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Members,

Last week, after eight months of attacks from the federal government American producers were shocked to learn of the Biden administration's decision to beg the OPEC+ nations, including Russia, to produce more oil and gas. This "backwards" foreign policy flies in the face of American energy independence that has produced prosperity for communities near federal, state and private lands in places like the Permian Basin.

Despite producing record numbers of domestic barrels of oil with a smaller and smaller carbon footprint during the Obama administration, domestic producers are baffled by the seeming betrayal of the Biden Administration, in favor of more carbon intensive, foreign oil.

American producers and American workers are ready to get back to work. In the Permian Basin and in particular New Mexico, where the federal government has seen oil production more than double on federal lands to 162 million barrels in FY 2019, the Biden Administration could show support for domestic producers that have greatly benefited the local and state governments as well.

For domestic producers, the Biden administration has re-opened numerous federal rulemaking and is pushing Congress to make it harder for American producers. It is reckless that the president of the United States would strangle jobs and production in Midland while enriching oligarchs in Moscow.

Our PBPA report with the Texas Taxpayer and Research Association Foundation found that the Permian Basin energy industry in Texas alone contributes to \$9 billion in direct state and federal taxes that are used for transportation, water, education and public health projects.

Domestic production in New Mexico has produced more than \$2 billion of funding for local governments, schools and hospitals all across the Land of Enchantment.

Further, the choice to support domestic production is one that brings America greater energy security. Instead of solely relying on foreign actors, as the United States did in the 1970s.

And this is while both states are working tirelessly to exit the challenges brought on by global pandemic and return to normalcy. It's a shame that while American producers continue to recover from price wars and economic uncertainty, the White House is begging foreign governments, with abysmal records on environmental stewardship, to come to the aid of American consumers.

For America's oilfield, the Permian Basin, the Biden administration is contemplating job killing regulations on American producers, all the while signaling to foreign, state-owned producers, to drill baby drill.

The United States has a real opportunity to take advantage of its own natural resources across the country, and in particular the Permian Basin, and we encourage a more sensible return to domestic energy policy.

I was honored to have the above Op Ed run in the Midland Reporter Telegram, but even prouder of the work that our members undertake in the Permian Basin on a daily basis that makes this the most prolific producing basin in north America. Inside this edition of The Standard, you'll find updates on activities PBPA has been undertaking on behalf of our members along with information on upcoming events happening in the oil and gas community:

- **West Texas Legislative Summit**
- **Congressman Tony Gonzales**
- **Annual Meeting Save the Date**
- **PBPA Workgroups**
- **British Consulate-General Visits Permian Basin**
- **PB Association of Pipeliners Team Roping**
- **NAPE Expo**
- **NMOGA Annual Meeting**
- **SPE-GCS Energy Professionals Hiring Event**
- **PBWIEC 2022**

Regards,

Ben Shepperd



PBPA in Action

West Texas Legislative Summit



PBPA was proud to once again be a sponsor of the annual West Texas Legislative Summit hosted in San Angelo. The event provides a forum for West Texas community representatives to address common legislative priorities. We are grateful to Congressman August Pfluger, Senator Charles Perry and Representative Drew Darby for co-chairing this year's summit.

The summit was full of fantastic speakers and presentations, including the *Energy: Management, Consumption & Change* panel which PBPA sponsored. Rep. Darby moderated the panel conversation with Congressmen Kevin Brady, Michael Burgess, Dan Crenshaw, and Randy Weber, Commissioner Jim Wright, Railroad Commission of Texas, Karr Ingham, Texas Alliance of Energy Producers, and Luke Legate, Joint Association Education Initiative.

We thank the San Angelo Chamber of Commerce and all those who worked to put on another fantastic, informative event.

Congressman Tony Gonzales



Congressman Tony Gonzales of San Antonio represents Texas District 23 in the U.S. House of Representatives. This district stretches from San Antonio to El Paso, includes 40% of the United State's border with Mexico, and covers a significant portion of the Permian Basin.

Earlier this month, Congressman Gonzales ventured into the field for a tour with PBPA member Cimarex in the Delaware Basin. The highlight of the tour was one of Cimarex's new tankless facility designs, which are part of an industry leading effort to reduce environmental footprint. It was incredibly important for Congressman Gonzales to learn about such

technology and innovation being applied by our industry to reduce emissions. Educating our elected officials about the steps being taken by members of the industry to improve their operations, without being forced to take such action by government regulation is key to protecting operations in the Permian Basin.

We thank Congressman Gonzales, his staff, and all those at Cimarex for helping to make this field tour a reality.



The PBPA Annual Meeting is scheduled for September 29-30, 2021, in Midland, Texas! Our Annual Meeting is one of the best ways to go in depth on the issues tackled by the PBPA staff on behalf of our members. The event gives all those in attendance the chance to listen to and ask questions of our multiple panels of experts who will present on the top issues confronting our industry. Attendees will also benefit from projections on our industry moving forward from those in the know.

You don't want to miss this year's 59th Annual Meeting. We are very proud of our accomplished lineup of speakers and panelists. This year's keynote speakers include Lt. Governor of Texas Dan Patrick, Chairman of the Railroad Commission of Texas Commissioner Wayne Christian, and Chairman of Texas House Energy Resources Committee, Craig Goldman. The below is our planned agenda:

Wednesday, September 29, 2021, 6:00PM – 8:00 PM
Permian Basin Petroleum Museum
1500 W. Interstate 20, Midland, Texas

- **Opening Welcome Reception**

Thursday, September 30, 2021, 7:30 AM – 3:00 PM
Petroleum Club of Midland
501 W. Wall St., Midland, Texas

- **Texas & New Mexico Kick-Off Breakfast**
- **Texas Legislative Discussion**
- **Emerging Technologies in ESG**
- **Electricity in the Permian Basin**
- **CEO Discussion**

Be there from the opening reception at the Petroleum Museum on September 29th and for the speakers and panels all day at the Petroleum Club September 30th. And remember, if you want to take full advantage of our sponsorship opportunities, please let us know as soon as you can.

Sponsorships & Registration

To learn more, please contact Jamie Ramirez, (432) 684-6245 jamie@pbpa.info.

Currently, PBPA staff and members are working on comments regarding two administrative actions; one proposed by the New Mexico Environment Department and one proposed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. These groups are meeting on a weekly basis to develop comments. If there are any PBPA members not involved with these efforts that would like to be, please email stephen@pbpa.info for more information.

[RPC Sub-Committee on NMED's Proposed Ozone Precursor Rules](#)

[SHOC Sub-Committee on USFWS Proposal to list the Lesser Prairie Chicken under the Endangered Species Act as Endangered in the Permian Basin](#)

For more information on PBPA committees, subcommittees or workgroups, please reach out to Stephen at (432) 685-6345 or stephen@pbpa.info.



Community Events



On Tuesday, August 17, 2021, the British Consulate-General based in Houston will be visiting the Permian Basin and setting up a popup Consulate from 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM at the Kirk Edward Human Performance Center on the campus of UTPB in Odessa. The Consulate-General has reached out to PBPA to let us know about the event and asks that we extend an invitation to all PBPA members to attend.

This first meeting of the Consulate-General in West Texas will be a casual reception with British food, drinks, music, and brief remarks from Consul General Richard Hyde.

If you have any questions, please contact Christina Anne Luhn, Senior Trade Policy Advisor for the Consulate-General at christina.luhn@fco.gov.uk.



PBPA is happy to share information with our members about the Permian Basin Association of Pipeliners' 2021 Team Roping event, to be held on September 25 and 26 at the Midland County Horseshoe Arena. There will be a concert and a live auction following roping on the

The New Mexico Oil and Gas Association (NMOGA) Annual Meeting for 2021 will be hosted in Santa Fe, New Mexico from October 2, 2021, to October 5. For more information, please visit the NMOGA website at: www.nmoga.org/2021annualmeeting



We want to let our members know about the Society of Petroleum Engineers – Gulf Coast Section (SPE-GCS) 9th semi-annual Energy Professionals Hiring Event for professionals of energy and upstream oil & gas disciplines. The Hiring Event will be held both online and face to face in Houston and will take place on October 12th, 2021.

The Hiring Event brings together experienced & talented professionals with employers and recruiters from various sectors “virtually under one roof”, thereby serving as the platform for open and vast-ranging employment opportunities.

The SPE-GCS will be partnering again with Texas Workforce Solutions and over 40 other professional organizations, like PBPA, to make this event inclusive and representative of the industry segment. While a virtual platform provided by Texas Workforce Solutions will be utilized, there will also be a face-to-face component this fall at the Steve Radack Community Center in Houston, resulting in a hybrid event. For more information about the event, location, time, registration, participants, you can visit: <https://www.spegcs.org/hiring-event/>.



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The Permian Basin Water in Energy Conference (PBWIEC), in partnership with The University of Texas Permian Basin, announced its next conference to be held from February 23 - 24, 2022. The PBWIEC connects industry leaders and researchers, sharing best practices and cutting-edge approaches to some of the oil and gas industry’s most pressing issues. In 2017, The University of Texas Permian Basin’s College of Business Advisory Council planted the idea for a conference. Now in its fourth year, the PBWIEC is a sought-after networking and industry annual event. The Sheppard Leadership Institute at The University of Texas Permian Basin is the home for the PWIEC, allowing students to benefit from the conference proceeds.

For more information, please visit the conference website: <https://waterinenergy.com/>

