

# PUTTING POLLUTERS OVER PEOPLE

The Trump Administration's track record of rolling back environmental protections, decimating the federal workforce and gutting funding are endangering our public health and the environment.

A Bicameral Report Card by the Senate  
and House Environmental Justice Caucuses



**Name:** President Donald Trump and His Cabinet of Corruption

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**Grade:** Fail

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### IMPROVEMENT NEEDED:

***Donald Trump and his Cabinet of Corruption need to stop breaking his promises to "Make America Healthy Again" all so he can benefit polluters' profits at the expense of our public health and the environment.***

# TRUMP'S MAJOR FAILURES

1. **Withdrew** from the Paris Climate Agreement and UN Framework Convention on Climate Change.
2. **Rescinded** the Endangerment Finding—the “single largest deregulatory action in U.S. history”—removing the primary legal foundation used to regulate all greenhouse gas emissions.
3. **Nominated** former fossil fuel executives, oil and gas lobbyists, and climate change deniers to environmental and energy agency leadership positions.
4. **Shut down** all Environmental Justice offices at the Environmental Protection Agency.
5. **Rescinded** 781 environmental justice grants awarded by the Biden Administration.
6. **Proposed** a rule rolling back safety and water pollution standards for toxic coal ash.



7. **Delayed** release of lead service line replacement funding and created new hurdles for implementation.
8. **Proposed** a rule repealing regulation of blood cancer-causing ethylene oxide.
9. **Delayed** the retirement of aging coal plants, perpetuating their polluting and costing American consumers \$3 billion by 2028.
10. **Canceled** regulatory standards for PFAS “forever chemicals” in water and proposed rolling back protections requiring chemical manufacturers to report their use of PFAS.
11. **Repealed** the EPA 2024 Mercury and Air Toxics Standards, ending continuous monitoring and allowing dirty power plants to emit more mercury, heavy metals, and soot.
12. **Announced** a new interpretation of the New Source Review program that will allow corporations to begin construction on major industrial projects, including data centers, before securing permits.

**"One of the greatest scams in history..."**

Trump **lying** about the endangerment finding that has been protecting our public health against greenhouse gas emissions for 16 years.

THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION IS MAKING US  
AND THE ENVIRONMENT SICKER BY:

**RAISING COSTS, DANGER AND POLLUTION  
FOR OUR COMMUNITIES**

- 13. Illegally clawed back** \$27 billion in funding for the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, including a \$20 billion national climate bank—60 percent of which would have gone to disadvantaged communities—and a \$7 billion Solar for All program
- 14. Eliminated** all major clean energy production incentives.
- 15. Eliminated** consumer tax credits for electric vehicles.
- 16. Eliminated** consumer tax credits for residential clean energy.
- 17. Canceled** more than 300 grants for clean, renewable, and affordable energy projects in States that did not vote for Trump in 2024.
- 18. Issued** a blanket pause on offshore wind projects and restricted eligibility for solar and wind tax credits.
- 19. Weakened** fuel economy standards and removed all penalties for violations.
- 20. Sued** to invalidate California's tailpipe greenhouse gas emissions laws.
- 21. Froze** all U.S. Army Corps of Engineers water infrastructure and environmental remediation grants pending "DOGE" review.
- 22. Froze and canceled** billions of dollars in environmental, scientific, and health grants pending "DOGE" review.
- 23. Refused to provide** congressionally authorized conservation aid to other countries.
- 24. Dismantled** the Puerto Rico Energy Resilience Fund.
- 25. Rescinded** grants awarded under the Regional Conservation Partnership Program, a key initiative supporting climate-smart agriculture projects.
- 26. Canceled** the \$3 billion Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities Program, then reinstated a portion of the grants after recipients scrubbed mentions of climate change.



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- 27. Attempted to eliminate** grants for community resilience from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).
- 28. Planned to eliminate** FEMA and FEMA disaster aid.
- 29. Froze** roughly \$3 billion dollars in funding to expand the network of electric vehicle charging stations across the country and canceled our national EV goal.
- 30. Canceled** \$83 billion in clean energy loans.
- 31. Canceled** hundreds of millions in federal funding for offshore wind infrastructure projects.
- 32. Weakened** regulations of numerous harmful chemicals.
- 33. Removed** thousands of EV chargers from courthouses, veterans' facilities, and federal buildings.
- 34. Stopped** translating lifesaving National Weather Service alerts into other languages besides English.
- 35. Eliminated** \$300 million in USDA grants for new farmers under the Increasing Land, Capital, and Market Access (ILCMA) program.
- 36. Removed** workplace inspection goals under OSHA's heat protection program.

**It's 3 times  
harder for blue  
states to get  
disaster funding  
under Trump**

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THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION IS MAKING US  
AND THE ENVIRONMENT SICKER BY:

DEALING OUT POLLUTER QUID PRO QUOS

37. **Declared** a false national emergency to expedite the permitting of fossil fuel infrastructure and bypass federal environmental reviews.
38. **Issued** false energy emergency orders directing the Department of Defense to purchase electricity from aging coal plants, eliminate pollution requirements, and provided \$175 million to keep several plants online past their retirement dates.
39. **Eliminated** tailpipe greenhouse gas pollution standards.
40. **Proposed** new rules that would allow advanced nuclear reactors to bypass sections of NEPA.
41. **Proposed** a rule fast-tracking leasing for oil and gas projects and export lease approval.
42. **Issued** guidance to use the Clean Water Act permitting process to prioritize fossil fuel projects over renewables.
43. **Issued** waivers to bypass environmental laws for border wall construction.
44. **Offered** corporations automatic exemptions from Clean Air Act compliance through email inbox submissions.
45. **Rescinded** countless energy and water efficiency and conservation standards.
46. **Requested** that the courts overturn the Biden-era stronger particulate pollution standards.
47. **Announced** EPA would stop accounting for public health and economic value of clean air safeguards on soot and smog.

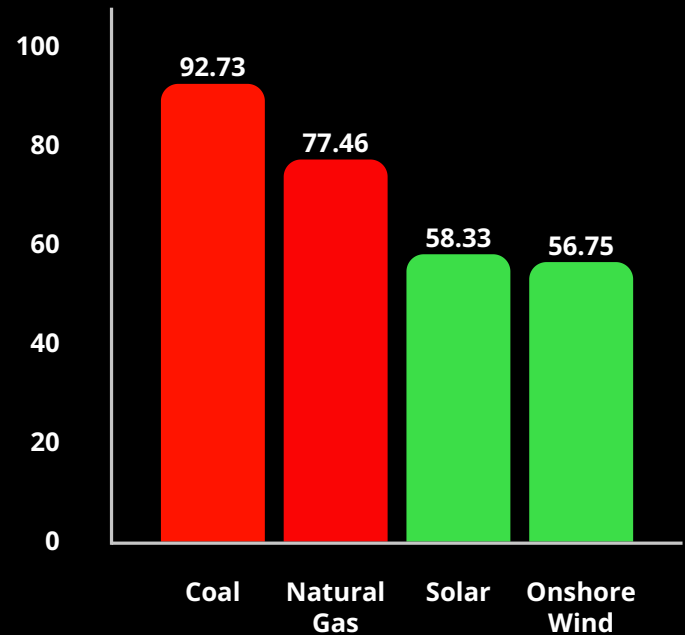


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- 48. Signed** S.J. Res. 31 into law, overturning the EPA's final rule regulating major sources of pollution under the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants.
- 49. Ended** NEPA reviews for projects financed by DOE's loan office.
- 50. Ended** EPA's program requiring factories, refineries, and other facilities to report and publish their annual greenhouse gas emissions.
- 51. Withdrew** its guidance on considering greenhouse gas emissions and climate change under NEPA.
- 52. Intervened** and issued an Army Corps permit in support of Enbridge's Line 5 oil pipeline that threatens the entire Great Lakes region.
- 53. Held** a sham public comment process to fast-track oil and gas drilling around Chaco Culture National Historic Park.
- 54. Moved** to strip states and Tribes of authority to block harmful projects under the Clean Water Act.



### COST PER KILOWATT-HOUR OF DIFFERENT ENERGY SOURCES



(Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration)

- 55. Proposed** rolling back bonding requirements for offshore oil and gas.
- 56. Rescinded** regulations under the National Environmental Policy Act to limit environmental reviews of major projects to a two-year window and exclude certain projects entirely from being reviewed for their environmental impact.
- 57. Finalized** a U.S. Forest Service rule fast-tracking approvals of oil and gas leasing in national forests.
- 58. Used** industry group studies to loosen restrictions on carcinogenic formaldehyde.
- 59. Canceled** requirement for oil and gas companies to report methane emissions.

THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION IS MAKING US  
AND THE ENVIRONMENT SICKER BY:

DENYING, ERASING AND ATTACKING SCIENCE

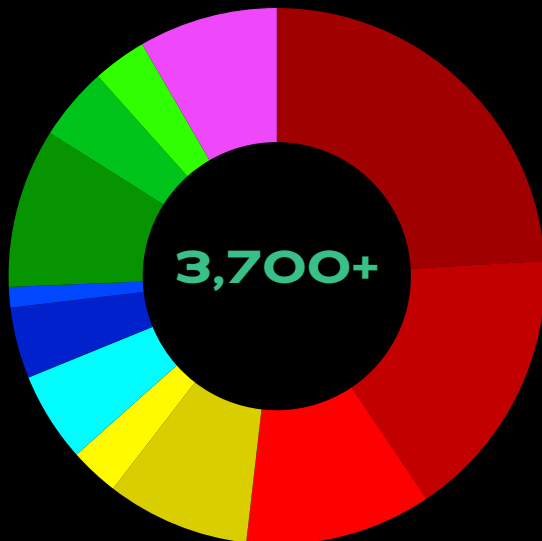
**60. Canceled** \$1 billion in National Science Foundation grants.

**61. Fired** more than 3,700 Ph.D.-level Federal scientists dedicated to protecting public health and the environment.

**62. Removed** all citations of “climate change” and “environmental justice” from government websites and programs.

**63. Promoted** a disinformation campaign against established climate science through a discredited and withdrawn report from the Department of Energy.

PH.D. SCIENTISTS  
FIRED BY TRUMP



- National Institutes of Health (1112)
- Food and Drug Administration (760)
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (519)
- Agricultural Research Service (398)
- Forest Service (137)
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (250)
- Geological Survey (198)
- Fish and Wildlife Service (57)
- Environmental Protection Agency (443)
- National Science Foundation (204)
- Department of Energy (150)
- Other (386)

(Source: Science Magazine)

**64. Packed** EPA’s air advisory board with industry representatives and climate skeptics.

**65. Abolished** the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee and Mobile Sources Technical Review Subcommittee.

**66. Announced** the closure of the National Center for Atmospheric Research, the largest federal climate research center.

**67. Announced** new guidance to stop factoring carbon emissions into decision on transit grant awards.

**68. Issued** an executive order demanding the censorship of history and science in our national parks, including on topics related to slavery, Indigenous people, and climate change.

**69. Dismissed** a World Health Organization finding that linked atrazine herbicide, toxic to wildlife and a common water contaminant, to health risks and cancer.

THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION IS MAKING US  
AND THE ENVIRONMENT SICKER BY:

**EVISCERATING THE FEDERAL WORKFORCE  
AND GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS**



"It's past time  
those in power  
prioritized people  
over polluters and  
profits."

— THE SENATE AND HOUSE  
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE CAUCUSES

- 70. Disbanded** the National Environmental Justice Advisory Council, the White House Environmental Justice Advisory Council, and the Interagency Environmental Justice Advisory Council.
- 71. Dismantled** the Department of Justice's Office of Environmental Justice.
- 72. Closed** National Weather Service forecast offices and terminated staff.
- 73. Ordered** secretarial review of federal grants for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.
- 74. Rescinded** the Council on Environmental Quality's authority to issue NEPA guidance to federal agencies.
- 75. Repeatedly** attempted to eliminate the ability of states to impose regulations on AI and related infrastructure, including through executive orders.
- 76. Fired** EPA employees that had signed a letter of dissent against the Trump administration.



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- 77. Eliminated** 24% of National Park Service staff.
- 78. Proposed** slashing EPA's budget by 52% compared to the previous year's funding levels.
- 79. Conducted** mass layoffs across the federal government, targeting federal workers who work on environmental justice and deliver resources to communities.
- 80. Issued** an Executive Order to identify all state and local laws addressing climate change, environmental, social, and governance issues, environmental justice and carbon emissions—and make moves to block them.
- 81. Laid off and reassigned** hundreds of staff from the EPA Office of Research and Development.
- 82. Moved** to undermine the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's independence, ordered staff cuts, and pressured the agency to roll back longstanding safety and security regulations.

**"We're afraid to do work that could be viewed as being out of compliance with executive orders or at all in opposition to Trump's agenda."**

**— EPA WORKER**

*(Source: NBC News, 2/8/2025)*

- 83. Fired** a commissioner of the independent Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
- 84. Moved** to terminate collective bargaining agreements for DOE and EPA employees.



THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION IS MAKING US  
AND THE ENVIRONMENT SICKER BY:

SACRIFICING OUR LAND AND WILDLIFE

85. **Attempted** to privatize public lands.
86. **Issued** rules to gut the Endangered Species Act.
87. **Mandated** fossil fuel leasing on public lands, including in the Gulf of Mexico.
88. **Opened** the entire coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to drilling and revoked protections for millions of acres of public waters to expand offshore oil and gas leasing.
89. **Rescinded** the 2001 Roadless Rule and opened up 58 million acres in national forests for road construction and development.
90. **Transferred** thousands of acres of the Tonto National Forest, including the sacred Oak Flat area, to a private company for destructive copper mining.
91. **Rescinded** the 2024 BLM rule governing the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska, dismantling safeguards.
92. **Announced** the closure of 57 of the U.S. Forest Service's 77 research facilities across 31 states.
93. **Exempted** Gulf of Mexico drilling from key Endangered Species Act protections.
94. **Approved** BP's Kaskida ultra-deepwater drilling project, the first new oilfield in the Gulf of Mexico since the Deepwater Horizon disaster.
95. **Proposed** a new rule gutting Clean Water Act protections for tens of millions of acres of wetlands and countless streams by restricting the definition of Waters of the United States.
96. **Gave** \$1 billion in taxpayer funds to TotalEnergies to NOT build offshore wind projects.
97. **Trying** to rescind Public Lands rule to prioritize drilling, mining, and logging on public lands.
98. **Illegally** opened "Alligator Alcatraz" near Big Cypress National Park, destroying critical habitat.
99. **Formed** an Endangered Species Committee, known as the "God Squad", to provide exemptions to the Endangered Species Act for specific projects and programs.
100. **Provided** exemptions to Endangered Species Act requirements for oil and gas drilling.

