

# Biden Bans New Oil and Gas Drilling Along Most US Coasts

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In early January 2025, President Biden announced a [ban on new oil and gas drilling](#) across more than 625 million acres of US coastal waters. That ban is widely expected to be repealed after President-elect Trump takes office.

"I would view it as an unsettled issue and certainly one that the new administration will continue to pursue," Bracewell's **Ann Navaro** told *The New York Times*.

Environmental groups are expected to challenge any repeal by the Trump administration, as was the case in the 2019 Federal District Court in Alaska ruling that a ban could not be undone without an act of Congress.

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