

EDF Action Video on EPA Nominee Scott Pruitt

Pruitt calls himself a “leading advocate against the EPA’s activist agenda”

- Source: OK Attorney General’s official web site
https://www.ok.gov/oag/Media/About_the_AG/index.html

Pruitt has repeatedly sued to block EPA safeguards, including rules on mercury, smog, and arsenic

- Source: Legal filings

Mercury and Air Toxics Standard (which also covers arsenic)
<https://www.edf.org/sites/default/files/Joint%20Brief.pdf>

Ozone NAAQS:
https://www.uschamber.com/sites/default/files/documents/files/arizona_v_epa.pdf

Cross State Air Pollution Rule (which addresses, among other things, ozone precursors):
http://www.edf.org/sites/default/files/content/eme_v_epa_cadc_post-remand_-_state_petitioners_opening_brief_-_12-10-14.pdf

Pruitt questions whether mercury pollution poses a public health hazard

- Source: Legal filings- White Stallion Energy Center v. EPA brief at pg. 23:
<https://www.edf.org/sites/default/files/Joint%20Brief.pdf>

American Academy of Pediatrics calls mercury particularly dangerous to developing children

- Source: American Academy of Pediatrics Technical Report: Mercury in the Environment: Implications for Pediatricians
<http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/108/1/197>

Former EPA Administrator Mike Leavitt says mercury is a dangerous neurotoxin

- Source: PBS NewsHour interview with Leavitt
http://www.pbs.org/newshour/bb/environment-july-dec03-epa_12-11/

Pruitt attacked limits on smog (also known as ground level ozone)

- Source: State Impact NPR

<https://stateimpact.npr.org/oklahoma/2015/10/28/oklahoma-attorney-generals-latest-epa-lawsuit-challenges-new-ozone-limits/>

American Lung Association gives all OK counties surveyed an “F”

- Source: ALA State of the Air 2016
<http://www.lung.org/our-initiatives/healthy-air/sota/city-rankings/states/oklahoma/>

Former EPA Administrator William Reilly calls smog problem “immense”

- Source: UPI “EPA says 37 more cities violate federal smog standards”
<http://www.upi.com/Archives/1989/07/27/EPA-says-37-more-cities-violate-federal-smog-standards/5579617515200/>

Former EPA Administrator Whitman says Pruitt is “disdainful” of EPA

- Source: Grist “George W. Bush EPA chief slams Trump’s pick”
<http://grist.org/politics/george-w-bush-epa-chief-slams-trumps-pick/>

Pruitt shut down the environmental enforcement unit in the Oklahoma attorney general’s office

- Source: EnergyWire “Pruitt dismantled environmental unit in Okla.”
<http://www.eenews.net/stories/1060047302>

Pruitt abandoned an Illinois River waste lawsuit

- Source: ClimateWire “Trump’s pick left Okla. water pollution case hanging”
<http://www.eenews.net/stories/1060047704>

Pruitt in caught in an “unpredicted, secretive alliance” with energy firms

- Source: New York Times “Energy Firms in Secretive Alliance With Attorneys General”
https://www.nytimes.com/2014/12/07/us/politics/energy-firms-in-secretive-alliance-with-attorneys-general.html?_r=0

Pruitt put his offices name on industry drafted letters to the EPA

- Source: New York Times “Energy Firms in Secretive Alliance With Attorneys General”
https://www.nytimes.com/2014/12/07/us/politics/energy-firms-in-secretive-alliance-with-attorneys-general.html?_r=0

Pruitt says “That’s actually called representative government in my view of the world”

- Source: The Oklahoman “Oklahoma attorney general denies 'secretive alliance’”
<http://newsok.com/oklahoma-attorney-general-denies-secretive-alliance/article/5374189>

Arnold Hamilton says Pruitt is a “toady” for big money financial groups

- Source: KFOR.com ““I was stunned,” NY Times article blasts Oklahoma attorney general, accuses him of ‘secret alliance’
<http://kfor.com/2014/12/08/i-was-stunned-ny-times-article-blasts-oklahoma-attorney-general-accuses-him-of-secret-alliance/>

Pruitt believes pollution protections for downwind states encroach on sovereignty for upwind states

- Source: The Oklahoman “U.S. Supreme Court ruling on emissions could affect Oklahoma coal plants”
<http://newsok.com/article/4744359>

Pruitt believes debate on reality of climate science should be encouraged

- Source: New York Times “Trump Picks Scott Pruitt, Climate Change Denialist, to Lead E.P.A.”
<http://www.nytimes.com/2016/12/07/us/politics/scott-pruitt-epa-trump.html>

Pruitt said EPA was never intended to be the nation’s foremost environmental regulator

- Source: NPR “Trump Selects Oklahoma Attorney General Scott Pruitt To Run The EPA”
<http://www.npr.org/2016/12/07/504723628/trump-selects-oklahoma-attorney-general-scott-pruitt-to-run-the-epa>

Pruitt remarks on legislating and clean air

- Source: Speech to Hillsdale College, published on YouTube Jul 12, 2016
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ewsYIss_Icg