

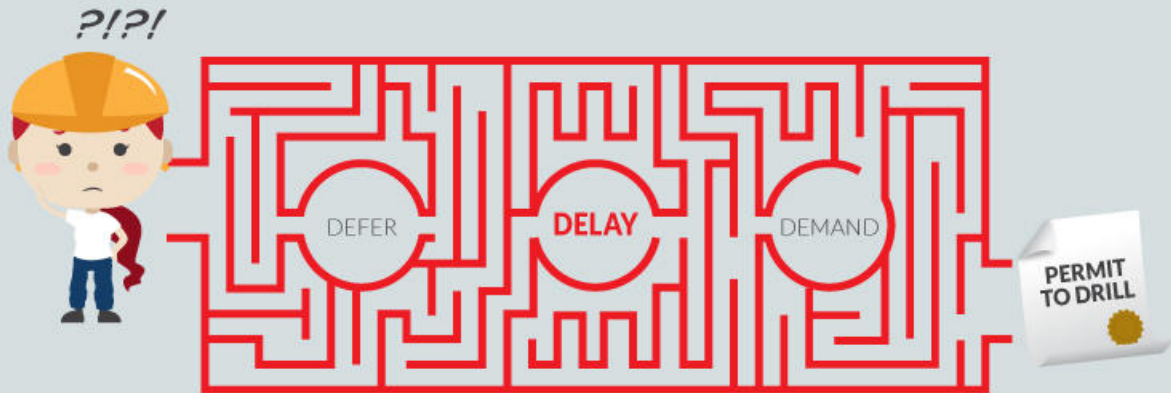
Red Tape Nation ^[1]

PEELING BACK THE **RED TAPE**

TACTIC 2: DELAY

RED TAPE NATION

The federal regulatory process for onshore oil and natural gas development on public lands is a veritable labyrinth of red tape.

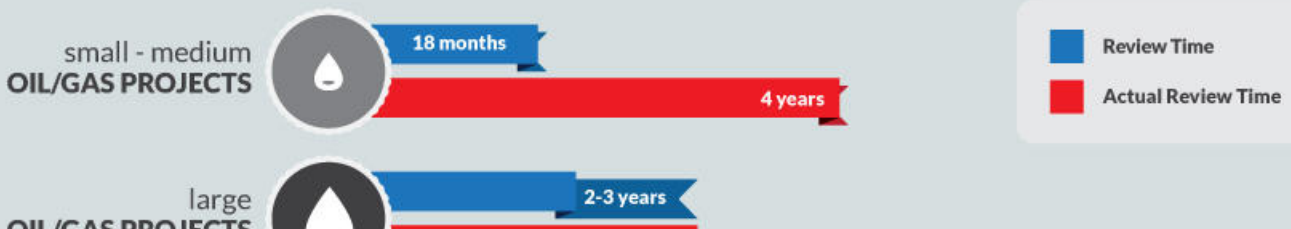


Let's peel back the **Red Tape**...

DELAY IS THE DEADLIEST FORM OF DENIAL

- C. Northcote Parkinson, *historian*

All federal energy development projects go through environmental review under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).



large
SOLAR PROJECTS



9 months

2-3 years

BLM completes NEPA for large solar projects, which have a much larger footprint on the land per unit of energy, in as little as **nine months**.

IT'S POLITICAL

When they have the political will, they get the approvals done quickly.



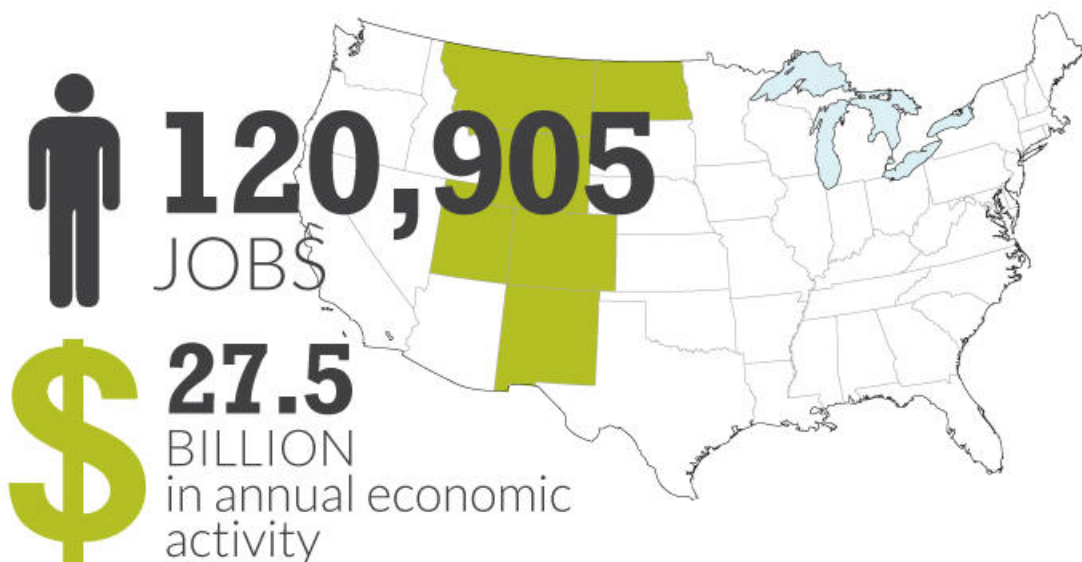
OIL & NATURAL GAS NEPA



SOLAR & WIND NEPA

QUICK FACT

In the West, proposed Oil & Natural Gas projects could create:



But this full economic impact has been held up by federal government NEPA delays

STOCKPILING PERMITS?

**AVERAGE
PERMITTING
TIME**

STATE

33 Days

FEDERAL

227 DAYS



INDUSTRY HAS
5,919
APPROVED
DRILLING
PERMITS. YOU
HAVE AMPLE
OPPORTUNITY TO
DEVELOP.



YEAH BUT WE
HAVE TO ASK FOR
PERMITS SO FAR
IN ADVANCE THAT
THEY DO PILE UP
WHEN
CONDITIONS
CHANGE YEARS
LATER.

THE SOLUTION?

- Reduce delays and cut the red tape
- Follow permitting guidelines
- Delegate processing to the states
- Eliminate redundant environmental analysis
- Implement timeframes for NEPA documents

PERMITTING DELAY

PERMITTING

NEPA DELAY

CLUT IT OUT, WASHINGTON!

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