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Congressman Grijalva to Host Navajo Uranium Miners Forum Wednesday

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – Sept. 30, 2019 – On Wednesday, October 2, 2019, beginning at 9:00 AM, Chair Raul M. Grijalva of the United States House of Representatives will be in Window Rock, Arizona at the Department of Diné Education to host a Navajo Uranium Miners Forum. Chair Grijalva leads the United States House Committee on Natural Resources.

"I met a Navajo uranium miner this summer and was moved by the strength it took to travel to the Capitol because of the health effects he still experiences," said Grijalva.

"This forum will be an opportunity for me to listen to the Navajo community directly about uranium's role in their past, present and future. Far too often, Congress only listens to the administrative or industry perspective. This is a time to hear the Indigenous perspective," stated Grijalva.

The forum will include testimony from uranium miners, health and community members, and family members of those affected directly by uranium exposure.

Those wishing to provide testimony regarding the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act may do so at the meeting on Wednesday. A recorder will be on hand to collect testimony if a speaker wishes.

The Department of Diné Education building is located at 1 Morgan Blvd, Window Rock, AZ 86515 (Google plus code: MWGW+W4).

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