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I. WEEKLY SUMMARY

No new information of interest to report.

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II. COMMITTEE ACTIVITY

Congress has been on recess for the past two weeks and returns today, April 9.

HOUSE

The House will resume hearings on the President's FY 2003 Budget Request; this week, the House will examine the budget for the National Park Service, Fish and Wildlife Service, and the National Aeronautic and Space Administration.

SENATE

The Senate may resume work on *S. 517* – pending energy legislation this week or next.

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III. NEW LEGISLATION

HOUSE

No new legislation to report.

SENATE

No new legislation to report.

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IV. ADMINISTRATION INITIATIVES

No new information of interest to report.

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V. HEARINGS SCHEDULE

HOUSE – COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Date/Committee	Chair	Hearing Title/Issues	Witnesses	Time/Location
<i>April 10</i> – Subcommittee on Interior and Related Agencies	David Hobson (R/OH)	<i>Hearing</i> - FY 2003 budget estimates for the National Park Service	Fran Mainella, Director	10:00 a.m. Room B-308 Rayburn Office Building
<i>April 11</i> – Subcommittee on Interior and Related Agencies (<i>NEW</i>)	David Hobson (R/OH)	<i>Hearing</i> - FY 2003 budget estimates for the Fish and Wildlife Service	Steve Williams, Director	10:00 a.m. Room B-308 Rayburn Office Building
<i>April 17-</i> Subcommittee on Veterans' Affairs, Housing and Urban Development and Independent Agencies	James Walsh (R/NY)	<i>Hearing</i> – FY 2003 budget estimates for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration	TBA	9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Room 2359 Rayburn Office building
<i>April 17</i> – Subcommittee on Interior and Related Agencies	Joe Skeen (R/NM)	<i>Oversight Hearing - Energy Research – Measuring Success</i>	TBA	10:00 a.m. Room B-308 Rayburn Office Building

HOUSE – AUTHORIZATIONS/OVERSIGHT

Date/Committee	Chair	Hearing Title/Issues	Witnesses	Time/Location
<i>April 10</i> – Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities (Committee on Armed Services) (<i>NEW</i>)	Hugh Saxton (R/NJ)	<i>Hearing</i> – To receive testimony on force protection and long-term recapitalization at all U.S. military installations and facilities	Panel 1 - Raymond Dubois, Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Installations & Environment) Panel 2 - Robert Van Antwerp, Assistant Chief of Staff (Installations Management), Department of the Army Christopher Cole,	3:00 p.m. Room 2212 Rayburn Office Building

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			Director, Ashore Readiness Division, Department of the Navy	
			Earnest O. Robbins The Air Force Civil Engineer, Department of the Air Force	
			Ronald Coleman, Assistant Deputy Commandant, Installations & Logistics, U.S. Marine Corps	

SENATE – COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

No hearings of interest to report.

SENATE – AUTHORIZATIONS/OVERSIGHT

Date/Committee	Chair	Hearing Title/Issues	Witnesses	Time/Location
<i>April 11</i> – Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce, and Tourism (Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation) <i>(NEW)</i>	Byron Dorgan (D/ND)	Hearing – Inquiry into the possible role of Enron to increase the price of power in California during the California crisis of last year and the impact on Western states	David Freeman, Chairman, California Power Authority; Loretta Lynch, President, California Public Utility Commission; Senator Joseph Dunn (D), California State Legislature; Tyson Slocum, Research Director, Critical Mass Energy and Environment Program at Public Citizen; Robert McCullough,	9:30 a.m. Room 253 Russell Office Building

Date/Committee	Chair	Hearing Title/Issues	Witnesses	Time/Location
			McCullough Research	

HOUSE/SENATE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE NEGOTIATIONS AND HOUSE AND SENATE FLOOR VOTES

Date	Legislation
<i>April 9</i>	<i>Conference Committee Negotiations</i> – Continuation of negotiations on H.R.2646 – <i>Farm Security Act of 2001</i> and S. 1731 – <i>Agriculture, Conservation, and Rural Enhancement Act of 2001</i> .
<i>Senate - Week of April 8 or April 15 (Ongoing)</i>	<i>Floor Consideration</i> – Resume consideration of S. 517 – <i>(No Short Title)</i> energy legislation. Next issues expected to be addressed: potential amendments to the bill, which include utility industry, Corporate Average Fuel Economy Standards, and the National Artic Wildlife Refuge

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