

UPA Statement On The Supreme Court's Decision To Hear The Seven County Infrastructure Coalition v Eagle County, Colo. Case

UPA is encouraged by the Supreme Court's decision to hear the Seven County Infrastructure Coalition v. Eagle County, Colo. case and believes that environmental reviews under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) must be limited in scope and consistently applied. Infrastructure and energy projects are often multi-year efforts spanning administrations and political shifts. Whether building a pipeline, a road, or a wind farm, project proponents deserve a permitting process with clear timelines and scope, instead of unlimited and unreasonable analysis of indirect impacts and endless litigation.

UPA and its member companies are not involved in the permitting, financing, or legal efforts of the Seven County Infrastructure Coalition for the Uinta Basin Railway project.

If the case is settled in the plaintiff's favor and is fully permitted, financed, and constructed, the Uinta Basin Railway will add another transport option in the competitive free market.

Utah Petroleum Association seeks to promote the responsible development of Utah's vast natural resources and the manufacture of fuels that keep Utah families and businesses moving. UPA recognizes that increased takeaway capacity is crucial to our industry's ability to grow, and rail infrastructure is regionally beneficial and a matter of national security.

The Utah Petroleum Association (UPA) is comprised of companies from every segment of the petroleum industry who work cooperatively to resolve mutual problems and provide a unified voice for the advancement and improvement of the oil and gas industry in Utah. UPA was founded in 1958 and continues today as the voice of Utah's oil and natural gas industries. Please direct any inquiries to UPA Communications Lead Jon Ekstrom: jekstrom@utahpetroleum.org.