



Texas Independent Producers and Royalty Owners Association

The countdown is on – TIPRO's 2025 Summer Conference is just weeks away!

There is still time to sign up to join the Texas Independent Producers and Royalty Owners Association for TIPRO's [2025 Summer Conference](#), happening August 4-5 at the [Hyatt Hill Country Resort](#) in San Antonio! TIPRO's Summer meeting this year will offer energy leaders and members important insights on emerging industry trends, innovations being utilized in the Texas oilpatch, Texas energy regulatory priorities and the landscape for oilfield services. TIPRO's featured presenters at the association's Summer Conference also will share candid perspectives on the energy market, expectations for dealmaking and an outlook on oil and gas price conditions leading into 2026.

The state's top law enforcement officer, Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton, will be at the TIPRO meeting to talk about his efforts to combat federal overreach targeting the oil and natural gas industry and evolving federal energy policies. Randy Newcomer, Jr., managing partner, founder and chief executive officer of Riverbend Energy Group, and Gene Shepherd, chief executive officer of VTX Energy, have also been added to TIPRO's stellar line-up of speakers and will provide valuable insight on building successful companies, managing challenges, executing on strategic objectives, and trends related to domestic energy production.

In addition to expert insights and valuable networking sessions, TIPRO's Summer Conference will also include memorable entertainment and live music from one of the most requested and highest rated bands in Texas for over 25 years, [the Grooves](#), and TIPRO's always popular casino night. TIPRO's guests are encouraged to also bring along your partner and families to join the event and enjoy the newly renovated Hyatt Hill Country Resort, which is full of exceptional amenities, fun activities, a five-acre water park featuring a lazy river, water slides and wave machine, nature trails, a championship golf course and much more.

To view the agenda and schedule for the 2025 TIPRO Summer Conference, please see page 6 of this newsletter or [click here](#). If you have not already registered for the event, TIPRO would greatly value your attendance and participation in the conference. If you are unable to attend, please consider having someone from your team register to represent your company.

See more details on TIPRO's Summer Conference by visiting the association's website at www.tipro.org/summer-conference and sign up online to attend by [clicking here](#)!



President Trump announces over \$90 billion in AI and energy investments

At a summit in Pennsylvania last week, U.S. leaders, including President Donald Trump, announced over \$90 billion in groundbreaking private-sector investments that will help to unleash American energy, power cutting-edge technological initiatives in the U.S. and strengthen



American leadership in Artificial Intelligence (AI) and energy innovation. The announcement covered tens of billions of dollars in AI and energy investment, including Google's \$25 billion investment in data centers and infrastructure, Blackstone's \$25 billion investment in data centers and natural gas plants, and CoreWeave's \$6 billion investment in data center expansion. Joining President Trump at the summit was U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Lee Zeldin, Secretary of Energy Chris Wright, Secretary of the Interior Doug Burgum, Secretary of the Treasury Scott Bessent, Secretary of Commerce Howard Lutnick, other Trump Administration officials, members of Congress and industry CEOs.

Leaders at the event collectively agreed that unleashing American energy will be key to powering the nation's undisputed world leadership in AI. "Through these newly announced investments and the continued efforts of President Trump and Administrator Zeldin to enact commonsense permitting reform and remove burdensome regulations, we will drive a golden age of American energy dominance," said Senator Dave McCormick (R-Pennsylvania), who hosted the first-ever Energy and Innovation Summit in Pittsburgh.

"I want to thank Senator McCormick for bringing leaders in government and business together so we can chart a new path to make America the AI capital of the world," added EPA Administrator Zeldin. "EPA is eager to work with AI leaders as we streamline permitting and regulations that will help accelerate American data center development. The Trump Administration is positioning America to be at the forefront of the AI revolution while unleashing American energy dominance."

Building on the major investment announcements last week, on Wednesday, July 23, the White House unveiled its new [AI Action Plan](#) identifying over 90 federal policy actions that will cement the country's leadership in AI. Part of the plan includes removing red tape and onerous regulations as well as streamlining permitting for facilities and energy infrastructure while guaranteeing cybersecurity.

President's message

TIPRO members,

As I've communicated in recent weeks, the One Big Beautiful Bill (OB BB) marks a major win for Texas energy producers and independent oil and gas operators across the country. By establishing a streamlined permitting process, rolling back costly regulations, and restoring certainty to federal leasing, this legislation ushers in a new era of American energy dominance. As the epicenter of oil and natural gas, many of these changes will directly impact Texas operators and the expansion of energy infrastructure projects to meet growing demand. TIPRO applauds the leadership of elected officials in Washington D.C. that support the oil and natural gas industry and are taking action to advance consequential policy.

Congress will now turn its attention to reforming the nation's complicated and outdated permitting system. Although comprehensive permitting reform remains elusive, there are bipartisan discussions taking place about trying to find a compromise on this important issue. TIPRO has engaged with various stakeholders and members of the Texas Congressional Delegation to encourage action on this strategic imperative.

Without it, America's energy sector, particularly oil and natural gas, cannot operate at the pace or scale needed to meet domestic needs, support allies abroad, or ensure long-term affordability for consumers. For too long, federal infrastructure approvals have languished in bureaucratic limbo, with critical energy projects delayed by years due to duplicative reviews, inconsistent agency coordination, and open-ended legal challenges.

Take pipelines, for example. These are the arteries of our energy system, carrying oil and natural gas to homes, businesses, refineries, and ports. Yet under current law, a single pipeline project can face five or more years of environmental analysis before a shovel even hits the ground. LNG export terminals, essential for providing our allies in Europe and Asia with alternatives to Russian or Iranian gas, face similar delays. These bottlenecks don't just stifle job creation and investment; they cede market share to competitors like Qatar and Russia who can move faster.

Permitting paralysis has real-world consequences. American families feel it at the gas pump. Manufacturers see it in elevated energy costs. And communities waiting for the economic benefits of infrastructure development, including jobs, tax revenue, and improved local services, watch opportunity pass them by. In addition, the coming AI revolution, with the need to power massive data centers across the country, will further drive the need for American natural gas. When domestic production is throttled, imports from less regulated producers fill the gap, increasing global emissions and undermining U.S. environmental standards.

Reform doesn't mean eliminating oversight. It means making it smarter. It means setting clear deadlines for environmental reviews, designating a lead agency for coordination, and limiting frivolous lawsuits that aim to block rather than improve projects. These changes would bring needed predictability to a sector that plans capital projects years in advance and must navigate complex technical, legal, and financial challenges.

For the oil and natural gas industry, comprehensive permitting reform is not a "nice to have," it is mission critical. It unlocks investment, accelerates innovation, strengthens national security, and ensures that the United States remains a reliable energy partner to the world. At a time when energy reliability and affordability are top concerns for working Americans, Congress must deliver on this long-overdue reform. The clock is ticking. The world is watching. And the U.S. energy industry is ready to lead, if Washington will let it.

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Join TIPRO, IPAA and HPF at next month's joint "Leaders in Industry" luncheon

Please join the Texas Independent Producers & Royalty Owners Association (TIPRO), Independent Petroleum Association of America (IPAA) and Houston Producers Forum (HPF) on Tuesday, August 19, 2025, at the monthly 'Leaders in Industry' luncheon! The event, hosted at the Petroleum Club of Houston, will feature commentary from Brad Thielemann, partner at EnCap Investments, and Patrick McWilliams, partner at NGP.

Prior to rejoining EnCap in September 2006, Thielemann worked in the Investor Relations and Strategic Planning Groups at Plains All American Pipeline, L.P. Previously, he was an Associate at EnCap from 2000 to 2003 and a Treasury Analyst at Dynegy. Thielemann serves on the board of directors of several EnCap portfolio companies and is a member of the Houston Producers Forum and the Independent Petroleum Association of America.

McWilliams serves as partner of the NGP funds and concentrates on NGP's transaction sourcing and execution, as well as the monitoring of active portfolio companies. He is a member of the NGP Investment committee, and he joined NGP in 2015. Patrick has an extensive background in the energy sector, having spent 22 years primarily focused on energy financing alternatives for the upstream and midstream industries. Prior to NGP, Patrick was a managing director with JPMorgan Securities, which he joined in 2012 to launch and build the Middle Market Oil and Gas Finance platform. In addition to directly covering oil and gas companies, Patrick and his team led the coverage of energy-focused private equity sponsors.

To sign up for the August 'Leaders in Industry' luncheon, go to <https://tinyurl.com/5k38uu4j>.

TIPRO CALENDAR OF EVENTS		
<p>AUGUST 4-5, 2025</p> <p>SAN ANTONIO — TIPRO's 2025 Summer Conference.</p> <p>For information, email info@tipro.org.</p>	<p>AUGUST 19, 2025</p> <p>HOUSTON — TIPRO/HPF/IPAA "Leaders in Industry" Luncheon.</p> <p>For information, email info@houstonproducersforum.org.</p>	<p>SEPTEMBER 16, 2025</p> <p>HOUSTON — TIPRO/HPF/IPAA "Leaders in Industry" Luncheon.</p> <p>For information, email info@houstonproducersforum.org.</p>

Texas legislature is back in Austin for a special legislative session called by Gov. Abbott

State lawmakers returned back to the Texas Capitol this past Monday, July 21st for the start of a special legislative session called by Texas Governor Greg Abbott. The governor has named 18 agenda items for the special session, which pertain to natural disaster preparation and recovery, relief funding for the Hill Country after the July floods, property tax reductions and redistricting, amongst other legislative issues. TIPRO members can view the governor's proclamation identifying his full list of special session priorities by [clicking here](#).

"We delivered on historic legislation in the 89th Regular Legislative Session that will benefit Texans for generations to come," said Governor Abbott. "There is more work to be done, particularly in the aftermath of the devastating floods in the Texas Hill Country. We must ensure better preparation for such events in the future."

While no items specific to the oil and gas industry are on the governor's special session agenda, TIPRO will be monitoring the legislature.

Updated revenue estimate is holding steady, reports Texas comptroller's office

Acting Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts Kelly Hancock recently provided updated budget and revenue estimates to Governor Greg Abbott and the Texas Legislature, reporting that the state's Biennial Revenue Estimate (BRE) for Fiscal Years 2026–27 remains unchanged, with \$3.1 billion available for general-purpose spending through August 31, 2027. This BRE update, required by the Texas Constitution, was submitted ahead of the first-called special session of the 89th Legislature.

"Texas' revenue estimate is holding steady," said Hancock, who assumed the responsibilities of acting state comptroller effective July 1. "With a record balance in the Rainy Day Fund, a conservative approach to budgeting should keep us well-prepared to fund essential priorities, support growth and respond to future needs as directed by the Texas Legislature," he advised.

The state's Economic Stabilization Fund (Rainy Day Fund) is estimated to be \$28.5 billion at the end of Fiscal 2027, according to the comptroller's office. The fund is expected to hit its constitutional cap in Fiscal 2026, therefore appropriations from it — such as for disaster relief — could affect the amount of general revenue available, depending on timing and size, said Hancock. Meanwhile, continued uncertainty around global markets, energy prices, interest rates and federal fiscal policy also are contributing factors that were considered when maintaining revenue projections published in January's 2026–27 BRE, apart from updates based on enacted legislation.

U.S. Rep. Tony Gonzales advocates for support of Texas' energy industry in new legislation

At a congressional hearing on Capitol Hill this week, members of the U.S. House Appropriations Committee met to consider the *Fiscal Year 2026 Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act*. The bill, which includes several provisions championing American energy dominance and reducing regulatory burdens, was approved by the committee with a vote of 33 to 28.

Texas Congressman Tony Gonzales (TX-23), who sits on the committee, expressed support for the legislation, saying the policy packages that passed out of the House Appropriations Committee put Texas and America first. "Over the past four years, high energy costs and reliance on foreign oil and critical materials have put our nation on the wrong track. Through my seat on the House Appropriations Committee, I worked alongside conservative, principled lawmakers to cut funding for President Biden's rush-to-green energy agenda and support initiatives that support America's energy industry, all while saving the taxpayers billions of dollars," explained Congressman Gonzales.

Some of the key takeaways from the bill important to the energy industry include:

- The Secretary of the Interior will be required to conduct onshore and offshore oil and gas lease sales.
- The use of the social cost of carbon will be prohibited.
- The EPA will be blocked from imposing the methane fee on oil and gas producers created by the Inflation Reduction Act.
- Multiple U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service rulings used to weaponize the Endangered Species Act against land users and energy producers would be prohibited.

TIPRO members may see a full summary of the bill [here](#).

Senator Ted Cruz calls on FERC to expeditiously reauthorize Rio Grande LNG project

In a new letter to members of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), U.S. Senator Ted Cruz (R-Texas) pushed for prompt action from energy regulators to swiftly reauthorize the Rio Grande LNG project, highlighting its economic importance by supporting thousands of jobs and billions of dollars in investment to the Rio Grande Valley. "As you are aware, the Rio Grande LNG project has experienced a protracted and challenging permitting process, complicated by litigation and remand from the D.C. Circuit Court. While the commission's original authorization was properly issued, the court's decision added unnecessary delays and uncertainty to a project that clearly serves the public interest," the senator told FERC in his letter. "The commission has since worked diligently to address the court's directives, with that in mind, I trust the commission will act quickly to reissue its order and allow this critical infrastructure project to move forward without further delay... In recent months, FERC has demonstrated that it is capable of acting promptly and responsibly on other LNG projects, setting an encouraging precedent. I am confident that the commission will apply the same level of attention and urgency to the Rio Grande LNG project."

TIPRO members can see Senator Cruz's full letter [here](#).

David LaCerte nominated to fill FERC vacancy

President Donald Trump this month nominated David LaCerte of Louisiana to join the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), serving out the remainder of the term for former Democratic FERC Commissioner Willie Phillips, Jr., who stepped down from the regulatory panel earlier this year at the White House's request. LaCerte is a veteran of the first Trump Administration and currently serves at the U.S. Office of Personnel Management. He previously worked at the US Chemical and Hazard Investigations Board and at Baker Botts LLP as special counsel. If his nomination is approved by the U.S. Senate, he would serve the remainder of Phillips' term ending on June 30, 2026. His confirmation to FERC also would be expected to swing the commission to a Republican majority.

Trump Administration makes improvements to federal orphan well grant programs

The U.S. Department of the Interior announced last week it has revised guidance for states applying to federal programs providing grants to clean up orphaned oil and gas wells. According to officials, the revised guidance relates to two federal grant programs, the \$780 million Orphaned Wells State Matching Grant Program and the \$1.93 billion Orphaned Wells State Formula Grant Program. Changes are meant to cut red tape and help states act faster.

The revised guidance eliminates non-statutory requirements and reduces burdens on state grant recipients. This includes:

- Removing the requirement that States conduct pre- and post- plugging methane measurement.
- Recognizing the discretion States have in identifying and plugging orphaned wells.
- Eliminating the Department's unnecessary post-award, environmental review and approval process.

"States know their land and their needs best," said Acting Assistant Secretary of Policy, Management and Budget Tyler Hassen. "By cutting unnecessary barriers, we're helping them clean up old wells faster, protect communities and support energy development."

"These changes make it easier for states to get to work," said Eva Vrana, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Environmental Management. "States can move more quickly to plug wells and reduce environmental risks."

The Interior Department said it will also work with states to update existing grants under the new guidelines. The orphaned wells program is part of a broader effort to support domestic energy, protect the environment and cut unnecessary regulations.

Railroad Commission of Texas Chairman Jim Wright said he applauded the Interior's reforms. "Today's announcement by the Department of the Interior is a win for common sense governance. As I [wrote](#) last November, the significant hurdles and bureaucracy inherent in the orphaned well plugging program under the Biden Administration resulted in increased plugging costs and significantly delayed well plugging. The revisions announced today will do much to streamline the program and ensure taxpayer funds are used efficiently to plug as many orphaned wells as possible," said Chairman Wright. "I appreciate the thoughtful work of the Trump Administration and Secretary of the Interior Doug Burgum to cut through the red tape and allow the Railroad Commission to utilize its world-renowned well plugging expertise."

The state of Texas has [received](#) an initial grant of \$25 million from the Interior Department's federal grant program providing funding for orphaned well plugging from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) passed by Congress. In March of this year, the Railroad Commission reported it had plugged more than 760 orphaned wells through the Initial Grant provided by the IIJA. Commission leaders have [voiced concerns](#) on administrative hurdles from the IIJA Formula Grant program, however, that has significantly delayed further plugging projects. In fact, in the first 12 months of the IIJA Formula Grant, the commission said it had plugged 45 percent fewer wells using federal funds than were plugged during the first 12 months of the IIJA Initial Grant.

Interior Dept. issues directive ending preferential treatment on subsidy-dependent wind and solar

In line with President Donald Trump's Energy Dominance agenda, the Department of the Interior said earlier this month that it is ending preferential treatment for subsidy-dependent wind and solar energy. All [department-related decisions and actions](#) concerning wind and solar energy facilities will now undergo elevated review by the Office of the Secretary, including leases, rights-of-way, construction and operation plans, grants, consultations and biological opinions. This enhanced oversight will ensure all evaluations are thorough and deliberate.

"American Energy Dominance is driven by U.S.-based production of reliable baseload energy, not regulatory favoritism towards unreliable energy projects that are solely dependent on taxpayer subsidies and foreign-sourced equipment," commented Acting Assistant Secretary for Lands and Minerals Management Adam Suess.

The action follows the signing of [Executive Order 14315](#), *Ending Market Distorting Subsidies for Unreliable, Foreign-Controlled Energy Sources*, and implementation of the [One Big Beautiful Bill Act](#) that was signed into law by President Trump at the beginning of July. This will remove these artificial advantages for wind and solar, pointed out officials, and level the playing field for dispatchable, cost-effective and secure energy sources, such as domestic natural gas.

EPA seeking stakeholder input on CWA Section 401

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is inviting the public to share input and perspective on implementation challenges associated with the Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 401. The agency explained it will use the input it receives to determine next steps to address identified areas of regulatory uncertainty or implementation challenges regarding the scope of certification.

Since the Trump Administration took back control of the EPA in January, federal leaders have reinforced the alignment of CWA Section 401 with the EPA's "Powering the Great American Comeback" Initiative. In May, a [memorandum](#) was issued by EPA Administrator Lee Zeldin clarifying the specific and limited role that states and tribes play in the federal licensing and permitting processes under CWA section 401. Through the memorandum, the agency reiterated its longstanding position that states and Tribes must utilize Section 401 of the CWA only for its statutory purpose – to protect water quality -- and not to undercut or block energy, critical mineral, and infrastructure projects.

"Central to the Powering the Great American Comeback is rejecting the false, binary choice between environmental protection and economic and energy development. It is critical that EPA meets its statutory requirements without weaponizing them against beneficial infrastructure projects," said Jessica Kramer, a senior advisor for water at the EPA. "It is our responsibility to guarantee CWA Section 401 is only being used for its statutory purpose – to ensure permitted projects protect water quality while delivering real prosperity for all Americans."

Written feedback discussing CWA Section 401 must be received by the EPA before August 6, 2025. Comments should be identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2025-0272 and may be submitted online. Go to www.regulations.gov and follow online instructions for submitting feedback to the docket. The EPA also is hosting two webinar-based listening sessions to solicit feedback from stakeholders on regulatory uncertainty and implementation challenges associated with the CWA Section 401 certification process. The first listening session was held on July 16. The next session will take place on Wednesday, July 30, at 12 p.m. For more information on how to participate in the listening session, visit www.epa.gov/cwa-401/outreach-and-engagement.

EPA reducing its workforce by at least 23 percent and closing agency's scientific research office

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced in mid-July it is making a substantial reduction to the size of the federal agency's workforce, in line with efforts pursued by President Donald Trump to downsize the federal government. In January 2025, the EPA had 16,155 employees, according to the agency. Combined with voluntary retirements, separations, and other announced reductions in force, the EPA is now expected to have a workforce of 12,448 employees, officials reported last week.

As part of the EPA's comprehensive restructuring efforts, the EPA also said it is eliminating its Office of Research and Development, the agency's scientific research arm that helps inform decision-making. The EPA earlier in the year also terminated the Environmental Justice (EJ) and Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) divisions of the agency. Combined with other organizational improvements, the EPA said its restructuring will deliver \$748.8 million in savings to taxpayers.

"Under President Trump's leadership, EPA has taken a close look at our operations to ensure the agency is better equipped than ever to deliver on our core mission of protecting human health and the environment while Powering the Great American Comeback. This reduction in force will ensure we can better fulfill that mission while being responsible stewards of your hard-earned tax dollars," EPA Administrator Lee Zeldin said in a statement.

Trump Administration says it will delay rule on Rice's whale by two years

Officials with the U.S. Commerce Department's National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) this month reached an agreement with environmental groups that will give the U.S. government two more years to finalize the geographic area deemed critical for the endangered Rice's whale. As TIPRO has reported to members previously, the Rice's whale habitat in the Gulf of Mexico is an area where a large portion of U.S. offshore oil and gas production occurs. The NMFS cited the complexity of the rule and the need for further scientific review as reasons for the regulatory delay. "NMFS continues to make diligent progress on this complex Final Rule," the agency stated in the agreement, emphasizing the need to collaborate with academic and scientific communities to better understand the whale's habitat needs and the potential impact of restrictions, particularly for offshore energy development.

Port of Corpus Christi offering public tours showing one of Texas' top energy export hubs

The Port of Corpus Christi, one of the country's largest energy export ports and a major economic engine of Texas and the nation, announced recently it has launched guided monthly tours to allow the public and community members an opportunity to explore port operations, see infrastructure firsthand and gain valuable insight into the port's global trade contributions, regional economic impact and environmental stewardship efforts.

"This initiative reflects our ongoing commitment to transparency, education and building strong relationships with the communities we serve," said Rosaura De Los Santos Bailey, director of community relations for the Port of Corpus Christi. "We're proud to open our doors and provide a closer look at the operations that make the port a key driver of economic growth and a leader in sustainable development."

The Port of Corpus Christi, a member of TIPRO, will offer complimentary tours on the third Wednesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.; each session will last approximately 1 to 1.5 hours. Tours will include an overview presentation followed by a walkthrough of the administration facilities. Advance registration is required for the tour and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Tours will be open to all ages. Capacity will be limited to 15 attendees to ensure an engaging, informative experience.

"We consider it not only a special privilege, but a responsibility, to share who we are and what we do at the Port of Corpus Christi," said Omar Garcia, chief external affairs officer for the Port of Corpus Christi. "We want our neighbors and communities to feel proud of their port and to trust that we are wholly committed to serving our public locally, regionally and globally."

Interested participants may register by completing the Public Tours Request Form online at portofcc.com/public-tours. For more information, email community@poccca.com.

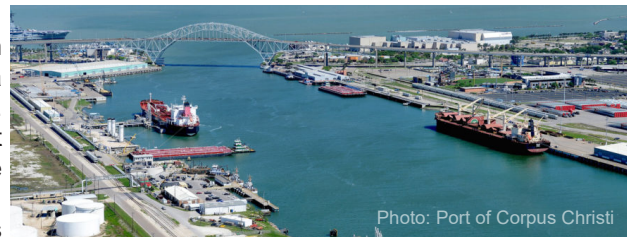


Photo: Port of Corpus Christi

Chevron pledges major donation to support flood relief efforts in Texas

Following the devastating floods that swept through Texas on July 4th, Chevron, a member of TIPRO, announced a donation of \$250,000 to three community partners, Community Foundation of the Texas Hill Country, Team Rubicon and the Fuel Relief Fund, to help support flood relief efforts in Central Texas and the Texas Hill Country:

- Community Foundation of the Texas Hill Country will receive \$100,000 to support local organizations providing rescue, relief and recovery services.
- Team Rubicon will receive \$100,000 to assess damage, manage volunteers and prepare for large-scale debris removal in the impacted areas.
- Fuel Relief Fund will receive \$50,000 to supply fuel for volunteer equipment and assist displaced residents and emergency responders.

In addition to the company's donation, Chevron said it is also introducing a 2:1 employee match contribution program, up to \$250,000. This initiative allows Chevron to amplify its own employees' giving to broaden its impact.

"Chevron has a long history of responding to the needs in communities where we operate. Our partnership with these outstanding organizations will help provide essential aid to those impacted by the catastrophic floods," said Chevron Chief Corporate Affairs Officer Laura Lane. "We also extend our sincere appreciation and gratitude to the volunteers and first responders who have worked tirelessly on the front lines of the relief efforts. They are who make us all Texas strong, Texas proud."



TIPRO'S 2025 SUMMER CONFERENCE

AGENDA AND EVENT SCHEDULE

MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 2025

- 1:30 PM TIPRO AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING
- 3:00 PM TIPRO BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
- 5:30 -7:30 PM TIPRO WELCOME RECEPTION

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2025

- 7:30 AM BREAKFAST
- 8:30 AM START OF GENERAL SESSION
- WELCOME & SPONSOR RECOGNITION**
TIPRO PRESIDENT ED LONGANECKER
- OPENING REMARKS**
TIPRO CHAIRMAN T. GRANT JOHNSON, PRESIDENT OF LONE STAR PRODUCTION COMPANY
- 8:45 AM **OIL AND NATURAL GAS SERVICES SECTOR INNOVATION AND MACROECONOMIC TRENDS**
LYNDAL CISSELL, PRESIDENT AMERICAS LAND, SLB
- 9:15 AM **TEXAS ENERGY REGULATORY PRIORITIES**
JIM WRIGHT, CHAIRMAN OF THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
- 9:45 AM **CANDID PERSPECTIVES ON THE ENERGY MARKET AND DEALMAKING**
JIM ROGERS, VICE CHAIRMAN, PETRIE PARTNERS
AUSTIN HUGHES, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT, PETRIE PARTNERS
- 10:30 AM **INFRASTRUCTURE, MOLECULES AND DELIVERING POSITIVE ENERGY**
MIKE HOWARD, CHAIRMAN AND CEO, HOWARD ENERGY PARTNERS
- 11:15 AM **NETWORKING BREAK**
- 11:25 AM **PROTECTING TEXANS – SAFETY, SECURITY, LEGAL THREATS, AND SOLUTIONS**
KEN PAXTON, TEXAS ATTORNEY GENERAL
- 11:55 AM **TIPRO NETWORKING LUNCHEON**
- 1:15 PM **GENERAL SESSION CONTINUES**
LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS EXPORTS AND TRENDS
NISHITA SINGH, VICE PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER CCL, CHENIERE ENERGY
- 2:00 PM **IN-DEPTH OIL AND NATURAL GAS STATE REGULATORY DISCUSSION**
PAUL DUBOIS, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR TECHNICAL PERMITTING, RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
LAUREN SPREEN, PRINCIPLE, SPREEN CONSULTING
RYAN PAYLOR, DIRECTOR OF STATE GOVERNMENT AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS, TIPRO
- 2:45 PM **CEO PANEL – BUILDING COMPANIES AND EXECUTING ON STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES**
RANDY NEWCOMER, JR., MANAGING PARTNER, FOUNDER AND CEO, RIVERBEND ENERGY GROUP
GENE SHEPHERD, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, VTX ENERGY
- 3:30 PM **NETWORKING BREAK**
- 3:40 PM **OIL AND NATURAL GAS PRICE OUTLOOK FOR 2026**
MARSHALL ADKINS, HEAD OF ENERGY FOR RAYMOND JAMES
- 4:25 PM **CLOSING REMARKS**
- 6:00 PM **RECEPTION AND CHAIRMAN'S DINNER, FOLLOWED BY THE PRESENTATION OF THE MR. TIPRO AWARD, LIVE MUSIC AND TIPRO'S CASINO NIGHT**





TIPRO SUMMER CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

Using the form below, sign up for TIPRO's annual summer meeting, happening August 4-5, 2025, at the Hyatt Hill Country Resort & Spa in San Antonio. We look forward to seeing you there!

REGISTRATION FEES

MEMBER FEES:

*FULL PASS INCLUDES ALL CONFERENCE SESSIONS AND MEALS

- ☐ MEMBER: \$595
- ☐ SPOUSE: \$395
- ☐ CHILDREN (12-UP): \$195
- ☐ CHILDREN (5-12): \$125
- ☐ CHILDREN (5-UNDER): FREE

NON-MEMBER FEES:

*FULL PASS INCLUDES ALL CONFERENCE SESSIONS AND MEALS, AS WELL AS A ONE-YEAR COMPLIMENTARY TIPRO MEMBERSHIP

- ☐ NON-MEMBER: \$795
- ☐ SPOUSE: \$395
- ☐ CHILDREN (12-UP): \$195
- ☐ CHILDREN (5-12): \$125
- ☐ CHILDREN (5-UNDER): FREE

REGISTRANT INFORMATION

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