



Texas Independent  
Producers and  
Royalty Owners  
Association

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# MEMBERSHIP GUIDE



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A dark silhouette of an oil derrick and a person's head profile is set against a blue-toned background, possibly a sunset or sunrise. The text is overlaid on this image.

**SINCE 1946, TIPRO  
HAS SERVED AS  
THE LEADING VOICE  
OF INDEPENDENT  
OIL & GAS PRODUCERS  
AND ROYALTY OWNERS  
IN THE  
LONE STAR STATE.**



# ABOUT TIPRO

The Texas Independent Producers & Royalty Owners Association (TIPRO) is a trade association representing the interests of nearly 3,000 independent oil and natural gas producers and royalty owners throughout Texas. As the largest statewide association in Texas that represents both independent producers and royalty owners, members include small businesses, the largest, publicly-traded independent producers, and mineral owners, estates, and trusts. Members of TIPRO are responsible for producing more than 85 percent of the natural gas and 70 percent of the oil within Texas, and own mineral interests in millions of acres across the state.



***"Our association has a longstanding legacy of providing a leading voice on behalf of Texas independent producers and royalty owners. We help our members stay ahead of relevant legislation and energy regulations as well as keep companies informed of priorities for the Texas oil and natural gas industry."***  
***-Ed Longanecker, president of TIPRO***



TEXAS LED THE  
NATION IN  
OIL AND GAS JOBS  
WITH 480,460  
PEOPLE EMPLOYED  
IN 2024



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# TIPRO'S DEDICATED HISTORY

***TIPRO WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1946 BY  
INDEPENDENT OIL AND NATURAL GAS  
PRODUCERS HOPING TO PROVIDE A  
UNIFIED VOICE FOR THE INDUSTRY***

It all began with the discovery of the great oil fields across Texas - first Spindletop in Beaumont in 1901, then Burk Burnett in North Texas in 1915, followed by Luling in Central Texas in 1924, then the Santa Rita in 1923, and more.

Circumstances in each field were unique, causing varying conflicts between independents and the majors, both of which were eager to drill. With such significant discoveries of oil, global oil prices quickly plummeted, due to overproduction and theft. The majors lobbied hard at both state and federal levels for proration limits and other measures to reduce the flood of supply. Seeing this massive threat to their livelihoods, in what had become a very personal business, many independents resisted such measures.

Under this backdrop, the state's independent producers began to organize. While regional groups formed in each significant field throughout Texas, it was the East Texas Field that gave rise to the Independent Petroleum Association of Texas in 1933.

This group would later reconstitute itself in 1946 as a statewide association called the Texas Independent Producers & Royalty Owners Association, or TIPRO.

Led by Glenn McCarthy and Jack Porter, the group originally consisted of 39 Texas wildcatters. Today that membership has grown to nearly 3,000.





# TIPRO'S LEADING ADVOCACY

## **TIPRO IS A WELL-RESPECTED SOURCE FOR OIL & GAS POLICYMAKERS, ENERGY REGULATORS AND STATE LEADERS**

TIPRO serves an industry that is dramatically influenced by local, state and federal regulations, with policy initiatives that can have long-lasting effects on drilling operations. As a result, day-in, day-out, TIPRO advocates at the appropriate government levels on behalf of the association's nearly 3,000 members. TIPRO proudly works with leaders in the Texas Legislature, U.S. Congress and regulatory agencies to share the story on the importance of American oil and gas development. The association's efforts in government affairs are unparalleled. TIPRO's relationship with lawmakers and their staff guarantees that members receive the best representation possible.

As a member of TIPRO, you'll have access to a dedicated lobbying team who are available to voice your concerns with key government officials and regulators. Through the association's committee structure, TIPRO is able to gather member input to determine top priorities and identify pressing concerns facing the Texas oil and gas industry at any given time. With a legislative and regulatory environment that is already complex, extensive and expanding, TIPRO proudly lobbies on behalf of the state's independent producers and royalty owners to ensure fair regulation and management of domestic development of natural resources.

### Priorities for TIPRO include:

- Oilfield theft prevention
- Preservation of longstanding oil and gas tax policies, including intangible drilling costs and percentage depletion deductions
- Comprehensive permitting reform
- Reducing unnecessary red tape
- Supporting policies that encourage domestic oil and gas production

### TIPRO Resources:

- State and federal legislative and regulatory tracking
- Regular updates on oil and natural gas policy developments
- Access to TIPRO policy committees and task force meetings
- Access to key policymakers and industry representatives
- Lobbying support and consultation from dedicated government affairs team



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TENS OF THOUSANDS  
OF TEXAS COMPANIES,  
THEIR EMPLOYEES AND  
FAMILIES SINCE OUR  
INCEPTION***



# TIPRO'S EVENTS AND CONFERENCES



**Executive Insights**

**Oil & Gas Policy Updates**

**Exclusive Events**

TIPRO offers an unmatched calendar of programmatic activity for members to learn and engage in issues that impact the E&P sector. TIPRO proudly hosts leading executives and experts for information sharing and to promote the exchange of best practices. Events hosted by TIPRO are a great way to stay aware of industry priorities and also enjoy exclusive networking opportunities. Connect with the association's membership at TIPRO's meetings, gain access to potential customers, investors and partners, as well as establish valuable business relationships.

Regular TIPRO meetings include the association's annual and summer conferences, monthly 'Leaders in Industry' Luncheon series, receptions and forums, along with other industry gatherings. TIPRO looks forward to connecting members and energy professionals at future forums and conferences!

**FIND DETAILS ON  
UPCOMING TIPRO EVENTS  
ONLINE AT  
[HTTPS://MEMBERSHIP.TIPRO.ORG/EVENTS](https://membership.tipro.org/events)**



# TIPRO PUBLICATIONS & INDUSTRY INTELLIGENCE

**TIPRO OFFERS MEMBERS SEVERAL EXCLUSIVE RESOURCES TO STAY INFORMED ON THE ISSUES THAT MATTER MOST TO YOU AND YOUR BUSINESS.**



TIPRO provides regular communication with members, elected officials and the media on priority issues facing the Texas oil & natural gas industry today. TIPRO members receive timely information via *The TIPRO Target* bi-weekly newsletter, special association publications and other energy reports. TIPRO also seeks out opportunities to consistently reinforce and promote the economic contributions and importance of the Texas E&P sector through all forms of communication, including the association's social media outlets, public speaking engagements and other oil and gas publications.

## TIPRO'S INDUSTRY-EDUCATION CAMPAIGN WITH TEXANS FOR NATURAL GAS

Under the guidance of TIPRO, Texans for Natural Gas is a comprehensive statewide oil and natural gas campaign, comprised of data, analysis, grassroots engagement and rapid response capabilities designed to provide accurate information about the industry and its unprecedented economic contributions in Texas.



STAY AHEAD OF  
RULEMAKINGS AND  
LEGISLATION THAT  
COULD IMPACT THE  
TEXAS E&P SECTOR



READ TIPRO REPORTS FOR  
EXCLUSIVE INSIGHTS ON  
POLICY ISSUES AND  
ECONOMIC TRENDS  
FACING THE INDUSTRY



KEEP CONNECTED  
BY FOLLOWING  
TIPRO  
ON SOCIAL MEDIA

# TIPRO ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES



TIPRO members establish the business and policy priorities of the association. A variety of engagement opportunities are available for members to participate and guide these decisions or to simply stay abreast of issues that could directly impact your operations. As a member of TIPRO, you and your colleagues can join our committees and task forces to help determine what top issues will direct our organization's advocacy efforts, while sharing in the insight and development of key relationships with other industry peers.

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

TIPRO's Board of Directors provide strategic governance and oversight of priority legislative and regulatory matters for the association. The 21-person board is comprised of executives representing some of the largest independents in the state as well as small to midsized E&P members, and royalty owners from across Texas.

## **STATE ISSUES COMMITTEE**

The core operation of TIPRO revolves around legislative advocacy, and the association's State Issues Committee is the lifeblood of those efforts. Currently comprised of members representing companies of various size, operational focus and regional influence, TIPRO's State Issues Committee is in charge of monitoring, discussing and approving legislative advocacy efforts for TIPRO.

## **REGULATORY COMMITTEE**

While the state legislature only meets 140 days every other year, regulatory authorities at the local, state and federal levels are creating new policies on a daily basis that can negatively impact upstream operations of the oil and natural gas industry. The TIPRO Regulatory Committee is a great opportunity for members looking to stay engaged on matters pertaining to new rules and regulations that could impact their bottom line.

## **LEGAL COMMITTEE**

It is an unfortunate fact, but there is an increasing trend for those who are opposed to the oil & gas industry to turn to litigation when they cannot accomplish their objectives through statutory or regulatory means. TIPRO's Legal Committee advises the organization when there are opportunities to get involved as an interested party over landmark issues faced by the industry.

**LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR OTHER COMMITTEES ON THE TIPRO WEBSITE!**

# TIPRO MEMBERSHIP



**JOIN NOW**

**SUPPORT TIPRO AND THE INDUSTRY  
BY SIGNING UP TODAY TO JOIN THE ASSOCIATION**

TIPRO membership is open to any individual seeking unparalleled legislative and regulatory resources, targeted networking, educational and marketing opportunities and industry news and intelligence. TIPRO knows you have a choice in selecting an association that best represents your needs.

TIPRO offers a variety of membership categories. Each membership level has a required minimum fee, with a range for voluntary contributions above that level for members to support the organization at varying amounts, as desired.

## Individual

**\$400**

Superior legislative and regulatory representation

Annual subscriptions to *The TIPRO Target* bi-weekly newsletter and other TIPRO publications

TIPRO meeting invitations, discounted pricing and priority registration

## Executive

**\$1,000**

Benefits of an individual membership

3 or more memberships, depending on membership investment

Industry policy updates delivered via e-mail

## Explorer

**\$3,000**

Benefits of an executive membership

8 or more memberships depending on membership investment

Priority access to TIPRO's professional staff

Enhanced corporate visibility

## Corporate Explorer

**\$10,000+**

If you are an operator that produces more than 1 million barrels of oil equivalent (BOE) in Texas per year, please consider joining at the corporate explorer level. For more information on the dues structure, please contact TIPRO.

**SIGN UP TO BECOME A MEMBER OF TIPRO ONLINE  
BY VISITING [HTTPS://TIPRO.WILDAPRICOT.ORG/JOIN-US !](https://tipro.wildapricot.org/join-us)**