

Congratulations to Janet McCabe on her nomination for Deputy Administrator of EPA

EPN is thrilled that President-elect Joe Biden has nominated Janet McCabe as EPA Deputy Administrator. As an EPN volunteer, Janet has been an invaluable resource in furthering our mission to advance the Nation's bipartisan legacy of public health and environmental protections, and serves on EPN's bipartisan Advisory Council. Janet will be a tremendous asset to the new administrator and career EPA staff as they tackle the serious public health and environmental challenges before us and work to reset the course of EPA.

Reminder and more links for today's All-Hands Call, 1-2pm eastern

We encourage those attending to use **Zoom**. Meeting ID: 132-677-518; Password: 449634

If needed, call-in number: 669-900-9128 (same Meeting ID and Password)

EPN member **Betsy Southerland*** will present on the expanding slate of midnight rules being pushed through EPA by the Trump administration. Fellow EPN member **June Taylor** will conclude the call with a Q&A.

Here are some helpful links:

Clean Air Act

- Greenhouse Gas Emissions Standards for Aircraft (EPN Comments on proposed rulemaking)
- Final Ozone NAAQS (Federal Register Final Rulemaking)
- Final Particulate Matter NAAQS (Federal Register Final Rulemaking)
- Cost-Benefit Analyses under CAA (EPN Comments on proposed rulemaking)
- Greenhouse Gas Emission Significant Contribution Finding (Federal Register Final Rulemaking)

Clean Water Act

- <u>Interim Strategy for EPA Permits on Wastewater Monitoring of PFAS</u> (Federal Register Proposed Rulemaking)
- EPA Approval of FL to administer CWA 404 program (Federal Register Final Rulemaking)
- Corps of Engineers 2021 Nationwide Permits (Federal Register Final Rulemaking)

Safe Drinking Water Act

- Final lead and copper rule (EPN comments on proposed rulemaking)

Toxic Substances Control Act

- Restrictions on 5 Persistent Bioaccumulative Toxics
- Lead Clearance Levels for floor and window sill cleanups (Federal Register Final Rulemaking)

All Statutes

- Strengthening Transparency in Pivotal Science (Op-ed by EPN member, David Coursen)
- <u>PFBS("forever chemicals") toxicity assessment (expected to be released this week) a health threshold issue that impacts all EPA programs</u> (Article in Politico featuring Betsy Southerland)

Here are links that were sent out on Wednesday

- An <u>Inside Climate News</u> article featuring EPN members **Jeff Alson**, **Dan Costa**, **Tom Sinks**, and **Chris Zarba** concerning EPA's final "Censored Science" rule and its combative relationship with science under the Trump administration.
- A <u>Washington Post</u> article quoting EPN member **Bernard Goldstein** on EPA's decision to retain existing ozone and particulate matter National Air Ambient Quality Standards.
- A <u>New York Times</u> article quoting EPN member **Roy Gamse** on EPA's finalization of its rule to change how costs and benefits are calculated when issuing clean air and climate change rules.
- An ABC News article quoting EPN member Mustafa Santiago Ali on EPA's final Lead and Copper Rule.
- An <u>E&E News</u> article quoting **Betsy** regarding EPA's interim strategy for PFAS through federally approved wastewater permits under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System.
- * Betsy Southerland previously worked on Superfund and water issues at EPA from 1984-2017, most recently serving as Director of the Office of Science and Technology in EPA's Office of Water. In 2015, she received the Distinguished Presidential Rank Award from President Obama. In 2019, the Century Foundation and the selection committee of the Peter A. A. Berle Environmental Integrity Award gave a Special Recognition award to Betsy for speaking out against the EPA's assault on environmental science and scientists.

See you at 1pm!

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