

September 23, 2019  
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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about corrupt political abuse of the EPA. I remember the eighties when the LA Times had the day's air quality on the front page and afternoon exercise was a health risk. The EPA and federal standards have brought great strides which need to be protected. Last year the EPA carried out less enforcement than it has in decades while the shockingly corrupt Administrator Pruitt slashed the work force. You have also lowered standards trying to roll back dozens of regulations and even sued California to stop us from introducing some here. The move this week by Administrator Wheeler to abuse what remains of the agency and cut highway funds as political payback calls to mind your behavior around Ukraine. Your further suggestion to cut fire funds is particularly frightening here in Berkeley where too little regulation of PG&E and too much global warming have made the already serious fire danger even worse.

*Please assure me that the EPA will return to environmental rather than political protection.*

*I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our clean air.*

*Sincerely,  
Eric Babson*