

2025 Ethanol Policy Roadmap

Reduce Fuel Prices with E15

- Pass legislation (S. 2707/H.R. 9885, 118th Congress) to permanently allow E15 to be sold year-round.
- Encourage EPA to finish regulatory action from the last Trump Administration that would revise the burdensome E15
 labeling requirement and allowed current refueling infrastructure that is compatible with E10 to be compatible with E15.
- Encourage EPA to issue an emergency waiver to prevent fuel supply shortages this summer if legislation to permanently allow year-round E15 sales does not pass by May 1.
- · Ask EPA to implement the eight state Midwest Reid Vapor Pressure opt-out rule on time.
- · Institute a nationwide minimum octane standard and pass the Next Generation Fuels Act.
- Ensure ethanol has a role in helping meet emissions goals in light-duty vehicle fuel efficiency rulemaking.

Rebuild the Farm Economy with a Robust Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS)

- Ask EPA that more than 15 billion gallons of conventional biofuels (corn starch ethanol) are included in any Renewable Volume Obligation (RVO).
- Ask EPA to minimize Small Refinery Exemptions (SRE) as SREs reduce demand for farmers and lower crop prices.
- Ask EPA to estimate and account for expected SREs each year and reallocate those exemptions to other refineries.
- · Ask EPA to establish advanced RVOs that account for the rapid growth of renewable diesel and biodiesel.
- Pass legislation to make corn starch ethanol eligible as an advanced biofuel. Approve an RFS pathway for corn starch alcohol-to-jet fuel.

Drive American Innovation Through Federal Tax Incentives

- Extend 45Z by 7-10 years beyond current law, which goes through 2027.
- Require the "emissions factor" be rounded to the nearest hundredth instead of the nearest tenth (.01 instead of .1).
- · Prohibit foreign feedstock (including Brazilian ethanol) from accessing the 45Z credit.
- Increase the base credit for Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) to be more in line with the 40B credit structure.
- Have DoE change the existing 45ZCF-GREET User Manual to allow corn ethanol wet mills to qualify if they meet Carbon Intensity (CI) threshold and allow carbon sequestered for enhanced oil recovery (EOR) to be recognized.
- Ask Treasury to keep current 45Z tax notice intact, making a few modest changes:
 - » Clarify that exported ethanol is eligible for the credit.
 - » Allow carbon utilization to be recognized under 45Z.
 - » Allow USDA emissions values to be used to determine 45Z credit amounts.
 - » Maintain the current standard on imported UCO substantiation and certification.
 - » Finish Provisional Emissions Rate (PER) regulation.

Win in Global Markets with American Ethanol

- Encourage U.S. trade diplomats to combat unfair trade barriers and tariffs imposed on American Ethanol by competitors in Brazil, China, India, Europe, and Southeast Asia.
- Open new export opportunities for low-carbon biofuels by supporting higher blends in Canada, Japan, India, Mexico, and across the globe.

Unleash American Energy Dominance by Reducing Barriers to Private Investment

• Ask EPA to process Class VI underground injection control well permits within two years of receiving an application.

