

The purpose of this presentation is to guide programs benefiting the copper industry and to provide attendees with information to make independent business decisions.



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The View from Industry

Policies to strengthen critical minerals and supply chains



Administration

- Fueled by the Inflation Reduction Act and Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, the Biden Administration has implemented several initiatives aimed at securing the domestic supply of critical minerals
- Defense Production Act, Loan Program Office
- Focus on processing
- Mining in the US is still not at pace to keep up with the speed of the energy transition
- Permitting can take 10+ years
- Friendshoring, Mineral Security Partnership



On Hold

- Resolution Copper
- Twin Metals
- Ambler Road Project
- Pebble Mine



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The List

- Done every three years, next list will be released in 2025
- Copper was not included in 2022 list
- Implications of exclusion
- Included in DOE Critical Materials List



Congress

- Bipartisan concern and support
- Slim margins and a divided House and Senate
- “Fix” bills and broader legislation
- Hearings and expanded Committee focus



What's next?

- Skyrocketing demand
- Increasing foreign tensions
- Permitting reform
- Increased government coordination
- Bold decisions needed



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