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## Today on Climate Beat . . .

. . . we looked on the bright side, reporting on a paper from a prominent clean energy group arguing there is still time to transition to a low-carbon economy and reduce global temperature increases in line with the goals of the United Nations Paris Agreement, which President Donald Trump abandoned earlier this summer.

Regarding environmental reviews, Cass Sunstein, the White House regulatory czar during President Barack Obama's first term, is praising President Donald Trump's new executive order seeking to speed infrastructure development by streamlining environmental review under the National Environmental Policy Act.

In personnel updates, Elbert Lin, the West Virginia solicitor general who argued the case against the Obama EPA's Clean Power Plan last fall on behalf of states challenging the climate rule, is leaving for the private sector beginning next month.

In transition news, Myron Ebell, the free-market advocate who led the Trump EPA's transition team, is calling for an overhaul at the agency that would eliminate regional and enforcement offices, the environmental justice program and others, while placing new controls on research and risk assessments.

And our daily news roundup brought word that state attorneys general fighting Trump's climate and environmental rollbacks have a new resource in the form of a new center at New York University Law School.

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