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Impact of Trump Administration Decisions on Ocean Policy

A California Perspective

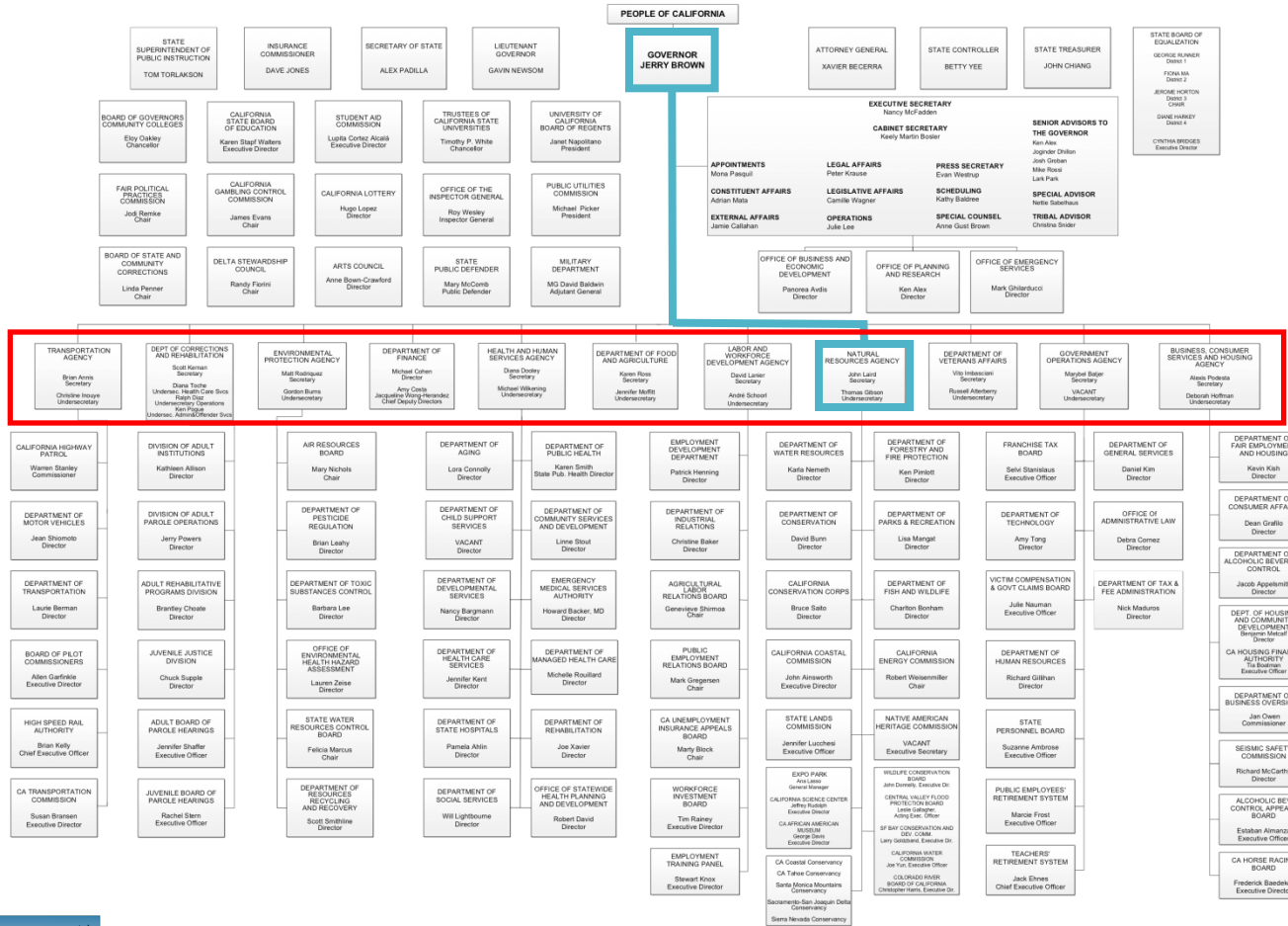
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Secretary of Resources Agency for Ocean and Coastal Policy

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Ocean Protection Council's Role

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Our Mission and How We Work

Ensuring healthy, resilient, and productive ocean and coastal ecosystems in California.



Approaches to a National Ocean Policy

Executive Order 13547 (Obama)

- Protection, restoration, and health of ocean ecosystems
- Sustainability of ocean and coastal economies
- Sustainable uses
- Adaptive management
- Coastal and marine spatial planning
- National security

Executive Order 13840 (Trump)

- Revokes Obama Executive Order
- Economy, industry, energy, and security
- Ocean industries
- Domestic energy production
- National security
- Maritime commerce, including fisheries and recreation
- Ensure regulations and management do not prevent productive and sustainable use

California's response to EO 13840

“Over the past several years, California, Oregon and Washington have made great progress working in partnership with federal agencies and tribes on regional ocean issues. We are disappointed that, with this Executive Order, the Trump Administration failed to recognize the essential role of tribes and made federal participation in regional ocean partnerships voluntary. We are committed to continued collaboration to protect ocean health and the resources that are so important to our communities, our economies, our cultures, and our quality of life.”

-- John Laird, Secretary of California Natural Resources Agency



National Marine Sanctuaries



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Offshore Oil and Gas Drilling



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March 9, 2018

The Honorable Ryan Zinke, Secretary
U.S. Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

Re: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management's 2019-2024 Draft Proposed Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program

Dear Secretary Zinke:

This letter accompanies responses sent by nine California state agencies within the Natural Resources Agency and the Environmental Protection Agency, which identify the laws, goals and policies that are relevant to the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management's 2019-2024 Draft Proposed Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program.

As you and I have discussed recently, there is broad opposition across California to any expansion of oil and gas drilling off our coast.

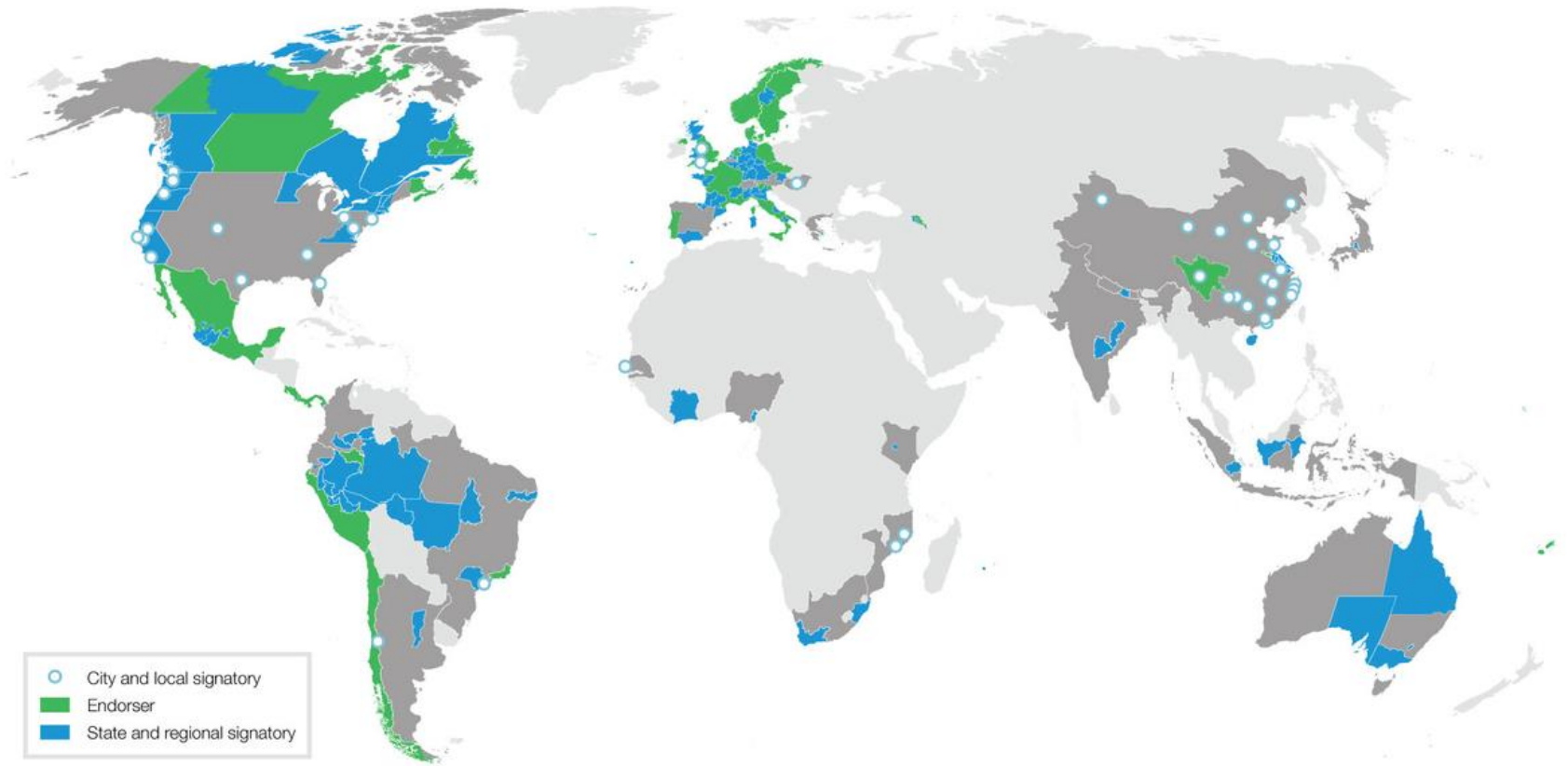
Your proposed leasing program -- if actually carried out -- would break with 30 years of agreement between the state and federal government on this issue. It would also go against California's commitment to combat climate change and reduce our fossil fuel dependency.

Respectfully,



Edmund G. Brown Jr.

Subnational Power



California Steps Up

“The President has already said climate change is a hoax, which is the exact opposite of virtually all scientific and worldwide opinion, I don't believe fighting reality is a good strategy - not for America, not for anybody. If the President is going to be AWOL in this profoundly important human endeavor, then California and other states will step up.”

California Governor Jerry Brown



International Alliance to
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