



Sen. Barrasso Launches Assault on Clean Air

Proposal Doles out Favors to Polluters Against Recommendations of EPA Scientists

Washington, DC (January 31, 2011) – Today, U.S. Sen. John Barrasso introduced [legislation](#) that would short circuit the ability the EPA to put controls on many sources of carbon pollution. EPA experts have been working with industry and conservation groups for years to prepare reasonable controls under the Clean Air Act to rein in carbon.

[Joe Mendelson](#), global warming policy director for National Wildlife Federation said,

“This bill is a frontal assault on the nation’s fundamental environmental laws that protect our public health and wildlife. It would create a parade of polluter loopholes allowing for unlimited carbon pollution.

“Americans don’t want Congress undermining EPA’s work on new clean vehicle standards and cleaning up dirty smokestacks. Such a proposal overthrows historic and bipartisan support for the Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, and Endangered Species Act. It would create a parade of polluter loopholes and stop the EPA from reducing the unlimited carbon pollution that threatens our health and environment.

“Americans want commonsense steps to strengthen our energy security and clean up our air. They don’t special favors for polluters that put our health at risk.”

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