**Scott Pruitt Resources: 4/4/18**

Scott Pruitt has become one of the most embattled members of the Trump Cabinet, thanks to a series of damaging revelations that have further exposed Pruitt’s cozy ties to polluters and Washington lobbyists, misuse of taxpayer money, and corrupt dealings.

The revelations make it clear that Pruitt isn’t fit to lead the EPA. They also fit into his established pattern of paranoid evasiveness that began with his refusal to answer questions from Senators during his confirmation hearing; his attempt to sequester himself from the public by flying first class; his repeated refusal to disclose a public schedule; his abuse of taxpayer funds on questionable expenditures like a custom designed secret phone booth in his office; and constant catering to industry at the expense of our health. In the last few days, several scandals have emerged, including:

* ABC reported that while EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt was rolling back lifesaving health safeguards for American families, he was living in a luxury condo in D.C. for $50 a night – a fraction of the market value – thanks to a sweetheart deal he cut with a [longtime campaign donor](https://www.thedailybeast.com/scott-pruitts-dc-lobbyist-landlord-also-funded-his-oklahoma-attorney-general-campaign) and lobbyist representing clients with business before the EPA.
* The Capitol Hill condo, connected to energy industry lobbyist Steve Hart, is mere steps from powerful politicians in Congress and was also the [frequent site of high dollar GOP fundraisers](https://www.thedailybeast.com/epa-administrator-scott-pruitts-lobbyist-owned-pad-was-gop-fundraising-hub/).
* After securing the sweetheart housing deal with his DC lobbyist landlord, Pruitt made a $40,000 trip to Morocco on the taxpayer dime to promote natural gas exports, an issue important to one of Hart’s clients, and [approved a pipeline project related to another of Hart’s clients](https://www.nytimes.com/2018/04/02/climate/epa-pruitt-pipeline-apartment.html).
* Sources revealed the White House [considered firing Pruitt](https://www.politico.com/story/2018/04/02/scott-pruitt-white-house-considered-firing-453381) but is waiting for the full results of the EPA inspector general’s investigation into his misuse of taxpayer dollars on first class flights and other expenses.
* The Washington Post uncovered that Pruitt’s staff explored leasing a private jet for Pruitt to the tune of [$100,000 per month](https://www.washingtonpost.com/national/health-science/epa-explored-private-jet-lease-for-pruitts-travels-last-year/2018/04/02/8651deb8-3607-11e8-8fd2-49fe3c675a89_story.html?utm_term=.3452b2bcc367), billed to taxpayers.
* The Atlantic reported that when Trump declined “significant” pay raises for two of Pruitt’s personal aides, he [overruled the president](https://www.theatlantic.com/politics/archive/2018/04/pruitt-epa/557123/) by using an obscure provision in a clean water law to award the raises anyway.
* All these revelations have led to at least 26 members of Congress, including two Republicans, calling on Pruitt to step down or be fired.
* This wave of criticism follows previous bipartisan condemnation of Pruitt for spending more than $150,000 on luxury travel, first class flights, and private jets, including criticism from several Republican senators.
* Jennifer Rubin, conservative blogger for the Washington Post called Pruitt an “ethics offender” and Republican political operative Steve Schmidt called him “an ethical superfund site.”

**Boot Pruitt Materials**

* [Scott Pruitt’s National Excuse Tour 4-4-18](http://materials.actonclimate.com/asset/3722/)
* [Pruitt Insulting/Overruling Trump Talking Points 4-3-18](http://materials.actonclimate.com/a/6184969b-3b74-4146-ac4e-b02e7425eb5f/)
* [Pruitt Cancelling Auto Dealership Event Talking Points 4-3-18](http://materials.actonclimate.com/asset/3717/)
* [Pruitt Latest Dirty Dealing Talking Points 3-30-18](http://materials.actonclimate.com/asset/3712/)
* [Pruitt Lobbyist Condo CAC Talking Points 3-30-18](http://materials.actonclimate.com/asset/3714/)
* [Boot Pruitt Social 4-3-18](http://materials.actonclimate.com/asset/3721/)

**Members of Congress who have Called on Pruitt to Resign or be Fired (as of 11:00 am 4-4-18)**

1. [Sen. Heinrich (NM)](https://twitter.com/MartinHeinrich/status/981222787988840449)
2. [Sen. Menendez (NJ)](https://twitter.com/SenatorMenendez/status/981298889469939712)
3. [Rep. Adams (NC)](https://twitter.com/RepAdams/status/979081375641931777)
4. [Rep. Beyer (VA)](https://twitter.com/RepDonBeyer/status/979753456503349249)
5. [Rep. Blumenauer (OR)](https://twitter.com/repblumenauer/status/979084863742660611)
6. [Rep. Brown (MD)](https://twitter.com/RepAnthonyBrown/status/979058932676251648)
7. [Rep. Castor (FL)](https://twitter.com/USRepKCastor/status/979719642309713922)
8. [Rep. Connelly (VA)](https://twitter.com/GerryConnolly/status/981160846746374145)
9. [Rep. Curbelo (FL)](https://twitter.com/RepCurbelo/status/981213345394118658?ref_src=twsrc%5Egoogle%7Ctwcamp%5Eserp%7Ctwgr%5Etweet)
10. [Rep. DeGette (CO)](https://twitter.com/RepDianaDeGette/status/981283134699458560)
11. [Rep. Gallego (AZ)](https://twitter.com/RepRubenGallego/status/971845518639984640)
12. [Rep. Grijalva (AZ)](https://twitter.com/RepRaulGrijalva/status/979021617878585349)
13. [[Rep. Jayapal (WA)](https://twitter.com/RepRaulGrijalva/status/979021617878585349)](https://twitter.com/RepJayapal/status/981542425133907968)
14. [Rep. Kennedy (MA)](https://twitter.com/RepJoeKennedy/status/979402033018163200)
15. [Rep. Lee (CA)](https://twitter.com/RepBarbaraLee/status/979024819638370306)
16. [Rep. Lieu (CA)](https://twitter.com/RepTedLieu/status/979047346481844224)
17. [Rep. Lowenthal (CA)](https://twitter.com/RepLowenthal/status/979734243642429441)
18. [Rep. Price (NC)](https://twitter.com/RepDavidEPrice/status/979078327184084994)
19. [Rep. Quigley (IL)](https://twitter.com/RepMikeQuigley/status/979059501100949504)
20. [Rep. Raskin (MD)](https://twitter.com/RepRaskin/status/980812607954309120)
21. [Rep. Ros-Lehtinen (FL)](https://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/carlos-curbelo-scott-pruitt_us_5ac3b87be4b04646b6470a31)
22. [Rep. Rush (IL)](https://twitter.com/RepBobbyRush/status/979417444698685441)
23. [Rep. Sarbanes (MD)](https://twitter.com/RepSarbanes/status/979042905842159616)
24. [Rep. Schakowsky (IL)](https://twitter.com/janschakowsky/status/979095566541119488)
25. [Rep. Sherman (CA)](https://twitter.com/BradSherman/status/981263141802782720)
26. [Rep. Watson-Coleman (NJ)](https://twitter.com/RepBonnie/status/979375796455460864)

**Select Opinion Media**

* [Chicago Tribune: Scott Pruitt's bad judgment](http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/opinion/editorials/ct-edit-epa-pruitt-washington-trump-20180330-story.html)
* [LA Times: The EPA's Scott Pruitt has to go](http://www.latimes.com/opinion/editorials/la-ed-pruitt-epa-ethics-20180330-story.html)
* [Morning Joe: Pruitt should keep an eye on Twitter](https://www.iqmediacorp.com/ClipPlayer?ClipID=c5d94e43-be93-4b8c-a27b-c50ad26a42d4&TE=%7B0%7D)
* [Washington Post: A swamp monster is running the EPA](https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/a-swamp-monster-is-running-the-epa/2018/04/02/c82cd44c-36ab-11e8-9c0a-85d477d9a226_story.html?utm_term=.0c056f800a82)
* [Politico: White House considered firing Pruitt](https://www.politico.com/story/2018/04/02/scott-pruitt-white-house-considered-firing-453381)
* [Washington Post: Enough is enough. Scott Pruitt needs to go.](https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/scott-pruitt-needs-to-go/2018/03/28/8984cd26-32a0-11e8-8bdd-cdb33a5eef83_story.html?utm_term=.65fc5836cafe)

**Joining the Boot Pruitt Campaign Documents**

* [Boot Pruitt Frequently Asked Questions](http://materials.actonclimate.com/a/d8a5617f-d9b6-499e-9ca7-594d301404e9/)
* [Why I Joined Boot Pruitt Campaign Talking Points](http://materials.actonclimate.com/a/d5060638-9b7a-4bce-8f3c-3e3440c2647e/)
* [Template Boot Press Release](http://materials.actonclimate.com/a/607ff805-7a00-4f28-8b94-35fe7e6d1b33/)
* [Boot Pruitt Action Alert](http://materials.actonclimate.com/asset/3710/)