



## Senator Capito Expresses Support For President Trump's Executive Order

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But he will not be able to overturn the EPA's regulation of Carbon dioxide emissions.

President Donald Trump this week surrounded himself with coal miners when he signed his executive order blocking, reversing or ordering the review of several Obama-era initiatives to limit climate change.

She said that she believes coal jobs will begin to rebound.

Politico reported that Pruitt held his ground in arguments with other conservatives and Republicans when the order was being crafted, arguing against the inclusion of more far-reaching measures —measures that could have been highly vulnerable to legal challenges.

If we follow the Trump trajectory, we're going to be bringing smog back to American cities, accelerating asthma rates in children, putting more poison in the groundwater and costing a lot of Americans their lives. The administration is still in discussion about whether it intends to withdraw from the Paris Agreement on climate change.

The implicit question at the heart of this political backlash is whether coal jobs are worth unraveling the economic and environmental gains interwoven in climate change policy. Trump's order overturns restrictions on energy production on federal lands managed by the Interior Department.

Obama promised past year to cut US greenhouse gas emissions by about 26 per cent from the 2005 level by 2025.

Even within the Trump administration some, key figures have a record of supporting renewable energy, including Energy Secretary Rick Perry, who oversaw huge expansion of wind energy in Texas while he was governor of the state.

Trump's executive order can not call on the EPA to cease and desist from its Clean Power Plan until it somehow determines that carbon dioxide, after all, does not cause endangerment, or that the science is simply not there to show that it does.

Arizona's not-for-profit, member-owned electric cooperatives, including Mohave Electric Cooperative of Bullhead City, applauded the executive order issued Tuesday by the White House on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Clean Power Plan (CPP).

Trump's 2018 budget proposal slashes EPA funding by 31 percent, including an nearly total cut of climate research funds. "We consider that to be a waste of your money".

Stocker, a former co-chair of the U.N.'s scientific panel on climate change, noted that the Obama administration had been a driving force behind securing the Paris agreement in 2015.

He signed a pair of executive orders aimed at identifying and targeting foreign trade abuses.

Trump has pointed to Obama's Climate Rule as a threat to the nation's businesses.

It also directs the Attorney General to seek appropriate relief from the courts over pending litigation related to the Clean Power Plan as well as lifts the ban on federal leasing for coal production. "So we added a little clause, didn't take much, that you want to build pipelines in this country, you're going to buy your steel and you're going to have it fabricated here". "It is thought that by 2040 half the planktonic creatures will be under stress".

The sweeping executive order was widely panned by environmental groups who sounded the alarm that it would dismantle systems put in place under Obama to aggressively address climate change. Brune said the action ignores the growing clean energy economy that serves as the best way to protect both workers and the environment.

"It will definitely chuck sand in the wheels of efforts to control global climate change", he said.

The second directive will order stricter and more effective enforcement of United States anti-dumping laws to prevent foreign manufacturers from undercutting U.S. companies by selling goods at an unfair price.

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Trump claims the plan puts coal miners out of work. "... And their agenda has always been to gut all government regulations so they can increase their own profits from the sale of fossil fuels". "This is affirmed by thousands of independent scientists and numerous scientific institutions around the world".