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Hastings Statement on EPA's New Regulations on Navajo Generating Station that Could Cost Jobs, Increase Water and Power Rates

WASHINGTON, DC –House Natural Resources Committee Chairman Doc Hastings (WA-04) released the following statement on the announcement by the Obama Administration's Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to call for imposing new, onerous regulations on Arizona's coal-fired Navajo Generating Station, which employs hundreds of Navajo and Hopi tribal members, and provides affordable electricity and water to millions of Americans. EPA's proposed regulations are expected to cost at least hundreds of millions of dollars, which could destroy jobs, raise water and power rates on American families in Arizona, California and Nevada and harm family farms and small businesses.

"This proposed regulation by President Obama's EPA is just another step in his Administration's war on coal that has already resulted in lost jobs and American families paying more when they can least afford it," said Chairman Hastings. "The Natural Resources Committee plans to hold oversight hearings to examine the impact of this latest EPA effort that will reduce jobs, negatively impact Indian Tribes, and increase water and power rates on millions of customers."

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