

UPDATE

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Update on the Presidential Postal Task Force

On April 12, 2018, President Donald Trump issued an [executive order](#) calling for the creation of a task force with the explicit duty to examine and evaluate the business model of the United States Postal Service. The EO required the task force to submit a report on its findings and recommendations of reform to the President no later than 120 days from the date of the order, or Friday, August 10. As of yet, the task force's report has not been made available to the public.

On May 21, 2018, the NAPS Legislative Team met with members of the task force to discuss [issues of concern](#), including the need for thoughtful reforms that ensure the sustainability of the postal service and upholds universal service obligations. Further complicating the matter, the Office of Management and Budget independently called for the privatization of the postal service. NAPS National President Brian Wagner [responded](#) to this, stating, "In calling for the privatization of the United States Postal Service, the Trump Administration has charted a misguided path that will put universal mail service for all Americans at risk."

At this time, the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee is expected to hold a hearing in early September on the task force report, which will shed light on its findings. As always, NAPS will keep its members abreast of any news regarding the postal task force or threats of privatization.

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