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Hastings to take Alaska Energy Tour with Gov. Parnell and Rep. Young *Will Visit and Discuss NPR-A, TAPS, Native Village of Kaktovik, Arctic OCS*

WASHINGTON D.C. – On Thursday, June 9th House Natural Resources Committee Chairman Doc Hastings (WA-04) will join Alaska Governor Sean Parnell and Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs Chairman Don Young (AK) for a day-long tour that will include visits to the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska (NPR-A), the Trans Alaskan Pipeline System (TAPS), the Native village of Kaktovik, and a discussion of the Arctic Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) of Alaska.

“I look forward to this opportunity to observe firsthand Alaska’s abundant natural resources with Governor Parnell and Congressman Young. Alaska is a tremendous asset to our Nation and possesses the ability to help create new jobs, significantly expand American energy production, spur our economy and strengthen our energy security. During this trip I hope to learn more about obstacles that impede energy production in Alaska and how I can work with Governor Parnell and the entire delegation to harness Alaska’s vast resources in a responsible, safe and efficient manner,” **said Chairman Doc Hastings.**

“I thank Chairman Hastings for joining me and the Governor in Alaska this week,” **said Congressman Young.** *“The barren tundra in the northern plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge is home to an estimated 3-9 billion barrels of recoverable oil which could provide roughly 1.5 million barrels per day for at least 25 years. It is a great opportunity for Alaskans to have the Chairman of the Natural Resources up here and to show him firsthand what most people only read about. There is such an abundance of God-given natural resources in Alaska that can be developed with minimal environmental impact and greatly benefit the American people. I am looking forward to showing off our beautiful state and its incredible people, and look forward to a day of education as we discuss Alaska’s contribution to America’s energy future.”*

During the trip, Chairman Hastings will attend a community meeting in the Native village of Kaktovik, take a fly-over tour of the NPR-A – and make an on-the-ground stop at the Alpine Field, and visit Deadhorse/Prudhoe Bay to discuss and view TAPS and the Arctic OCS.

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