



State of Dixie

Executive Department

BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF DIXIE

AN EXECUTIVE ORDER

Whereas, the State of Dixie is home to a stunning 22,826 miles of coastline (“Dixie Coast”), stretching from the shores of the Atlantic Ocean to the waters of the Gulf of Mexico in six out of the eight provinces of Dixie;

Whereas, the Dixie Coast provides billions of dollars annually to local economies across the state through direct and indirect connections to local fishing, tourism, and agricultural industries;

Whereas, the Dixie Coast provides additionally millions more dollars in economic activity to local economies across the state in the form of revenue from tourism, owing to the significant scenic beauty of the Dixie Coast and investments made in preserving said scenic beauty;

Whereas, the Dixie Coast is the most biologically and ecologically diverse coastline in the United States, with thousands of species occupying its oceans, bayous, waterways, and marshes;

Whereas, the Dixie Coast is of great historical, economic, natural, and cultural significance to sovereign, federally-recognized Native American Tribes;

Whereas, the growing offshore drilling operations on the Dixie Coast and elsewhere in the United States provide a dangerous threat to the value and beauty of the Dixie Coast;

Whereas, the State of Dixie has a long history of encouraging and facilitating offshore drilling, in addition to supporting a broader culture of supporting nonrenewable fossil fuels;

Whereas, as a direct result of the facilitation and encouragement of offshore drilling in the State of Dixie, 4,900,000 barrels of oil were spilled into the Macondo oil field region, off the Louisiana section of the Dixie Coast in the Gulf of Mexico,

Whereas, this spill, known as the *Deepwater Horizon* spill, led to billions of dollars in damages, significantly disrupted the ecosystem of the Dixie Coast and adversely affected local economies based around fishing, agriculture, and production;

Whereas, in April of 2017, former President Trump signed [an executive order](#) that drastically shifted the policy of the federal government towards one that heavily encouraged the expansion of offshore drilling projects, a direct threat to the value and beauty of the Dixie Coast,

Whereas, the newly-inaugurated presidential administration led by President Ninjjadragon has taken no action to review or rescind the energy policy of the Trump Administration, signaling complacency from the White House towards the needs of the Dixie Coast;

Whereas, state law gives state agencies the authority to review, object to, and approve certain permits;

NOW, THEREFORE: I, Tripplyons18, Governor of the State of Dixie, do hereby order as follows —

SEC 1. BANNING OFFSHORE DRILLING.

- (1) For the purposes of this Executive Order, “state agencies” means any [agency under the Executive Department](#) of the State of Dixie affected by the purview of this Order.
- (2) It shall be the policy of the State of Dixie to oppose the production, sale, exploration, and distribution of oil products on the Dixie Coast and to prevent the construction or development of infrastructure related to offshore oil products and projects in order to protect the natural beauty, economic value, and scenic qualities of the Dixie Coast.

- (3) All state agencies, when exercising their authority and discretion as authorized by the Constitution and statutes of the State of Dixie, must conduct their operations in a manner consistent with the provisions of this section.

SEC 2. NEW ENERGY COMMISSION.

- (1) There is hereby established a New Energy Commission of the State of Dixie, which shall be comprised of a Chair and 14 members appointed by the Governor.
- (2) The purpose of the Commission shall be to explore the impacts of offshore drilling, its prohibition, and alternatives to land and offshore drilling with a focus on renewable energy solutions.
- (3) The Commission shall, within one year of the enactment of this Executive Order, prepare a report to be presented to the Governor and the Assembly containing the following —
 - (a) An overview of the future of energy in Dixie;
 - (b) The implications of the February 2021 Texas freeze on power solutions in Texas and across Dixie;
 - (c) An update on the progress made in enforcing and implementing this Executive Order (EO 006);
 - (d) A cost-benefit analysis of the consequences of climate change on the environment and economy of Dixie.

SEC 3. DECLARATION OF A CLIMATE EMERGENCY.

- (1) A climate emergency is hereby declared in the State of Dixie.

SEC 4. USAGE OF EMERGENCY FUNDS.

- (1) \$100,000,000 in emergency funds are hereby authorized to be used for the following purposes —
 - (a) The banishment of selling or providing plastic materials;
 - (b) The prohibition of mountaintop removal mining, offshore drilling activities and hydraulic fracturing;
 - (c) Providing every office building, small business, restaurant, shopping centers, retail stores, convention center, and all other public buildings with a working recycling bin.;

- (d) Supporting small, local agricultural producers;
- (e) Promoting green energy;
- (f) Researching effective solutions to the climate crisis, including providing for the budget of the New Energy Commission established in Section 2 of this Executive Order.

SEC 5. INVESTIGATION INTO THE HANDLING OF THE TEXAS FREEZE OF FEBRUARY 2021.

- (1) The Department of Justice of the State of Dixie is hereby ordered to launch an investigation to explore —
 - (g) The response, or lack thereof, of the administration of MrWhiteyIsAwesome to the Texas winter storm of February 2021;
 - (h) The under-preparedness of the Texas power grid and its inability to effectively handle the challenges of the Texas winter storm of February 2021.
- (2) The Attorney General of the State of Dixie shall lead the investigation authorized by this section. Should the Attorney General not be confirmed upon enactment, the Lieutenant Governor shall lead said investigation and update the Attorney General upon confirmation of the Attorney General.

SEC 6. ENACTMENT.

- (1) This Executive Order takes effect immediately upon publication in the Dixie Register.
- (2) This Executive Order shall remain in effect unless it is superseded by another statute or repealed by another Executive Order.



A stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tripplyons18".

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Governor of Dixie

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Dixie to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Austin on this day, March 27, 2021.

ATTEST: JOHNGROBERTSJR,
LIEUTENANT GOEVRNOR

