

WHAT IF...

Energy Production Was Banned on Federal Lands in New Mexico?

Energy production on federal lands is vitally important to New Mexico. As the nation's 10th largest energy producing state, New Mexico has more than 3.7 million acres of federal land currently producing oil, natural gas and coal, boosting the economy and providing revenue for essential public services. So why would we ever want to shut it down?

Unfortunately, that's exactly what some leading political figures and special interest groups have called for this election season. In a new report, we take them at their word, and quantify the impacts of their "keep it in the ground" approach to energy production on federal lands in New Mexico.



"No future extraction [on federal lands]. I agree with that."

Hillary Clinton
Presidential candidate



"In the future, federal land – the land that is owned by all of us – will not be used for the extraction of fossil fuel: Coal, oil or gas."

Bernie Sanders
Former presidential candidate

WILDEARTH
GUARDIANS

"[I]t's time to rein in oil and gas drilling and keep our fossil fuels in the ground."

Jeremy Nichols
WildEarth Guardians

THEY BELIEVE NEW MEXICO WOULD BE BETTER OFF WITHOUT ENERGY FROM FEDERAL LANDS.
BUT THEY'RE WRONG.

IN NEW MEXICO ALONE, A BAN ON FEDERAL ENERGY PRODUCTION COULD COST:

24,300



JOBS

\$4 BILLION



IN ANNUAL GDP

\$496 MILLION



IN STATE ROYALTIES

ACCORDING TO OUR ANALYSIS:



"New Mexico ... would be devastated under a scenario in which energy production was curtailed or halted entirely on federal lands."

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"Those who support instituting bans on federal-lands energy development have offered no economic alternatives."

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