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Has Newsom Teamed Up With Xi & CCP to Destroy California?

It's Energy Crunch Reality Check time for California, and Democrats are running scared. "Pressure is mounting on California regulators to reconsider proposed rules affecting oil refineries as industry leaders and some Democratic legislators warn the changes could threaten fuel supply and raise energy costs," ABC News Sacramento [reported](#) on March 10. The state's draconian "cap-and-invest" regulations have driven up gasoline and energy costs and driven refineries out of the state. Phillips 66 closed its Los Angeles refinery late last year, and Valero will be shuttering its Benicia refinery in April. The two closures will reduce California's already-squeezed fuel supplies by nearly 20 percent.



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Gavin Newsom and Xi Jinping

According to AAA, the national average for gasoline across the country was \$3.53 a gallon on March 10. In California, the statewide average was \$5.29 a gallon, the highest in the country. Those prices will soon be shooting up even more as the refinery capacity reduction kicks in.

But that's not all; more refineries may soon exit the state. Marathon, Chevron, and PBF Energy have [warned Governor Gavin Newsom](#) that they also may be forced to flee. As Katy Grimes of the California Globe [notes](#), "Gov. Newsom is presiding over perhaps the largest collapse of the oil industry, refinery operations and gasoline production in U.S. history." Fuel shortages, grid collapse, economic collapse anyone?

Killing Industry & the Economy

The current crisis can be traced to decades of enviro-extremist legislation, but the final death blows can be attributed to Newsom and his comrades in the state Legislature. In a September 16, 2022 [press release](#), Newsom boasted of signing more than 40 bills that enacted his climate hysteria agenda into law. "Governor Newsom Signs Sweeping Climate Measures, Ushering in New Era of World-Leading Climate Action," the release stated. "New California laws will create 4 million jobs, reduce the state's oil use by 91%, cut air pollution by 60%, protect communities from oil drilling, and accelerate the state's transition to clean energy," it boasted. "Legislative package complements record \$54 billion climate budget that focuses on equity and economic opportunity," it continued.

Promises, promises. Sounds pretty rosy, eh? Reality: Prices of everything are skyrocketing, and businesses, jobs, and taxpayers are leaving in droves. Is Newsom working for Xi Jinping's Beijing regime? As the California Globe points out, some of his environmental bills have relied on Chinese "science" to justify the extreme regulatory measures that are crucifying all California producers: refiners, manufacturers, farmers, ranchers, grocers, miners, retailers, transporters, you name it.



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The Chinese Connection

A central hub of Newsom's Sacramento-Beijing axis is the [California-China Climate Institute \(CCI\)](#) a partnership between Tsinghua University and the University of California, Berkeley. Those nice folks at the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) are *helping* Californians deal with their energy and pollution problems. A report last year by the National Association of Scholars, "[How China Took Over University Climate Science to Weaken America,](#)" points out that Tsinghua University is "a key instrument of the Chinese Communist Party's foreign influence efforts and has played a key role in advancing China's influence at American colleges and universities." China, the world's largest polluter, is being allowed to present "environmental science" that is being used by American politicians to debilitate the U.S. economy to the advantage of Communist China's economy.

The Globe [reports](#):

The US economy has been deliberately held back as China builds two new coal power plants per week, equaling eight new coal plants a month, and nearly 100 new coal power plants a year, according to a report by energy data organizations [Global Energy Monitor](#) and the [Centre for Research on Energy and Clean Air](#).

The website notes further that it "has identified many Chinese university studies sourced by California's corrupt Air Resources Board to justify their own papers and policy" that harm California while helping China.

Among the many "accomplishments" of Governor Newsom's 2023 pilgrimage to China were his [five MOUs \(memorandums of understanding\)](#), which included his agreement to blend California's climate program with China's Communist Five-Year Planning Process. Oh yes, another proud moment of that trip was Newsom's meeting with Xi Jinping, the mass murderer's "first meeting with an American Governor since 2017."

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