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Climate Policies Shift through the Trump Administration

With new administration in office comes shifts in laws and regulations pertaining to climate change and clean energy. The Trump administration has ideas for several significant changes to U.S. laws and regulations concerning global warming and climate change.

1. **Withdrawal from the Paris Agreement:**

On January 20, 2025, President Trump signed an executive order titled "Putting America First In International Environmental Agreements," directing the immediate withdrawal of the United States from the Paris Agreement. This action marks the second time the U.S. has exited the accord, reflecting a shift away from international climate commitments.¹

2. **Declaration of an "Energy Emergency":**

In conjunction with the withdrawal from the Paris Agreement, President Trump declared an "energy emergency." This

declaration aims to expedite the permitting process for energy projects, including the construction of natural gas pipelines and nuclear power plants, by reducing regulatory obstacles.²

3. **Revocation of California's Emission Standards:**

The administration has moved to revoke California's authority to set stricter vehicle emission standards. This action challenges California's longstanding ability to enforce more stringent air quality regulations than federal standards.³

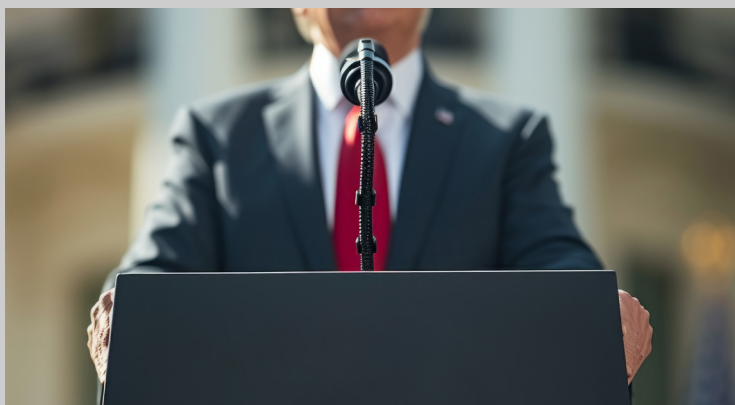
4. **Rollback of Clean Energy Funding:**

The administration issued a memo to halt grant, loan, and financial assistance programs targeting clean energy initiatives, including those in California. This move affects funding for climate action, clean energy, and grid upgrades. However, a federal judge temporarily paused the freeze until February 3, 2025, maintaining the disbursement of already authorized funds.⁴

5. **Changes to Water Management:**

The Trump administration has

proposed modifications to water management policies in California, aiming to increase water supplies for Southern California. These proposals have raised concerns about their potential environmental impacts and the balance between water availability and ecosystem health.⁵



1. <https://climate.law.columbia.edu/content/president-trump-announces-withdrawal-paris-agreement-0>
2. <https://nypost.com/2025/01/21/opinion/trump-leads-us-to-energy-abundance-with-executive-orders>
3. <https://www.reuters.com/world/us/us-moves-repeal-biden-administration-vehicle-fuel-economy-standards-2025-01-29>
4. <https://www.theverge.com/news/597828/federal-grant-funding-freeze-trump-clean-energy-climate>
5. <https://www.ppic.org/blog/unpacking-the-trump-administrations-proposal-to-boost-water-for-southern-california>



Time Travelling

Eight months ago, we started a series called "Time Travel Tuesday," where we wanted to highlight the rich history of the lone mineral deposits, specifically highlighting the pure kaolin clay that is abundant in this area. What were they saying about these unique and vital minerals back then, and how do they still relate to the operations today? We took a dive deep into the Amador County newspaper archives to dig out some of the old newspaper articles about these mineral deposits, and once a month highlighted a different one. Check out these interesting articles at purebase.com on the "Community" Tab under "News".

June 2024 Time Travel

Newspaper Issue Date: June 28, 1923
Article Title: "lone Clay Deposits"

July 2024 Time Travel

Newspaper Issue Date: July 6, 1912
Article Title: "Gypsum - Its Value as a Fertilizer"

August 2024 Time Travel

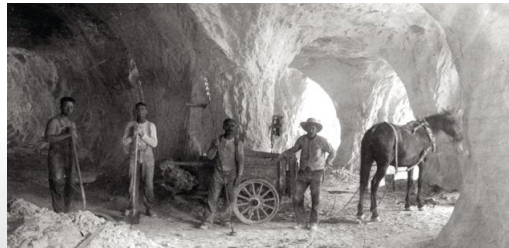
Newspaper Issue Date: August 11, 1927
Article Title: "New Clay Industry"

September 2024 Time Travel

Newspaper Issue Date: September 3, 1915
Article Title: "Big plans for lone Development Company"

October 2024 Time Travel

Newspaper Issue Date: October 4, 2006
Article Title: "Income Producing Property - 130 year old vested silica sand & kaolin clay mine"



November 2024 Time Travel

Newspaper Issue Date: November 19, 1927
Article Title: "Amador Clay Mines are one of lone's greatest assets"

December 2024 Time Travel

Newspaper Issue Date: January 28, 1916
Article Title: "lone News - Fireproof Paint"

January 2025 Time Travel

Newspaper Issue Date: November 13, 1975
Article Title: "Interpace completes installation of environmental control system"

Editor's Note

Dear Subscriber,

We are pleased to present to you Purebase's fourteenth issue of our monthly newsletter, "Innovate."

The Trump administration has begun enacting several

significant changes to environmental laws and regulations, particularly concerning climate change. Large industries will have to find ways to maneuver these changes and while still moving forward with goals and support of decarbonization.

The mineral reserves in lone, California are unique and vast, as well as an extremely important part of our everyday lives.

Purebase thought it would be interesting to tie in our mineral history from hundreds of years ago and show our audience just how long these clay deposits have been utilized by locals and beyond for hundreds of years. For eight months, we have shaped an interesting historical series called "Time Travel Tuesday", where we pulled local newspaper articles dating back to the early 1900s to

demonstrate the history and importance of the local clay deposits.

Thank you for subscribing to our newsletter, and we look forward to the future of the company, and most importantly, the future of the world.

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Sincerely,
Rachel Norris