HISTORIC TIMELINE OF GRAND STAIRCASE-ESCALANTE (GSE) NATIONAL MONUMENT

1906
Congress passes & Roosevelt signs the Antiquities Act

1908
First national monument established in Utah (Natural Bridges)

1980s–1990s
Organizing to stop Kaiparowits coal development

1996
Clinton establishes GSE National Monument

2017
Trump unlawfully diminishes GSE and Bears Ears

2017
SUWA, conservation groups, and Tribal Nations sue Trump over unlawful diminishment

2021
Biden restores GSE and Bears Ears

2025
BLM finalizes new monument management plan that protects natural resources, cultural sites and wilderness values

2025
Representatives of six Tribal Nations form the Grand Staircase-Escalante Inter-Tribal Coalition

2026
GAO gives opinion that the management plan is a rule and subject to the Congressional Review Act

2026
Sen. Mike Lee and Rep. Celeste Maloy introduce joint resolutions to undo GSE management plan