

IPAMS

As I See It

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Recap of Prior Actions

- ✓ Salazar-Udall proposed amendment to prohibit leasing on the Roan Plateau – I killed this on the House floor using a Budget Act technicality.
- ✓ EFACT2005 – Section 390. NEPA statutory categorical exclusions. I negotiated this language in conference, and with the help of Rep. Joe Barton was able to make this law.
- ✓ EFACT2005 – Section 365. Permit Pilot Project Offices. I defended this provision in conference.

Recap Continued

✓ Results: Wells Spudded on Federal Lands:

2005 – 1742

2006 – 4708

2007 – 5343

2008 – 5044

Recap Continued

- ✓ EFACT2005 Section 322 – Prevented regulation of hydraulic fracturing under the Safe Drinking Water Act.
- ✓ EFACT2005 – Negotiated the language transferring Naval Petroleum Reserve #2 in Kern County, CA, from DOE to DOI allowing leasing for oil and gas.
- ✓ EFACT2005 Section 342 – Made permanent the oil and gas RIK program.

Recap Continued

- ✓ EPACT2005 – Section 366 Established “deadlines” for processing onshore APDs.
- ✓ EPACT2005 – Section 368 Established energy ROW corridors on Federal lands.
- ✓ EPACT2005 – Section 369 – Oil Shale, Tar Sands, and Other Strategic Unconventional Fuels Act – I am the primary author.
- ✓ EPACT2005 – Section 354 -- Production incentives for CO2 EOR projects.

Recap Continued

- ✓ EFACT2005 Section 362 – Established the legal duty of the Secretaries of Agriculture and the Interior for “expeditious” compliance with NEPA and other laws and to “ensure timely action” on APDs and other actions on leases.
- ✓ EFACT2005 Subtitle J – Ultra-Deepwater and Unconventional Natural Gas and other Petroleum Resources mandatory grant program.

Recap Continued

- ✓ EPACT2005 Title XIV, Subtitle B – Set America Free Act. Establishes as the official policy of the United States that North America (Canada, Mexico, and the United States) should be, as a whole, energy self-sufficient by 2025. I initiated this provision and protected it.
- ✓ If there are parts of EPACT2005 that you don't like, I'm happy to inform you that I had nothing to do with them!

CURRENT OVERSEERS

- ✓ Not news that the Obama Administration is populated overwhelmingly with environmental and socialist radicals.
- ✓ Energy and Environment White House Czar Carol Browner was an active member of Socialist International's Environmental groups.
- ✓ Department of the Interior Secretary Salazar is one of the more moderate influences and that is very scary to admit.

Current Overseers

- ✓ Obama-Salazar appointees at DOI are shocking.
- ✓ Deputy Secretary David Hayes – was also Deputy Secretary under Clinton-Babbitt. The DOI press release claims that Hayes “played a lead role in helping INTRODUCE modern water management approaches in the West”. I’m sure that is NEWS to all the water management professionals who had continued to engage in antiquated methods prior to David Hayes becoming Deputy Secretary.

Current Overseers

- ✓ David Hayes, cont. – The arrogance continues. “Hayes was a partner at Latham & Watkins where he earned distinction as one of the nation’s top natural resource lawyers. In 2007 and 2008, he was a consulting professor at Stanford University’s Woods Institute for the Environment, where he led a project to find achievable and practical climate change policy solutions.” Typical press statement – full of oxymorons.

Current Overseers

- ✓ Chief of Staff to the Secretary AND Assistant Secretary, Fish, Wildlife & Parks – Tom Strickland. No stranger to Westerners, Strickland is basically running DOI on a day-to-day basis, but is also the top guy on Fish, Wildlife, and Parks policy.
- ✓ Strickland, twice the Democrat nominee for U.S. Senate, among other things, was cofounder with Secretary Salazar of Great Outdoors Colorado.
- ✓ On June 11, DOI announced that Strickland's Counselor (helping him run FWP while he runs the Department) will be "renowned expert Michael Bean". Hold onto your seats.

Current Overseers

- ✓ Bean comes to DOI from the Environmental Defense Fund where he directed the fund's wildlife conservation policy initiatives since 1977 and most recently served as co-director of its Center for Conservation Incentives.
- ✓ One of two Deputy Assistant Secretaries for Fish, Wildlife & Parks is Will Shafroth, founding director of the Colorado Conservation Trust and the Great Outdoors Colorado Trust Fund. Shafroth has been a long-time member and Chairman of the Board of the Land Trust Alliance, and was Chairman of the Resources Legacy Fund (Sacramento, CA) for 7 years. He was previously Assistant Secretary for Land and Coastal Resources in the California Resources Agency. He was also for 8 years Western Regional Director of the American Farmland Trust.

Current Overseers

- ✓ The other Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife, and Parks is Jane Lyder, a long-time career DOI employee, who was formerly DOI Legislative Counsel. She would fit in well with the Boulder crowd.
- ✓ Obama-Salazar have selected Wilma Lewis, former US Attorney for the District of Columbia and DOI Inspector General under Clinton, to be the Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management. Lewis has ZERO background in land and minerals management, but a huge background in investigations and prosecutions. What does that tell you about how she might deal with the BLM, MMS, Office of Surface Mining, and DOI oil, gas, and coal lessees?

Current Overseers

- ✓ Obama and Salazar have selected two Deputy Assistant Secretaries for Land and Minerals Management to work with Wilma Lewis.
- ✓ The first DAS is Ned Farquhar, “a renewable energy and natural resource policy expert and former senior advisor on energy and the environment to New Mexico Governor Bill Richardson. He designed and implemented the Governor’s clean energy program. In making this appointment, Salazar said, “Our mandate from the President is to reduce the country’s dependence on foreign oil, build a new clean-energy economy, and make wise use of our conventional energy resources.” Farquhar was most recently senior advocate for Mountain West Energy/Climate with the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC). A member of numerous groups, he has been Chairman of Conservation Voters of New Mexico since 2006.
- ✓ For the David and Lucile Packard Foundation, Ned developed and implemented national and regional campaigns for land protection, habitat conservation, growth management, and land use.

Current Overseers

- ✓ The other Deputy Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management will be Sylvia Baca, form Assistant Secretary under Clinton-Babbitt. Baca comes back to DOI after a 8 years with BP America in Houston where she is currently General Manager for Social Investment Programs and Strategic Partnerships. Her prior work with BP focused on environmental initiatives, climate change, biodiversity, and sustainability objectives. Her work resulted in BP having the “greenest” fleet of ships in the world.
- ✓ Like Fahrqhar, Baca is also from New Mexico.
- ✓ Baca’s prior stint at DOI did not exhibit a “rock the boat” mentality.

Current Overseers

- ✓ Obama and Salazar have selected Hilary Tompkins to be the DOI Solicitor.
- ✓ From 2003 – 2008 Tompkins was the chief counsel to New Mexico Governor Bill Richardson.
- ✓ Prior to joining Richardson's staff, Tompkins was an attorney with a firm dedicated to representing Native American interests.
- ✓ Tompkins is an enrolled member of the Navajo Nation.

Salazar's Record So Far