



Science Cuts at the EPA Hurt All of Us

Federal science funding is foundational to America's health, economic success and national security. But reduced staff, frozen grants and other cuts are already limiting the essential work of our science agencies. Further reductions would be even more devastating. Scientists are already seeing the consequences — here are their stories.



Impacts of Federal Cuts to EPA

State and local governments that depend on federal grants for infrastructure improvements, **disaster preparedness and public health programs may be left without the means to support vulnerable populations.**

Trump's EPA is proposing to eliminate the Energy Star program, which saves consumers and businesses more than \$40 billion every year by giving them information about the energy efficiency of products or buildings, all at the cost of \$32 million—a massive 1,250,000% annual return on investment! **In total, since 1992, Energy Star has helped American families and businesses save more than \$500 billion in energy costs.**



In Their Own Words

**Cuts to science aren't abstract: they affect lives and livelihoods.
These scientists know firsthand.**

Most of my projects for Contaminated Sites are funded federally in order to help clean up and properly dispose of CERCLA and petroleum related Contaminates on military bases. **The pausing of this work will directly impact enlisted members health and safety.**

Environmental Scientist in the Northwest U.S.

As a former EPA employee, I was coordinating a cross-agency initiative to develop national water quality models, aimed at understanding historical trends and forecasting future conditions in our lakes, streams, and rivers. **With the loss of experienced scientists and the dismantling of such initiatives, municipalities may struggle to access reliable water data,** leaving them vulnerable to contamination risks.

Former EPA Hydrologist

Our organization co-applied for the EPA Community Change Grant which would provide \$20 million to our rural community to aid in many needed projects. **These projects had a potential to make large changes to our community for the better. With the [pause of] the Inflation Reduction Act funds,** we are uncertain if we are still in the running to be awarded these funds. It's been radio silence from the EPA as I assume they are scrambling with the new changes.

Regional Planner in the Midwest