Sunday, March 26 – Program Kickoff Dinner

6:00       Happy Half Hour
6:30       Dinner and Program Overview
8:30       Adjourn

Monday, March 27 – Day 1 – The Federal Agencies and Administration

9:00       Welcome to DC
            *Billy Pizer*, Vice President, Research & Policy Engagement, Resources for the Future

9:30       Intersection of Research and Decision-making- Think Tank perspectives
            *Kevin Rennert*, Fellow, Resources for the Future
            *Kristin Hayes*, Senior Director, Research & Policy Engagement, *Resources for the Future*

10:30      Science and the Federal Agencies- jobs, collaborations, grants, responding to requests for public comment
            *Priyanka Hooghan*, Chief of Staff, Assistant Secretary for Fossil Fuels and Carbon Management, U.S. Department of Energy
            *Claudia Nierenberg*, Chief, Climate and Societal Interactions Division at, NOAA

Noon      Lunch at RCC

1:00       Policy-making from inside the Administration – Executive Orders, Directives, and Guidance
            *Rachel Reolfi*, Energy Policy Assistant, White House Office of Science and Technology Policy
            *Bianca Majumder*, the Confidential Assistant for Climate, Energy, Environment, and Science at the White House Office of Management and Budget

3:30       Deep Dive of Environmental Protection Agency
            *Vicki Arroyo*, Director, Policy Office, EPA

5:10       Adjourn
Tuesday, March 28 - Day 2 – A Focus on Congress

9:00  Inner Workings of a Congressional Office  
Andrew Perlstein, Legislative Assistant, Senator Cardin (D-MD)

10:30  Work of Committees  
Melanie Thornton, Professional Staff Member, Senate ENR

11:30  Lunch break and photo  
Joined by 2022 RELP Fellow Nathan Dadap

2:00  House Office meeting  
Will King, Director of Policy and Coalitions, Office of Representative Mace (R-SC)

3:00  Meeting with Congressional Resource Services staff at Congressional Research Service  
Pervaze Sheikh, Analyst in Natural Resources Policy

4:10  Adjourn

Wednesday, March 29 – Day 3 – Role of Advocacy/Individual Appointments

8:00  Breakfast with Negin Sobhani, Director, Science and Technology for Resilience, Policy and Global Affairs Division, The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine

10:00  Developing the National Climate Assessment – coordinating across Federal agencies and with Academia – Briefing from USGCRP  
Allison Crimmins, Director for the National Climate Assessment

-No further official meetings – time for scheduling individual appointments-

Noon-2:00  Press Club Briefing – Optional for RELPers

Thursday, March 30 – Day 4 – NGOs – American Geophysical Union

9:00  Tour of AGU Building

9:30  Advocating for Science and the Environment  
Lexi Shultz, Vice President of Public Affairs, American Geophysical Union  
Emily Wirzba, Manager, Government Relations, EDF  
Davis Bates, Congressional Champions Project Director, League of Conservation Voters  
Sean Gallagher, Senior Government Relations, AAAS
11:00  The role of NGOs in Producing Science  
Jenny Brennan, Science and Policy Analyst, Southern Environmental Law Center  
Jimmy Hague, Senior Water Policy Advisor, The Nature Conservancy  
Laura Malaguzzi Valeri, Deputy to VP of Research, World Resources Institute

1:30  Research at a Think Tank  
Samantha Gross, Fellow, The Brookings Institution  
Noreen Clancy, Social Scientist, RAND  
Caroline Normile, Senior Policy Analyst, Bi-partisan Policy Center

3:15  Working Internationally  
Abbie Jones, Division Chief, Center for Water Security, Sanitation and Hygiene, USAID  
Lauren Herzer Risi, Director of Environmental Security, Wilson Center  
Rebecca Miller, U.S. Department of State

6:00  Commencement Dinner