b</b> |    |   |   |
| <b>15</b>  | Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year?<br>If "Yes," see instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.                       | <b>15</b>  |    |   | X |
| <b>16</b>  | Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income?<br>If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O.   | <b>16</b>  |    |   | X |
| <b>17</b>  | <b>Section 501(c)(21) organizations.</b> Did the trust, any disqualified person, or mine operator engage in activities that would result in the imposition of an excise tax under section 4951, 4952 or 4953?<br>If "Yes," complete Form 6069. | <b>17</b>  |    |   |   |

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes on Schedule O. See instructions. Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI [X]

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 4 columns: Question, Sub-question, Yes, No. Rows include 1a, 1b, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7a, 7b, 8a, 8b, 9. Includes a 'Public Inspection Copy' watermark.

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

Table with 4 columns: Question, Sub-question, Yes, No. Rows include 10a, 10b, 11a, 11b, 12a, 12b, 12c, 13, 14, 15a, 15b, 16a, 16b.

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed AR, CA, FL, HI, IL, KS, KY, MA, MD, MI, MN, MS, ND
18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A, if applicable), 990, and 990-T (section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
19 Describe on Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records

**Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

**Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees**

**1a** Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (box 5 of Form W-2, Form 1099-MISC, and/or box 1 of Form 1099-NEC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations. See the instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

| (A)<br>Name and title                             | (B)<br>Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line) | (C)<br>Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee) |                       |         |              |                              |         | (D)<br>Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC) | (E)<br>Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC) | (F)<br>Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations |
|---|--|---|-----------------------|---------|--------------|------------------------------|---------|---|--|---|
|   |  | Individual trustee or director  | Institutional trustee | Officer | Key employee | Highest compensated employee | Former  |   |  |   |
| (1) ERIK SCHLENKER-GOODRICH<br>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR | 40.00<br>0.00  |   |                       | X       |              |                              | 138,032 | 0   | 15,057   |   |
| (2) PETER FROST<br>ATTORNEY                       | 40.00<br>0.00  |   |                       |         | X            |                              | 113,653 | 0   | 14,400   |   |
| (3) TANNIS FOX<br>ATTORNEY                        | 40.00<br>0.00  |   |                       |         | X            |                              | 118,738 | 0   | 8,580  |   |
| (4) SUSAN JANE BROWN<br>ATTORNEY                  | 40.00<br>0.00  |   |                       |         | X            |                              | 114,180 | 0   | 5,252  |   |
| (5) THOMAS SINGER<br>POLICY ADVISOR               | 40.00<br>0.00  |   |                       |         | X            |                              | 110,223 | 0   | 8,650  |   |
| (6) LYNDEE PRILL<br>FINANCE OFFICER               | 40.00<br>0.00  |   |                       | X       |              |                              | 94,370  | 0   | 12,910   |   |
| (7) KARIN SHELDON<br>PRESIDENT                    | 2.00<br>0.00   | X   |                       | X       |              |                              | 0       | 0   | 0  |   |
| (8) PEGGY NELSON<br>VICE PRESIDENT                | 2.00<br>0.00   | X   |                       | X       |              |                              | 0       | 0   | 0  |   |
| (9) KEVIN KIRCHNER<br>TREASURER                   | 2.00<br>0.00   | X   |                       | X       |              |                              | 0       | 0   | 0  |   |
| (10) LISA MANNING<br>DIRECTOR                     | 2.00<br>0.00   | X   |                       |         |              |                              | 0       | 0   | 0  |   |
| (11) PHIL KATZEN<br>DIRECTOR                      | 2.00<br>0.00   | X   |                       |         |              |                              | 0       | 0   | 0  |   |

**Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees** (continued)

| (A)<br>Name and title  | (B)<br>Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line) | (C)<br>Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee) |                       |         |              |                              |        | (D)<br>Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC) | (E)<br>Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC) | (F)<br>Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations |
|--|--|---|-----------------------|---------|--------------|------------------------------|--------|---|--|---|
|  |  | Individual trustee or director  | Institutional trustee | Officer | Key employee | Highest compensated employee | Former |   |  |   |
| (12) DENISE FORT<br>.....<br>DIRECTOR                                | 2.00<br>0.00   | X   |                       |         |              |                              |        | 0   | 0  | 0   |
| (13) BROOKE WILLIAMS<br>.....<br>DIRECTOR                            | 2.00<br>0.00   | X   |                       |         |              |                              |        | 0   | 0  | 0   |
| (14) NELLIS KENNEDY-HOWARD<br>.....<br>DIRECTOR                      | 2.00<br>0.00   | X   |                       |         |              |                              |        | 0   | 0  | 0   |
| (15) CLIFF VILLA<br>.....<br>DIRECTOR                                | 2.00<br>0.00   | X   |                       |         |              |                              |        | 0   | 0  | 0   |
| <b>1b Subtotal</b> .....   |  |   |                       |         |              |                              |        | 689,196   |  | 64,849  |
| <b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b> ..... |  |   |                       |         |              |                              |        |   |  |   |
| <b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b> .....                           |  |   |                       |         |              |                              |        | 689,196   |  | 64,849  |

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization ▶ 5

|   | Yes | No |
|---|-----|----|
| 3 Did the organization list any <b>former</b> officer, director, trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i> .....  |     | X  |
| 4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i> ..... | X   |    |
| 5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i> .....                       |     | X  |

**Section B. Independent Contractors**

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

| (A)<br>Name and business address | (B)<br>Description of services | (C)<br>Compensation |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|
|                                  |                                |                     |
|                                  |                                |                     |
|                                  |                                |                     |
|                                  |                                |                     |
|                                  |                                |                     |

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization ▶ 0



**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

|  |   |                            | (A)<br>Total revenue | (B)<br>Related or exempt<br>function revenue | (C)<br>Unrelated<br>business revenue | (D)<br>Revenue excluded<br>from tax under<br>sections 512-514 |
|--|---|----------------------------|----------------------|--|--------------------------------------|---|
| <b>Contributions, Gifts, Grants<br/>and Other Similar Amounts</b>  | 1a Federated campaigns  | 1a                         |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | b Membership dues   | 1b                         |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | c Fundraising events  | 1c                         |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | d Related organizations   | 1d                         |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | e Government grants (contributions)   | 1e                         |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | f All other contributions, gifts, grants,<br>and similar amounts not included above | 1f                         | 3,429,967            |  |                                      |   |
|  | g Noncash contributions included in<br>lines 1a-1f                                  | 1g                         | \$ 141,439           |  |                                      |   |
|  | <b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f   |                            | 3,429,967            |  |                                      |   |
|  | <b>Program Service<br/>Revenue</b>  | 2a FEES AND REIMBURSEMENTS | Business Code        |  |                                      |   |
|  |   | 900099                     | 343,403              | 343,403                                      |                                      |   |
| b EDUCATION FEES   |   | 900099                     | 22,000               | 22,000                                       |                                      |   |
| c  |   |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
| d  |   |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
| e  |   |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
| f All other program service revenue  |   |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
| <b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f  |   | 365,403                    |                      |  |                                      |   |
| <b>Other Revenue</b>   | 3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and<br>other similar amounts)   |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | 4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds                                |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | 5 Royalties   |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | 6a Gross rents  | (i) Real                   |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  |   | (ii) Personal              |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  |   | 6a                         |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | b Less: rental expenses   | 6b                         |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | c Rental inc. or (loss)   | 6c                         |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | d Net rental income or (loss)   |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | 7a Gross amount from<br>sales of assets<br>other than inventory                     | (i) Securities             |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  |   | (ii) Other                 |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  |   | 7a                         |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | b Less: cost or other<br>basis and sales exps.                                      | 7b                         |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | c Gain or (loss)  | 7c                         |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | d Net gain or (loss)  |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
| 8a Gross income from fundraising events<br>(not including \$<br>of contributions reported on line<br>1c). See Part IV, line 18 |   |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | 8a  |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | b Less: direct expenses   | 8b                         |                      |  |                                      |   |
| c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events   |   |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
| 9a Gross income from gaming<br>activities. See Part IV, line 19  |   |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | 9a  |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | b Less: direct expenses   | 9b                         |                      |  |                                      |   |
| c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities  |   |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
| 10a Gross sales of inventory, less<br>returns and allowances   |   |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | 10a   |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | b Less: cost of goods sold  | 10b                        |                      |  |                                      |   |
| c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory   |   |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
| <b>Miscellaneous<br/>Revenue</b>   | 11a   | Business Code              |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | b   |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | c   |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | d All other revenue   |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
|  | <b>e Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d   |                            |                      |  |                                      |   |
| <b>12 Total revenue.</b> See instructions  |   | 3,795,370                  | 365,403              | 0  | 0                                    |   |

**Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses**

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

| Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.  | (A)<br>Total expenses | (B)<br>Program service expenses | (C)<br>Management and general expenses | (D)<br>Fundraising expenses |
|---|-----------------------|---------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| 1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21  | 6,388                 | 6,388                           |  |                             |
| 2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22   |                       |                                 |  |                             |
| 3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16  |                       |                                 |  |                             |
| 4 Benefits paid to or for members   |                       |                                 |  |                             |
| 5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees  | 260,369               | 116,347                         | 130,701                                | 13,321                      |
| 6 Compensation not included above to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)  |                       |                                 |  |                             |
| 7 Other salaries and wages  | 1,798,170             | 1,613,736                       | 98,108                                 | 86,326                      |
| 8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)  | 52,269                | 48,069                          | 1,706                                  | 2,494                       |
| 9 Other employee benefits   | 177,959               | 159,020                         | 10,267                                 | 8,672                       |
| 10 Payroll taxes  | 140,205               | 118,667                         | 14,750                                 | 6,788                       |
| 11 Fees for services (nonemployees):  |                       |                                 |  |                             |
| a Management  |                       |                                 |  |                             |
| b Legal   | 1,308                 |                                 | 1,308                                  |                             |
| c Accounting  | 10,900                |                                 | 10,900                                 |                             |
| d Lobbying  |                       |                                 |  |                             |
| e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17   |                       |                                 |  |                             |
| f Investment management fees  |                       |                                 |  |                             |
| g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)  |                       |                                 |  |                             |
| 12 Advertising and promotion  |                       |                                 |  |                             |
| 13 Office expenses  | 30,299                | 9,175                           | 20,599                                 | 525                         |
| 14 Information technology   | 4,216                 |                                 |  | 4,216                       |
| 15 Royalties  |                       |                                 |  |                             |
| 16 Occupancy  | 129,772               | 109,838                         | 13,652                                 | 6,282                       |
| 17 Travel   |                       |                                 |  |                             |
| 18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials   |                       |                                 |  |                             |
| 19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings   |                       |                                 |  |                             |
| 20 Interest   |                       |                                 |  |                             |
| 21 Payments to affiliates   |                       |                                 |  |                             |
| 22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization  | 13,624                | 11,531                          | 1,433                                  | 660                         |
| 23 Insurance  | 8,157                 | 6,904                           | 858                                    | 395                         |
| 24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses on line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)                                      |                       |                                 |  |                             |
| a LITIGATION COMMUNICATION  | 134,039               | 134,039                         |  |                             |
| b EDUCATION   | 110,707               | 110,707                         |  |                             |
| c LITIGATION EDUC/LICENSE   | 70,693                | 70,693                          |  |                             |
| d DEVELOPMENT   | 68,223                |                                 |  | 68,223                      |
| e All other expenses  | 158,443               | 157,231                         | 830                                    | 382                         |
| 25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e   | 3,175,741             | 2,672,345                       | 305,112                                | 198,284                     |
| 26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720) |                       |                                 |  |                             |

**Part X Balance Sheet**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

|                                    |   | (A)<br>Beginning of year  |             | (B)<br>End of year |            |
|------------------------------------|---|---|-------------|--------------------|------------|
| <b>Assets</b>                      | 1   | Cash—non-interest-bearing   | 335,524     | 1                  | 204,709    |
|                                    | 2   | Savings and temporary cash investments  | 3,161,303   | 2                  | 4,041,831  |
|                                    | 3   | Pledges and grants receivable, net  | 312,071     | 3                  | 356,794    |
|                                    | 4   | Accounts receivable, net  | 268,005     | 4                  | 126,683    |
|                                    | 5   | Loans and other receivables from any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons |             | 5                  |            |
|                                    | 6   | Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)   |             | 6                  |            |
|                                    | 7   | Notes and loans receivable, net   |             | 7                  |            |
|                                    | 8   | Inventories for sale or use   |             | 8                  |            |
|                                    | 9   | Prepaid expenses and deferred charges   | 4,884       | 9                  | 7,647      |
|                                    | 10a   | Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D   | 10a 145,060 |                    |            |
|                                    | b   | Less: accumulated depreciation  | 10b 91,629  | 41,493             | 10c 53,431 |
|                                    | 11  | Investments—publicly traded securities  |             | 11                 |            |
|                                    | 12  | Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11  |             | 12                 |            |
|                                    | 13  | Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11   |             | 13                 |            |
|                                    | 14  | Intangible assets   |             | 14                 |            |
|                                    | 15  | Other assets. See Part IV, line 11  | 90,345      | 15                 | 161,122    |
| 16                                 | <b>Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33)  | 4,213,625   | 16          | 4,952,217          |            |
| <b>Liabilities</b>                 | 17  | Accounts payable and accrued expenses   | 6,562       | 17                 | 22,868     |
|                                    | 18  | Grants payable  |             | 18                 |            |
|                                    | 19  | Deferred revenue  |             | 19                 |            |
|                                    | 20  | Tax-exempt bond liabilities   |             | 20                 |            |
|                                    | 21  | Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D   |             | 21                 |            |
|                                    | 22  | Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons      |             | 22                 |            |
|                                    | 23  | Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties  |             | 23                 |            |
|                                    | 24  | Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties  |             | 24                 |            |
|                                    | 25  | Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D   | 163,146     | 25                 | 258,920    |
|                                    | 26  | <b>Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25   | 169,708     | 26                 | 281,788    |
| <b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b> | <b>Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.</b> |   |             |                    |            |
|                                    | 27  | Net assets without donor restrictions   | 3,426,795   | 27                 | 3,842,980  |
|                                    | 28  | Net assets with donor restrictions  | 617,122     | 28                 | 827,449    |
|                                    | <b>Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 29 through 33.</b>          |   |             |                    |            |
|                                    | 29  | Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds  |             | 29                 |            |
|                                    | 30  | Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund  |             | 30                 |            |
|                                    | 31  | Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds  |             | 31                 |            |
| 32                                 | <b>Total net assets or fund balances</b>  | 4,043,917   | 32          | 4,670,429          |            |
| 33                                 | <b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b>   | 4,213,625   | 33          | 4,952,217          |            |

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

|    |  |    |           |
|----|--|----|-----------|
| 1  | Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)  | 1  | 3,795,370 |
| 2  | Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)   | 2  | 3,175,741 |
| 3  | Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1   | 3  | 619,629   |
| 4  | Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))                      | 4  | 4,043,917 |
| 5  | Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments   | 5  | 6,883     |
| 6  | Donated services and use of facilities   | 6  |           |
| 7  | Investment expenses  | 7  |           |
| 8  | Prior period adjustments   | 8  |           |
| 9  | Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain on Schedule O)   | 9  |           |
| 10 | Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B)) | 10 | 4,670,429 |

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

|    |   | Yes | No |
|----|---|-----|----|
| 1  | Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other<br>If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain on Schedule O.   |     |    |
| 2a | Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?<br>If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:<br><input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis |     | X  |
| 2b | Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?<br>If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis                | X   |    |
| 2c | If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?<br>If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain on Schedule O.   | X   |    |
| 3a | As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?  |     | X  |
| 3b | If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits  |     |    |

**SCHEDULE A**  
(Form 990)

**Public Charity Status and Public Support**

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2021**

Open to Public Inspection

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

▶ Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for instructions and the latest information.

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

WESTERN ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CENTER

Employer identification number

93-1010269

**Part I Reason for Public Charity Status.** (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box.)

- 1  A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2  A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E (Form 990).)
- 3  A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
- 4  A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: .....
- 5  An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II.)
- 6  A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7  An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 8  A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 9  An agricultural research organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture (see instructions). Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university: .....
- 10  An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions, subject to certain exceptions; and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III.)
- 11  An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4).**
- 12  An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2).** See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box on lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
  - a  **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
  - b  **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
  - c  **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
  - d  **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
  - e  Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
  - f Enter the number of supported organizations .....
  - g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

| (i) Name of supported organization | (ii) EIN | (iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-10 above (see instructions)) | (iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document? |    | (v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions) | (vi) Amount of other support (see instructions) |
|------------------------------------|----------|---|---|----|---|---|
|                                    |          |   | Yes   | No |   |   |
| (A)                                |          |   |   |    |   |   |
| (B)                                |          |   |   |    |   |   |
| (C)                                |          |   |   |    |   |   |
| (D)                                |          |   |   |    |   |   |
| (E)                                |          |   |   |    |   |   |
| <b>Total</b>                       |          |   |   |    |   |   |

**Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

**Section A. Public Support**

| Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶   | (a) 2017  | (b) 2018  | (c) 2019  | (d) 2020  | (e) 2021  | (f) Total  |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")  | 2,166,795 | 1,762,603 | 2,191,559 | 3,110,076 | 3,429,967 | 12,661,000 |
| 2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf   |           |           |           |           |           |            |
| 3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge   |           |           |           |           |           |            |
| 4 <b>Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 3   | 2,166,795 | 1,762,603 | 2,191,559 | 3,110,076 | 3,429,967 | 12,661,000 |
| 5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f) |           |           |           |           |           | 2,524,014  |
| 6 <b>Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4  |           |           |           |           |           | 10,136,986 |

**Section B. Total Support**

| Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶   | (a) 2017  | (b) 2018  | (c) 2019  | (d) 2020  | (e) 2021  | (f) Total  |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| 7 Amounts from line 4   | 2,166,795 | 1,762,603 | 2,191,559 | 3,110,076 | 3,429,967 | 12,661,000 |
| 8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources | 4,416     | 6,345     | 36,653    | 20,225    |           | 67,639     |
| 9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on                              |           |           |           |           |           |            |
| 10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)                                |           |           |           |           |           |            |
| 11 <b>Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10   |           |           |           |           |           | 12,728,639 |

12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) **12** 3,572,428

13 **First 5 years.** If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here**

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

|   |           |        |
|---|-----------|--------|
| 14 Public support percentage for 2021 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f)) | <b>14</b> | 79.64% |
| 15 Public support percentage from 2020 Schedule A, Part II, line 14                       | <b>15</b> | 81.01% |

16a **33 1/3% support test—2021.** If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

b **33 1/3% support test—2020.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

17a **10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2021.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

b **10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2020.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

18 **Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2017, (b) 2018, (c) 2019, (d) 2020, (e) 2021, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed; 3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513; 4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 6 Total; 7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons; 7b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons; 7c Add lines 7a and 7b; 8 Public support.

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2017, (b) 2018, (c) 2019, (d) 2020, (e) 2021, (f) Total. Rows include: 9 Amounts from line 6; 10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources; 10b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975; 10c Add lines 10a and 10b; 11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included on line 10b; 12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets; 13 Total support; 14 First 5 years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here.

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

Table with 3 columns: Description, Line Number, Percentage. Row 15: Public support percentage for 2021 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) - 15 - %; Row 16: Public support percentage from 2020 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 - 16 - %

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

Table with 3 columns: Description, Line Number, Percentage. Row 17: Investment income percentage for 2021 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) - 17 - %; Row 18: Investment income percentage from 2020 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 - 18 - %

- 19a 33 1/3% support tests—2021. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization.
b 33 1/3% support tests—2020. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization.
20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions.

**Part IV Supporting Organizations**

(Complete only if you checked a box in line 12 on Part I. If you checked box 12a, Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked box 12b, Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked box 12c, Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked box 12d, Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

**Section A. All Supporting Organizations**

|     |  | Yes | No |
|-----|--|-----|----|
| 1   | Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.</i>   |     |    |
| 2   | Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>  |     |    |
| 3a  | Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 3b and 3c below.</i>   |     |    |
| b   | Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>  |     |    |
| c   | Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>   |     |    |
| 4a  | Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes," and if you checked box 12a or 12b in Part I, answer lines 4b and 4c below.</i>  |     |    |
| b   | Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.</i>   |     |    |
| c   | Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.</i>  |     |    |
| 5a  | Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 5b and 5c below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action; and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).</i> |     |    |
| b   | <b>Type I or Type II only.</b> Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?   |     |    |
| c   | <b>Substitutions only.</b> Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?  |     |    |
| 6   | Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>   |     |    |
| 7   | Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (as defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).</i>   |     |    |
| 8   | Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described on line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).</i>   |     |    |
| 9a  | Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons, as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>   |     |    |
| b   | Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined on line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>   |     |    |
| c   | Did a disqualified person (as defined on line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>  |     |    |
| 10a | Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If "Yes," answer line 10b below.</i>   |     |    |
| b   | Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>  |     |    |



**Part IV Supporting Organizations** (continued)

|  | Yes | No |
|--|-----|----|
| <b>11</b> Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?  |     |    |
| <b>a</b> A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described on lines 11b and 11c below, the governing body of a supported organization? |     |    |
| <b>b</b> A family member of a person described on line 11a above?  |     |    |
| <b>c</b> A 35% controlled entity of a person described on line 11a or 11b above? <i>If "Yes" to line 11a, 11b, or 11c, provide detail in Part VI.</i>                              |     |    |
|  |     |    |

**Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations**

|   | Yes | No |
|---|-----|----|
| <b>1</b> Did the governing body, members of the governing body, officers acting in their official capacity, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees at all times during the tax year? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove officers, directors, or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.</i> |     |    |
| <b>2</b> Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.</i>   |     |    |

**Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations**

|  | Yes | No |
|--|-----|----|
| <b>1</b> Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).</i> |     |    |

**Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations**

|   | Yes | No |
|---|-----|----|
| <b>1</b> Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided? |     |    |
| <b>2</b> Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? <i>If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).</i>   |     |    |
| <b>3</b> By reason of the relationship described on line 2, above, did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.</i>  |     |    |

**Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations**

|   |     |    |
|---|-----|----|
| <b>1</b> Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions).  |     |    |
| <b>a</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. <i>Complete line 2 below.</i>   |     |    |
| <b>b</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. <i>Complete line 3 below.</i>  |     |    |
| <b>c</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. <i>Describe in Part VI how you supported a governmental entity (see instructions).</i>  |     |    |
| <b>2</b> Activities Test. <i>Answer lines 2a and 2b below.</i>  |     |    |
| <b>a</b> Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? <i>If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.</i> | Yes | No |
| <b>b</b> Did the activities described on line 2a, above, constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.</i>  |     |    |
| <b>3</b> Parent of Supported Organizations. <i>Answer lines 3a and 3b below.</i>  |     |    |
| <b>a</b> Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? <i>If "Yes" or "No," provide details in Part VI.</i>  |     |    |
| <b>b</b> Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.</i>   |     |    |

**Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations**

- 1  Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970 (*explain in Part VI*). **See instructions.** All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

| <b>Section A – Adjusted Net Income</b>  |  | (A) Prior Year | (B) Current Year<br>(optional) |
|---|--|----------------|--------------------------------|
| 1                                       | Net short-term capital gain  | 1              |                                |
| 2                                       | Recoveries of prior-year distributions   | 2              |                                |
| 3                                       | Other gross income (see instructions)  | 3              |                                |
| 4                                       | Add lines 1 through 3.   | 4              |                                |
| 5                                       | Depreciation and depletion   | 5              |                                |
| 6                                       | Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions) | 6              |                                |
| 7                                       | Other expenses (see instructions)  | 7              |                                |
| 8                                       | <b>Adjusted Net Income</b> (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)  | 8              |                                |
| <b>Section B – Minimum Asset Amount</b> |  | (A) Prior Year | (B) Current Year<br>(optional) |
| 1                                       | Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):  |                |                                |
| a                                       | Average monthly value of securities  | 1a             |                                |
| b                                       | Average monthly cash balances  | 1b             |                                |
| c                                       | Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets   | 1c             |                                |
| d                                       | <b>Total</b> (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)  | 1d             |                                |
| e                                       | <b>Discount</b> claimed for blockage or other factors ( <i>explain in detail in Part VI</i> ):   |                |                                |
| 2                                       | Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets   | 2              |                                |
| 3                                       | Subtract line 2 from line 1d.  | 3              |                                |
| 4                                       | Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 0.015 of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).   | 4              |                                |
| 5                                       | Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)   | 5              |                                |
| 6                                       | Multiply line 5 by 0.035.  | 6              |                                |
| 7                                       | Recoveries of prior-year distributions   | 7              |                                |
| 8                                       | <b>Minimum Asset Amount</b> (add line 7 to line 6)   | 8              |                                |
| <b>Section C – Distributable Amount</b> |  |                | Current Year                   |
| 1                                       | Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, column A)  | 1              |                                |
| 2                                       | Enter 0.85 of line 1.  | 2              |                                |
| 3                                       | Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, column A)   | 3              |                                |
| 4                                       | Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.   | 4              |                                |
| 5                                       | Income tax imposed in prior year   | 5              |                                |
| 6                                       | <b>Distributable Amount.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions).  | 6              |                                |
| 7                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).                                |                |                                |

**Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations** (continued)

| Section D – Distributions  | Current Year |
|--|--------------|
| 1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes  |              |
| 2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity      |              |
| 3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations  |              |
| 4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets  |              |
| 5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required—provide details in Part VI)   |              |
| 6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.   |              |
| 7 <b>Total annual distributions.</b> Add lines 1 through 6.  |              |
| 8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions. |              |
| 9 Distributable amount for 2021 from Section C, line 6   |              |
| 10 Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount  |              |

| Section E – Distribution Allocations (see instructions)   | (i)<br>Excess Distributions | (ii)<br>Underdistributions<br>Pre-2021 | (iii)<br>Distributable<br>Amount for 2021 |
|---|-----------------------------|--|---|
| 1 Distributable amount for 2021 from Section C, line 6  |                             |  |   |
| 2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2021 (reasonable cause required—explain in Part VI). See instructions.   |                             |  |   |
| 3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2021   |                             |  |   |
| a From 2016 .....   |                             |  |   |
| b From 2017 .....   |                             |  |   |
| c From 2018 .....   |                             |  |   |
| d From 2019 .....   |                             |  |   |
| e From 2020 .....   |                             |  |   |
| f <b>Total</b> of lines 3a through 3e   |                             |  |   |
| g Applied to underdistributions of prior years  |                             |  |   |
| h Applied to 2021 distributable amount  |                             |  |   |
| i Carryover from 2016 not applied (see instructions)  |                             |  |   |
| j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.  |                             |  |   |
| 4 Distributions for 2021 from Section D, line 7: \$   |                             |  |   |
| a Applied to underdistributions of prior years  |                             |  |   |
| b Applied to 2021 distributable amount  |                             |  |   |
| c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.  |                             |  |   |
| 5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2021, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions. |                             |  |   |
| 6 Remaining underdistributions for 2021 Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.                         |                             |  |   |
| 7 <b>Excess distributions carryover to 2022.</b> Add lines 3j and 4c.   |                             |  |   |
| 8 Breakdown of line 7:  |                             |  |   |
| a Excess from 2017 .....  |                             |  |   |
| b Excess from 2018 .....  |                             |  |   |
| c Excess from 2019 .....  |                             |  |   |
| d Excess from 2020 .....  |                             |  |   |
| e Excess from 2021 .....  |                             |  |   |

**Part VI Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a, and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions.)

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**Schedule B  
(Form 990)**

**Schedule of Contributors**

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Department of the Treasury  
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**2021**

Name of the organization

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Organization type (check one):

**Filers of:**

**Section:**

Form 990 or 990-EZ

501(c)( 3 ) (enter number) organization

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

527 political organization

Form 990-PF

501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.

**Note:** Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

**General Rule**

For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

**Special Rules**

For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub>% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of **(1)** \$5,000; or **(2)** 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h; or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I (entering "N/A" in column (b) instead of the contributor name and address), II, and III.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year ..... ▶ \$ .....

**Caution:** An organization that isn't covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn't file Schedule B (Form 990), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990; or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990).

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**Part I Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

| (a)<br>No. | (b)<br>Name, address, and ZIP + 4 | (c)<br>Total contributions | (d)<br>Type of contribution   |
|------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| 1          | .....<br>.....<br>.....           | \$ 265,000                 | Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/><br>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/><br>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) |
| 2          | .....<br>.....<br>.....           | \$ 120,000                 | Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/><br>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/><br>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) |
| 3          | .....<br>.....<br>.....           | \$ 201,000                 | Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/><br>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/><br>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) |
| 4          | .....<br>.....<br>.....           | \$ 70,000                  | Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/><br>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/><br>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) |
| 5          | .....<br>.....<br>.....           | \$ 100,000                 | Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/><br>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/><br>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) |
| 6          | .....<br>.....<br>.....           | \$ 500,000                 | Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/><br>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/><br>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/><br>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.) |

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**Part I Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

| (a)<br>No. | (b)<br>Name, address, and ZIP + 4      | (c)<br>Total contributions | (d)<br>Type of contribution  |
|------------|--|----------------------------|--|
| 7          | <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> | <p>\$ ..... 150,000</p>    | <p>Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)</p> |
| 8          | <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> | <p>\$ ..... 75,000</p>     | <p>Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)</p> |
| 9          | <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> | <p>\$ ..... 94,666</p>     | <p>Person <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)</p> |
| 10         | <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> | <p>\$ ..... 100,000</p>    | <p>Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)</p> |
| 11         | <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> | <p>\$ ..... 90,000</p>     | <p>Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)</p> |
| 12         | <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> | <p>\$ ..... 93,000</p>     | <p>Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Payroll <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Noncash <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>(Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)</p> |

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Part II Noncash Property (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

| (a) No.<br>from<br>Part I | (b)<br>Description of noncash property given | (c)<br>FMV (or estimate)<br>(See instructions.) | (d)<br>Date received |
|---------------------------|--|---|----------------------|
| 9                         | STOCK DONATION                               | \$ 94,666                                       | 12/10/21             |
|                           |  | \$  |                      |
|                           |  | \$  |                      |
|                           |  | \$  |                      |
|                           |  | \$  |                      |
|                           |  | \$  |                      |
|                           |  | \$  |                      |
|                           |  | \$  |                      |
|                           |  | \$  |                      |
|                           |  | \$  |                      |
|                           |  | \$  |                      |
|                           |  | \$  |                      |



**SCHEDULE C  
(Form 990)**

**Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities**

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2021**

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For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

▶ Complete if the organization is described below.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

▶ Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for instructions and the latest information.

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

If the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and B. Do not complete Part I-C.
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and C below. Do not complete Part I-B.
- Section 527 organizations: Complete Part I-A only.

If the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-A. Do not complete Part II-B.
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-B. Do not complete Part II-A.

If the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax) (See separate instructions) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax) (See separate instructions), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations: Complete Part III.

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**Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.**

1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV. See instructions for definition of "political campaign activities."

2 Political campaign activity expenditures. See instructions ▶ \$

3 Volunteer hours for political campaign activities. See instructions

**Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).**

1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ▶ \$

2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ▶ \$

3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?  Yes  No

4a Was a correction made?  Yes  No

b If "Yes," describe in Part IV.

**Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).**

1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$

2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$

3 Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ▶ \$

4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?  Yes  No

5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

| (a) Name | (b) Address | (c) EIN | (d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds. If none, enter -0- | (e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0- |
|----------|-------------|---------|--|---|
| (1)      |             |         |  |   |
| (2)      |             |         |  |   |
| (3)      |             |         |  |   |
| (4)      |             |         |  |   |
| (5)      |             |         |  |   |
| (6)      |             |         |  |   |

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990.

Schedule C (Form 990) 2021

**Part II-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).**

- A** Check  if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures).
- B** Check  if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply.

**Limits on Lobbying Expenditures**  
(The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)

|   | (a) Filing organization's totals                         | (b) Affiliated group totals |   |                                    |                    |                               |   |  |   |  |  |   |                   |              |
|---|--|-----------------------------|---|------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|---|-------------------|--------------|
| <b>1a</b> Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grassroots lobbying)   | 8,481  |                             |   |                                    |                    |                               |   |  |   |  |  |   |                   |              |
| <b>b</b> Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)  | 36,488   |                             |   |                                    |                    |                               |   |  |   |  |  |   |                   |              |
| <b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)  | 44,969   |                             |   |                                    |                    |                               |   |  |   |  |  |   |                   |              |
| <b>d</b> Other exempt purpose expenditures  | 3,130,772  |                             |   |                                    |                    |                               |   |  |   |  |  |   |                   |              |
| <b>e</b> Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)  | 3,175,741  |                             |   |                                    |                    |                               |   |  |   |  |  |   |                   |              |
| <b>f</b> Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.   | 308,787  |                             |   |                                    |                    |                               |   |  |   |  |  |   |                   |              |
| <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th>The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> |  |                             | If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is: | The lobbying nontaxable amount is: | Not over \$500,000 | 20% of the amount on line 1e. | Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000 | \$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000. | Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000 | \$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000. | Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000 | \$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000. | Over \$17,000,000 | \$1,000,000. |
| If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:   | The lobbying nontaxable amount is:                       |                             |   |                                    |                    |                               |   |  |   |  |  |   |                   |              |
| Not over \$500,000  | 20% of the amount on line 1e.                            |                             |   |                                    |                    |                               |   |  |   |  |  |   |                   |              |
| Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000   | \$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.         |                             |   |                                    |                    |                               |   |  |   |  |  |   |                   |              |
| Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000   | \$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.       |                             |   |                                    |                    |                               |   |  |   |  |  |   |                   |              |
| Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000  | \$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.        |                             |   |                                    |                    |                               |   |  |   |  |  |   |                   |              |
| Over \$17,000,000   | \$1,000,000.   |                             |   |                                    |                    |                               |   |  |   |  |  |   |                   |              |
| <b>g</b> Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)  | 77,197   |                             |   |                                    |                    |                               |   |  |   |  |  |   |                   |              |
| <b>h</b> Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-  | 0  |                             |   |                                    |                    |                               |   |  |   |  |  |   |                   |              |
| <b>i</b> Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-  | 0  |                             |   |                                    |                    |                               |   |  |   |  |  |   |                   |              |
| <b>j</b> If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |                             |   |                                    |                    |                               |   |  |   |  |  |   |                   |              |

**4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)**  
(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

**Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period**

| Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)                      | (a) 2018 | (b) 2019 | (c) 2020 | (d) 2021 | (e) Total |
|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| <b>2a</b> Lobbying nontaxable amount                             | 260,048  | 285,895  | 286,543  | 308,787  | 1,141,273 |
| <b>b</b> Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column (e))   |          |          |          |          | 1,711,910 |
| <b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures                             | 27,754   | 23,830   | 29,019   | 44,969   | 125,572   |
| <b>d</b> Grassroots nontaxable amount                            | 65,012   | 71,474   | 71,636   | 77,197   | 285,319   |
| <b>e</b> Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e)) |          |          |          |          | 427,979   |
| <b>f</b> Grassroots lobbying expenditures                        | 23,290   | 9,678    | 7,025    | 8,481    | 48,474    |

Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

For each "Yes," response on lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity.

Table with 3 main columns: (a) Yes/No, (b) Amount. Rows include: 1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state, or local legislation... a Volunteers? b Paid staff or management... c Media advertisements? d Mailings to members... e Publications... f Grants to other organizations... g Direct contact with legislators... h Rallies, demonstrations... i Other activities? j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i. 2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)? b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912. c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912. d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members? 2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less? 3 Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political campaign activity expenditures from the prior year?

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No" OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

Table with 3 columns: Question, 1, 2a, 2b, 2c, 3, 4, 5. Rows include: 1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members. 2 Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid). a Current year. b Carryover from last year. c Total. 3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues. 4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year? 5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures. See instructions.

Part IV Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1; Part I-B, line 4; Part I-C, line 5; Part II-A (affiliated group list); Part II-A, lines 1 and 2 (See instructions); and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Series of horizontal dotted lines for providing supplemental information.

**Part IV** Supplemental Information *(continued)*

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SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b. Attach to Form 990.

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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include: 1 Total number at end of year, 2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year), 3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year), 4 Aggregate value at end of year, 5 Did the organization inform all donors...?, 6 Did the organization inform all grantees...?

Part II Conservation Easements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include: 1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization, 2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution..., 3 Number of conservation easements modified..., 4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located..., 5 Does the organization have a written policy..., 6 Staff and volunteer hours..., 7 Amount of expenses..., 8 Does each conservation easement..., 9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports...

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include: 1a If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, not to report..., 1b If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, to report..., 2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain...

**Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets** (continued)

- 3** Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that make significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
- a**  Public exhibition
  - b**  Scholarly research
  - c**  Preservation for future generations
  - d**  Loan or exchange program
  - e**  Other
- 4** Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.
- 5** During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?  Yes  No

**Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a** Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?  Yes  No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:
- |  | Amount    |
|--|-----------|
| <b>c</b> Beginning balance             | <b>1c</b> |
| <b>d</b> Additions during the year     | <b>1d</b> |
| <b>e</b> Distributions during the year | <b>1e</b> |
| <b>f</b> Ending balance                | <b>1f</b> |
- 2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability?  Yes  No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided on Part XIII  Yes  No

**Part V Endowment Funds.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

|   | (a) Current year | (b) Prior year | (c) Two years back | (d) Three years back | (e) Four years back |
|---|------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| <b>1a</b> Beginning of year balance                     | 51,006           | 46,283         | 39,136             | 40,337               | 35,060              |
| <b>b</b> Contributions                                  |                  |                |                    |                      |                     |
| <b>c</b> Net investment earnings, gains, and losses     | 7,498            | 5,124          | 7,515              | -842                 | 5,604               |
| <b>d</b> Grants or scholarships                         |                  |                |                    |                      |                     |
| <b>e</b> Other expenditures for facilities and programs |                  |                |                    |                      |                     |
| <b>f</b> Administrative expenses                        | 433              | 401            | 368                | 359                  | 327                 |
| <b>g</b> End of year balance                            | 58,071           | 51,006         | 46,283             | 39,136               | 40,337              |

- 2** Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment **▶ 100.00 %**
  - b** Permanent endowment **▶ %**
  - c** Term endowment **▶ %**
- The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.
- 3a** Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:
- |                                    | Yes | No |
|------------------------------------|-----|----|
| <b>(i)</b> Unrelated organizations | X   |    |
| <b>(ii)</b> Related organizations  |     | X  |
- b** If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?  Yes  No
- 4** Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

**Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

| Description of property  | (a) Cost or other basis (investment) | (b) Cost or other basis (other) | (c) Accumulated depreciation | (d) Book value |
|--|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>1a</b> Land   |                                      |                                 |                              |                |
| <b>b</b> Buildings   |                                      |                                 |                              |                |
| <b>c</b> Leasehold improvements  |                                      |                                 |                              |                |
| <b>d</b> Equipment   |                                      | 145,060                         | 91,629                       | 53,431         |
| <b>e</b> Other   |                                      |                                 |                              |                |
| <b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.) |                                      |                                 |                              | 53,431         |

Part VII Investments - Other Securities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

Table with 3 columns: (a) Description of security or category, (b) Book value, (c) Method of valuation. Rows include Financial derivatives, Closely held equity interests, and Other (A-H). Total line at the bottom.

Part VIII Investments - Program Related.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

Table with 3 columns: (a) Description of investment, (b) Book value, (c) Method of valuation. Rows numbered 1 through 9. Total line at the bottom.

Part IX Other Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Description, (b) Book value. Rows numbered 1 through 9. Total line at the bottom.

Part X Other Liabilities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Description of liability, (b) Book value. Rows include Federal income taxes, PAYROLL PAYABLES, CLIENT FUNDS HELD IN TRUST, CREDIT CARDS. Total line at the bottom.

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FASB ASC 740. Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

**Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

|   |   |    |           |           |
|---|---|----|-----------|-----------|
| 1 | Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements        |    | 1         | 3,802,253 |
| 2 | Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:             |    |           |           |
| a | Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments                                    | 2a | 6,883     |           |
| b | Donated services and use of facilities  | 2b |           |           |
| c | Recoveries of prior year grants   | 2c |           |           |
| d | Other (Describe in Part XIII.)  | 2d |           |           |
| e | Add lines 2a through 2d   | 2e | 6,883     |           |
| 3 | Subtract line 2e from line 1  | 3  | 3,795,370 |           |
| 4 | Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:            |    |           |           |
| a | Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b                | 4a |           |           |
| b | Other (Describe in Part XIII.)  | 4b |           |           |
| c | Add lines 4a and 4b   | 4c |           |           |
| 5 | Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.) | 5  | 3,795,370 |           |

**Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

|   |  |    |           |           |
|---|--|----|-----------|-----------|
| 1 | Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements                       |    | 1         | 3,175,741 |
| 2 | Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:                |    |           |           |
| a | Donated services and use of facilities   | 2a |           |           |
| b | Prior year adjustments   | 2b |           |           |
| c | Other losses   | 2c |           |           |
| d | Other (Describe in Part XIII.)   | 2d |           |           |
| e | Add lines 2a through 2d  | 2e |           |           |
| 3 | Subtract line 2e from line 1   | 3  | 3,175,741 |           |
| 4 | Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:               |    |           |           |
| a | Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b                 | 4a |           |           |
| b | Other (Describe in Part XIII.)   | 4b |           |           |
| c | Add lines 4a and 4b  | 4c |           |           |
| 5 | Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.) | 5  | 3,175,741 |           |

**Part XIII Supplemental Information.**

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

**PART V, LINE 4 - INTENDED USES FOR ENDOWMENT FUNDS**

IN 2007, A BOARD DESIGNATED ENDOWMENT FUND (FUND) WAS ESTABLISHED AT THE OREGON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (OCF). THIS FUND IS USED BY OCF AS A SOURCE OF UNRESTRICTED GRANTS FOR WELC. THE AGREEMENT WITH OCF STIPULATES THAT THE FUND SHALL BE HELD AND OWNED BY OCF. OCF MAY DISTRIBUTE, ON AN ANNUAL BASIS, A FIXED PERCENTAGE OF THE FUND ASSETS. THE PERCENTAGE IS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF OCF. THE AGREEMENT ALSO PROVIDES THAT, UPON WRITTEN REQUEST FROM A MAJORITY OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF OCF, ADDITIONAL DISTRIBUTIONS MAY BE MADE FROM THE FUND ASSETS, EVEN TO THE EXHAUSTION OF THE FUND.



**Part XIII** Supplemental Information *(continued)*

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SCHEDULE I (Form 990)

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations, Governments, and Individuals in the United States

OMB No. 1545-0047

2021

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Attach to Form 990.

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Name of the organization

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Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?
2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

Table with 8 columns: (a) Name and address of organization or government, (b) EIN, (c) IRC section (if applicable), (d) Amount of cash grant, (e) Amount of noncash assistance, (f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other), (g) Description of noncash assistance, (h) Purpose of grant or assistance. Row 1 contains data for COMPASS SCIENCE COMMUNICATION, INC.

- 2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table
3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990.

**Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22.

Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

| (a) Type of grant or assistance | (b) Number of recipients | (c) Amount of cash grant | (d) Amount of noncash assistance | (e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other) | (f) Description of noncash assistance |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1                               |                          |                          |                                  |   |                                       |
| 2                               |                          |                          |                                  |   |                                       |
| 3                               |                          |                          |                                  |   |                                       |
| 4                               |                          |                          |                                  |   |                                       |
| 5                               |                          |                          |                                  |   |                                       |
| 6                               |                          |                          |                                  |   |                                       |
| 7                               |                          |                          |                                  |   |                                       |

**Part IV Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required in Part I, line 2; Part III, column (b); and any other additional information.

PART I, LINE 2 - PROCEDURES FOR MONITORING THE USE OF GRANT FUNDS

PROGRAM STAFF MONITOR USE OF THE GRANTED FUNDS BY REQUIRING REPORTS OF THE USE OF THE FUNDS, AND HOLDING PROGRAM MEETINGS WITH THE GRANTEE.

**SCHEDULE J**  
**(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

**Compensation Information**

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.  
▶ Attach to Form 990.

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**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

**1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel             | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account            | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (such as maid, chauffeur, chef) |

**b** If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain

**2** Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on line 1a?

**3** Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee          | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

**4** During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:

- |  |           |  |                                     |
|--|-----------|--|-------------------------------------|
| <b>a</b> Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?                           | <b>4a</b> |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>b</b> Participate in or receive payment from a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan? | <b>4b</b> |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>c</b> Participate in or receive payment from an equity-based compensation arrangement?    | <b>4c</b> |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a–c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

**Only section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5–9.**

**5** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

- |                                    |           |  |                                     |
|------------------------------------|-----------|--|-------------------------------------|
| <b>a</b> The organization?         | <b>5a</b> |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>b</b> Any related organization? | <b>5b</b> |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
- If "Yes" on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

**6** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:

- |                                    |           |  |                                     |
|------------------------------------|-----------|--|-------------------------------------|
| <b>a</b> The organization?         | <b>6a</b> |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>b</b> Any related organization? | <b>6b</b> |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
- If "Yes" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

**7** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described on lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III

**8** Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III

**9** If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

|           | Yes | No                                  |
|-----------|-----|-------------------------------------|
| <b>1b</b> |     |                                     |
| <b>2</b>  |     |                                     |
| <b>4a</b> |     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>4b</b> |     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>4c</b> |     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>5a</b> |     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>5b</b> |     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>6a</b> |     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>6b</b> |     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>7</b>  |     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>8</b>  |     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <b>9</b>  |     |                                     |

**Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that aren't listed on Form 990, Part VII.

**Note:** The sum of columns (B)(i)–(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

| (A) Name and Title                              |      | (B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC and/or 1099-NEC compensation |                                     |                                     | (C) Retirement and other deferred compensation | (D) Nontaxable benefits | (E) Total of columns (B)(i)–(D) | (F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990 |
|---|------|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
|   |      | (i) Base compensation  | (ii) Bonus & incentive compensation | (iii) Other reportable compensation |  |                         |                                 |   |
| ERIK SCHLENKER-GOODRICH<br>1 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR | (i)  | 138,032  | 0                                   | 0                                   | 5,920  | 9,137                   | 153,089                         | 0   |
|   | (ii) | 0  | 0                                   | 0                                   | 0  | 0                       | 0                               | 0   |
| 2   | (i)  |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
|   | (ii) |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
| 3   | (i)  |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
|   | (ii) |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
| 4   | (i)  |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
|   | (ii) |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
| 5   | (i)  |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
|   | (ii) |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
| 6   | (i)  |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
|   | (ii) |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
| 7   | (i)  |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
|   | (ii) |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
| 8   | (i)  |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
|   | (ii) |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
| 9   | (i)  |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
|   | (ii) |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
| 10  | (i)  |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
|   | (ii) |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
| 11  | (i)  |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
|   | (ii) |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
| 12  | (i)  |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
|   | (ii) |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
| 13  | (i)  |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
|   | (ii) |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
| 14  | (i)  |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
|   | (ii) |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
| 15  | (i)  |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
|   | (ii) |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
| 16  | (i)  |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |
|   | (ii) |  |                                     |                                     |  |                         |                                 |   |

**Part III Supplemental Information**

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

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**SCHEDULE M  
(Form 990)**

**Noncash Contributions**

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- ▶ Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.
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**Part I Types of Property**

|  | (a)<br>Check if applicable | (b)<br>Number of contributions or items contributed | (c)<br>Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g | (d)<br>Method of determining noncash contribution amounts |
|--|----------------------------|---|--|---|
| 1 Art — Works of art   |                            |   |  |   |
| 2 Art — Historical treasures                                 |                            |   |  |   |
| 3 Art — Fractional interests                                 |                            |   |  |   |
| 4 Books and publications                                     |                            |   |  |   |
| 5 Clothing and household goods                               |                            |   |  |   |
| 6 Cars and other vehicles                                    |                            |   |  |   |
| 7 Boats and planes   |                            |   |  |   |
| 8 Intellectual property                                      |                            |   |  |   |
| 9 Securities — Publicly traded                               | X                          | 4   | 141,439  | FAIR MARKET VALUE   |
| 10 Securities — Closely held stock                           |                            |   |  |   |
| 11 Securities — Partnership, LLC, or trust interests         |                            |   |  |   |
| 12 Securities — Miscellaneous                                |                            |   |  |   |
| 13 Qualified conservation contribution — Historic structures |                            |   |  |   |
| 14 Qualified conservation contribution — Other               |                            |   |  |   |
| 15 Real estate — Residential                                 |                            |   |  |   |
| 16 Real estate — Commercial                                  |                            |   |  |   |
| 17 Real estate — Other                                       |                            |   |  |   |
| 18 Collectibles  |                            |   |  |   |
| 19 Food inventory  |                            |   |  |   |
| 20 Drugs and medical supplies                                |                            |   |  |   |
| 21 Taxidermy   |                            |   |  |   |
| 22 Historical artifacts                                      |                            |   |  |   |
| 23 Scientific specimens                                      |                            |   |  |   |
| 24 Archeological artifacts                                   |                            |   |  |   |
| 25 Other ▶ ( )   |                            |   |  |   |
| 26 Other ▶ ( )   |                            |   |  |   |
| 27 Other ▶ ( )   |                            |   |  |   |
| 28 Other ▶ ( )   |                            |   |  |   |

29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part V, Donee Acknowledgement

29

|   | Yes | No |
|---|-----|----|
| 30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which isn't required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period? |     | X  |
| b If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II.  |     |    |
| 31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any nonstandard contributions?   | X   |    |
| 32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions?  |     | X  |
| b If "Yes," describe in Part II.  |     |    |
| 33 If the organization didn't report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II.   |     |    |

**Part II** **Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33, and whether the organization is reporting in Part I, column (b), the number of contributions, the number of items received, or a combination of both. Also complete this part for any additional information.

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**SCHEDULE O  
(Form 990)**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on  
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

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FORM 990 - ORGANIZATION'S MISSION

PUBLIC INTEREST LAW FIRM - THE WESTERN ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CENTER USES THE POWER OF THE LAW TO SAFEGUARD THE PUBLIC LANDS, WILDLIFE, AND COMMUNITIES OF THE WESTERN U.S. IN THE FACE OF A CHANGING CLIMATE. WE ENVISION A THRIVING, RESILIENT WEST, ABUNDANT WITH PROTECTED PUBLIC LANDS AND WILDLIFE, POWERED BY CLEAN ENERGY, AND DEFENDED BY COMMUNITIES ROOTED IN AN ETHIC OF CONSERVATION.

FORM 990, PART I, LINE 6

DURING 2021, VOLUNTEERS ASSISTED STAFF WITH PROGRAM RELATED RESEARCH AND PROJECTS.

FORM 990, PART III - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

DINE CARE ET AL. V. BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT ET AL., 1:20-CV-00673 (D. N.M.)

SUIT REPRESENTING DINE CARE, SAN JUAN CITIZENS ALLIANCE, SIERRA CLUB, AND WILDEARTH GUARDIANS ALLEGING NEPA AND FLPMA VIOLATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH DECEMBER 2018 BLM RIO PUERCO FIELD OFFICE (RPFO) OIL AND GAS LEASE SALE. FILED INITIAL COMPLAINT IN JULY 2020. AMENDED COMPLAINT TO INCLUDE NOVEMBER 2019 RPFO AND FEBRUARY 2020 RPFO AND FARMINGTON FIELD OFFICE LEASE SALES UPON RECEIVING DENIALS OF OUR ADMINISTRATIVE PROTESTS OF THOSE LEASE SALES, AND FILED THAT AMENDED COMPLAINT ON THE LAST DAY OF THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION IN JANUARY 2021. AFTER SOME EXTENSIONS FOR BLM TO COMPILE THE ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD, WE BEGAN SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS IN FALL OF 2021. WE THEN LEARNED OF DRILLING PERMIT APPROVALS AND A RIGHT-OF-WAY GRANT FOR

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DEVELOPMENT ON THE LEASES AND SETTLEMENT TALKS CEASED. BLM FILED A MOTION FOR VOLUNTARY REMAND WITHOUT VACATUR IN DECEMBER 2021, AND OUR RESPONSE DEADLINE WAS JANUARY 2022.

PUGET SOUND KEEPER ALLIANCE, ET AL. V. ECOLOGY, NO. 17-016C (WASH. PCHB): ADMINISTRATIVE CHALLENGE OF WASHINGTON GENERAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT FOR CONCENTRATED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATIONS. ON JUNE 29, 2021, THE WASHINGTON COURT OF APPEALS HELD THE PERMIT WAS UNLAWFUL. WELC DID NOT RECEIVE ANY FEES.

NORTHWEST ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCATES V. U.S. EPA, NO. 19-CV-01537 (W.D. WASH.) CHALLENGE TO THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S FAILURE TO IMPLEMENT THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CLEAN WATER ACT TO IDENTIFY WHICH WATERBODIES IN WASHINGTON REQUIRE CLEANUP PLANS AND THEN TO DEVELOP SUCH PLANS. THE MATTER IS ONGOING. NO FEES SOUGHT OR RECEIVED IN 2021.

IN RE: CLEAN WATER ACT RULEMAKING 20-CV-4636 (N.D. CA)/21-16958 (9TH CIR.) CHALLENGING THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE REVIEW OF FEDERALLY LICENSED OR PERMITTED PROJECTS UNDER SECTION 401 OF THE CLEAN WATER ACT. ON OCTOBER 21, 2021, THE DISTRICT COURT VACATED THE RULE. INTERVENOR-DEFENDANTS APPEALED THAT DECISION TO THE NINTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS. THE MATTER IS ONGOING AND NO FEES WERE SOUGHT IN 2021.

NORTHWEST ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCATES V. STATE OF WASHINGTON, DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY, NO 21-0008C (PCHB) CHALLENGE TO THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY'S DECISION TO ISSUE

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A NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT TO THE BIRCH BAY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT THAT FAILED TO COMPLY WITH STATE AND FEDERAL LAW. THE MATTER WAS ONGOING AT THE END OF 2021. NO FEES WERE SOUGHT IN 2021.

NORTHWEST ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCATES V. STATE OF WASHINGTON, DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY, NO 21-010 (PCHB)

CHALLENGE TO THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY'S DECISION TO ISSUE A NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT TO THE SKAGIT COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT NO. 2 WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT THAT FAILED TO COMPLY WITH STATE AND FEDERAL LAW. THE MATTER WAS ONGOING AT THE END OF 2021. NO FEES WERE SOUGHT IN 2021.

NORTHWEST ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCATES V. U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, ET AL., NO. 21-CV-01637 (W.D. WA)

CHALLENGE OF THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S FAILURE TO DEVELOP A TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD TO ADDRESS DISSOLVED OXYGEN IMPAIRMENTS IN PUGET SOUND. THE MATTER IS ONGOING. NO FEES WERE SOUGHT IN 2021.

CALIFORNIA STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD, ET AL., V. FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION, NOS. 20-72432, 20-72452, 20-72782, 20-72800, 20-72958, 20-72973 (9TH CIR.)

CHALLENGES TO THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION'S ORDERS FINDING THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HAS WAIVED ITS AUTHORITY UNDER SECTION 401 OF THE CLEAN WATER ACT WITH RESPECT TO RELICENSING OF SEVERAL HYDROELECTRIC PROJECTS. THE MATTER IS ONGOING. NO FEES WERE SOUGHT IN 2021.

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NORTHWEST ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCATES V. WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY, NO. 19-2-00822-34 (WASHINGTON COURT OF APPEALS) CHALLENGE TO THE WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY'S FAILURE TO ENSURE THAT SEWAGE TREATMENT FACILITIES DISCHARGING TO PUGET SOUND AND ITS TRIBUTARIES ARE USING ALL KNOWN, AVAILABLE, AND REASONABLE TREATMENT TECHNOLOGY TO CONTROL THE DISCHARGE OF NUTRIENTS AND TOXICS. THE MATTER IS ONGOING.

TURLOCK IRRIGATION DISTRICT AND MODESTO IRRIGATION DISTRICT V. FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION, NOS. 21-1120, 21-1121 (D.C. CIR.) REPRESENTING SEVERAL ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS AS INTERVENOR-RESPONDENTS TO DEFEND THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION'S DECISION THAT THE STATE OF WASHINGTON DID NOT WAIVE ITS AUTHORITY UNDER SECTION 401 OF THE CLEAN WATER ACT WITH RESPECT TO THE RELICENSING OF HYDROELECTRIC PROJECTIONS ON THE TUOLUMNE RIVER. THE MATTER IS ONGOING. NO FEES WERE SOUGHT IN 2021.

UNDER CANVAS WGS (KLICKITAT COUNTY HEARING EXAMINER, WASHINGTON SUPERIOR COURT).

WE REPRESENTED DENNIS AND BONNIE WHITE, AND FRIENDS OF OAK RIDGE, IN A SUIT AGAINST KLICKITAT COUNTY FOR VIOLATING THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT WHEN IT ISSUED A MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE. THE HEARING EXAMINER FOUND FOR KLICKITAT COUNTY. WE APPEALED AND ARE WAITING FOR THE SUPERIOR COURT'S DECISION ON THIS MATTER. WE WILL NOT SEEK FEES.

WA DNR EJ AMICUS (WA SUPREME COURT).

WELC REPRESENTS MASON COUNTY CLIMATE JUSTICE IN AN AMICUS BRIEF SUPPORTING APPELLANTS CONSERVATION NORTHWEST ET AL. IN THEIR SUIT AGAINST THE

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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES REGARDING THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF DNR'S INTERPRETATION OF ITS MANDATE. THE AMICUS HAS BEEN FILED AND WE ARE WAITING FOR THE COURT'S DECISION. WE WILL NOT SEEK FEES.

WA CYANIDE ESA (D.D.C.)

WELC REPRESENTS CBD IN AN ESA SUIT FOR FAILURE TO CONSULT AND FAILURE TO INITIATE CONSULTATION WITH RESPECT TO WASHINGTON STATE'S AQUATIC CRITERIA FOR CYANIDE. WE INITIATED SUIT IN FEBRUARY 2022. WE PLAN TO SEEK FEES.

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. WILLIAMS, 9:20-CV-183-DWM (D. MT.):

WELC REPRESENTS WILDEARTH GUARDIANS, OTHER CONSERVATION GROUPS, AND AN INDIVIDUAL IN A CHALLENGE TO THE U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE'S DECISION TO WITHDRAW ITS PROPOSED RULE TO LIST THE WOLVERINE AS THREATENED UNDER THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT. THIS LAWSUIT WAS FILED IN DECEMBER 2020, AND SEEKS TO HOLD THE USFWS ACCOUNTABLE FOR ITS FAILURE TO FOLLOW THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT'S REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO THE LISTING OF IMPERILED SPECIES UNDER THE ACT. CASE RESOLVED AT DISTRICT COURT LEVEL IN 2022, WITH PROCEEDINGS ONGOING.

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. SUCKOW, 1:17-CV-891-WYD (D. COLO):

WELC REPRESENTS WILDEARTH GUARDIANS AND CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY IN A CHALLENGE UNDER THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT TO THE U.S.D.A. APHIS-WILDLIFE SERVICES' PREDATOR DAMAGE MANAGEMENT IN COLORADO ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT. AN AMENDED PETITION FOR REVIEW WAS FILED IN AUGUST 2018. THE DISTRICT COURT RESOLVED THIS CASE IN FAVOR OF THE GOVERNMENT IN 2021. CASE CLOSED.

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WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. PADILLA, 1:18-CV-02903-MSK (D. COLO); TRAILS PRESERVATION ALLIANCE V. U.S. FOREST SERV., 1:18-CV-02354-MSK (D. COLO): WELC REPRESENTS WILDEARTH GUARDIANS, SAN JUAN CITIZENS ALLIANCE, DUNTON HOT SPRINGS, AND SHEEP MOUNTAIN ALLIANCE IN A CHALLENGE TO A U.S. FOREST SERVICE TRAVEL MANAGEMENT PLAN ON THE SAN JUAN NATIONAL FOREST IN COLORADO FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT AND NATIONAL FOREST MANAGEMENT ACT. IN A COMPANION CASE, THE SAME PARTIES INTERVENED TO DEFEND PORTIONS OF THE SAME DECISION IN A CHALLENGE FROM MOTORIZED TRAIL RIDER ORGANIZATIONS. THE TWO CASES WERE CONSOLIDATED, BRIEFING IS COMPLETE AS OF NOVEMBER 2019. AWAITING ARGUMENT OR DECISION.

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. WILLIAMS, 9:20-CV-97 (D. MT.):

WELC REPRESENTS WILDEARTH GUARDIANS AND WILDERNESS WORKSHOP IN A CHALLENGE TO THE U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE'S FAILURE TO RESPOND TO A COURT ORDER TO REVISE THE AGENCY'S CRITICAL HABITAT DESIGNATION FOR CANADA LYNX IN CERTAIN PARTS OF IDAHO, MONTANA, AND THE SOUTHERN ROCKIES. CASE ONGOING.

SAN LUIS VALLEY ECOSYSTEM COUNCIL V. DALLAS, 1: 21-CV-2994 (D. COLO):

WELC REPRESENTS SAN LUIS VALLEY ECOSYSTEM COUNCIL AND OTHER CONSERVATION GROUPS IN A CHALLENGE TO THE RIO GRANDE NATIONAL FOREST'S REVISED FOREST PLAN. THE LAWSUIT ALLEGES THE AGENCY VIOLATED A NUMBER OF LAWS, INCLUDING THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT, THE NATIONAL FOREST MANAGEMENT ACT, AND THE TRAVEL MANAGEMENT RULE IN ITS DECISION. THE LITIGATION WAS FILED IN 2021, AND IS EXPECTED TO BE FULLY BRIEFED DURING 2022. CASE ONGOING.

FRIENDS OF THE CLEARWATER V. PROBERT, 3:21-CV-56 (D. IDAHO):

WELC REPRESENTS FRIENDS OF THE CLEARWATER IN A CHALLENGE TO THE CLEARWATER

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NATIONAL FOREST'S 2017 TRAVEL MANAGEMENT DECISION AND ITS FAILURE TO RESPOND TO A PRIOR COURT ORDER RELATED TO THE FOREST'S TRAVEL MANAGEMENT PLAN. THIS LAWSUIT WAS FILED IN 2021, AND WE RECEIVED A FAVORABLE MERITS DECISION FROM THE COURT IN MARCH 2022. THE CASE WILL CONTINUE THROUGH A REMEDY PHASE DURING 2022. CASE ONGOING.

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, CASE NO. 1:18-CV-00405-TJK (D.D.C.):

WELC REPRESENTS WILDEARTH GUARDIANS IN A CHALLENGE TO THE DOI'S FAILURE TO RESPOND TO FOUR FOIA REQUESTS REGARDING SECRETARIAL ORDERS 3357, 3358, 3359, AND 3360. THE AGENCIES CONTINUE TO SLOWLY PROVIDE DOCUMENTS RESPONSIVE TO THE FOIA REQUESTS. CASE ONGOING.

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT ET AL., 1:19-CV-02974 (D.D.C.)

FOIA SUIT REPRESENTING WILDEARTH GUARDIANS, FOR BLM/DEPT. OF INTERIOR TO RELEASE RECORDS ASSOCIATED WITH CARLSBAD RMP. IN 2021, THE AGENCIES FINISHED PROVIDING DOCUMENTS RESPONSIVE TO THE FOIA REQUESTS. CASE ONGOING.

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. ZINKE, 9:17-CV-118-DLC (D. MONT.):

WELC REPRESENTS WILDEARTH GUARDIANS IN A CHALLENGE UNDER THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT TO A DECISION TO DELIST GRIZZLY BEARS IN THE GREATER YELLOWSTONE ECOSYSTEM IN IDAHO, MONTANA, AND WYOMING. PREVAILED IN DISTRICT COURT IN SEPTEMBER 2018. GOVERNMENT APPEALED, AND THE CASE IS BEING BRIEFED AT THE NINTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS IN 2019, WITH A DECISION LIKELY IN 2020. CASE WON AT NINTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS IN JULY 2020. ATTORNEYS' FEES FOR THIS LITIGATION WERE RESOLVED IN 2022.

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WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. WEBER, 9:19-CV-00056-DWM (D. MT.):

WELC REPRESENTS WILDEARTH GUARDIANS AND WESTERN WATERSHEDS PROJECT IN A CHALLENGE TO A U.S. FOREST SERVICE FOREST PLAN FOR THE FLATHEAD NATIONAL FOREST FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT, NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT, AND TRAVEL MANAGEMENT RULE RELATED TO GRIZZLY BEAR, BULL TROUT, CANADA LYNX, AND WOLVERINE. THE CASE WAS FILED IN SPRING 2019, AND WE PREVAILED IN THE DISTRICT COURT ON SEVERAL CLAIMS IN 2021. THIS CASE IS CURRENTLY ON APPEAL TO THE U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT.

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. WEBER, 9:19-CV-00056-DWM (D. MT.):

WELC REPRESENTS WILDEARTH GUARDIANS AND WESTERN WATERSHEDS PROJECT IN A CHALLENGE TO A U.S. FOREST SERVICE FOREST PLAN FOR THE FLATHEAD NATIONAL FOREST FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT, NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT, AND TRAVEL MANAGEMENT RULE RELATED TO GRIZZLY BEAR, BULL TROUT, CANADA LYNX, AND WOLVERINE. THE CASE WAS FILED IN SPRING 2019, AND WE PREVAILED IN THE DISTRICT COURT ON SEVERAL CLAIMS IN 2021. THIS CASE IS CURRENTLY ON APPEAL TO THE U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT.

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. WILLIAMS, 3:21-CV-349 (N.D. CAL.):

WELC REPRESENTS WILDEARTH GUARDIANS AND OTHER CONSERVATION GROUPS IN A CHALLENGE TO THE U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE'S DECISION TO REMOVE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT PROTECTIONS FROM THE GRAY WOLF. IN FEBRUARY 2022, THE COURT ISSUED A DECISION IN OUR FAVOR. WE ARE AWAITING NEWS WHETHER THE GOVERNMENT AND INTERVENORS APPEAL TO THE U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT.

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. U.S. DEP'T OF THE INTERIOR, NO. 1:18-CV-00232 (D.



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WELC IS REPRESENTING WILDEARTH GUARDIANS IN A CHALLENGE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR'S FAILURE TO RESPOND TO A FOIA REQUEST. THE DEPARTMENT CONTINUES TO PRODUCE DOCUMENTS RESPONSIVE TO THE REQUEST, AND THE CASE REMAINS PENDING UNTIL ALL DOCUMENTS ARE RECEIVED.

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, NO. 1:18-CV-00233 (D. DC)  
 WELC IS REPRESENTING WILDEARTH GUARDIANS IN A CHALLENGE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT FOR THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT'S FAILURE TO RESPOND TO A FOIA REQUEST. THE DEPARTMENT HAS PRODUCED DOCUMENTS RESPONSIVE TO THE REQUEST, AND THE CASE WAS SETTLED IN DECEMBER 2021. WELC RECEIVED \$3,697 IN FEES.

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, NO. 1:18-CV-01020 (D. DC)  
 WELC IS REPRESENTING WILDEARTH GUARDIANS IN A CHALLENGE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT FOR THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT'S FAILURE TO RESPOND TO A FOIA REQUEST. THE DEPARTMENT HAS PRODUCED DOCUMENTS RESPONSIVE TO THE REQUEST, AND THE CASE WAS SETTLED IN JANUARY 2022.

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, NO. 1:18-CV-01020 (D. DC)  
 WELC IS REPRESENTING WILDEARTH GUARDIANS IN A CHALLENGE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT FOR THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT'S FAILURE TO RESPOND TO A FOIA REQUEST. THE DEPARTMENT HAS PRODUCED DOCUMENTS RESPONSIVE TO THE REQUEST, AND THE CASE WAS SETTLED IN JANUARY 2022. NO FEES.

AMIGOS BRAVOS V. U.S. EPA, NO. 19-CV-00852 (D. NM)

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CHALLENGING THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S UNREASONABLE DELAY  
 IN RESPONDING TO AMIGOS BRAVOS' PETITION FOR A DETERMINATION THAT STORM  
 WATER DISCHARGES IN LOS ALAMOS COUNTY, NEW MEXICO CONTRIBUTE TO WATER  
 QUALITY STANDARDS VIOLATIONS AND REQUIRE A CLEAN WATER ACT PERMIT. THE  
 CASE WAS VOLUNTARILY DISMISSED AFTER EPA ISSUED ITS DECISION. NO FEES.

WESTERN WATERSHEDS PROJECT V. PERDUE, NO. 4:21-CV-00020 (D. AZ)

WELC IS REPRESENTING WESTERN WATERSHEDS PROJECT AND WILDERNESS WATCH IN A  
 CHALLENGE TO THE U.S. FOREST SERVICE'S REAUTHORIZATION OF GRAZING IN  
 ARIZONA AND NEW MEXICO UNDER THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT.  
 BRIEFING COMMENCED IN OCTOBER 2021 AND IS NOW FULLY BRIEFED AS OF FEBRUARY  
 2022. CASE ONGOING.

CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY V. BLM, 1:21-CV-00174-TSC (D.D.C.):

WELC REPRESENTS CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY, ROCKY MOUNTAIN WILD,  
 WESTERN WATERSHEDS PROJECT, WILDEARTH GUARDIANS, AND YELLOWSTONE TO UINTAS  
 CONNECTION IN A CHALLENGE TO MULTIPLE BLM PLANNING DECISIONS MADE BY ACTING  
 BLM DIRECTOR PENDLEY UNDER THE FEDERAL VACANCIES REFORM ACT. SETTLEMENT  
 NEGOTIATIONS ARE ONGOING.

WESTERN ORG. OF RESOURCE COUNCILS V. BLM, 4:20-CV-00076-BMM (D. MONT.):

WELC REPRESENTS WESTERN ORGANIZATION OF RESOURCE COUNCILS, MONTANA  
 ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION CENTER, POWDER RIVER BASIN RESOURCE COUNCIL,  
 NORTHERN PLAINS RESOURCE COUNCIL, SIERRA CLUB, AND CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL  
 DIVERSITY IN A CHALLENGE TO REMANDED BLM RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLANS FOR THE  
 BUFFALO, WYOMING AND MILES CITY, MONTANA FIELD OFFICES FOR VIOLATIONS OF  
 NEPA REQUIREMENTS TO DISCLOSE ADVERSE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS AND CONSIDER

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ALTERNATIVES. WE PREVAILED IN MARCH 2018 ON THE ORIGINAL PLANS. THESE  
 REMANDED DECISIONS SUFFER FROM SIMILAR DEFECTS. PLAINTIFFS' BRIEFING IS  
 COMPLETE. BLM HAS FILED A CONTESTED MOTION FOR VOLUNTARY REMAND.

WYOMING V. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, CASE NO. 2:16-CV-00285-SWS (D.  
 WYO.), 18-8027 (10TH CIR.): [MELISSA'S CASE]

WELC REPRESENTS CITIZENS FOR A HEALTHY COMMUNITY, DINE CITIZENS AGAINST  
 RUINING OUR ENVIRONMENT, MONTANA ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION CENTER, NATIONAL  
 WILDLIFE FEDERATION, SAN JUAN CITIZENS ALLIANCE, WILDEARTH GUARDIANS,  
 WILDERNESS WORKSHOP, WYOMING OUTDOOR COUNCIL, AND EARTHWORKS. THESE AND  
 OTHER CITIZEN GROUPS INTERVENED ON BEHALF OF THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
 TO HELP DEFEND AGAINST AN INDUSTRY ATTACK AGAINST THE BLM'S WASTE  
 PREVENTION, PRODUCTION SUBJECT TO ROYALTIES, AND RESOURCE CONSERVATION RULE  
 ("WASTE PREVENTION RULE"). CASE ONGOING.

WESTERN ENERGY ALLIANCE V. BIDEN, CASE NO. 0:21-CV-00013-SWS (D. WYO.);  
 WYOMING V. U.S. DEP'T OF THE INTERIOR, CASE NO. 0:21-CV-00056-SWS (D. WYO.)  
 WELC REPRESENTS CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY, CITIZENS FOR A HEALTHY  
 COMMUNITY, DINÉ CARE, FOOD & WATER WATCH, INDIAN PEOPLE'S ACTION, MONTANA  
 ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION CENTER, POWDER RIVER BASIN RESOURCE COUNCIL,  
 WESTERN ORGANIZATION OF RESOURCE COUNCILS, AND WILDEARTH GUARDIANS. THESE  
 AND OTHER CONSERVATION GROUPS INTERVENED ON BEHALF OF PRESIDENT BIDEN AND  
 THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR TO HELP DEFEND A PAUSE ON OIL AND GAS  
 LEASING PENDING THE COMPLETION OF A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW. A CHALLENGE TO  
 THE PAUSE WAS BROUGHT BY INDUSTRY AND THE STATE OF WYOMING. THE ABOVE  
 CAPTIONED CASES WERE CONSOLIDATED IN THE D. WYO. CASE IS ONGOING.

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NORTH DAKOTA V. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, CASE NO. 1:21-CV-00148-DMT-CRH (D.N.D.):

WELC REPRESENTS CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY, DAKOTA RESOURCE COUNCIL, AND WESTERN ORGANIZATION OF RESOURCE COUNCILS. THESE AND OTHER CONSERVATION GROUPS INTERVENED IN A CHALLENGE TO THE LEASING PAUSE BROUGHT BY THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA. CASE IS ONGOING.

AMERICAN PETROLEUM INSTITUTE V. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, CASE NO. 2:21-CV-02506-TAD-KK (W.D. LA.)

WELC REPRESENTS CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY, CITIZENS FOR A HEALTHY COMMUNITY, FOOD & WATER WATCH, MONTANA ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION CENTER, WILDEARTH GUARDIANS, AND WESTERN ORGANIZATION OF RESOURCE COUNCILS. THESE AND OTHER CONSERVATION GROUPS INTERVENED IN A CHALLENGE TO THE LEASING PAUSE BROUGHT BY API IN THE W.D. OF LOUISIANA. CASE IS ONGOING.

WILDERNESS WORKSHOP V. BLM, 1:16-CV-01822 (D. COLO.):

WELC REPRESENTS WILDERNESS WORKSHOP, WESTERN COLORADO CONGRESS, NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL, AND SIERRA CLUB IN A CHALLENGE TO BLM'S RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE COLORADO RIVER VALLEY FIELD OFFICE FOR VIOLATIONS OF NEPA REQUIREMENTS TO DISCLOSE ADVERSE ENVIRONMENTAL AND PUBLIC HEALTH IMPACTS AND CONSIDER ALTERNATIVES. WE WON ON THE MERITS IN OCTOBER 2018. WE NEGOTIATED A SETTLEMENT ON REMEDIES WITH BLM, WHICH WAS FINALIZED IN SEPTEMBER 2019. FEES RECEIVED, CASE CLOSED AS OF 2020, ALTHOUGH THE COURT MAINTAINED JURISDICTION AND REMAND IS GOING.

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. ZINKE, 1:16-CV-01724 (D.D.C.):

WELC REPRESENTS WILDEARTH GUARDIANS AND PHYSICIANS FOR SOCIAL

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RESPONSIBILITY IN A CHALLENGE TO BLM OIL AND GAS LEASE SALES IN WYOMING, UTAH AND COLORADO FOR VIOLATIONS OF NEPA REQUIREMENTS TO DISCLOSE ADVERSE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS. WE PREVAILED ON THE MERITS IN MARCH 2019 WITH RESPECT TO WYOMING PARCELS. BLM AGREED TO A VOLUNTARY REMAND OF UTAH AND COLORADO. A SECOND ROUND OF LITIGATION IS ONGOING REGARDING THE REMAND DECISION. BLM FILED A MOTION FOR VOLUNTARY REMAND. WE HAVE REACHED A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT TO RESOLVE THE CASE.

WILDERNESS WORKSHOP V. BLM, 1:18-CV-00987 (D. COLO.):

WELC REPRESENTS WILDERNESS WORKSHOP, CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY, LIVING RIVERS, AND SIERRA CLUB IN A CHALLENGE TO BLM DECISION TO LEASE LANDS WITHIN THE COLORADO RIVER VALLEY AND GRAND JUNCTION FIELD OFFICES THROUGH A DETERMINATION OF NEPA ADEQUACY. A SETTLEMENT OF THE MERITS IN PRINCIPLE HAS BEEN REACHED. COURT HAS MAINTAINED JURISDICTION AND REMAND IS ONGOING. FEES RECEIVED OF \$20,670.

CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY V BLM, 4:18-CV-00073 (D. MONT.):

WELC REPRESENTS CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY, WILDERNESS WORKSHOP, AND THE WILDERNESS SOCIETY IN A CHALLENGE TO BLM'S RMP FOR THE GRAND JUNCTION FIELD OFFICE FOR FAILURE TO CONSIDER OIL AND GAS LEASING ALTERNATIVES AND A HARD LOOK AT CLIMATE IMPACTS. BLM HAS AGREED TO A VOLUNTARY REMAND. COURT HAS MAINTAINED JURISDICTION AND REMAND IS ONGOING.

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. BERNHARDT, 1:20-CV-00056-RC (D.D.C):

WELC REPRESENTS WILDEARTH GUARDIANS AND PHYSICIANS FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY IN A CHALLENGE TO BLM OIL AND GAS LEASE SALES IN MONTANA, WYOMING, UTAH, COLORADO AND NEW MEXICO FOR FAILING TO TAKE A HARD LOOK AT

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THE CLIMATE IMPACTS OF THE OIL AND GAS LEASING PROGRAM. THIS IS A FOLLOW UP CASE TO OUR EARLIER VICTORIES. BLM FILED A MOTION FOR VOLUNTARY REMAND. WE HAVE REACHED A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT TO RESOLVE THE CASE.

DINÉ CARE V. BLM, 1:19-CV-00703 (D.N.M), 21-2116 (10TH CIR.):

WELC REPRESENTS DINÉ CARE, WILDEARTH GUARDIANS, SAN JUAN CITIZENS ALLIANCE, AND SIERRA CLUB IN A CHALLENGE TO BLM OIL AND GAS DRILLING PERMITS. AN AMENDED COMPLAINT WAS FILED IN 2020 FOLLOWING BLM'S RELEASE OF NEPA ADDENDUMS FOR THE CHALLENGED PERMITS. WE LOST A DECISION ON THE MERITS IN D.N.M. CASE IS ON APPEAL AT THE TENTH CIRCUIT. BRIEFING WILL BE COMPLETE IN WINTER 2022.

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. BLM, 4:21-CV-00004-BMM (D. MT):

WELC REPRESENTS WILDEARTH GUARDIANS, MONTANA ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION CENTER, DAVID KATZ, BONNIE MARTINELL, AND JACK MARTINELL IN A CHALLENGE TO TWO BLM OIL AND GAS LEASE SALES IN MONTANA IN 2017 AND 2018 FOR FAILING TO TAKE A HARD LOOK AT IMPACTS UNDER NEPA. CASE IS ONGOING.

CITIZENS FOR A HEALTHY COMMUNITY V. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, CASE NO. 1:21-CV-01268-MSK (D. COLO):

WELC REPRESENTS CITIZENS FOR A HEALTHY COMMUNITY, HIGH COUNTRY CONSERVATION ADVOCATES, WILDERNESS WORKSHOP, CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY, AND WILDEARTH GUARDIANS IN A CHALLENGE TO BLM'S APPROVAL OF THE NORTH FORK MANCOS MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR FAILING TO TAKE A HARD LOOK AT IMPACTS AND CONSIDER A REASONABLE RANGE OF ALTERNATIVES UNDER NEPA. CASE IS ONGOING.

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CITIZENS FOR A HEALTHY COMMUNITY V. BLM, 1:20-CV-02484-MSK (D. COLO.):  
 WELC REPRESENTS CITIZENS FOR A HEALTHY COMMUNITY, HIGH COUNTRY CONSERVATION  
 ADVOCATES, CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY, SIERRA CLUB, WESTERN WATERSHEDS  
 PROJECT, AND WILDEARTH GUARDIANS IN A CHALLENGE TO BLM'S APPROVAL OF A  
 RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE UNCOMPAHGRE FIELD OFFICE, FOR FAILING TO  
 TAKE A HARD LOOK AT IMPACTS AND CONSIDER A REASONABLE RANGE OF ALTERNATIVES  
 UNDER NEPA. SETTLEMENT NEGOTIATIONS ARE ONGOING.

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. BERNHARDT, 1:20-CV-00175-RC (D.D.C.):  
 WELC REPRESENTS WILDEARTH GUARDIANS AND PHYSICIANS FOR SOCIAL  
 RESPONSIBILITY IN A CHALLENGE TO BLM OIL AND GAS LEASE SALES IN MONTANA,  
 WYOMING, UTAH, COLORADO AND NEW MEXICO FOR FAILING TO TAKE A HARD LOOK AT  
 THE CLIMATE IMPACTS OF THE OIL AND GAS LEASING PROGRAM. THIS IS A FOLLOW UP  
 CASE TO OUR EARLIER VICTORIES. BLM FILED A MOTION FOR VOLUNTARY REMAND. WE  
 HAVE REACHED A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT TO RESOLVE THE CASE.

PNM MERGER WITH AVANGRID, 20-00222-UT, PNM ABANDONMENT OF FOUR CORNERS, 21  
 -00017-UT (NMPRC):  
 WELC REPRESENTS DINÉ CARE, SAN JUAN CITIZENS ALLIANCE, TÒ NIZHÒNÍ ANÍ, AND  
 NAVA EDUCATION PROJECT IN INTERVENTION BEFORE THE NM PRC IN TWO CASES: THE  
 FIRST INVOLVING PNM'S PROPOSED MERGER WITH AVANGRID, AND THE SECOND IN  
 PNM'S ABANDONMENT OF ITS SHARE OF FOUR CORNERS POWER PLANT AND TRANSFER TO  
 NTEC. THE PRC DENIED THE MERGER, WHICH IS NOW ON APPEAL TO THE NM SUPREME  
 COURT. THE PRC DENIED ABANDONMENT, WHICH IS NOW ON APPEAL TO THE NM SUPREME  
 COURT. BOTH CASES ARE ONGOING.

THE NATIONAL TRUST FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION V. BERNHARDT, 19-CV-05008-MHB

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(D. ARIZONA 2019):

WELC IS REPRESENTING THE NATIONAL TRUST ET AL. IN A CHALLENGE TO BLM'S AMENDED MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE SONORAN DESERT NATIONAL MONUMENT. THE NEW PLAN VIOLATED FEDERAL LAW BY ALLOWING TARGET SHOOTING THAT HARMS THE AREA'S OBJECTION. WE RECENTLY REACHED A SETTLEMENT IN THE MATTER AND WILL BE ASKING THE COURT TO APPROVE IT (OVER ARIZONA'S OBJECTIONS).

HELENA HUNTERS AND ANGLERS V. MARTEN, 19-CV-0047-DLC (D. MONT 2019):

WELC IS REPRESENTING HELENA HUNTERS ET AL. IN CHALLENGE TO U.S. FOREST SERVICE LOGGING PROJECT IN ROADLESS AREA. WE ALLEGE THE PROJECT VIOLATES FEDERAL LAW BY ALLOWING ROAD WORK IN ROADLESS. WE RECEIVED A FAVORABLE DECISION IN JULY 2020, AND SETTLED FEES IN MARCH 2021. FEES RECEIVED: \$199,000.

FRIENDS OF THE CRAZY MOUNTAINS V. ERICKSON, 19-CV-006-SPW-TJC (D. MONT 2019):

WELC IS REPRESENTING FRIENDS OF THE CRAZY MOUNTAINS ET AL. IN A CHALLENGE TO THE U.S. FOREST SERVICE'S EASEMENT EXCHANGE AND FAILURE TO PROTECT PUBLIC ACCESS TO PUBLIC LANDS IN THE CRAZY MOUNTAINS. THE MATTER IS CURRENTLY BEING LITIGATED AND BRIEFED.

FRIENDS OF WILD SWAN V. HAALAND, 9:20-CV-00173-DWM (D. MONT. 2021):

WELC REPRESENTS FRIENDS OF THE WILD SWAN AND OTHER CONSERVATION ORGANIZATIONS IN ITS CHALLENGE TO THE U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE'S DECISION TO FOREGO RECOVERY PLANNING FOR THE CANADA LYNX. THE LAWSUIT WAS FILED IN DECEMBER 2020, AND WAS RESOLVED IN 2021. FEES AWARDED IN 2022.



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WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. ZINKE, 18-CV-0048-JGZ (D. ARIZ. 2018):

WELC IS REPRESENTING WILDEARTH GUARDIANS ET AL. IN A CHALLENGE TO THE U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE'S 2017 REVISED RECOVERY PLAN FOR MEXICAN WOLVES. WE ALLEGE THE PLAN DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR OBJECTIVE, MEASURABLE CRITERIA NECESSARY FOR "RECOVERY" OF THE SUBSPECIES AND DOES NOT UTILIZE THE BEST AVAILABLE SCIENCE. THE DISTRICT COURT RULED AGAINST US AND THE MATTER IS CURRENTLY ON APPEAL AT THE NINTH CIRCUIT.

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. OSM, CV 17-80-BLG-SPW-TJC:

WELC REPRESENTS WILDEARTH GUARDIANS AND MONTANA ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION CENTER IN SUIT AGAINST COAL MINE EXPANSION (SPRING CREEK MINE). IN EARLY 2019 WE RECEIVED A FAVORABLE PROPOSED RULING FROM THE MAGISTRATE, WHICH WAS THEN FORWARDED TO THE DISTRICT JUDGE. FILED OBJECTIONS IN EARLY 2019. CASE STAYED FOLLOWING SPRING CREEK BANKRUPTCY FILING. BANKRUPTCY COMPLETED IN EARLY 2020. AWAITING DECISION FROM DISTRICT JUDGE. OBTAINED FAVORABLE RULING ON SUMMARY JUDGMENT ON 2/3/21, LITIGATED OVER STAY AND REMAND, FILED FEE MOTION 2/1/22. FEES SETTLED IN 2022.

SIERRA CLUB V. ZINKE, CASE NO. 3:18-CV-05984 (N.D. CAL.):

WELC REPRESENTS LOS PADRES FORESTWATCH, CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY, EARTHWORKS, NATIONAL WILDLIFE FEDERATION, CITIZENS FOR A HEALTHY COMMUNITY, DINE' CARE, MONTANA ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION CENTER, SAN JUAN CITIZENS ALLIANCE, WESTERN ORGANIZATION OF RESOURCE COUNCILS, WILDERNESS WORKSHOP, WILDEARTH GUARDIANS, AND WYOMING OUTDOOR COUNCIL IN A CHALLENGE TO BLM'S RESCISSION OF THE 2016 WASTE PREVENTION RULE, WHICH LIMITED WASTE OF NATURAL GAS BY OIL AND GAS COMPANIES ON FEDERAL PUBLIC LANDS FROM VENTING, FLARING, AND EQUIPMENT LEAKS. CASE WAS FULLY BRIEFED ON 12/11/19. OBTAINED

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FAVORABLE DECISION FROM N. D. CA ON 7/31/2020. APPEAL ON ADMINISTRATIVE  
CLOSURE AS OF 8/23/21 PENDING FEDERAL RULEMAKING.

MEIC V. OSM, NO. CV-19-130-BLG-SPW-TJC:

WELC REPRESENTS MONTANA ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION CENTER, SIERRA CLUB,  
WILDEARTH GUARDIANS, INDIAN PEOPLE'S ACTION, AND 350 MONTANA IN A NEPA/ESA  
SUIT FILED AGAINST THE U.S. OFFICE OF SURFACE MINING AND OTHER FEDERAL  
AGENCIES OVER THE AREA F EXPANSION OF THE ROSEBUD MINE. COMPLAINT WAS FILED  
IN NOVEMBER 2019 AND MOTIONS PRACTICE HAS FOLLOWED THROUGH 2020. THE CASE  
AIMS TO PROTECT ENDANGERED SPECIES AND THE PUBLIC FROM THE IMPACTS OF  
STRIP-MINING AND COAL COMBUSTION AT A POWER PLANT. COMPETED SUMMARY  
JUDGMENT BRIEFING IN 2021. ARGUMENT ON SUMMARY JUDGMENT JANUARY 28 2022.  
RECEIVED FAVORABLE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM MAGISTRATE 2/11/22,  
WILL FILE FEE MOTION AFTER ADOPTION BY ARTICLE III JUDGE AND ENTRY OF  
JUDGMENT, VERY LIKELY 2022.

HELD V. STATE OF MT OUR CHILDREN'S' TRUST NO. CDV-2020-307 MT FIRST  
JUDICIAL DISTRICT:

WELC REPRESENTS OUR CHILDREN'S TRUST AGAINST THE STATE OF MONTANA. FILED IN  
MARCH 13, 2020. FAVORABLE DECISION FROM MT. FIRST JUDICIAL DIST. DENYING  
STATE'S MTD AUGUST 4, 2021. CURRENTLY IN TRIAL PREPARATION/PRETRIAL  
LITIGATION. TRIAL SCHEDULED FEBRUARY 11, 2023.

350 V. BERNHARDT NO. 9:19-CV-00023-DWM; 20-35411 (9TH CIR.):

NEPA/ESA CASE ON BEHALF OF MONTANA ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION CENTER,  
WILDEARTH GUARDIANS, SIERRA CLUB, AND 350 MONTANA, AGAINST BULL MOUNTAINS  
MINE. CASE WON AT NINTH CIRCUIT ON APRIL 4, 2022, AND REMANDED TO U.S.

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DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA FOR FURTHER PROCEEDINGS.

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CENTRAL SIERRA ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE CENTER V. STANISLAUS NATIONAL FOREST,

NO. 1:17-CV-00441-LJO-SAB (E.D. CAL.):

WELC REPRESENTS TWO CONSERVATION GROUPS WHO CHALLENGED CATTLE GRAZING IN

ALPINE MEADOWS ON THREE LIVESTOCK ALLOTMENTS IN THE SIERRA NEVADA. CASE

LOST IN 2022 AT U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT AND NOW CLOSED.

WILLAMETTE RIVERKEEPER V. NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE, NO. 6:21-CV-34

(D. OR.):

FILED IN OREGON DISTRICT COURT IN 2021, WELC REPRESENTS WILLAMETTE

RIVERKEEPER AND THE CONSERVATION ANGLER IN A CHALLENGED TO A NMFS

BIOLOGICAL OPINION APPROVING A HATCHERY AND GENETICS MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR

PLACING HATCHERY SUMMER STEELHEAD IN HABITAT FOR ESA-LISTED WILD WINTER

STEELHEAD IN THE SANTIAM RIVER BASIN. CASE ONGOING AS OF 2022.

AMERICAN WHITEWATER V. ELECTRON HYDRO LLC, NO. 2-16-CV-00047-JCC (W.D.

WASH.):

WELC REPRESENTS TWO CONSERVATION GROUPS SEEKING TO REQUIRE A HYDROELECTRIC

PROJECT OWNER TO COMPLY WITH THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT. LITIGATED IN 2021

WITH DISCOVERY. SETTLED. FEES AWARDED IN 2022.

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS V. U.S. FOREST SERVICE, NO. 1:19-CV-00203-CWD (D. ID.):

IDAHO DISTRICT COURT CASE ALLEGING THE FOREST SERVICE AND FISH AND WILDLIFE

SERVICE HAVE ILLEGALLY FAILED TO REINITIATE CONSULTATION OVER THE FOREST

SERVICE'S DECISION TO ALLOW STATES TO DECIDE WHETHER BAIT CAN BE USED TO

HUNT BLACK BEARS IN GRIZZLY HABITAT IN NATIONAL FORESTS. CASE ONGOING AS OF

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KLAMATH-SISKIYOU WILDLANDS CENTER ET AL. V. U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

ET AL., 1:20-CV-00952-AA (D. OR.):

WELC REPRESENTS OREGON WILD, CASCADIA WILDLANDS, AND KLAMATH-SISKIYOU WILDLANDS CENTER, CHALLENGING A LARGE BLM TIMBER SALE THAT OVERLAPS WITH THOUSANDS OF ACRES OF NORTHERN SPOTTED OWL DESIGNATED CRITICAL HABITAT, AND A LARGE 2019 WILDFIRE. CASE ONGOING.

KLAMATH-SISKIYOU WILDLANDS CENTER ET AL. V. UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, 1:21-CV-00058-CL (D. OR.):

WELC REPRESENTS OREGON WILD, CASCADIA WILDLANDS, AND KLAMATH-SISKIYOU WILDLANDS CENTER, CHALLENGING ANOTHER SET OF BLM TIMBER SALES THAT OVERLAP WITH NORTHERN SPOTTED OWL DESIGNATED CRITICAL HABITAT. OUR GOAL IN THIS CASE IS TO ENSURE THE BLM AND FWS COMPLY WITH THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT, AND TO HALT THE TIMBER SALES THAT THREATEN THE NORTHERN SPOTTED OWL IN THE MEANTIME. CASE ONGOING.

DINÉ CITIZENS AGAINST RUINING OUR ENVIRONMENT V. US BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, CV-8077-PCT-SPL (D. ARIZ.), 17-17320 (9TH CIR.):

WELC REPRESENTED DINÉ CARE, AMIGOS BRAVOS, SIERRA CLUB, CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY, AND SAN JUAN CITIZENS ALLIANCE IN CHALLENGE TO MINE EXPANSION AND EXTENSION OF LEASE FOR COAL POWER PLANT. CASE LOST AND NOW CLOSED.

IN RE ROSEBUD STRIP MINE, BER 2016-03 SM (MONT. BD. OF ENVTL. REV.):

WELC REPRESENTS MEIC AND SIERRA CLUB IN LAWSUIT AGAINST APPROVAL OF COAL

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MINE (ROSEBUD STRIP-MINE). THIS CASE AIMS TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC FROM IMPACTS TO WATER RESOURCES FROM STRIP-MINING. CASE ONGOING.

KEYSTONE XL PUBLIC RECORDS. LITIGATION ON BEHALF OF ACLU OF MONTANA FOUNDATION INC. SEEKING PUBLIC RECORDS FROM MONTANA DISASTER AND EMERGENCY SERVICES AND THE MONTANA DIVISION OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION REGARDING PROTESTS AGAINST THE KEYSTONE XL INVOLVING FEES. CASE RESOLVED AND FEES RECEIVED BY WELC TOTALLING \$16,065.

DEBORAH EVANS, ET AL V. FERC, 20-1161 (DC CIR.)

WELC REPRESENTED PLAINTIFFS IN A CHALLENGE TO THE JORDAN COVE ENERGY PROJECT IN OREGON. CASE RESOLVED IN FAVOR OF PLAINTIFFS. FEES ARE NOT AVAILABLE DUE TO VOLUNTARY CESSATION OF CHALLENGED ACTION. CASE CLOSED.

ASSOCIATION OF OREGON & CALIFORNIA COUNTIES V. TRUMP, NO. 17-280-RJL (D.D.C.); MURPHY CO. V. TRUMP, NO. 17-285-CL (D.OR); AMERICAN FOREST RESOURCES COUNCIL V. UNITED STATES, NO. 17-441-RJL (D.D.C.):

WELC REPRESENTS DEFENDANTS-INTERVENORS IN THREE CHALLENGES TO THE EXPANSION OF THE CASCADE-SISKIYOU NATIONAL MONUMENT IN OREGON. D.OR. CASE WAS RESOLVED IN FAVOR OF DEFENDANTS-INTERVENORS, AND IS ON APPEAL IN THE NINTH CIRCUIT BY THE PLAINTIFFS. D.D.C. CASES WERE RESOLVED IN FAVOR OF PLAINTIFFS, BUT THE DISTRICT COURT ORDERED NO RELIEF IN THE MATTER. THESE TWO CASES ARE ON APPEAL TO THE DC COURT OF APPEALS. THESE CASES ARE ACTIVE.

AUDUBON SOCIETY OF PORTLAND ET AL V. U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, 3:21-CV-00443-JR (D. OR.)

WELC REPRESENTS PLAINTIFFS IN A CHALLENGE TO FWS' REVISED DESIGNATION OF

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CRITICAL HABITAT FOR THE NORTHERN SPOTTED OWL. CASE VOLUNTARILY DISMISSED AFTER FEDERAL DEFENDANTS WITHDREW CHALLENGED RULE. NO FEES. CASE CLOSED.



KLAMATH-SISKIYOU WILDLANDS CENTER V. GRANTHAM, 18-CV-02785-TLN-DMC (E.D. CAL):

WELC REPRESENTS PLAINTIFFS IN A CHALLENGE TO THE SEIAD-HORSE TIMBER SALE ON THE KLAMATH NATIONAL FOREST. RECEIVED AN ADVERSE DECISION IN 9TH CIRCUIT. SUMMARY JUDGMENT IN THE DISTRICT COURT IS COMPLETE; NO ORAL ARGUMENT WAS HELD. CASE RESOLVED IN FAVOR OF FEDERAL DEFENDANTS. CASE CLOSED.

KLAMATH-SISKIYOU WILDLANDS CENTER V. BLM, 19-CV-01810-CL (D. OR).

WELC REPRESENTS PLAINTIFFS IN A CHALLENGE TO THE NORTH LANDSCAPE TIMBER SALE AND BIOLOGICAL OPINION. WELC RECEIVED AN ADVERSE DECISION IN THE DISTRICT COURT AND HAVE APPEALED THE CASE TO THE NINTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS. THIS CASE IS ACTIVE.

KLAMATH-SISKIYOU WILDLANDS CENTER V. BLM, 19-CV-01810-CL (D. OR).

FILED 12/20/19. WELC REPRESENTS PLAINTIFFS IN A CHALLENGE TO THE GRIFFIN HALF MOON TIMBER SALE. SUMMARY JUDGMENT IN FAVOR OF PLAINTIFFS. FEDERAL DEFENDANTS HAVE FILED A NOTICE OF APPEAL. CASE ONGOING.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION INFORMATION CENTER ET AL V. UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, 3:20-CV-08657-LB (D. OR.)

WELC REPRESENTED PLAINTIFFS IN A CHALLENGE TO THE FWS' FAILURE TO TIMELY RESPOND TO A PETITION TO UPLIST THE NORTHERN SPOTTED OWL TO ENDANGERED. FWS VOLUNTARILY COMPLIED WITH STATUTORY DEADLINE AFTER THE COMMENCEMENT OF LITIGATION. CASE VOLUNTARILY DISMISSED. NO FEES. CASE CLOSED.

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CASCADIA WILDLANDS ET AL V. UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, 6:22-CV-00204-AA (D. OR.)

WELC REPRESENTS PLAINTIFFS IN A CHALLENGE TO THE ARCHIE CREEK POST-FIRE SALVAGE TIMBER SALE. THIS CASE IS ACTIVE.

CASCADE FOREST CONSERVANCY, ET AL V. USFS, 22-35087 (9TH CIR.)

WELC REPRESENTS PLAINTIFFS-APPELLANTS IN A CHALLENGE TO THE SPIRIT LAKE ACCESS PROJECT ON THE MOUNT ST. HELENS NATIONAL VOLCANIC MONUMENT. THIS CASE IS ON APPEAL TO THE NINTH CIRCUIT AND IS ACTIVE.

ALASKA COMMUNITY ACTION ON TOXICS ET AL V. COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ET AL, 3:20-CV-05199-RS (N.D. CAL.)

WELC REPRESENTS PLAINTIFFS IN A CHALLENGE TO THE 2020 FINAL RULE AMENDING THE COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT REGULATIONS. THIS CASE IS ACTIVE.

CASCADIA WILDLANDS ET AL V. UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, 6:21-CV-01313-AA (D. OR.)

WELC REPRESENTS PLAINTIFFS IN A CHALLENGE TO THE BLM'S FINAL RULE PROMULGATING A SALVAGE LOGGING CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION. THIS CASE IS ACTIVE.

CASCADIA WILDLANDS ET AL V. BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, 6:21-CV-01487-MC (D. OR.)

WELC REPRESENTS PLAINTIFFS IN A CHALLENGE TO THE BLM'S FINAL RULE ELIMINATING THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROTEST FOR TIMBER SALES. THIS CASE IS ACTIVE.

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FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 11B - ORGANIZATION'S PROCESS TO REVIEW FORM 990  
 A COPY WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS,  
 WHO WILL REVIEW IT AND ASK QUESTIONS OF THE FINANCE OFFICER AND EXECUTIVE  
 DIRECTOR, PRIOR TO FILING.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 12C - ENFORCEMENT OF CONFLICTS POLICY  
 WELC SEEKS TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A REPUTATION FOR THE HIGHEST STANDARDS  
 OF FAIRNESS AND INTEGRITY IN ALL ITS BUSINESS AND PROGRAM AFFAIRS.  
 EMPLOYEES HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO IMMEDIATELY DISCLOSE ANY POTENTIAL  
 CONFLICTS TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR DISCUSSION AND RESOLUTION. IN THE  
 EVENT A RESOLUTION CANNOT BE REACHED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, THE  
 CONFLICT OF INTEREST SHALL BE REFERRED TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A  
 FINAL DECISION. ADDITIONALLY, ALL STAFF AND BOARD MEMBERS ARE NOTIFIED OF  
 POTENTIAL NEW MATTERS OF ENGAGEMENT IN ORDER TO REVIEW FOR POTENTIAL  
 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 15A - COMPENSATION PROCESS FOR TOP OFFICIAL  
 THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS DETERMINES THE SALARY OF  
 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (ED) AFTER REVIEW AND DISCUSSION EACH YEAR. THE  
 BOARD SETS ED'S SALARY, ONLY. ALL OTHER SALARIES DETERMINED BY ED'S  
 RECOMMENDATION AND REVIEWED AND APPROVED AS PART OF THE ANNUAL BUDGETING  
 PROCESS. APPROVAL IS GIVEN BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF  
 DIRECTORS AT THE EMPLOYEE LEVEL, AND IN TOTAL AT THE BOARD LEVEL. SPECIFIC  
 SALARY SURVEYS ARE INCORPORATED INTO THIS PROCESS, WHEN AVAILABLE.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 15B - COMPENSATION PROCESS FOR OFFICERS



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OFFICER SALARIES ARE DETERMINED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND REVIEWED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, THEN APPROVED IN TOTAL BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. SALARIES ARE SET TO REFLECT MARKET WAGES BY UTILIZING SALARY SURVEYS AND OTHER DATA, WHEN AVAILABLE, IN ORDER TO STAY COMPETITIVE WITH A CONCERN FOR CURRENT ECONOMIC CONDITIONS.

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 17 - OTHER STATES WHERE COPY OF RETURN IS FILED NEW HAMPSHIRE, NEW JERSEY, NEW MEXICO, NEW YORK, OREGON, SOUTH CAROLINA, TENNESSEE, UTAH, VIRGINIA, WISCONSIN

FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 19 - GOVERNING DOCUMENTS DISCLOSURE EXPLANATION GOVERNING AND FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS ARE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE WESTERN ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CENTER WEBSITE, THE STATE OF OREGON BUSINESS REGISTRY WEBSITE, OR ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

Form **4562**

**Depreciation and Amortization**  
**(Including Information on Listed Property)**

OMB No. 1545-0172

**2021**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service (99)

▶ **Attach to your tax return.**

Attachment Sequence No. **179**

▶ **Go to [www.irs.gov/Form4562](http://www.irs.gov/Form4562) for instructions and the latest information.**

Name(s) shown on return

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Business or activity to which this form relates

INDIRECT DEPRECIATION

**Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179**

**Note:** If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I.

|    |   |                              |                  |
|----|---|------------------------------|------------------|
| 1  | Maximum amount (see instructions)   | 1                            | 1,050,000        |
| 2  | Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions)   | 2                            |                  |
| 3  | Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation (see instructions)  | 3                            | 2,620,000        |
| 4  | Reduction in limitation. Subtract line 3 from line 2. If zero or less, enter -0-  | 4                            |                  |
| 5  | Dollar limitation for tax year. Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0-. If married filing separately, see instructions | 5                            |                  |
| 6  | (a) Description of property   | (b) Cost (business use only) | (c) Elected cost |
| 7  | Listed property. Enter the amount from line 29  | 7                            |                  |
| 8  | Total elected cost of section 179 property. Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7  | 8                            |                  |
| 9  | Tentative deduction. Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 5 or line 8   | 9                            |                  |
| 10 | Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2020 Form 4562   | 10                           |                  |
| 11 | Business income limitation. Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5. See instructions                       | 11                           |                  |
| 12 | Section 179 expense deduction. Add lines 9 and 10, but don't enter more than line 11  | 12                           |                  |
| 13 | Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2022. Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12   | ▶ 13                         |                  |

**Note:** Don't use Part II or Part III below for listed property. Instead, use Part V.

**Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Don't include listed property. See instructions.)**

|    |  |    |       |
|----|--|----|-------|
| 14 | Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year. See instructions | 14 |       |
| 15 | Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election   | 15 |       |
| 16 | Other depreciation (including ACRS)  | 16 | 2,475 |

**Part III MACRS Depreciation (Don't include listed property. See instructions.)**

**Section A**

|    |   |                            |     |
|----|---|----------------------------|-----|
| 17 | MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2021  | 17                         | 431 |
| 18 | If you are electing to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here | ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> |     |

**Section B—Assets Placed in Service During 2021 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System**

| (a) Classification of property | (b) Month and year placed in service | (c) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only—see instructions) | (d) Recovery period | (e) Convention | (f) Method | (g) Depreciation deduction |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------|----------------|------------|----------------------------|
| 19a                            | 3-year property                      |  |                     |                |            |                            |
| b                              | 5-year property                      |  |                     |                |            |                            |
| c                              | 7-year property                      |  |                     |                |            |                            |
| d                              | 10-year property                     |  |                     |                |            |                            |
| e                              | 15-year property                     |  |                     |                |            |                            |
| f                              | 20-year property                     |  |                     |                |            |                            |
| g                              | 25-year property                     |  | 25 yrs.             |                | S/L        |                            |
| h                              | Residential rental property          |  | 27.5 yrs.           | MM             | S/L        |                            |
| i                              | Nonresidential real property         |  | 39 yrs.             | MM             | S/L        |                            |

**Section C—Assets Placed in Service During 2021 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System**

|     |            |  |         |    |     |  |
|-----|------------|--|---------|----|-----|--|
| 20a | Class life |  |         |    | S/L |  |
| b   | 12-year    |  | 12 yrs. |    | S/L |  |
| c   | 30-year    |  | 30 yrs. | MM | S/L |  |
| d   | 40-year    |  | 40 yrs. | MM | S/L |  |

**Part IV Summary (See instructions.)**

|    |   |      |       |
|----|---|------|-------|
| 21 | Listed property. Enter amount from line 28  | 21   |       |
| 22 | <b>Total.</b> Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21. Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return. Partnerships and S corporations—see instructions | 22   | 2,906 |
| 23 | For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs   | ▶ 23 |       |

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