

Congressman Steve Pearce Puts Jobs, Economy First *Introduces H.J.Res.56, a Bill to Block BLM's Onshore Order 3.*

On November 17, 2016, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) published its final Onshore Order 3 Rule. The regulation will increase processing requirements and bureaucratic hurdles on small businesses without increasing measuring accuracy. Unfortunately, most small businesses will not be able to afford these changes and will be forced to discontinue production, reducing the amount of revenues paid to both the state and federal governments. The enforcement of the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Onshore Order 3 Rule will result in job loss and reduced State funding for education, hospitals, law enforcement, and other essential services.

The Bureau of Land Management administers onshore federal energy and mineral resources, covering nearly 700 million acres of federal mineral and energy resources. Onshore Oil and Gas Order No. 3 was part of the previous Administration's last ditch effort to over-regulate federal mineral production. H.J.Res.56 was introduced utilizing the Congressional Review Act and seeks to overturn this last minute regulation from the Obama Administration.

*"This regulation must be repealed to protect the thousands of jobs and federal revenues provided by oil and gas production on federal lands. The BLM's attempt to regulate oil and gas production on federal lands shows how over-bearing bureaucracies negatively impact the goal of creating jobs and boosting our economy," said **Representative Steve Pearce** in regards to his CRA bill that blocks the BLM's Onshore Order. "With this rule as their hatchet, BLM created costly and unnecessary burdens to the production of oil and gas on federal lands. BLM claimed they were implementing these changes based on oversight, ensuring royalties were being paid to the U.S. government, when actually this regulation has no measurable benefit for onshore wells."*

Original Cosponsors of the bill include: Rep. Paul Gosar (R-AZ), Rep. Christ Stewart (R-UT), Rep. Dan Newhouse (R-WA), Rep. Bruce Westerman (R-AR), Rep. Kevin Cramer (R-ND), Rep. Lamborn (R-CO), Rep. Andy Biggs (R-AZ), Rep. Amata Radewagen (R-American Samoa), Rep. Louie Gohmert (R-TX).

Endorsed by: Arizona Cattlemen's Association; American Indian Infrastructure Association; Americans for Limited Government; American Petroleum Institute; Arizona Cattle Feeders' Association; Arizona Liberty; Arizona Mining Association; Arizona Pork Council; AZ BASS Nation; Bass Federation-AZ; Concerned Citizens for America –Arizona Chapter; New Mexico Cattle Growers' Association; New Mexico Federal Lands Council; New Mexico Wool Growers, Inc.; Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative; Taxpayers Protection Alliance; US Oil & Gas Association; Yavapai Cattle Growers' Association; Yavapai County Board of Supervisors; Water Resource Institute; Western Energy Alliance; Arizona State Representative David Cook