



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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THE ADMINISTRATOR

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Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts with me and for your kind words of encouragement and support. It is important to me to hear from citizens across the country who are interested in protecting the environment. Our nation has a stellar history of protecting our natural resources and our environment while also respecting economic growth and jobs, and we will continue to do that.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will always strive to strike a balance between protecting our water, air and natural resources and building our economy. As part of my Back-to-Basics agenda, the agency can and will achieve clean air and clean water, while at the same time promote strong economic growth and job creation. We will accomplish this by protecting the environment, approving sensible regulations that allow economic growth and engaging with state and local partners. This agenda is designed to transform the way we do business and, more efficiently and effectively, delivers human health and environmental results.

It is an honor and privilege to lead the thousands of dedicated public servants here at the EPA who have devoted their careers to helping realize this shared vision, while faithfully administering environmental laws. Promoting and protecting a strong and healthy environment is one of government's lifeblood priorities, and the EPA is vital to that mission. I look forward to the opportunity to help provide future generations with a better and healthier environment. I hope you will follow our efforts by visiting www.epa.gov to learn more about the EPA's work and what you can do to help us achieve solid results.

On behalf of everyone at the EPA, I thank you for your interest in our work and your support for protecting the environment.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "E. Scott Pruitt".

E. Scott Pruitt