

## **Organizational Sign-on Letter Opposing Scott Pruitt for EPA Administrator**

Dear U.S. Senators:

We, the undersigned environmental, health, labor, faith, community, business, and advocacy organizations, and elected officials, write to urge your strong, unqualified, and robust opposition to Oklahoma Attorney General Scott Pruitt's appointment to head the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Pruitt has a record of advocating against any and all protections for our water, air and climate. Allowing him to lead the EPA would not only be a disaster for the environment, but for every person in the United States who drinks water or breathes air.

We could write a book detailing Pruitt's anti-environmental views – he has bragged about repeatedly suing the agency he is now being asked to run – but here are a few highlights:

- As Attorney General of Oklahoma, Pruitt campaigned in support of a ballot measure that would have made it virtually impossible for the state to regulate pollution caused by factory farms – pollution which poisons surrounding communities' air and drinking water. Fortunately, Oklahoma voters have the good sense to reject this measure.
- Pruitt is a climate denier who has said that the link between human activity and climate change is "far from settled." He is part of an effort to shield Exxon and other energy companies from accountability over years of misleading the public about the science around climate change.
- Pruitt opposes the ability of the EPA to regulate carbon as a pollutant, something that is essential to combatting climate change.
- Pruitt has opposed the EPA's Waters of the U.S. rule, which strengthened regulations aimed at protecting water from runoff pollution.
- Pruitt even opposes protecting the environment around our national parks. In 2014, Pruitt unsuccessfully sued the EPA over its Regional Haze Rule, a law designed to foster cleaner air at national parks by reducing coal-fired power plant emissions.
- As earthquakes caused by fracking and waste disposal have ravaged Oklahoma, Pruitt has done nothing to protect the people of his state or hold the fossil fuel industry accountable.
- None of this should come as a surprise, given that Pruitt has accepted over \$300,000 in campaign contributions from the fossil fuel industry.

As the above record indicates, Pruitt as EPA Administrator would be a disaster for the environment. But it's worth noting that environmental harm also means human harm. When water is polluted by factory farms, it means that people living down stream get poisoned. When air is polluted by power plants and refineries, it means people living nearby get poisoned. When water systems are allowed to deteriorate and there is insufficient federal response – like in Flint, Michigan – it means people get poisoned. When fossil fuel companies are allowed to drill and dispose of waste with impunity causing earthquakes, it means people's homes are damaged and working people have to pay more for insurance. And when climate change is denied and

allowed to accelerate, it means more superstorms, which means significant property damage and possible loss of life for people living in coastal areas.

The environment should not be a partisan issue, and someone with Scott Pruitt's record should not be allowed anywhere near the EPA, let alone put in a position to lead it. We urge you to not only vote against Pruitt's nomination, but actively use all the power of your office and position to block it. We urge you to lobby your colleagues on both sides of the aisle to oppose his nomination, to speak out in the media highlighting his egregious environmental track record, and use all procedural means at your disposal to block Scott Pruitt from becoming EPA Administrator.

Signed,

**National Organizations**

Food & Water Watch  
350.org  
ActionAid USA  
Americans Against Fracking  
Breast Cancer Action  
Center for Biological Diversity  
Center for Environmental Health  
Center for Food Safety  
Center for Popular Democracy Action  
Climate Hawks Vote  
ClimateMama  
ClimateTruth.org  
Communication Workers of America  
Corporate Accountability International  
CREDO  
Daily Kos  
Democracy Matters  
Democratic Socialists of America  
Earth Guardians  
Earthworks  
Elders Climate Action  
Environmental Action  
Environmental Working Group  
Family Farm Defenders  
Friends of the Earth  
Frack Action  
Freedom US Section  
Global Exchange  
Global Witness

GMO Free USA  
GMO Inside  
Green America  
Greenpeace  
Hazon  
Hispanic Federation  
Honor the Earth  
Indigenous Environmental Network  
Labor Network for Sustainability  
Mainstreet Moms  
NAACP  
National Employment Law Project  
National Family Farm Coalition  
National Nurses United  
Native Organizers Alliance  
Nuclear Information and Resource Service  
Oil Change International  
Organic Consumers Association  
Our Revolution  
Peace Action  
People Demanding Action  
People for Bernie  
People for the American Way  
People's Action  
Pesticide Action Network North America  
Popular Resistance  
Power Shift Network  
Progressive Congress Action Fund  
Progressive Democrats of America

Psychologists for Social Responsibility -  
Environmental Action Group  
Public Citizen  
Rainforest Action Network  
ReFund America Project  
Stand.earth  
Stop the Frack Attack Advisory Council  
SustainUS

Sustainable Food Trade Association  
The Story of Stuff Project  
Waterkeeper Alliance  
WildEarth Guardians  
Women's International League for Peace &  
Working Families Party  
Young Evangelicals for Climate Action

### **Local, State and Regional Organizations and Businesses**

350 Brooklyn  
350 Madison  
350 Bucks County  
350 Colorado  
350 CT  
350 Eugene  
350 KC  
350 Kishwaukee  
350 Loudoun, Sierra Club, Unitarian Universalist Church of Loudoun  
350 Louisiana - New Orleans  
350 MA for a Better Future - South Shore Node  
350 Mass  
350 Pittsburgh  
350 Plattsburgh  
350 Santa Barbara  
350 Seattle  
350 Silicon Valley  
350 Brooklyn  
350 NYC  
Advocates for Cherry Valley  
Advocates for Morris  
Advocates for Springfield, NY  
Albuquerque Center for Peace and Justice  
All Our Energy  
Allergy and Asthma Office  
Alliance for Climate Education  
Already Devalued and Devastated Homeowners of Parsippany  
American University Washington College of Law Environmental Law Society  
Animals Are Sentient Beings, Inc.  
Aquamarine Studio  
Ariel Bickel dba Chispa Consulting  
Association of American Indian Farmers

Atchafalaya Basinkeeper  
Athens County Fracking Action Network  
Back To Democracy  
Ballona Creek Renaissance  
Ban the Bag Wichita  
Ban Fracking CA  
Bark, Defenders of Mt. Hood  
BARRETT INTERNATIONAL TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED  
Barry Dems  
Bay Area Labor Committee for Peace and Justice  
Bay Ridge Democrats  
Be the Change  
Benedictine Sisters  
Bergen Save the Watershed Action Network  
Berks Gas Truth  
Berkshire Environmental Action Team (BEAT)  
Bernie Delegates Network L.A.  
Beyond Extreme Energy  
Big Bend Conservation Alliance  
Big Initiatives  
Bronx Climate Justice North  
Brooklyn Society for Ethical Culture  
Buckeye Environmental Network  
Cafeteria Culture  
Cahaba Riverkeeper  
Californians Against Fracking  
Capital District Against Fracking  
CAPP  
CAPPNY  
Career-Element, LLC.  
Carson Connected  
Catskill Citizens for Safe Energy  
Catskill Mountainkeeper  
CAVU  
CCC  
Cedar Lane Unitarian Universalist Church Environmental Justice Ministry  
Center for Community Change Action  
Center for Earth Ethics  
Central California Environmental Justice Network  
Central Jersey Coalition Against Endless War  
CEO Pipe Organs/Golden Ponds Farm  
Chenango CDOGG (Chenango Delaware Otsego Gas Drilling Opposition Group)  
Choctawhatchee Riverkeeper  
Church Women United in New York State

Citizen Action of New York  
Citizens Action Coalition of IN  
Citizens Energy and Economics Council of Delaware County, NY (CEEC)  
Citizens For A Clean Pompton Lakes  
Citizens for Oceanfront Preservation  
Citizens of Local Power  
Citizens United for Renewable Energy (CURE)  
Citizens' Environmental Coalition  
Cleveland Environmental Action Network  
Cleveland National Forest Foundation  
Climate Caretakers  
Climate Justice Hub  
Climate Law & Policy Project  
Coalition Against Pilgrim Pipelines- NY  
Coalition Against the Pilgrim Pipeline  
Coalition Against the Pilgrim Pipeline NJ  
Coastal Environmental Rights Foundation  
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Colorado AFL-CIO  
Colorado People's Alliance  
Colorado Rising  
Colorado Springs LadyDems Group  
Columbus Community Bill of Rights  
Committee for Constitutional & Environmental Justice  
Community for Unity  
Community Research  
Community Rights Organization of Willits  
Community Science Institute  
Complete It Cuomo  
Compressor Free Franklin  
Computer Co-op  
Concerned Citizens For Change  
Concerned Citizens of Otego NY  
Concerned Families of Westchester  
Concerned Health Professionals of New York  
Concerned Citizens of Lebanon County  
Concerned Residents of Oxford  
Congregational Church of Birmingham, UCC  
Connecticut Center for the Alexander Technique  
Connecticut Fund for the Environment  
Connecticut Sierra Club  
Conservation Voters New Mexico  
Crawford Stewardship Project  
CT Citizen Action Group

CURE (Clean Up the River Environment)  
DAG-Delaware Action Group  
Damascus Citizens for Sustainability  
Delaware Riverkeeper Network  
Democratic Women's Club of Bay County  
Denver Justice and Peace Committee  
DIRLA  
Don't Waste Arizona  
Donnelly/Colt  
Dryden Resource Awareness Coalition  
Earth Action, Inc.  
Earth Day Initiative  
Earth Dweller  
East Jersey Chapter Trout Unlimited  
East New York Farms!/United Community Centers  
Eastern Connecticut Green Action  
Eco-Poetry.org: Climate Crisis Literature, News & Alerts  
EcoEquity  
ECOS Gathering  
Eight Rivers Council  
El Comite de Apoyo a los Trabajadores Agricolas / The Farmworkers' Support Committee  
Elder Activists  
Elmirans & Friends Against Fracking  
Empire State Consumer Project, Inc.  
Esopus Creek Conservancy  
Esopus Town CAPP  
Essex County Green Party  
Fair World Project  
Farmers and Families for Claverack  
Farmers and Families for Livingston  
Finger Lakes Cider House/Good Life Cider  
First Parish in Hingham  
First People's Conservation Council of La.  
Floridians Against Fracking  
Food Empowerment Project  
For the Children and the Earth  
Forest City 350 Climate Coalition  
Fossil Free Drexel  
Fossil Free Tompkins  
Fox Valley Citizens for Peace & Justice  
Frack Action  
Frack Free Illinois // Chicagoland Oil By Rail  
Freshwater Future  
Friends of Lenape Everywhere

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Friends of the Pogonip  
Gas Free Seneca  
Genesee Valley Citizens for Peace  
Genesis Farm  
GENUK.ev  
Gila Resources Information Project  
Glover Kenny Associates  
GMO Free NY  
Grassroots Environmental Education  
Greater Mohawk Valley Land Bank  
Greater New York Labor Religion Coalition  
Green Country Sierra Club Group  
Green Delaware  
Green Party of Michigan  
Green Shepherd, LLC  
Greenbelt Climate Action Network  
Guilford Peace Alliance  
Gulf Restoration Network  
Gunntown Committee  
Hansen & Sun Electric  
Hap Mountain Herbal  
Hatch Arts Collective  
Hazon  
Health Care Associates Ltd  
Hennebry Canel Appraisal  
HHSO  
Hilton Head for Peace  
Hip Hop Caucus  
Hoosier Environmental Council  
Humboldt Baykeeper  
Hunger Action Network of NYS  
HydroQuest  
iEat Green, LLC  
Indigenous Cultural Concepts  
Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy  
Iowa Citizens for Community Improvement  
Ironwood Farm  
Irthlingz Arts-Based Environmental Education  
Islamic center of Virginia  
Ithaca-SHIP.org  
Jackpine Savage Guide Service  
Jewish Climate Action Network NYC  
Jewish Farm School

Job Wise Inc.  
Just Food  
Kalamazoo River Protection Assoc.  
Keystone Progress  
Labor-Religion Coalition of New York State  
Laguna Acoma Coalition for a Safe Environment  
Landscape Alternatives, L.L.C.  
LEAD Agency, Inc.  
Lehigh-Pocono Committee of Concern (A.K.A. LEPOCO Peace Center)  
Lenape Indian Tribe of Delaware  
Little Lakes Sustainability Network  
Long Beach 350  
Long Branch Environmental Education Center  
Long Island Progressive Coalition  
Los Alamos Study Group  
Lutheran Church in the San Juans  
Mackenzie Consulting LLC  
Make the Road New York  
Mann Plumbing, Inc./ MPI Solar  
Michigan Citizens for Water Conservation  
Mid-Hudson Sierra Club  
Mid-Missouri Peaceworks  
Middlefield Neighbors  
Milford Doers/Residents of Crumhorn Mtn  
Milwaukee Riverkeeper  
Minnesota Interfaith Power & Light  
Missourians Organizing for Reform and Empowerment (MORE)  
MN 350  
Mohawk Valley Keeper  
Moms Clean Air Force  
Moms Clean Air Force - Illinois  
Multicultural Alliance for a Safe Environment  
Native American Community Development Institute  
Nature Coast Conservation, Inc.  
Neighborhood Tree Health, Am. Civic & Cultural Enterprise  
NEOGAP (Network for Oil and Gas Accountability and Protection)  
New Hampshire Pipeline Awareness  
New Haven Climate Movement  
New Haven Leon Sister City Project  
New Jersey Tenants Organization  
New Leaf  
New Mexico Climate Action  
New Mexico Environmental Law Center  
New Mexico Story Power



New Paltz Climate Action Coalition  
New Vision Edge Inc  
New York Climate Action Group  
New York Communities for Change (NYCC)  
New York Heartwoods, LLC  
New York Progressive Action Network  
New Yorkers Against Fracking  
NJ State Industrial Union Council  
NJ Working Families  
NMEAC  
No Sharon Gas Pipeline  
North American Climate, Conservation and Environment (NACCE)  
Northeast Organic Farming Association of New York  
Northjersey Pipeline Walkers  
Nuclear Age Peace Foundation  
NY Buddhist Climate Action Network  
NYC Grassroots Alliance  
NYC H2O  
Occupy Bergen County (N.J.)  
Ocean Conservation Research  
Orange Residents Against Pilgrim Pipelines  
Organize Now  
Otsego 2000, Inc.  
Otsego Neighbors  
Our Health, Our Future, Our Longmont  
OVEC  
OWS Special Projects Affinity Group  
Parish of Holy Cross-Saint John the Baptist  
Partnership for Global Justice  
Patriots From the Oil & Gas Shales  
PAUSE - People of Albany United for Safe Energy  
Peace Action Fund of NYS  
Peace Action New York State  
Peacework Organic CSA  
Pennsylvania Alliance for Clean Water and Air  
Pennsylvania Federation of Labor Unions-Teamsters  
Pennsylvanians Against Fracking  
People for a Healthy Environment, Inc.  
People for Community Rights  
People Over Pipelines  
People's Climate Movement - Capital Region  
Permanent Solutions  
PERRO  
Philadelphia Neighborhood Networks

Physicians for Social Responsibility, Florida  
Physicians for Social Responsibility, Arizona  
Physicians for Social Responsibility, New York  
Plataforma Interamericana de Derechos Humanos, Democracia y Desarrollo (PIDHDD)  
Plymouth Friends of Clean Water  
Professor of Pastoral Care  
Progress Michigan  
Protect Monterey County  
Protect Our Loveland  
Protect the Adirondacks  
PSARA  
PSR Florida  
Putting Down Roots  
Redwing Blackbird Theater  
Regional Farm and Food Project  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute  
Residents Allied for the Future of Tioga (RAFT)  
Restore the Delta  
Rethink Energy Florida  
Richmond -Interfaith Climate Justice League  
Richmond Progressive Alliance  
Rio Arriba Concerned Citizens  
ROAR Against Fracking  
Rochester People's Climate Coalition  
Roots and Trails  
Rootskeeper.org  
Roseland Against the Compressor Station (RACS)  
San Diego Coastkeeper  
San Francisco Baykeeper  
Sane Energy Progress  
Sanford-Oquaga Area Concerned Citizens (S-OACC)  
Sanford-Oquaga Concerned Citizens  
Santa Barbara Standing Rock Coalition  
Santa Cruz Climate Action network  
SAPE  
Save Our Forests and Ranchlands  
Save Our Illinois Land  
SECAP  
SEED (Securing Economic and Energy Democracy in SW NM  
SEIU local 1021  
Seneca Lake Guardian, A Waterkeeper Affiliate  
Seven Circles Foundation  
Sharon Springs Against Hydrofracking  
Sierra Club Michigan Chapter

Sierra Club, River Prairie IL  
Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter  
Sing Along  
Sisters of Charity Federation  
Sisters of St. Dominic  
Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia  
SLO Clean Water  
Slow Food Hudson Valley  
So What Else  
SoCal 350 Climate Action  
Social Justice Cttee of Shoreline Unitarian Universalist Society of Madison, CT  
Social Justice Team Detroit Metro Assoc United Church of Christ  
Sojourners  
Solidarity Committee of the Capital District  
Sound Rivers, Inc.  
South Asian Fund For Education, Scholarship and Training (SAFEST)  
South Coast Neighbors United, Inc.  
South Jersey Chapter Surfrider Foundation  
Southern Cayuga Anti-Fracking Alliance  
SSJ Earth Center  
St. Mary's River Watershed Association  
Standard Clay Products Co.  
Starfishgirl Anti-Stalking Campaign  
Stop Algonquin Pipeline Expansion  
Stop NY Fracked Gas Pipeline  
Storrs Automotive  
Straits Area Concerned Citizens  
Strawtown Studio  
Students for a Just & Stable Future  
Sugar Law Center for Economic & Social Justice  
Sullivan Area Citizens for Responsible Energy Development  
Sunflower Alliance  
Sunnyside CSA  
SUNY Oneonta Biological Field Station  
Surfers Environmental Alliance  
Sustainable Delaware  
Sustainable McDonough  
Sustainable Medina County  
Sustainable Midlands  
Sustainable Saugerties  
Sustainable Tompkins  
Syracuse Peace Council  
TakeAction Minnesota  
Tampa Bay Climate Action Network

The #PutAPriceOnIt Campaign  
The AMP Creeks Council  
The Black Institute  
The Carrie Dickerson Foundation  
The CLEO Institute  
The Global Cooling Project  
The Natural History Museum  
The Nature Place Day Camp  
The Raiz Up  
The Ramapo River Committee  
The Seeding Sovereignty Project  
The Shalom Center  
The Wei  
The Years of Living Dangerously  
Thomas Berry Forum for Ecological Dialogue  
Three Parks Independent Democrats  
Town of Ulysses  
Toxics Action Center  
Transition Express Inc  
Triangle Women's International League for Peace and Freedom  
Turtle Island Restoration Network  
Uncouth Vermouth, Incorporated  
Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the South Jersey Shore  
Unitarian Universalist Pennsylvania Legislative Advocacy Network (UUPLAN)  
Unitarian Universalist, Egg Harbor City, NJ  
United for Action  
United Native Americans  
Valley Organic Growers Association  
Vokashi - Compost Collection Service  
Voters Occupy  
Waterkeepers Chesapeake  
WATERSPIRIT  
WE ACT for Environmental Justice  
We Are Cove Point  
We Are Seneca Lake  
WESPAC Foundation  
West Branch Conservation Association  
Westchester for Change  
WilderUtopia  
Wisdom of the Herbs School  
Wittenberg Center for Alternative Resources  
Women Against War  
World Can't Wait  
World Team Now

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