

THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR WASHINGTON

ORDER NO. 3419

Subject: Delivering Emergency Price Relief for American Families and Defeating the Cost-of-Living Crisis

- Sec. 1. **Purpose**. This Order implements the January 20, 2025, Presidential memorandum titled "Delivering Emergency Price Relief for American Families and Defeating the Cost-of-Living Crisis" (Cost-of-Living Memo) by ensuring that the Department of the Interior (Department) promptly identifies appropriate actions to cut red tape that will reduce costs for Americans.
- Sec. 2. **Authority**. This Order is issued under the authority of section 2 of Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1950 (64 Stat. 1262), as amended.
- Sec. 3. **Background**. The Cost-of-Living Memo addresses the Biden administration's destructive policies that inflicted an historic inflation crisis on overwhelmed hardworking families with the high cost of fuel, food, housing, automobiles, medical care, utilities, and insurance. It is critical to restore the purchasing power to the American family and improve our quality of life. To do this, President Trump has ordered Federal agencies to deliver emergency price relief, consistent with applicable law, to American people and increase the prosperity of the American worker.

The Department manages a number of programs and costly, lengthy regulatory processes that may unnecessarily increase costs for the American people, particularly related to energy. These programs must be immediately reviewed, and steps must be immediately taken to lower costs.

Sec. 4. **Implementation**. The Department's Bureaus and Offices shall promptly conduct a review of their programs and regulations to identify those that may result in higher costs for the American people. While this review must broadly consider the effects of Departmental policies and decisions that directly or indirectly increase costs of housing, healthcare, and home appliances, it should particularly focus on coercive "climate" policies that increase the cost of food or energy. It shall also consider how to create employment opportunities for American workers, including drawing discouraged workers into the labor force. The Bureaus and Offices shall report the results of their review, along with recommendations for prompt action, to address identified problems within 15 days of the date of this Order.

Sec. 5. Responsibilities.

- a. <u>Assistant Secretary Policy, Management and Budget (AS-PMB)</u>: The AS-PMB is responsible for monitoring Bureau/Office compliance with this Order, compiling the Bureau and Office reports, and overseeing Bureau and Office implementation of future actions to lower costs.
- b. <u>Heads of Bureaus and Offices:</u> The heads of Bureaus and Offices are responsible for conducting the review required in section 4 and reporting the results. They will also be responsible for ensuring completion of any implementation actions, including modifications to Bureaus and Offices policies, procedures, or practices that are inconsistent with the goals of the Cost-of-Living Memo.
- Sec. 6. **Effect of this Order.** This Order and any resulting report or recommendations are not intended to, and do not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or equity by a party against the United States, its Departments, agencies, instrumentalities or entities, its officers or employees, or any other person. To the extent there is any inconsistency between the provisions of this Order and any Federal laws or regulations, the laws and regulations will control.

Sec. 7. **Effective Date.** This Order is effective immediately and will remain in effect until it is amended, superseded, or revoked, whichever occurs first.

Secretary of the Interior

Date:

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