



2020 City of Flagstaff Federal Legislative Agenda

ECONOMY

- **Rio de Flag Flood Control Project** - Fully fund this important community project at \$52 million that will remove more than half of the City's residents, as well as the downtown and NAU areas, from the flood plain and protect \$1 billion or more in property assets, as well as encourage future economic development in the Historic Downtown and Southside areas.

TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE

- **Flagstaff Airport** – Advocate for funding for projects included in the Flagstaff Airport five-year Capital Improvement Program.
- **Gasoline Tax** - Advocate for an increase in the gasoline tax in order to help fund transportation improvements.
- **4th Street Project** – Advocate for \$15.8 million BUILD grant for the Fourth Street Complete Street Corridor Project.
- **Amtrak** – Promote funding and infrastructure renewal for long-distance passenger train services as a generator of economic development for municipalities located in the I-40 corridor.

COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE

- **Affordable Housing** – Support legislative action to ensure full funding of Public Housing, Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program and the Community Development Block Grant program.
- **Immigration Reform** – Advocate for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and other federal immigration policies that help keep familiarizes together while supporting their higher education goals.
- **Veterans** - Support legislation and funding that improves the lives of all veterans and their families.
- **Gun Sense** – Support legislation that ensures the protection of all people from gun violence, furthers gun reform laws, and ensures background check loopholes are closed.

ENVIRONMENT

- **Ensure Public Health Near Uranium Mining Sites** - Support H.R. 1373 in preventing uranium mining in areas surrounding Grand Canyon National Park and strengthen the laws, regulations and policies that govern uranium mining to ensure protection for public health and safety.
- **Strengthen Uranium Transport Standards** – Urge Arizona Department of Transportation and/or United States Department of Transportation to strengthen uranium transport standards to reduce the possibility of contamination.
- **Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project** – Leverage City voter approved Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project (FWPP) funding with federal dollars to maximize investments in community and watershed protection and forest health; \$8.5M is required to complete FWPP. Additionally, ensure that resources and funding continue to flow to important regional projects such as the Four Forests Restoration Initiative (4FRI), NAU's Ecological Restoration Institute (ERI) and USFS forest products modernization efforts.
- **Carbon Fee & Dividend Legislation** – Urge the federal government to pass carbon fee and dividend legislation in support of climate change mitigation.
- **Transfer of Federal Jurisdictions:** Oppose the transfer of federal lands to state or municipal governments, except for transfers that further Council Goals. Additionally, support the clarification of jurisdictional authorities over Waters of the United States as well as the opportunity to provide consistent state-run protection of Arizona's waters.