



## **Navajo Nation President joins EPA Administrator Lee Zeldin and Members of Congress for Event to Reduce Energy Costs**



*President Nygren and Administrator Zeldin discuss energy issues and uranium mine clean-up  
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WASHINGTON, D.C. – On June 11, Navajo Nation President, Buu Nygren, joined EPA Administrator Lee Zeldin, Senator Kevin Cramer (R-ND), and Representatives Brett Guthrie (R-KY-2), Troy Balderson (R-OH-12), Carol Miller (R-VA-3), Dan Meuser (R-PN-9), Riley Moore (R-WV-2), Rob Bresnahan (R-PA-8), and Michael Rulli (R-OH-6) to share the impact of the proposed repeal of the Clean Power Plan 2.0 rules.

President Nygren noted in his remarks that he is committed to doing whatever the Navajo Nation can to prevent the early shutdown of the Four Corners Generating Station. The rescission of the Plan would provide greater clarity and optimism for the future of the Four Corners Generating Station and help keep hundreds of much needed jobs for Navajo.

Administrator Zeldin noted in his remarks that the goal of this proposed rescission, which will still go through public comment, is to create affordable energy for Americans while protecting the environment; and that under the rescission that power plants would not be allowed to emit anymore greenhouse gases.

President Nygren and Administrator Zeldin met after the event to discuss the urgency of cleaning up abandoned uranium mines, getting water to Navajo families, and developing a solid waste program on the Nation.

With regard to uranium mines, President Nygren reminded the Administrator that there are 523 abandoned uranium mines on the Nation that are still creating harmful effects for the Navajo people and that working with the Nation to resolve this must be a priority for the Administration.

Administrator Zeldin appreciated President Nygren's comments throughout the day and promised President Nygren that EPA's leadership team would work closely with the Navajo Nation to find answers and solutions to the concerns raised by President.

President Nygren was joined by the NNWO Executive Director, Vince Redhouse, and NNWO Summer Intern, Aubrey Granger.

