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Washington DC Section

The Washington DC Section of SME proudly presents

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U.S. Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Staff

Congress and Critical Mineral Policy

The U.S. House and Senate are currently working to reconcile new policy language regarding critical minerals – how criticality will be determined, what further analysis and forecasting will be required of those minerals, and how mines hoping to produce them will be permitted.

There are a multitude of other pieces of legislation related to mining policy moving or being debated, and a veritable avalanche of land planning, creation of guidance documents and rule making occurring that will determine the future of mining in the United States.

We will discuss these developments and the public policy priorities of SME.

- Date:** Tuesday – October 11
Time : Social Hour 11:30 - 11:50 am
Section Business/Luncheon 12:00 - 1:30 pm
Location: Clyde's Restaurant at Tyson's Corner
8332 Leesburg Pike, Vienna, VA 22182
Choice: Roasted Chicken, Salmon, or Vegetarian Ravioli
Cost: \$27 for DC Section Members; \$32 for guests
RSVP: Please reply by email to Jackie Seguin at
Jmseguin1@verizon.net by noon October 7, 2016.



About the Speaker

Prior to Mr. Knudson's joining the Senate Energy and Natural Resources staff, he was the Alaska Governor's director of state/federal relations from 2011 to 2015. Previous experience includes: manager of Tesoro Corporation's state government affairs for Alaska, Washington and Oregon; deputy commissioner for aviation with the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities; director of marketing and facilities for Era Aviation; and, legislative aide to Alaska State Representatives Mark Hanley and Loren Leman. Knudson received a Bachelor of Science in Foreign Service from Georgetown University. He is married to Paula Conru, and the proud father of McKinley Isabella.