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RE: Please Oppose EPA Administrator Nomination

Robert Summersgill
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Dear Senators Warren, Markey, Reed and Whitehouse:

Elizabeth Jenkins
Clerk

The Association to Preserve Cape Cod (APCC), the Cape Cod region's leading nonprofit environmental education and advocacy organization, writes to state our strong opposition to the appointment of Oklahoma Attorney General Scott Pruitt for the position of Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. We urge you to vote against his nomination.

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APCC is deeply concerned that Mr. Pruitt's record of vigorously opposing the efforts of the EPA to protect the nation's water and air quality is in direct conflict with his responsibilities as EPA Administrator to ensure that the agency's important work continues. In fact, his record clearly shows that his loyalties side with polluters instead of with the environment and the welfare of the American people. Of particular concern is Mr. Pruitt's refusal to accept the science of climate change and the implications this has for EPA's ongoing efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

In addition, the EPA has most recently played a vital role in furthering efforts to protect and restore water quality through its Southeast New England Program (SNEP) for Watershed Restoration, a program that has greatly benefited coastal communities in Rhode Island and southeastern Massachusetts. We worry that important initiatives such as the SNEP program, which was originally proposed by Senator Reed with the strong support of each of you, will be in jeopardy under the oversight of Mr. Pruitt, should he be confirmed as EPA Administrator.

The New England states, as well as the entire nation, have made significant strides forward in addressing the protection of our air and water. However, much more needs to be accomplished. With so much at stake, we cannot afford to step backward in our effort to protect the environment. We therefore urge you to oppose the nomination of Mr. Pruitt for EPA Administrator.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ed DeWitt', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Edward DeWitt
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