

Dear Friend,

It was a busy week this past week in Arizona and throughout our nation. The House of Representatives was in recess for a district work week which meant I got to travel all around District 4 and meet with constituents. It is always a pleasure to spend more time in our great communities.

### **Illegal Alien Smuggling by Obama Administration**

However, the enjoyment of being home quickly faded when I learned that the Obama Administration has been implementing a policy where illegal aliens apprehended in Texas are being shipped by plane or bus to Arizona utilizing taxpayer money. Officials from DHS confirmed in a briefing with my staff this week that at least 7 flights transporting illegal aliens to other states have already occurred at a price of \$53,000 per flight.

These illegal aliens are then dumped at Arizona bus stations in 100 degree heat, and in some cases with no food or water. Flooding our streets with illegal aliens who are being abandoned without resources is not just inhumane and cruel, it is a crime and federal law bans alien smuggling. To make matters worse, when this Administration decided to dump these illegal immigrants in Arizona communities, they failed to notify the Arizona Governor's office, the Arizona Department of Public Safety and the Arizona Department of Homeland Security of this new policy.

President Obama, Attorney General Eric Holder and the Department of Homeland Security have crossed a line that a Constitutional Republic must not tolerate. This Administration is now facilitating the inhumane smuggling of illegal aliens from Texas to Arizona.

This is the most lawless administration in the history of this great country and Eric Holder should have resigned or been fired a long time ago.

### **Impeachment Proceedings for Attorney General Eric Holder**

While it is hard to discern which of Eric Holders previous trespasses are most egregious, this is one scandal for which he cannot retain his job. It starts at the top with Eric Holder and if the chief law enforcement officer of the United States is not going to enforce the laws of this land, then he should be impeached.

I went on America's Newsroom on Tuesday to discuss this issue. You can watch a video of that interview [HERE](#).



Additionally, this past Monday I sent a letter to the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee Chairman and Ranking Member requesting an official investigation into this issue. As a member of that Committee, I plan on taking a lead role in seeking accountability for those individuals responsible for this violation of the Rule of Law, should the Committee favorably respond to my request. You can read that letter [HERE](#).

### **Joint Field Hearing on EPA Water Rule**

On Monday, I was proud to host a joint field hearing with some of my House colleagues at the Arizona State Capitol on the proposed EPA rule for expanding the definition of navigable waters in the United States. Resounding testimony from Arizona witnesses confirmed that the EPA's proposed water grab runs contrary to state and tribal water laws and would have devastating economic consequences for farmers, ranchers, small businesses, and water users in Arizona and throughout the country.

Arizonans can't afford more economic hurdles and thievery of precious water supplies from an overzealous, unaccountable federal government operating in hyper mode.



(Rep. Gosar, second from the left, with other leaders of the EPA Joint Field Hearing)



(Audience members looking on at the EPA Joint Field Hearing)

Stefanie Smallhouse, testifying on behalf of the of the Arizona Farm Bureau probably said it best:

"The newly proposed EPA rule for the Waters of the U.S. would be devastating to my family's farming operation, as well as hundreds of others in agriculture in Arizona... This proposed rule is an economic disaster, and a dream killer for my kids. There is no way a family farm such as ours would be able to withstand the hefty fines which would be enforced as a result of this rule."

I want to thank everyone who came out and participated in making this event possible. You can read more about the proposed water rule [HERE](#) and the

corresponding study released with the rule [HERE](#).

You can watch the testimony from the 1st half of the field hearing [HERE](#).

You can watch the testimony from the 2nd half [HERE](#).

### **New EPA Proposed Mandate for Existing Power Plants**

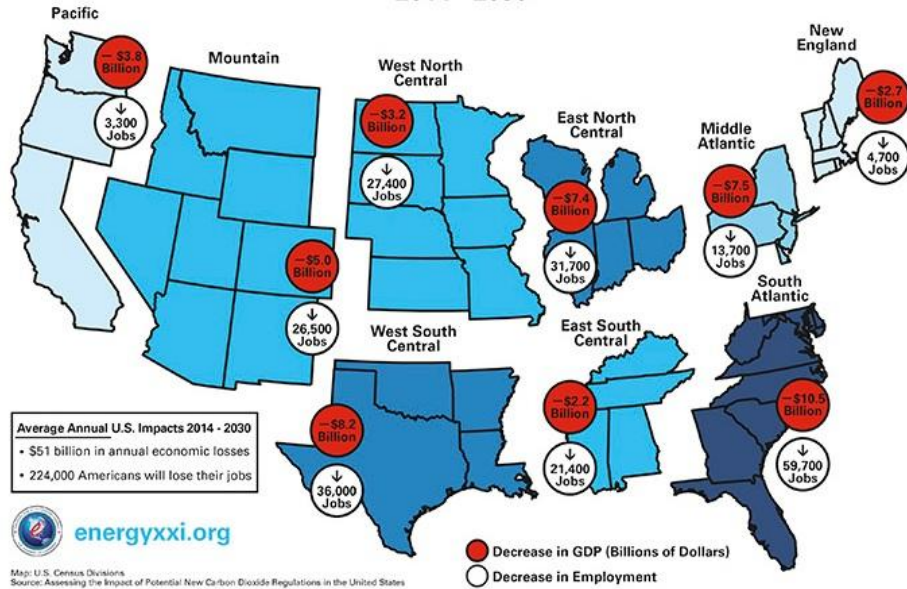
Does it feel like there is a common theme here?

On Monday the Obama Administration announced new regulations from the EPA with a goal of reducing carbon emissions over the next 15 years. The new regulations impose significant restrictions on power plants already in existence, including natural gas plants.

The President continues to unlawfully direct the EPA to impose strict limits on coal plants in order to appease environmental extremists within his own party. Congress has repeatedly rejected previous cap-and-tax energy plans proposed by the President and his big-government allies. Knowing he can't lawfully enact a carbon-dioxide tax plan, President Obama has chosen to circumvent Congress and impose these new regulations by executive fiat. Congress, not EPA bureaucrats at the behest of the President, should dictate our country's climate change policy.

The bottom line is that this new rule will kill good-paying jobs in rural communities throughout the country. In Arizona, this proposal will likely force the Navajo Generating Station to close its doors, which will mean the permanent loss of nearly a 1,000 good-paying jobs. I will continue to fight for jobs, oppose this overreach and be a voice of reason for the American people.

## Average Annual GDP and Job Losses from Potential EPA Carbon Regulations 2014 - 2030



(Courtesy of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Institute for 21st Century Energy)

### Meeting with Acting Veterans Affairs Secretary Sloan Gibson

On Thursday, Representatives Salmon, Sinema, and I met with Acting Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Sloan Gibson, to discuss ongoing issues within the Department of Veterans Affairs. Our conversation was constructive and I am hopeful that future actions will make vast improvements to the current processes. I urged the Acting Secretary to make immediate reforms such as contracting with non-VA health care providers in order to get the necessary care to Veterans waiting for treatment. Additionally, I stressed the importance of reforming the performance pay system for VA employees so that bureaucrats are not rewarded for failed performances.



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Congress will take immediate steps to oversee reforms and work with Acting Secretary Gibson in doing so. But the government must listen first, and then act. It must not dictate to those who have already given so much only to later suffer so much at the hand of the very government they served.

### **Government Waste - Fact of the Week:**

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) is spending almost \$200,000 to study how transgender women use social media such as Facebook to determine how their use affects their chances of contracting HIV.

### **Congressional District 4: Did You Know?**

Arizona is known as the Copper State as more than 60 percent of domestic copper is produced in Arizona. While that is good news, the U.S. still imports more than 30% of our copper. If enacted, my Southeast Arizona Land Exchange and Conservation Act would make us less dependent on foreign countries for our mineral resources and the Superior mine alone should meet 25% of current U.S. copper demand.



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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR:**

Saturday, June 07, 2014

EVENT: I will be speaking at the Colorado River Tea Party Patriots Meeting

TIME: 1:00PM-2:30PM

LOCATOIN: Mohave County Public Library located at 1170 E. Hancock Rd,  
Bullhead City, AZ 86442

As always, you can follow everything I am working on in Arizona and Washington, D.C. through my website (<http://gosar.house.gov>) on Twitter @repgosar, or through Facebook at Representative Paul Gosar.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul A. Gosar, D.D.S." The signature is stylized and includes a small mark at the end.

Paul A. Gosar, D.D.S.  
Member of Congress