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U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Ralph Giambardino
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Dear Chairman Chapman and Mr. Meber:

Thank you for your invitation to testify before the U.S. House Committee on Natural Resources.

On behalf of Associated Builders and Contractors, I am pleased to participate in the hearing on the proposed rulemaking for the NEPA Phase 2 rulemaking. The rulemaking is a significant step in the process of updating the NEPA regulations to reflect the current state of the industry and the needs of the public.

[legitimate hearing](#) of Representatives and Senators on the proposed rulemaking for the NEPA Phase 2 rulemaking.

Since the Biden administration took office in January 2021, the CEQ has issued several NEPA Phase 1 rulemaking proposals, including the proposed rulemaking for the NEPA Phase 1 rulemaking. The proposed rulemaking for the NEPA Phase 2 rulemaking is a significant step in the process of updating the NEPA regulations to reflect the current state of the industry and the needs of the public.

[Phase 1](#) and [Phase 2](#) rulemaking proposals, which were issued in the summer of 2020.

Overview of the NEPA Phase 2 Rule

On May 1, 2024, the CEQ issued the NEPA Phase 2 rulemaking proposal, which updates the NEPA regulations to reflect the current state of the industry and the needs of the public. Specifically, the rulemaking:

- Addresses the impacts of climate change and the need for more robust climate change effects analysis.
- Establishes a new process for NEPA decision-making, including the requirement for a public hearing for all NEPA decisions.
- Expands the scope of NEPA review to include more projects.
- Widens the scope of NEPA review to include more projects.
- Revises the NEPA regulations to reflect the current state of the industry and the needs of the public.

Additionally, the rulemaking proposes to update the NEPA regulations to reflect the current state of the industry and the needs of the public. The rulemaking is a significant step in the process of updating the NEPA regulations to reflect the current state of the industry and the needs of the public.

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[Phase 2](#) rulemaking proposal, which became effective on March 3, 2023.

Overview of the NEPA Phase 1 Rule

On April 20, 2022, the CEQ issued the NEPA Phase 1 rulemaking proposal, which updates the NEPA regulations to reflect the current state of the industry and the needs of the public. The rulemaking is a significant step in the process of updating the NEPA regulations to reflect the current state of the industry and the needs of the public.

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