

SEVEN WAYS SCOTT PRUITT IS THREATENING OUR HEALTH

In selecting Oklahoma's former Attorney General Scott Pruitt to head EPA, President Trump has prioritized polluters over the health of our families.

Pruitt has an extensive record of suing the agency he now runs, and through his current leadership at EPA, Scott Pruitt is threatening our health.

1. **EPA's annual budget**, currently at \$8.06 billion – its lowest level in 40 years – makes up just 0.2% of the federal budget. Even so, Trump and his EPA administrator, Pruitt, want to cut the EPA budget by nearly one-third.

The threat: A vastly diminished EPA budget would result in less enforcement of pollution standards and less monitoring of air and water quality, leaving our families and communities vulnerable to the health impacts of industrial pollution.



2. EPA's updated **National Ambient Air Quality Standards for ground level ozone**, or smog, help reduce a harmful air pollutant that's linked to serious lung diseases, especially in children and the elderly.

The threat: Pruitt has delayed implementation of the latest 2015 standards by a year. Every year of delay means 230,000 more asthma attacks among children.



3. **America's Clean Power Plan** reduces carbon emissions from power plant smokestacks, a major source of these emissions — and by doing so it also creates new opportunities to continue development of the strong, vibrant and prosperous clean energy economy.

The threat: President Trump issued an Executive Order attacking America's Clean Power Plan, and Pruitt is carrying this attack forward. After suing repeatedly over America's Clean Power Plan as Oklahoma Attorney General, Pruitt is using his role at EPA to try to dismantle these historic protections from the pollution that causes climate change.



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4. EPA's **Mercury and Air Toxics Standards** placed the first-ever national limits on some of the most hazardous air pollutants emitted by power plants.

The threat: Even though virtually every power plant in America is already in compliance with standards - demonstrating that industry's complaints about the feasibility of compliance were dramatically overblown - Pruitt opposes them and is seeking to further draw out litigation over these rules.



5. EPA's **Clean Car Standards** cut harmful climate pollution and make our cars and small trucks much more efficient, while saving consumers money and protecting national security by reducing our dependence on foreign oil.

The threat: Trump announced plans to review greenhouse gas and fuel efficiency standards for new models hitting the market between 2022 and 2025, with the intention of loosening the standards.



6. Phase II of the **Clean Truck Standards** help ensure that our nation's fleet of trucks uses dramatically less fuel, cuts climate and other harmful pollution, and saves both truckers and consumers money.

The threat: Even though these rules have wide support, the Trump administration is seeking to let our nation's trucks continue guzzling fuel and emitting harmful pollution.



7. Due to **New Source Performance Standards for methane emissions**, new and updated oil and gas operations must limit waste and cut air pollution.

The threat: Following direct request from the industry lobby groups, Scott Pruitt proposed a two-year delay of the standard so EPA could reconsider key health and waste reducing provisions.



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