

Cutting Through the Noise:

Federal Impacts on California and What We're Doing About It

San Francisco Chronicle

Map shows California public lands that could be sold off under Republican budget bill

CNN

Trump preparing large-scale cancellation of federal funding for California, sources say

Los Angeles Times

California's 2025 wildfire season was already going to be dangerous. Trump has made it worse

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Federal cuts chop funding to wildlife society. What that means for CA condors

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Federal government could put millions of acres of SoCal public land up for sale

Wildfire Safety

- US Forest Service cuts: 10% all staff, 25% of non-firefighters.
 - Reports: Some of California's 18 National Forests have lost up to 25% personnel.
 - Proposed for elimination: Regional Office that coordinates 18 National Forests in California.
- Shift to expand timber production likely impacts community wildfire safety projects.
- US Forest Service's Pacific Research Station proposed for elimination.
- California National Guard drawn away from firefighting.

Water Supplies

- Bureau of Reclamation staffing cuts: 20% already, another 20% proposed.
- \$126 million of flood protection projects in California cancelled.
- Proposed cut of \$140 million in "WaterSmart" drought relief grants: water recycling, groundwater storage and desalination.
- Proposed cut of \$99 million for national Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery Fund.
- Proposed elimination of low-interest loans for dam and levee safety projects.
- Proposed cuts to monitoring for flood conditions and snowpack/runoff.

Outdoor Recreation & Conservation

- National Park Service lost 24% of its workforce in 6 months, with more cuts coming.
- 18 National Forests in California lose significant staff, regional office likely eliminated.
- Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has lost 17% of total personnel.
- Federal public lands proposed to be sold for development.
- Threats to roadless areas & National Monuments.
- Major cuts to US Fish & Wildlife Service and National Refuges.

Coast & Ocean

- Key ocean agency NOAA threatened: Over 10% personnel already cut, 17% more anticipated. Proposal to cut agency by \$2 billion.
- Proposed elimination of Coastal Zone Management Grant Program.
- Proposed expansion of oil & gas production in coastal waters.
- NOAA's climate science assessment eliminated; climate data disappears from federal agency websites.
- FEMA program eliminated that provided \$870 million of funding to California communities (including on the coast) to build climate resilience.

A background image showing three workers in safety gear (hard hats, gloves, and safety harnesses) installing solar panels on a roof. The workers are wearing blue and green shirts. The solar panels are dark and arranged in a grid pattern. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent blue filter.

Energy & Transportation

- Budget Reconciliation eliminates tax credits for clean energy projects not in place by 2027.
- Billion in appropriated funding has been frozen and is attempted to be cancelled.
- Major staff cuts and resignations at Department of Energy and other key federal agencies needed to site energy projects.
- Effort underway to weaken/eliminate energy efficiency standards. Would increase energy costs and reduce grid reliability.
- Attempt underway to revoke California's Clean Air Act waivers, which threatens state's clean cars and trucks programs. California agencies are challenging in court.

What You Can Do

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- **Build bridges.** Find others who have different viewpoints and networks but shared priorities in these areas. Work to amplify shared priorities.

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