



ECONOMY

Rio de Flag Flood Control Project - Utilizing the \$52 million in secured funding, support expedited award and completion of the project while working with the Army Corps, BNSF Railway and the Arizona Dept. of Transportation to ultimately remove more than half of the City's residents, as well as the downtown and NAU areas, from the flood plain and protect more than \$1 billion in property assets.

Workforce Development - Support legislation and funding to improve childcare and early childhood education, as well as strengthen workforce development initiatives including job training, internships, reskilling and apprenticeship programs. Promote legislation that attracts high-paying, low-impact jobs to northern Arizona.

TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE

Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) - Pursue competitive grants and formula funds from the IIJA to finance high-priority infrastructure projects within the City, including resilient stormwater infrastructure, multi-modal transportation, roads, bridges, highways, and restoration initiatives for the Museum Fire and Pipeline Fire burn scar areas.

Water and Stormwater Infrastructure – Utilize funding dedicated by the IIJA and other legislation to complement and improve City water and stormwater infrastructure.

Forest Health – Utilize funding from the United States Forest Service, the IIJA, and other legislation to support important regional projects such as the Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project (FWPP), the Four Forests Restoration Initiative (4FRI),

NAU's Ecological Restoration Institute (ERI) and the Fire Learning Network (FLN) to thin and restore forests. Advocate for collaborative prescribed fire efforts that support the development of a technically skilled workforce. Support increased local input in decision-making processes related to fire restrictions and national forest closures.

Post-wildfire Flood Mitigation – Support legislation that provides local governments with the resources needed to effectively mitigate post-wildfire flooding, including flooding caused by the Museum and Pipeline Fires. Advocate for affordable flood insurance premiums for Flagstaff residents.

Rural Broadband – Utilize funding dedicated by the IIJA and other legislation for rural broadband access and capacity to encourage and develop economic activity, including allowing for remote education, business attraction, revenue creation and the attraction of remote workers.

Flagstaff Pulliam Airport – Advocate for funding for projects included in the Flagstaff Pulliam Airport five-year Capital Improvement Program, specifically the need for construction funding for the upcoming new Snow Removal Equipment (SRE) building.

Amtrak – Utilize funding dedicated by the IIJA and other legislation to increase reliability and certainty along the Southwest Chief line for long-distance passenger train services as a generator of economic development for municipalities located in the I-40 corridor.



COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE

Affordable Housing – Promote additional funding of Public Housing, the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program and the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program.

Immigration Reform – Advocate for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and other federal immigration policies that help keep families together while supporting their higher education goals.

Veterans - Support legislation and funding that improves the lives of all veterans and their families while emphasizing the need for additional housing vouchers for veterans.

ENVIRONMENT

Grand Canyon and Colorado Plateau Protection - Support Ranking Member Grijalva’s legislation 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; support efforts to instate a permanent ban on uranium mining for the nearly one million acres around the Grand Canyon. Protect the wilderness, wildlife, water, and cultural resources throughout the Southwest region.

Uranium Transport Standards – Urge the Arizona Dept. of Transportation and/or the US Dept. of Transportation to strengthen uranium transport standards to reduce the possibility of contamination.

Climate Change: Support legislation and funding to address the impacts of climate change, increase resiliency, invest in alternative energies and achieve carbon neutrality. Advocate for carbon fee and dividend legislation, among other strategies, to effect lasting and equitable change.

Environmental Funding and Partnership – Support federal funding and partnership opportunities to expand open space, parks, natural areas, trails, wildlife corridors and “dark skies” initiatives across northern Arizona.

Endangered Species Act – Protect and strengthen the Endangered Species Act and encourage Congress to maintain its funding and enforcement while working to promote the restoration of threatened and endangered species in northern Arizona.