

[Luján secures seat on natural resources committee](#)

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SAN JUAN COUNTY - U.S. Rep. Ben Ray Luján's appointment to the Committee on Natural Resources will give northwest New Mexico a voice on land and water issues in Congress, government and water officials said.

The U.S. House committee has power over federal land agencies including the Bureau of Land Management, Forest Service and National Park Service.

The committee's breadth is extensive, covering issues ranging from fisheries and wildlife to minerals and mining interests to preservation of prehistoric ruins.

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