

# COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

## EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM Original Amendment

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual *Financial Disclosure Statements* of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, **you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House by email at [gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov](mailto:gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov), within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please **do not** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

**NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.**

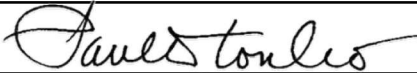
1. Name of Traveler: Clara Tibbetts
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: \_\_\_\_\_ **OR**  None  
b. Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
3. a. Dates: Departure: June 16th Return: June 18th  
b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: \_\_\_\_\_ **OR**  None
4. Departure City: Washington DC Destination: Idaho Falls, ID Return City: Washington DC
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Climate Solutions Foundation (CSF)
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended: Met with the deputy lab director of the lab, got a tour of the experimental breeder reactor, the advanced test reactor, the materials and fuels complex, the hot fuel examination facility, got a presentation on their radioisotope work in space, and a presentation at the transient reactor test facility control room, and a discussion with the Mayor of Idaho falls.  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. Attached to this form are **each** of the following, *signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*:
  - a.  a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
  - b.  the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor **prior** to the trip, **including all** attachments **and** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
  - c.  page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the employee; **and**
  - d.  the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a.  I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda. *Signify statement is true by checking the box.*  
b. If not, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**I certify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature of Traveler:  Date: 7/1/25

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Name of Supervising Member: Paul D. Tonko Date: 7/1/25

Signature of Supervising Member: 

# COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

## SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

Original  Amendment

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. **A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated in the trip within 10 days of their return.** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House Rules and the Committee's Travel Regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) who paid or provided in-kind support for the trip: Climate Solutions Foundation "CSF"

2. Travel Destination(s): Idaho National Laboratory "INL- Idaho Falls, ID"

3. Date of Departure: Monday, June 16, 2025 Date of Return: Wednesday, June 18, 2025

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Clara Tibbitts

*Note:* You may list more than one traveler on a form only if **all** information is **identical** for each person listed.

5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$920.53	\$248.00	\$108.71	
Accompanying Family Member				

6.  All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. Signify statement is true by checking box.

**I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature:  Date: June 26, 2025

Name: Alex Flint Title: Executive Director

Organization: Climate Solutions Foundation "CSF"

**I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.**

Address: 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE | Suite 410 | Washington, DC 20003

Telephone: 301-518-6336 Email: andrea@mietusevents.com

*Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.*

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.

# COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

## TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Clara Tibbetts
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip: Climate Solutions Foundation (CSF)
3. City and State OR Foreign Country of Travel: Idaho Falls, Idaho
4. a. Date of Departure: June 16th, 2025 Date of Return: June 18th, 2025  
b. Yes  No  Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?  
If yes, list dates at personal expense: \_\_\_\_\_
5. a. Yes  No  Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? **If yes:**  
(1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: \_\_\_\_\_  
(2) Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_  
(3) Yes  No  Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age?
6. a. Yes  No  Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?  
b. **If yes**, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

7. Yes  No  *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitation, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.

NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.

8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. **Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.**

I am a senior legislative assistant and I currently cover Mr. Tonko's work on science and natural resources. This includes work related to climate change, batteries, and work on nuclear and fusion energy research and development. INL is a leader in US nuclear research, in addition to leading work on EV batteries. Visiting and speaking with researchers will be useful to inform my work in these areas. In addition, given Mr. Tonko's past role on the SST committee he cares very deeply about the success and functioning of our national labs so seeing them first hand will provide insight on ~~needed support or oversight.~~

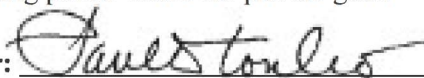
9. Yes  No  Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?

10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

### ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Signature of Employing Member: \_\_\_\_\_



Date: 5/19/25

# COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

## PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a *Traveler Form* **at least 30 days before the start date of the trip**. The trip sponsor should *NOT* submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee's website (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form. The Committee will notify the House invitees directly of its decision and will not notify the trip sponsors.

**NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.**

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:

Climate Solutions Foundation (CSF)

2.  I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

3. **Check only one.** I represent that:

- a.  The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip; **OR**
- b.  The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds; **OR**
- c.  The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds, services, or in-kind assistance from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.

If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Provide names and titles of **ALL** House Members *and* employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary): \_\_\_\_\_

Please see attached list.

5. Yes  No  Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?

6. Date of Departure: Monday, June 16, 2025 Date of Return: Wednesday, June 18, 2025

7. a. City of departure: Washington Dulles International Airport

b. Destination(s): Idaho Falls Regional Airport

c. City of return: Washington Dulles International Airport

8. **Check only one.** I represent that

- a.  The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965; **OR**
- b.  The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent; **OR**
- c.  The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.

9. **Check only one of the following.**
- a.  I checked 8(a) or (b) above; **OR**
  - b.  I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; **OR**
  - c.  I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night; **OR**
  - d.  I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights. If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted. \_\_\_\_\_
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10.  Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box.*

11. **Check only one of the following.**
- a.  I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify the statement is true by clicking the box; OR*
  - b.  *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.
12. For *each* sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip *and* its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:  
**See attached.** \_\_\_\_\_
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13. **Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary:**
- a. Mode of travel: Air  Rail  Bus  Car  Other  (specify: \_\_\_\_\_)
  - b. Class of travel: Coach  Business  First  Charter  Other  (specify: \_\_\_\_\_)
  - c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:  
 \_\_\_\_\_
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14.  I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

15. **Check only one.** I represent that either:
- a.  The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees; **OR**
  - b.  The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation. If "b" is checked:
    - 1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided): The cost of meals per day are  
Monday \$51.00, Tuesday, \$68.00, and Wednesday, \$51.00
    - 2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: See attached
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16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel Name: Hampton Inn-Idaho Falls City: Idaho Falls Cost Per Night: \$124.00  
 Reason(s) for Selecting: Close proximity to airport for late arrival into Idaho Fall and close to INL for visits on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Hotel Name: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Cost Per Night: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Reason(s) for Selecting: \_\_\_\_\_

Hotel Name: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Cost Per Night: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Reason(s) for Selecting: \_\_\_\_\_

17.  I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*

18. **Total Expenses for each Participant:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates	Total <b>Transportation</b> Expenses per Participant	Total <b>Lodging</b> Expenses per Participant	Total <b>Meal</b> Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$1, 025.00 total 875.00 roundtrip <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$248.00	\$170.00
For each Accompanying Family Member			


	<b>Other</b> Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee		
For each Accompanying Family Member		

19. **Check only one:**

- a.  I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; **OR**
- b.  *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. **I certify by my signature that**

- a. **I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;**
- b. **I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and**
- c. **The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature:  Date: 7/1/25  
 Name: Alex Flint Title: Executive Director  
 Organization: Climate Solutions Foundation  
 Address: 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE | Suite 410 | Washington, DC 20003  
 Email: andrea@mietusevents.com Telephone: 301-518-6336

If there are questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or [travel.requests@mail.house.gov](mailto:travel.requests@mail.house.gov).

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June 13, 2025

Ms. Clara Tibbetts  
Office of the Honorable Paul Tonko  
2463 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Tibbetts:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Idaho Falls, Idaho, scheduled for June 16 to 18, 2025, sponsored by the Climate Solutions Foundation.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$480 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

Michael Guest  
Chairman

Mark DeSaulnier  
Ranking Member

MG/MD:nl

This educational staff trip to Idaho National Laboratory (INL) in Idaho Falls, Idaho is important to those who have climate as part of their portfolio. During our time in Idaho Falls, they will participate in tours at INL and meet with experts and leaders who work there, focusing on nuclear energy, clean water delivery, and the Advanced Test Reactor (ATR). The staff invited work on these topics will be a great asset to our delegation. These staff were chosen due to their engagement and advanced knowledge in the policy issues related to climate and energy policy.

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**The Climate Solutions Foundation Programming in Idaho Falls  
Congressional Staff Delegation Schedule  
Monday, June 16, 2025 to Wednesday, June 18, 2025**

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**Monday, June 16, 2025**

<b>5:36 PM ET</b>	<b>Depart Dulles International Airport (IAD)</b> United Airlines Flight #1236 Flight Time: 4 hours 4-minutes
<b>7:40 PM MT</b>	<b>Arrive at Denver International Airport (DEN)</b> 1 hour 25-minute layover
<b>9:05 PM MT</b>	<b>Depart DEN</b> United Airlines Flight #5232 Flight Time: 1 hour 46-minutes
<b>10:51 PM MT</b>	<b>Arrive at Idaho Falls Regional Airport (IDA)</b>
<b>RON</b>	<b>Hampton Inn, Idaho Falls</b> 645 Lindsay Boulevard, Idaho Falls

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**Tuesday, June 17, 2025**

<b>8:00 AM MT</b>	<b>Breakfast</b>
<b>8:45 AM MT</b>	<b>Travel from the Hampton Inn to Idaho National Labs</b>
<b>9:00 AM MT</b>	<b>Idaho National Laboratory Tour Welcome and Overview</b>

Idaho National Laboratory (INL) is one of 17 national labs in the U.S. Department of Energy complex, with more than 6,400 researchers and support staff focused on innovations in nuclear research, integrated energy systems, and security solutions that are changing the world. INL's capabilities involve testing advanced nuclear energy concepts, preparing radioisotope power sources for NASA space exploration, developing longer-lived electric vehicle batteries, protecting the power grid and collaborating with numerous industries to turn waste into fuel. INL operates the world's premier materials test reactor, the Advanced Test Reactor, which is one of only two reactors in the nation producing life-saving medical radioisotopes. Touring INL relates to CSF's mission of bringing together bipartisan congressional staff to learn more about climate and energy science, which will better inform their legislative work.

<b>10:00 AM MT</b>	<b>Tour of Experimental Breeder Reactor 1 (EBR-1)</b>
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EBR-1 is a decommissioned research reactor and U.S. National Historic Landmark. EBR-1 is the world's first breeder reactor. A breeder reactor is a nuclear reactor that generates more fissile material than it consumes. In 1951, it became one of the world's first electricity-generating nuclear power plants when it produced sufficient electricity to illuminate four 200-watt light bulbs. EBR-1 is now a museum.

**11:00 AM MT                      Tour of Advanced Test Reactor (ATR)**

The ATR is the world's premier nuclear test reactor. It provides unmatched, national priority nuclear fuel and materials testing capabilities for military, federal, university and industry partners and customers. INL's nuclear research capabilities rely heavily on ATR, located at the ATR Complex on the INL Site. As the national laboratory for the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Nuclear Energy (DOE-NE), INL serves a key role in U.S. nuclear energy research initiatives and programs, such as the National Reactor Innovation Center.

**12:30 PM MT                      Lunch Discussion on the Materials and Fuels Complex (MFC)**

The MFC hosts the core of U.S. nuclear energy research and development capability with an array of facilities designed for remote work on highly irradiated fuels and materials. A new fuel idea can be designed and fabricated, then tested and analyzed at MFC to better understand the effects of irradiation. Many groups, such as universities, industry partners, other national laboratories, international research organizations and other federal agencies are currently working at MFC. MFC houses 29 mission facilities. This lunch discussion will give attendees the opportunity to converse with MFC researchers and staff.

**1:30 PM MT                      Tour of MFC**

**1:50 PM MT                      Tour of the Hot Fuel Examination Facility (HFEF)**

The HFEF is INL's flagship facility for conducting post-irradiation examinations (PIE) of fuels and materials. HFEF, located at the Materials and Fuels Complex, is a national research asset with the largest inert atmosphere hot cell dedicated to nuclear materials research in the U.S. HFEF provides the ability to remotely handle and perform detailed nondestructive and destructive examination of highly irradiated fuel and material samples. Its argon-atmosphere hot cell, labs and special equipment handle a variety of fuel forms, including tiny particles, four-foot research reactor plates and full-sized commercial rods. HFEF supports INL's mission of research and development of safer and more efficient fuel designs.

**2:30 PM MT                      Tour of Space Battery Museum**

INL's Space Nuclear Power and Isotope Technologies Division assembles and tests Radioisotope Power Systems at INL's Materials and Fuels Complex, then delivers the systems for use in remote, harsh environments such as space. Radioisotope power systems can heat and power autonomous machinery for extended operation periods. INL assembles such generators by adding the radioactive power source.

**3:30 PM MT                      Tour the Transient Reactor Test (TREAT) Facility**

The TREAT Facility operated from 1959 through 1994, when it was placed in standby mode. A resurgence of interest in developing innovative nuclear technologies has driven demand for transient testing. TREAT was restarted in 2017 and is currently supporting experiment programs. TREAT provides transient testing of nuclear fuels and materials. The facility is used to study fuel melting behavior, interactions between fuel and coolant, and the potential for propagation of failure to adjacent fuel pins under conditions ranging from mild upsets to severe accidents.

**4:30 PM MT                      Travel from INL to the Hampton Inn**

**4:45 PM MT                      Down Time**

**6:30 PM MT                      Dinner Discussion on the Impact of INL on the Local Economy & Electric Utilities  
Sandpiper Restaurant**

In keeping with our mission of bringing together ideologically diverse congressional staff, elected leaders, and corporate executives to discuss climate science, economics, and policy, we will host a dinner on the impact of INL on the local economy and electric utilities. This meeting will provide a collaborative environment to discuss a bipartisan path forward on nuclear energy policy.

**RON                                      Hampton Inn**

## Wednesday, June 18, 2025

7:45 AM MT

**Breakfast**  
Hampton Inn

8:15 AM MT

**Travel from the Hampton Inn to Idaho National Labs**

8:30 AM MT

**Integrated Energy Systems Overview**

Through research and demonstration, INL advances integrated energy generation, storage and delivery technologies. The integrated systems approach is a marked change from traditional energy system designs typically focused on single generation sources to support a single energy demand (e.g., a nuclear plant that provides electricity to meet grid demand). INL is leveraging its expertise in nuclear and renewable energy systems to lead the world in developing integrated, clean, multigeneration energy systems that incorporate both heat and power for grid services and industrial processes. This clean heat and power can efficiently and economically produce clean hydrogen, and when combined with biogenic carbon, a broad spectrum of chemical commodities and low-emission fuels. By innovating to harness electricity, heat and hydrogen, INL accelerates a clean energy-based economy while enhancing grid reliability, resilience and affordability.

9:00 AM MT

**Scientific Computing and AI Overview**

Artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML) are helping INL scientists pursue advances in engineering and energy research. Computers that mimic cognitive functions and apply complex algorithms to analyze data can help researchers solve a variety of technical issues. This new approach aids in everything from materials design for advanced reactors to making nuclear power plant control rooms more usable and efficient. Attendees will learn about INL's five goals that support their research missions and how they are using AI to support those initiatives.

9:45 AM MT

**Tour of the Collaborative Computing Center (C3)**

C3 is the hub for modeling and simulation at INL. The Department of Energy's mission relies firmly on computing capabilities in various forms. In recent years, high-performance computing (HPC) has become increasingly important in scientific research, and its use in research has expanded across diverse disciplines.

10:20 AM MT

**Tour the Energy Systems Laboratory (ESL)**

The Energy Systems Laboratory (ESL) supports multiple projects. ESL engages in bio energy research through the Biomass Feedstock National User Facility (BFNUF), which is currently the R&D technical leader for developing bioenergy feedstock supply systems. The Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Laboratory enables collaborations with industry to test charging systems and help establish benchmarks for future technology. At the microgrid test bed, INL experts test dynamic storage and load-balancing options and perform simulations using real world data and hardware.

11:20 AM MT

**Depart INL for Lunch at Smitty's Pancake & Steak House**

11:30 AM MT

**Lunch at Smitty's Pancake & Steak House**

12:30 PM MT

**Depart Smitty's Pancake & Steak House for Idaho Falls Regional Airport**

2:25 PM MT

**Depart IDA**  
United Airlines Flight #5929  
Flight Time: 1 hour 47-minutes

4:12 PM MT

**Arrive at DEN**  
1 hour 12-minute layover

5:24 PM MT

**Depart DEN**  
United Airlines Flight #2408  
Flight Time: 3 hours 26-minutes

10:50 PM ET

**Arrive at IAD, Trip Concludes**

## Climate Solutions Foundation

### Question # 12

CSF was founded in 2019 as an educational, bipartisan 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Our mission is to bring together ideologically diverse Members of Congress and their staff, global leaders, and corporate and trade executives to discuss climate science, economics, and policy. The Climate Solutions Foundation hosts a series of bipartisan, bicameral gatherings of members of Congress, congressional staff, executives, and scientists to build trust within the climate change community and inspire collaborative efforts to advance the agenda on climate change. Since then, CSF has expanded its programming to include domestic educational trips, international trips to the UN's (COP) convenings, congressional staff briefings, receptions, and a congressional fellowship program. The Climate Solutions Foundation is solely responsible for organizing and planning all aspects of the trip.

### Question # 15-2

We will be visiting the Idaho National Laboratory (INL) to engage directly with leading experts and gain a deeper understanding of INL's critical role in advancing the United States' nuclear energy capabilities. This visit will provide valuable insights into how INL supports the development of safe, clean, and reliable nuclear power, contributes to innovations in clean water technologies, and operates the Advanced Test Reactor (ATR)—a unique facility that plays a pivotal role in nuclear research, materials testing, and the future of advanced energy systems.