

Federal Energy Policy Approach: A Look to the Future

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Key Federal Actions

- Presidential
- Executive
- Legislative

Presidential Actions

- Executive Order 13985 – Racial and Economic Equality
- Executive Order 14008 – Climate Change
- Presidential Memorandum – Tribal Consultation
- DPC Guidance – Justice40 Initiative

EO 13985 Racial and Economic Equity

- Whole of Government Equity Agenda:
 - comprehensive approach to advancing equity (civil rights, racial justice, equal opportunity)
 - Systematic approach to embed fairness in decision making
- Key Actions:
 - Equity assessment – review agency programs
 - Advocate for federal resources – promote equity in budgets
 - Procurement – equitable access to procurement opportunities
 - Engagement and consultations – with members of underserved communities, increase coordination and communication

EO 14008 – Climate Change

- Government Wide Approach
 - Creates "Office of Domestic Climate Policy" – Gina McCarthy
 - Creates "National Climate Task Force"
 - Federal procurement plan
 - Renewable Energy on Public Lands
 - Federal funding priorities
 - Improve climate forecast capabilities for S, L, T governments
 - Infrastructure investments
 - Civilian Conservation Corp
 - Energy Transition
 - Environmental Justice
 - Justice 40 Initiative

Presidential Memorandum on Tribal Consultation

- Consultation on consultation
- Reinforce government to government relationship
- Agency consultation policies
- Re-started White House Native American Affairs Council
 - Energy subgroup?

DPC Guidance – Justice40 Initiative

- 40% of overall benefits of federal investments "flow to disadvantaged communities"
 - Does not explicitly include tribes in the definition
- Covered programs - climate change, clean energy and energy efficiency, training and workforce development
- Covered investments – financial assistance, direct payments, federal procurement
- 21 pilot programs – WAP, BRIC, SETO, DERA, LIHEAP, REAP

Executive Action - Key Agencies

- Dept of Energy
 - Technology expertise
 - Project development and deployment capacity building
 - Project deployment funding
 - Energy equity and justice
- Interior
 - Feasibility and technical assistance
 - Governmental capacity building
 - Land use approvals
- USDA
 - Rural Development funding
- EPA
 - Environmental permitting

Legislative Actions

- FY 2022 Appropriations Bills
 - Energy program funding increases across the board
- Senate Infrastructure Bill
 - Tribes eligible for almost all energy programs and funding
 - FAST-21 expedited permitting
- Senate Reconciliation Bill
 - Instructions include Native energy programs and funding
- Access to Solar Coalition
 - Promoting distributed energy, community solar funding and policies – includes tribes and tribal communities