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## Today on Climate Beat . . .

. . . we took a breath, reporting that the Natural Resources Defense Council is warning of twin threats from ozone and pollen levels that are worsened by global warming, urging the Trump administration not to abandon Obama-era policies aimed at curbing greenhouse gases by arguing that the rules would help target the dual threats.

Speaking of rules, EPA appears to be preparing to overhaul its rules governing its new source review permit program, signaling that the Trump administration is backing widespread calls from industry and labor groups to reform the controversial permit program.

In Congress, Democrats on the Senate Judiciary Committee delayed a vote on Jeffrey Clark, President Donald Trump's pick to lead the Justice Department's environment division.

We highlighted pithy quotes from several hot climate stories, including the two sides of the climate policy debate, reactions to the court ruling vacating EPA's pause of its oil and gas methane standards and a proposal for revamping EPA's regulatory review procedures.

And our daily news roundup looked at the surge in litigation from environmental groups in the early months of the Trump administration.

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