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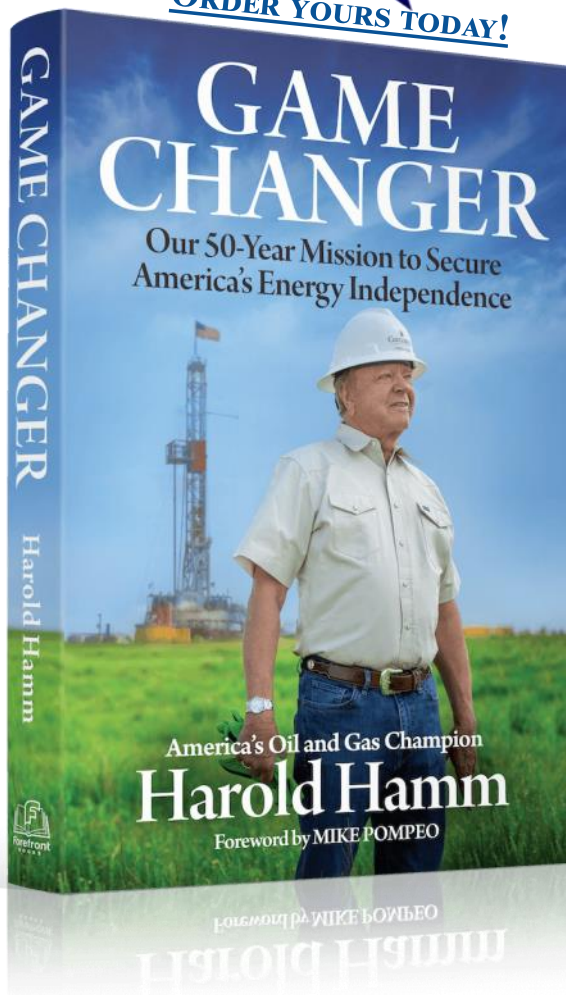
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## GAME CHANGER

### OUR 50-YEAR MISSION TO SECURE AMERICA'S ENERGY INDEPENDENCE

BY HAROLD HAMM

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A day doesn't go by without energy in the headlines. From banning gas stoves to prices at the pump to threats to the world's energy supplies, energy is front and center. Most of what we are hearing is high-emotion, low-fact misinformation offered by folks who have no clue what they are talking about.

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#### MONDAY, OCTOBER 23

- 10:30-11:30 am Leadership Committee
- 11:30 am -12:30 pm Lunch
- 1:00-3:00 pm Board Meeting
- 5:30-6:30 pm Welcome Reception
- 6:30-8:30 pm Dinner with Speaker

#### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24

- 8:30-9:30 am Breakfast
- 10:00 am Shuttle to Valero HQ
- 10:30 am -12:00 pm Valero Program
- 12:00 pm Lunch
- 2:00 pm Return to hotel
- 5:30-7:30 pm Reception

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# OBLITERATING PEAK OIL DEMAND FEARS AS ENERGY TRANSITION REALITIES SET IN

## The Energy Transition Needs To Transition

BY ARJUN MURTI, RE-PRINTED WITH PERMISSION

The divergence in expected 2028-2030 oil demand between the International Energy Agency's (IEA) recently published *Oil 2023* report and its May 2021 *Net Zero by 2050* report is staggering. A mere two years ago, the IEA laid out a scenario where oil demand had peaked in 2019 at 100 million b/d and would decline to around 75 mn b/d in 2030. It now projects a remarkable 105 mn b/d of oil demand in 2028. For a sector as large and important as the oil industry, these numbers are not close. Perhaps most notably, we are seeing rising global oil demand at a time of rocky GDP in the three largest oil consuming areas of China, Western Europe, and the United States. As we look at the massive energy needs of the other 7 billion people on Earth that are using just 3 barrels per capita today versus the 13-14 barrels per capita used by the lucky 1 billion of us that live in the United States, Western Europe, Canada, Japan, Australia, and New Zealand, we believe oil demand is likely to continue to grow for the foreseeable future.

In our view, it's not about being for or against oil or any other energy source for that matter. It's not a close call: the energy needs of the Rest of the World are massive. We will need all forms of energy supply and technologies, in particular many of the newer options like electric vehicles, heat pumps, solar, wind, geothermal, and nuclear, to scale quickly at a low cost in order to help meet the needs. But the idea that we can meet those needs **only** from the new stuff is pure fantasy. It is not based on reality. We come to these conclusions as analysts, not advocates.

The use of modern energy is essentially 100% correlated with improved human outcomes. Yes, there are negative externalities related to the environment and a host of other issues that need to be and can be addressed. But the positive externalities that come from using modern energy will be the overwhelming driving motivation of the developing world. We know these positive externalities of modern energy exist because we live in the United States or Canada or Western Europe or Japan or Australia or New Zealand.

Our final point is that at the end of the day, it is not about the opinion of a US-based energy analyst, or the IEA, or outlooks from major oils, or from the UN Secretary General, or any other western institution, company, policy organization, NGO, or university. It is about the self-determination of the Rest of the World. India will lay out policies it sees as in its best interests, which we expect will include a heavy emphasis on new, low carbon options, but with a pragmatism that recognizes that the country cannot develop without traditional energy as well. The same holds for the 54 countries that comprise the continent of Africa. It is up to each of them individually to decide how they want to develop. The colonial age ended with World War II. Energy self-determination and capitalism combined with sensible regulations to deal with negative externalities is ultimately the key to economic prosperity. All countries and everyone on Earth have the right to energy and economic prosperity.



Arjun Murti is currently a partner at [Veriten](#), a research, strategy and investing firm focused on the long-term challenges and opportunities in the energy sector. Mr. Murti has spent over 30 years on Wall Street as an equity research analyst, advisor, and board member covering the global energy sector. Since November 2021, Mr. Murti has published Super-Spiked, a [Substack](#) newsletter and podcast about the messy energy transition era.

The bulk of the first 22 years of his career was spent at Goldman Sachs, where he retired as a Partner in 2014 while also serving as Co-Director of Americas Equity Research and as an Equity Research Analyst. Prior to joining Goldman in 1999, Mr. Murti was a buy-side Equity Research Analyst at J.P. Morgan Asset Management. His career began in 1992 at Petrie Parkman & Co, a Denver-based oil & gas boutique investment bank.

In addition to his role at Veriten, Mr. Murti is currently serving as a Director of ConocoPhillips, a Senior Advisor to the Energy Group at Warburg Pincus, and as an Advisory Board member for Columbia University's Center on Global Energy Policy, ClearPath, and the India Advisory Board at The Nature Conservancy.

Mr. Murti graduated from the University of Denver, with B.S.B.A. in Finance, in 1992.



# STOP SAYING CARBON!

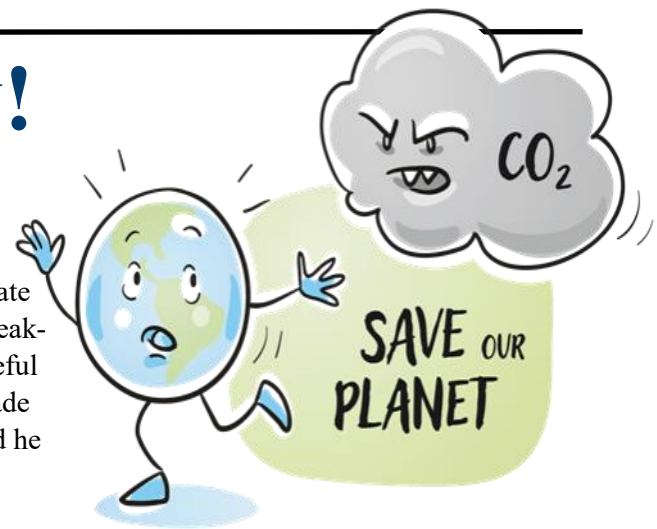
**A modern villain who is simply another misunderstood character given bad publicity.**

Author, Environmental Researcher and Executive Director for the Climate Science Coalition of America Steve Goreham was the keynote lunch speaker at the KIOGA annual convention this year in Wichita. DEPA is grateful to always be able to attend this event. In Goreham's presentation he made a great point about the carbon discussion that is currently happening and he started by saying "STOP SAYING CARBON".

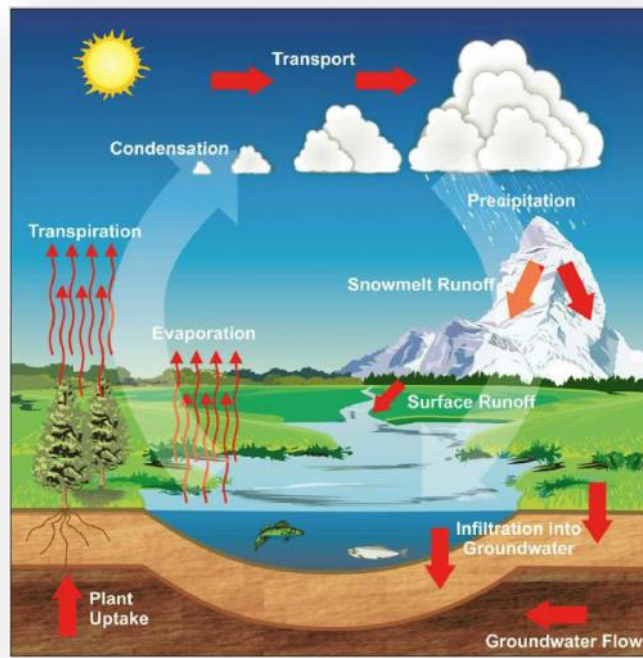
The word *carbon* brings to mind a specific negative image when you hear it. Words like dirty, soot, dangerous to breathe, and a black coal type of rock are common mental images when someone says *carbon*. *Carbon Capture* sounds like the good guys winning. "We've captured the villain, Carbon!"

However, the current discussion of carbon capture is really about *carbon dioxide* (CO<sub>2</sub>). Being consistently shortened and vilified is part of the green agenda PR campaign. Carbon dioxide is, of course, simply the odorless, invisible, and harmless gas every human breathes out, to the benefit of plants. Marijuana plant growers across the US that supplement the CO<sub>2</sub> in their inside grow houses have reported up to 20% increased yield. In addition to promoting plant growth, it is also used in important and necessary ways; to make refrigerant, it is a key component inside fire extinguishers, used for inflating life rafts and foaming rubber and plastics. Additionally, carbon dioxide is important for people. Besides being critical to the photosynthesis process which all animals and humans depend on for growing the plants we need to survive, too little CO<sub>2</sub> in the blood stream can lead to alkalosis, a condition where there are too many bases in the blood which can lead to kidney and liver problems.

Carbon dioxide is named on the list of greenhouse gases adding to the warming of the planet. The most dominant greenhouse gas in the atmosphere, however, is water vapor. Water vapor is responsible for about half of the Earth's greenhouse effect, as well as being key to the Earth's water cycle. The other cast of characters in this category are methane and nitrous oxide. The reflection of infrared radiation that these gases do is commonly called the "greenhouse effect".



Which, again has a negative image associated with it. The greenhouse effect has had bad press for years as a silent goblin coming for the children. The greenhouse effect is actually not a bad thing. Without it, our planet would be too cold for life as we know it.



EARTH'S WATER CYCLE: CREDIT NASA

"Climatism warns that man-made greenhouse gases are the cause of rising global surface temperatures and will cause catastrophic climate change. But quantifying the amount of the greenhouse effect contributed by mankind is key to estimating the impact," Goreham told the KIOGA group. "Our atmosphere is composed of about 78 percent nitrogen gas, 21 percent oxygen gas, a small amount of water vapor, and other trace gases. Carbon dioxide is a trace gas. Only four molecules in every 10,000 in Earth's atmosphere are carbon dioxide. The amount of CO<sub>2</sub> that mankind may have added in all of human history is only a fraction of one

of those four molecules. Yet, Climatists claim that this fraction of one in every 10,000 air molecules is causing catastrophic climate change," Goreham said.

CO<sub>2</sub> has uses when captured, carbon dioxide isn't the villain it has been made out to be. Those of us inside the industry should be sure we are not leaning into the negative image given to CO<sub>2</sub> in the media by the anti-fossil fuel agenda.

**Steve Goreham has authored four books. The newest, [Green Breakdown: The Coming Renewable Energy Failure](#) was released August 1, 2023. Goreham discusses all facets of the proposed green energy transition, including hydrocarbon and renewable energy, biofuels, power plants, home appliances, electric vehicles, ships, airlines, heavy industry, carbon capture and storage, and the hydrogen economy.**

# BIDEN'S ANTI-ENERGY POLICIES ARE DRIVING UP GAS PRICES

BY SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE KEVIN MCCARTHY

With gas prices [soaring](#), millions across the country are struggling once again to fill up their tanks and make ends meet.

In fact, nationally, the average price of a gallon of gas has shot up 30 cents since last month, [driving up](#) inflation and [forcing](#) more than 1 in 3 Americans to limit how much they can travel. In California, the average price of gas is at [\\$5.09](#) a gallon.

Jeremy McTaggart, a driver in Wichita, Kansas, summed up many Americans' worries about rising gas prices during an [interview](#) this week with a local news station: "It gets pretty costly... It's frustrating because anything that cuts into my pocket means **less money that I can put away for my retirement, less money I can spend on things I enjoy.**"

So what exactly is President Biden doing to help real Americans like

**Jeremy?** Instead of unleashing our nation's energy production to lower prices at the pump, the President is doubling down on the same radical, Green New Deal policies that increased gas prices by [60 percent](#) since he took office.

Don't take our word for it: just this week, the President [boasted](#) during a hard-hitting interview with the Weather Channel that he's "**pushing very hard**" to "**stop all drilling** on the East Coast, and on the West Coast and on the Gulf."



Unlike President Biden, House Republicans are working to help Americans like Jeremy. We know that energy independence is the core of good economics for America. That's why we passed the [Lower Energy Costs Act](#), which will **make energy more affordable** by cutting bureaucratic red tape and **strengthen our national security** by putting American energy first, rather than dirty gas from our competitors such as China and Russia.

But instead of supporting American workers, President Biden chose to bow to foreign dictators and plow ahead with his disastrous war on the resources [God has blessed us](#) with right here at home.

Whether he's [imposing](#) new regulations to drastically increase the cost of drilling on public lands, [blocking](#) new oil and gas leases, or [depleting](#) our nation's emergency petroleum reserves to their lowest level since the 1980s, President Biden has forced Americans to bear the cost of his radical agenda.



# ENERGY AND COMMERCE REPUBLICANS WORKING TO RESTORE AMERICA'S ENERGY DOMINANCE

This month, Energy and Commerce Committee Republicans are back home in their districts talking about solutions to lower the cost of living, improve people's quality of life, boost our energy security, create jobs, cut China out of our supply chains, and reduce emissions. Check out these updates:

**Rep. August Pfluger (R-TX), Rep. Michael Burgess (R-TX), and Rep. Randy Weber (R-TX)** participated in the *West Texas Legislative Summit* to discuss how, to win the future, America must lead in energy production and innovation.

**Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee Chair Morgan Griffith (R-VA)** hosted a roundtable discussion with America's Coal Association. Unlike the radical rush-to-green energy agenda that threatens our energy security and makes us more reliant on China, House Republicans are leading on an all-of-the-above energy approach to restore American energy dominance. For example, Energy and Commerce Republicans are [pushing back](#) on EPA regulatory proposals, like the Clean Power Plan 2.0, which threatens the reliability of our grid.

**Rep. Bill Johnson (R-OH)** met with Orion Engineered Carbons to talk about their innovative, specialty chemicals that are used for lithium-ion batteries. Right now, China produces around 75 percent of all lithium-ion batteries and is dominating the electric vehicles market. E&C Republicans are [leading on solutions](#) to ensure America—not China—is in the driver's seat of our automotive future.

**Rep. Rick Allen (R-GA)** spent time with the Jefferson Energy Cooperative to talk about the need for affordable, reliable energy, which is foundational for a strong economy. When the price of energy goes up, everything else costs more. [H.R. 1](#) is projected to lower energy bills by \$795 per year for American families.

**Rep. Troy Balderson (R-OH)** visited the Guernsey Power Station, a critical natural gas-fired energy facility, to learn how their operations are helping deliver clean, reliable, and affordable energy to millions of Americans. Republicans are leading to stop President Biden's war on natural gas, includ-



Visited Orion Engineered Carbons in Belpre this morning, an Ohio manufacturer who makes critical materials needed for our economy. We've got to foster a regulatory environment to keep businesses like this here at home - and not overseas.



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ing by [repealing his natural gas tax](#) and [de facto ban](#) on natural gas cooking appliances.



**Rep. Kat Cammack (R-FL)** joined J&J Gas Service, a local and family-owned business, to hear about the challenges they are facing as a result of President Biden's war on American energy production. Under the Biden administration, gas prices have increased [nearly 62% and natural gas prices are up more than 40%](#).

**Energy Subcommittee Chair Jeff Duncan (R-SC)** wrote an [op-ed](#) in *The Washington Times* about the future of clean, reliable, and affordable nuclear power. E&C Republicans are [leading](#) solutions for efficient, predictable licensing and deployment which will allow for the expansion of nuclear energy.

Chair Rodgers is leading on H.R. 1042, the Prohibiting Russian Uranium Imports Act, to [ban fuel imports from Russia](#) and send a strong signal to the market that will help restore American nuclear leadership.



Thank you to Matt Stuckey for meeting with me at Stuckey Ford to discuss some of the issues challenging our American motor industry, and my legislation to prevent any ban on gas-powered cars.



**Rep. John Joyce (R-PA)** met with a local car dealership to talk about H.R. 1435, the Preserving Choice in Vehicle Purchases Act, [a bill he is leading](#) to prevent the Biden administration from banning the sale of internal combustion engine vehicles.

**Rep. Russ Fulcher (R-ID)** had similar conversations with the Idaho Automobile Dealers Association about preserving people's freedom to buy reliable, affordable vehicles. Unlike the Biden administration, [Republicans are leading](#) on solutions to increase—not limit—people's choices and access to vehicles. [Click here](#) to watch the June 22, 2023, Environment Subcommittee hearing with the EPA on the impacts of Biden's rush-to-green agenda on transportation affordability.



Under the Biden administration, the use of the government's heavy hand has become the norm.

Look no further than the effort to end production of gas and diesel cars and rapidly expand electric vehicle fleets.

My full op-ed in the @WashTimes 📌



washingtontimes.com

Rush to expand electric vehicle fleets is misguided  
These out-of-touch proposals will severely limit consumer choice and prevent American companies from producing and selling ICE vehicles.

**Communications and Technology Subcommittee Chair Bob Latta (R-OH)** [wrote an op-ed](#) for The Washington Times highlighting why, instead of regulating the choice out of Americans' lives, we should trust that Americans will make the best choices for themselves. As Rep. Latta said, "with the average cost at \$64,000, most American families cannot afford to make the quick transition to an electric vehicle."



## UPCOMING REGULATORY COMMITTEE MEETINGS SEPTEMBER 21 & DECEMBER 21

### COMMITTEE CO-CHAIRMAN

**Will Houser, Continental Resources & Rusty Shaw, Denbury Resources**

Meetings are held via zoom at 2pm CT, and are open to anyone who would like to attend.

Please email [CSimonds@depausa.org](mailto:CSimonds@depausa.org) to be included in call-in information. Dates are subject to change.

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# WHAT YOU MISSED ON TWITTER THIS MONTH IF YOU DON'T PARTICIPATE



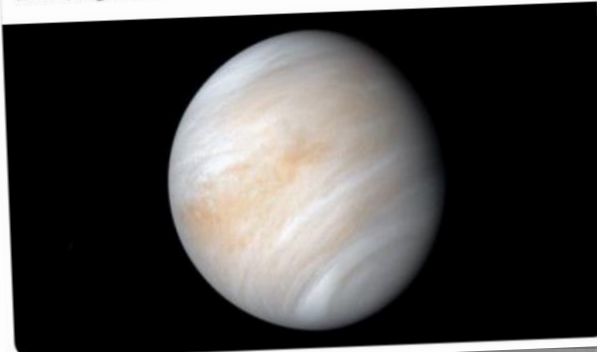
Here's the TRUTH: the climate disaster death rate has \*declined\* by 98% over the last century, even as carbon emissions have risen. The average person is 50X less likely to die of a climate-related cause than in 1920. Why? Fossil fuels.

And 8x as many people die from cold temperatures as warm ones. The right answer to all temperature-related deaths is, again, more abundance of fossil fuels. These are inconvenient truths for the climate cult. The real emergency isn't climate change, it's the man-made disaster of climate change policies that threaten U.S. prosperity.



**Tony Heller** @TonyClimate · 22h  
All those Venusians burning fossil fuels, and failing to implement a carbon tax. There seems to be no limit to the level of junk science, disinformation and propaganda from the #ClimateScam

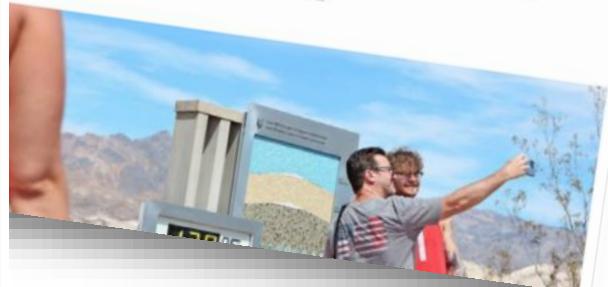
**World Economic Forum** @wef · Dec 18, 2020  
Venus was once Earth-like, but climate change made it uninhabitable  
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**Bjorn Lomborg** @BjornLomborg · 5h  
Top climate economist Richard Tol injects some sanity into a hyper-ventilating climate debate  
In the most influential German newspaper Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung  
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THE ORDER OF THE ECONOMY  
**The end is not near yet**  
Climate change is a problem, but not the apocalypse. The misguided fear of doom causes extremism and exaggerated climate protection policies.  
By Richard Toll



Click the image to read the translated article from *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung*

**Jusper Machogu** @JusperMachogu · 1h  
These alarmists/antihumanists preach water and drink wine. She blocked me immediately I invited her to my sustainable or net zero internship program.  
Fossil Fuels for Africa otherwise come experience life without FF energy.

**Alex Epstein** @AlexEpstein · 1h  
Just learned that I got blocked by @SophiaKianni, a climate activist the UN and media have been fawning over. What did I do?

Expressed my disappointment that she blocked an African energy activist (@JusperMachogu) for arguing that energy poverty matters more than climate change.

**Sophia Kianni** @SophiaKianni · 4,334 posts



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You can't follow or see @SophiaKianni's Tweets.  
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**Steve Milloy** @JunkScience · 3h

China is now building 243 GW of new coal power:

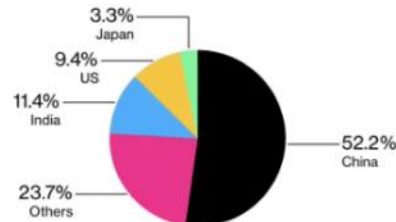
"That's more than all the existing coal plants in the US, and would increase China's capacity to burn the fuel by 23%."

If you're doing anything to reduce emissions, you're wasting your time.

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#### China Dominates Global Coal Power

China produces more electricity from coal than all other countries combined



Source: BloombergNEF  
Note: 2021 data

**Alex Epstein Retweeted**



**Alex Epstein** @AlexEpstein · Aug 13

Replying to @elonmusk and @xDaily

Elon, if you want a lesson in why skill matters more than weight, stop by my place in Laguna Beach and I will strangle you unconscious despite being 50 lbs lighter.

But I'll only do this if you agree to debate me about your energy lies once you wake up.



**Alex Epstein** @AlexEpstein · Jan 25

Myth: Just a small area of solar panels plus storage can power the world.

Truth: Storing just 3 days of global energy would cost \$590 trillion at @elonmusk's current prices. And the panels would take up more space than all the world's cities, towns, and villages combined.



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# US FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE EXTENDS COMMENT DEADLINE ON THE DUNES SAGEBRUSH LIZARD

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) is extending the public comment period seeking public input on a proposal to list the dunes sagebrush lizard as endangered under the Endangered Species Act. **The public comment period will now be open for 90 days, closing on October 2, 2023.**

The dunes sagebrush lizard is found only in the shinnery oak sand dune ecosystems in West Texas and southeastern New Mexico. Primary threats to the lizard include loss of habitat associated with oil and gas development, sand mining, and changing climate.



The Shinnery Oak, also called a Shin Oak or a Harvard Oak is a low-growing thicket forming shrub. It produces a common-looking acorn. The leaves are leathery and variable from grey-green to olive green. Shinnery oak provides a rich habitat for wildlife compared with the surrounding shortgrass plains. Unfortunately, maintaining wildlife habitat and improving vegetation for livestock grazing are often in conflict.

A majority of shinnery oak occurs on private land used for agriculture and/or livestock production. It is considered undesirable on grazing lands, because it competes with better livestock forage and its buds and leaves are toxic to cattle for several weeks in spring. In addition, where cotton is grown near shinnery oak, boll weevils overwinter in the oak litter and infest nearby cotton fields in spring. Most research and other human effort concerning shinnery oak have been devoted to its eradication.

The use of chemical and mechanical control methods has been extensive, making it likely that shinnery oak's distribution is decreasing. Most authorities do not recommend complete eradication of shinnery oak, indicating that forage production is typically greater if some shinnery oak

remains in the community. Stocking rates and rotational grazing patterns exist that reduce the incidence of shinnery oak poisoning of cattle. Excessive control of shinnery oak is controversial because it can open sandy soils to wind erosion and can conflict with wildlife-habitat quality.



**THE NATURAL RANGE OF THE SHINNERY OAK. A VARIETY ALSO OCCURS IN TWO SMALL PLACES IN SW KANSAS, AND A VARIETY HAS BEEN FOUND IN NE ARIZONA AND SE UTAH**

Several DEPA collaborating associations requested this extension and the Permian Basin Petroleum Association also requested a public meeting to allow local governments, the oil and gas industry, the agriculture and ranching communities, and renewable energy developers to find out how land uses would be impacted if the dunes sagebrush lizard is ultimately listed as an endangered species.

The Service encourages any interested parties to provide input and substantive comments during the public comment period that closes on October 2, 2023. The notice is available in the Federal Register at <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/>





# NORTH DAKOTA PROPOSED PUBLIC LANDS MANAGEMENT OVERHAUL HAS BEEN A CONCERN ALL YEAR

North Dakota Senator John Hoeven issued the following statement last April opposing the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) proposed Public Lands Rule that would overhaul the management of more than 245 million acres of taxpayer-owned lands. The rule, which was published on April 4, 2023, would establish "conservation leases" that would lock away federal lands in conflict with the longstanding tradition of multiple-use requirements established by Congress.

"North Dakota and other western states depend on access to federal lands. That's why Congress has mandated that these taxpayer-owned lands be available for grazing, energy production, recreation, and other uses," said Hoeven. "The Biden administration's proposed rule seeks to lock away more federal lands in direct conflict with the longstanding multiple-use law. We're working to stop this proposal and to ensure that North Dakotans and others still have access to these public lands."

Working to stop the BLM's proposed rule, Senator Hoeven submitted language to the Interior Appropriations Bill prohibiting the use of funds to further develop, implement, or enforce the rule and will lead a Congressional comment letter opposing the rule and asking that it be rescinded.

In May, the state of North Dakota submitted an [official comment](#) raising "serious concerns" about proposed changes to how the U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) administers public land in North Dakota.

BLM released its proposed changes to the North Dakota Resource Management Plan on Jan. 20, along with a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Together, the documents address the management of approximately 58,500 acres of BLM-administered surface and 4.1 million acres of federal mineral estate in North Dakota for the next 20 to 30 years.

Among the chief concerns is that BLM's two preferred plan alternatives would withdraw large portions of public lands in North Dakota from mineral development. In the process, BLM also would effectively strand many acres of state-owned and privately owned land because of the checkerboard pattern of mineral ownership in North Dakota. The state notes that BLM lacks authority from Congress to impose these blanket surface restrictions on state and private lands or those managed by other federal agencies and that restricting



mineral development on these lands won't reduce demand for minerals but will hurt the environment by forcing state and private minerals to be developed less efficiently.

"As Americans struggle with high energy prices and inflation, the Biden administration continues to wage its misguided war on the energy industry in North Dakota – including this Resource Management Plan that attempts to further restrict the development of our abundant oil, natural gas, and coal resources," Burgum said. "As a nation, we should be responsibly developing our natural resources and selling energy to our friends and allies instead of buying energy from our enemies. With the comments submitted by Attorney General Wrigley this week, our North Dakota executive branch agencies – including the Department of Mineral Resources, Department of Water Resources, Department of Trust Lands and Public Service Commission – continue to push back against federal overreach and support responsible mineral development to ensure North Dakotans have access to clean, reliable, affordable energy."

In the comments, Wrigley calls on BLM to adopt an alternative that doesn't carry the significant legal and technical issues as BLM's preferred alternatives and to modify the plan to comply with a [recent federal court decision](#) that ordered BLM to resume quarterly sales of oil and gas leases on public lands in North Dakota.

Burgum chairs both the North Dakota Industrial Commission, which oversees the Department of Mineral Resources, and the Board of University and School Lands (Land Board), which oversees the Department of Trust Lands. The Depart-

ment of Water Resources is a cabinet agency whose director reports to the governor. The Public Service Commission is an independently elected body that regulates the state's utilities and siting of energy infrastructure, among other duties.

Administrative rules proposed by the ND Board of University and School Lands (Land Board) which includes Governor Burgum, Secretary of State Michael Howe, Supt. Of Public Instruction Kirsten Daesler, State Treasurer Thomas Beadle, and Attorney General Drew Wrigley, were issued addressing amendments pertaining to definitions and general provisions of Title 85, leasing trust lands for agricultural use, construction aggregate, permanent improvements, encumbrances of trust lands, sales of trust lands, oil and gas, and unclaimed property examinations. Sections proposed for changes also include those on oil and gas lease nominations, the public lease auction process, breach of an oil and gas lease, and payments for oil or gas shut-ins.

The Commissioner of University and School Lands (Commissioner) is appointed to act on the Board's behalf. In 2011, the Board adopted the name "Department of Trust Lands" as the common reference for the office of the Commissioner. Before that time, it was informally called the "State Land Department."

The North Dakota Department of Trust Lands (Department) serves as the administrative agency of the Board and Commissioner. Along with being responsible for the management and stewardship of educational trusts, the Department oversees mineral acres and other assets utilized for the benefit of public schools and other institutions in North Dakota. The Department operates the state's Unclaimed Property Division and the Energy Infrastructure and Impact Office.



NORTH DAKOTA  
PETROLEUM  
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THE NDPC ANNUAL  
MEETING WILL BE  
SEPTEMBER 19-21  
IN WATFORD CITY NC.  
FOR MORE INFORMATION  
VISIT THEIR [EVENT PAGE](#).

The North Dakota Petroleum Council has written comments on the proposed rules. The public comment deadline is rapidly approaching. The NDPC would like to receive all comments or feedback from stakeholders by the close of business on **Thursday, September 7**. They can be emailed directly to Brady Pelton at the NDPC, [bpelton@ndoil.org](mailto:bpelton@ndoil.org).

Or comments can be sent to the Department of Trust Lands, 1707 North 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Bismarck, ND 58501, or emailed to [dtlrequest@nd.gov](mailto:dtlrequest@nd.gov) and received by **5 pm, Tuesday, September 12, 2023**.

The North Dakota Board of University and School Lands invests the revenues generated from the trust lands into a diverse portfolio of financial assets. Educational and other institutions are the primary beneficiaries of the various permanent trust funds, pursuant to Article IX of the North Dakota Constitution.







# PLAYER/TEAM REGISTRATION

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **We are a sponsor. (Check box if you ARE a sponsor)**

We have \_\_\_\_\_ player registrations included in our sponsorship.

We are registering \_\_\_\_\_ additional players we need to pay for.

\*If you have more than 4 players to register, you can include a list or use this form multiple times.

1) \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Handicap (max 20)

2) \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Handicap (max 20)

3) \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Handicap (max 20)

4) \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Handicap (max 20)

- **Please send registration and payment no later than Tuesday, October 9, 2023**
- **Registration** for this event is \$500 per individual player OR \$2,000 for a team of four.
- **Online registration is available** on the WWW.DEPAUSA.ORG events tab.
- **Credit Card payment:** please email this completed form to csimonds@depausa.org. An invoice will be sent with a payment link.
- **Paying by check:** please make payable to **DEPA** and mail to P.O. Box 33190, Tulsa, Ok 74153

☐ Check Enclosed

☐ Send an invoice for credit card payment

Send  
invoice to:

Email:

Phone:

Online Registration and additional information about this event, including full sponsor information is also available on our website [WWW.DEPAUSA.ORG](http://WWW.DEPAUSA.ORG) on the "Events" tab.

**For questions contact**  
**Cynthia Simonds in the DEPA office**  
**405-669-6646, or csimonds@depausa.org**

**RENTAL EQUIPMENT:** TPC San Antonio offers rental club equipment from top brands for your convenience and the opportunity to try out the latest in golf club technology. Most rental sets are \$99 plus tax (\$175 plus tax for PXG). If you'd like to rent equipment [please fill out the form](#) located on the TPC site to reserve your set. Upon arriving at the course check in with the Golf Shop to complete payment for your rental set and pick it up.

**DRESS CODE:** TPC San Antonio has a strict dress code policy. Golfers must wear appropriate golf attire, including collared shirts, golf pants or Bermuda length shorts. Golf shoes are required. TPC is a soft spike shoe facility. Denim, t-shirts, cutoffs, athletic shorts and cargo short are not permitted on the golf course.

**WEATHER:** In the event of an unexpected course closure or if TPC staff deems the course unfit for play because of weather conditions, DEPA will make every effort to reschedule the event.



# SPONSORSHIP DETAILS

## **TITLE SPONSOR \$25,000 EXCLUSIVE**

- Company name on the tournament.
- Prominent display of company name and/or logo on all pre-event marketing materials (eblasts, social media, event webpage etc.
- Invitation to the pre-tournament reception, at The Hotel Emma Tuesday, October 24
- Company logo on the welcome banner at reception
- Company logo on tables during pre-tournament reception
- Opportunity to briefly speak at the pre-tournament reception
- Company logo on the welcome banner at registration table
- Company logo on 9 of the pin flags. DEPA logo on others
- Logo on color photos of foursomes taken day of the event
- Four full page ads in the DEPA DRILLER newsletter
- Company logo on score cards
- Three complimentary foursomes in the tournament.
- Acknowledgment in the DEPA DRILLER event recap

## **PLATINUM SPONSOR \$15,000**

- Company name and/or logo on pre-event marketing materials to include : eblasts, social media, event webpage
- Invitation for six to the pre-tournament reception at The Hotel Emma Tuesday, October 24
- Company logo on the welcome banner at reception
- Color photos of foursomes taken day of the event
- Three full page ads in the DEPA DRILLER newsletter
- Company logo on the welcome banner at registration table
- Two complimentary foursomes in the tournament.
- Acknowledgment in the DEPA DRILLER event recap

## **GOLD SPONSOR \$10,000**

- Company name and/or logo on pre-event marketing materials to include : eblasts, social media, event webpage
- Invitation to the pre-tournament reception at The Hotel Emma Tuesday, October 24
- Company logo on the welcome banner at reception
- Color photos of foursomes taken day of the event
- Two full page ads in the DEPA DRILLER newsletter
- Company logo on the welcome banner at registration table
- One complimentary foursomes in the tournament.
- Acknowledgment in the DEPA DRILLER event recap

## **SILVER SPONSOR \$5,000**

- Invitation to a reception at The Hotel Emma Tuesday, Oct. 24
- Company name on event website
- Company logo on the welcome banner at reception
- Color photos of foursomes taken day of the event
- A full page ads in the DEPA DRILLER newsletter
- Company logo on the welcome banner at registration table
- Two complimentary player registrations in the tournament
- Acknowledgment in the DEPA DRILLER event recap

## **GOLF CART CO-SPONSOR \$5,000 MAX 2**

- Invitation to a reception at The Hotel Emma Tuesday, Oct. 24
- Company name on event website
- Company logo on the golf cart card
- Company logo on the welcome banner at reception
- Color photos of foursomes taken day of the event
- Two half page ads in the DEPA DRILLER newsletter
- Company logo on the welcome banner at registration table
- Two complimentary player registrations in the tournament
- Acknowledgment in the DEPA DRILLER event recap

## **LUNCH CO-SPONSOR \$5,000 MAX 2**

- Invitation to a reception at The Hotel Emma Tuesday, Oct. 24
- Company name on event website
- Company logo on the welcome banner at reception
- Table identification as lunch sponsor
- Color photos of foursomes taken day of the event
- Two half page ads in the DEPA DRILLER newsletter
- Company logo on the welcome banner at registration table
- Two complimentary player registrations in the tournament
- Acknowledgment in the DEPA DRILLER event recap

## **ON-COURSE BAR SPONSOR \$5,000**

- Invitation to a reception at The Hotel Emma Tuesday, Oct. 24
- Company logo on the welcome banner at pre-event reception
- Company logo on table tents during lunch
- Company name on event website
- Color photos of foursomes taken day of the event
- Two half ads in the DEPA DRILLER newsletter
- Company logo on the welcome banner at registration table
- Two complimentary player registrations in the tournament
- Acknowledgment in the DEPA DRILLER event recap

**WWW.DEPAUSA.ORG/GOLF-TOURNAMENT/**



## AWARDS RECEPTION

### Co-SPONSOR \$5,000 MAX 2

- Invitation to a reception at The Hotel Emma Tuesday, October 24
- Company logo on the welcome banner at the 10/24 reception
- Company logo on signage during Award Reception
- Color photos of foursomes taken day of the event
- Company name on event website
- Two half page ads in the DEPA DRILLER newsletter
- Company logo on the welcome banner at registration table
- Two complimentary player registrations in the tournament
- Acknowledgment in the DEPA DRILLER event recap

### AWARDS RECEPTION BAR SPONSOR \$4,000

- Company name on event website
- Color photos of company foursomes taken day of the event
- One half page ad in the DEPA DRILLER newsletter
- Company logo on the welcome banner at registration table
- Company acknowledgement during Tues., Oct. 24
- Acknowledgment in the DEPA DRILLER event recap

### SOCIAL MEDIA SPONSOR \$4,000

- Company name on event website
- Company logo on two social media event promotional posts
- Company acknowledged on all social media posts.
- Color photos of company foursomes taken day of the event
- One half page ad in the DEPA DRILLER newsletter
- Company logo on the welcome banner at registration table
- Company acknowledgement during Tues., October 24 reception
- Acknowledgment in the DEPA DRILLER event recap

### PLAYER GIFT CO-SPONSOR \$4,000 MAX 2

- Company logo on enclosure card for player gift
- Company name on event website
- Company logo on the welcome banner at reception
- Color photos of company foursomes taken day of the event
- One half page ad in the DEPA DRILLER newsletter
- Company logo on the welcome banner at registration table
- Company acknowledgement during Tues., October 24 reception
- Acknowledgment in the DEPA DRILLER event recap

### BREAKFAST CO-SPONSOR \$3,500 MAX 2

- Company logo on the welcome banner at reception
- Company logo on signage in prominent space during breakfast
- Company name on event website
- Color photos of company foursomes taken day of the event
- One quarter page ad in the DEPA DRILLER newsletter
- Company logo on the welcome banner at registration table
- Company acknowledgement during 10/24 reception
- Acknowledgment in the DEPA DRILLER event recap

### 10/24 PRE-TOURNAMENT RECEPTION SPONSOR \$3,000

- Invitation to a reception at The Hotel Emma Tues., Oct. 24
- Company logo on the welcome banner at reception

- Company logo on signage during Award Reception
- Color photos of company foursomes taken day of the event
- Company name on event website
- One half page ads in the DEPA DRILLER newsletter
- Company logo on welcome banner at registration table
- Acknowledgment in the DEPA DRILLER event recap

### HOLE-IN-ONE SPONSOR \$2,500

- Company logo on the welcome banner at reception
- Company logo used during special pre-promotion of Hole-In-One prizes on social media, in the DRILLER, Eblasts and website.
- Company logo on signage during Award Reception
- Color photos of company foursomes taken day of the event
- One half page ads in the DEPA DRILLER newsletter
- Company logo on the welcome banner at registration table
- Acknowledgment in the DEPA DRILLER event recap

### DOOR PRIZE SPONSOR \$2,000

- Company logo on the welcome banner at reception
- Company logo on signage during Award Reception
- Color photos of company foursomes taken day of the event
- Company name on event website
- Company logo on the welcome banner at registration table
- Acknowledgment in the DEPA DRILLER event recap

### EXCLUSIVE HOLE SPONSOR \$1,000 MAX 4

- Logo on signage at one of the 18 holes
- Opportunity to put a company tent and staff near your sponsored hole
- Company name on event website
- Acknowledgement on some tournament publicity
- Acknowledgement on welcome signage at registration table
- Acknowledgment in the DEPA DRILLER event recap

### HOLE SPONSOR \$500

- Name on signage at one of the 18 holes (maybe shared by more than one sponsor)
- Acknowledgement on welcome signage at registration table
- Acknowledgment in the DEPA DRILLER event recap

### IN-KIND DONOR

If your company would like to help us off set costs by donating items needed for the event we will provide:

- Acknowledgment in the DEPA DRILLER event recap
- Acknowledgement during the pre-tournament reception/dinner
- Acknowledgement during the event
- Two quarter page ads in the DEPA DRILLER newsletter
- Event Day Volunteers— Welcome to wear company logo shirts.
- Shirts— Printed with Event logo and Title Sponsor name.
- Enclosure card would be from donor company.

Printing— Assistance with materials printing.

Bottled Water—Can have company logo on it.

Golf Balls—Logo or plain    Golf Towels— Tournament logo

**If you'd like to suggest an in-kind donation not included on this list, please contact the DEPA office to discuss.**



# SPONSORSHIP FORM

- **Please send player registration information and payment no later than Monday, October 9**
- **Player online registration is available** on the WWW.DEPAUSA.ORG events tab. Select “sponsor team” to register complimentary players.
- **Credit Card payment:** please email this completed form to [csimonds@depausa.org](mailto:csimonds@depausa.org). An invoice will be sent with a payment link.
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Send  
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Email:

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**Confirm Sponsorship**

**Commitment Total:** \_\_\_\_\_

## FOR OFFICE USE

**INVOICED:** ☐ Yes Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PAID:** ☐ Yes Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## SELECT YOUR SPONSORSHIP PACKAGE

Check the box of the sponsorship you'd like to select. If your first choice package has a maximum number of opportunities, please circle a “2” to indicate what your second choice package would be if your choice has sold out.

- |   |                                    |  |  |
|---|------------------------------------|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Title Sponsor \$25,000 <b>Exclusive</b>          |                                    |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Platinum Sponsor \$15,000                        |                                    |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Gold Sponsor \$10,000                            |                                    |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Silver Sponsor \$5,000                           |                                    |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Golf Cart Co-Sponsor \$5,000 <b>Max 2</b>        |                                    |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Lunch Co-Sponsor \$5,000 <b>Max 2</b>            |                                    |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 On-Course Bar Sponsor \$5,000                    |                                    |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Awards Reception Co-Sponsor \$5,000 <b>Max 2</b> |                                    |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Awards Reception Bar Sponsor \$4,000             |                                    |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Social Media Sponsor \$4,000                     |                                    |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Player Gift Co-Sponsor \$4,000 <b>Max 2</b>      |                                    |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Breakfast Co-Sponsor \$3,500 <b>Max 2</b>        |                                    |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Pre-Tournament Reception Sponsor \$3,000         |                                    |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Hole-In-One Sponsor \$2,500                      |                                    |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Door Prize Sponsor \$2,000                       |                                    |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Exclusive Hole Sponsor \$1,000 <b>Max 4</b>      |                                    |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Hole Sponsor \$500                               |                                    |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <u>In-Kind Donor</u>                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Shirts    | <input type="checkbox"/> Bottled Water | <input type="checkbox"/> We have something else in mind. |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Printing  | <input type="checkbox"/> Golf Balls    |  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Event Day |  |  |
|   | Volunteers                         |  |  |

Contact for  
in-kind  
donation

Email/  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Our charge for 2022 was Rational. Going into 2023 DEPA will continue to seek rational decisions, while we keep **purposeful goals in mind**. Our leaders and voters need to overcome the emotional response to the inaccurate messages and keep the purpose of our industry in mind- The welfare of the US, and the world starts with energy. DEPA will bring facts and clear thinking to the table where challenges are being discussed.

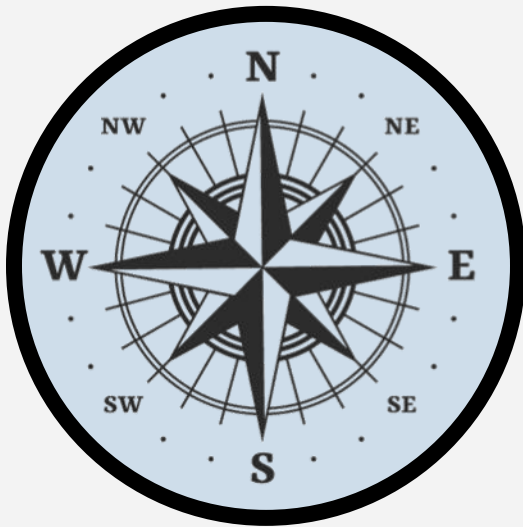
# Purposeful

pur-pose-ful (adjective) /'pərpəs(ə)l/

1: Having or showing determination or resolve

2: Having a useful purpose

3: Intentional



# 2023

**“EFFORTS AND COURAGE ARE NOT ENOUGH  
WITHOUT PURPOSE AND DIRECTION”**

**- JOHN F. KENNEDY**

Be assured DEPA will continue to be prepared, passionate, and persistent when it comes to representing your interests in Washington, D.C.

**OUR WORK IS CRITICAL. YOUR SUPPORT IS VITAL.**

We look forward to working with you.





### Member Information:

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

*"I'm not convinced there is a better industry that supplies as many jobs, and as many products worldwide...when you're looking at the bottom of your shoes, or a bicycle seat, or the grips, or a steering wheel... if you sit inside an airplane and look around, everything that is in the airplane is made from fossil fuels. And I just can't imagine that anywhere in someone's mind that they believe that they could literally replace all of those products and kill an industry, over a myth."*

**-Judy Stark, Pres. Panhandle Producers and Royalty Owners Assoc, on the fight to protect the oil and gas industry from misinformation**

### Member Levels:

- ☐ \$100,000: DEPA Underwriter
- ☐ \$75,000: Lead Investor
- ☐ \$50,000: Executive Investor
- ☐ \$25,000: Principal Investor
- ☐ \$15,000: Partner Investor
- ☐ \$10,000: Associate Investor
- ☐ \$5,000: Affiliate Investor
- ☐ \$2,500: Colleague
- ☐ \$1,000: Advocate
- ☐ \$500: Friend of the Industry
- ☐ \$100: DEPA Supporter

**Return completed form and payment to:**

**DEPA P.O. Box 33190 ★ Tulsa, OK 74135**  
**WWW.DEPAUSA.ORG ★ 405-669-6646**

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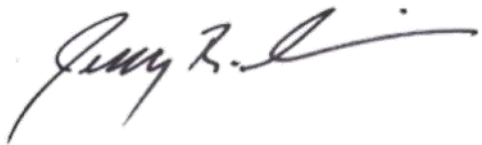
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ORG**

Dear DEPA Members,

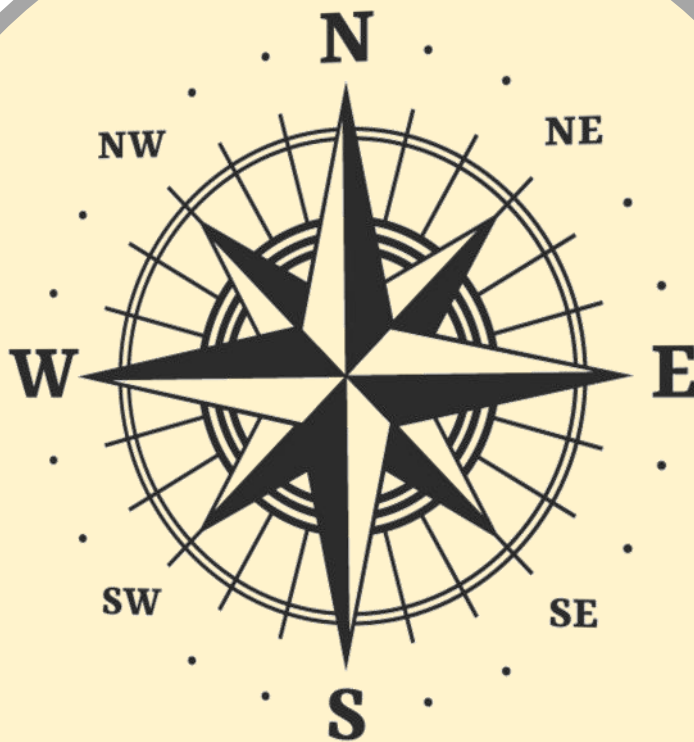
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Please do what you can to support our efforts by donating to our DEPA PAC. PAC donation rules are very stringent. Please follow the instructions on the donation card to make your contribution.

Thank you for all you do, and for your support of DEPA, and our mission.



Jerry Simmons  
DEPA President/CEO



# DEPA PAC

POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE



## What does your contribution to DEPA do?

We believe the only way to accomplish our sharply focused agenda is to establish common ground. We consistently seek common sense solutions to the challenges that face us in business, including our relationships with the legislative and executive branches of the Federal government.

DEPA gives a loud, clear voice to the majority of individuals, and companies responsible for domestic oil and gas production. We should be unapologetic about being the driver of economic growth and security across the globe. Find out more at [WWW.DEPAUSA.ORG](http://WWW.DEPAUSA.ORG)

Name : \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Signature:**

\_\_\_\_\_

## DONATE TODAY!

Fill out these forms and send them in with your support of our mission work in 2022.

☐ \$10,000 Chairman's Council (Joint Contribution)

☐ \$5,000 PAC Founder

☐ \$2,500 Advisor

☐ \$1,000 Friend of Energy

☐ \$500 Sponsor

☐ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Other

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**INFO@DEPAUSA.ORG**

Check enclosed for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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