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## Today on Climate Beat . . .

. . . we went to court, where two states opposing the Bureau of Land Management's rule requiring oil and gas operations on federal lands to capture waste methane are now backing a renewed industry call for a federal district court to enjoin the rule's enforcement during the litigation, but environmentalists are opposing the injunction.

Speaking of litigation, the Center for Biological Diversity is suing EPA under the Freedom of Information Act to gather information on Administrator Scott Pruitt's recent directive that seeks to curb so-called "sue-and-settle" agreements the agency reaches, often with environmental groups, to set a deadline to take a mandatory action.

In Congress, the House oversight committee was poised to mark up legislation the would codify President Donald Trump's executive orders that require EPA and other agencies to roll back rules, including Executive Order 13771 that requires agencies to scrap two existing rules for every new measure adopted.

And our daily news roundup looked at recent testimony from the Trump administration's pick to lead NOAA agreeing that humans are the "main" cause of climate change, statements that go much further on the issue than most administration officials, including EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt.

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