



Briefing Notice

Public Attitudes About Climate Change and Clean Energy

Tuesday, January 28, 2014

3 PM – 4:30 PM

2325 Rayburn House Office Building

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The **Environmental and Energy Study Institute** (EESI) invites you to a briefing discussing American perceptions of climate change following a new in-depth survey conducted in December by Resources for the Future, Stanford University, and *USA Today*. For the first time, the survey explored in detail the public's attitudes toward generating electricity from various sources and its attitude toward fracking in particular.

The speakers for this forum are:

- **Professor Jon Krosnick**, Frederic O. Glover Professor in Humanities and Social Sciences, Stanford University; Senior Fellow, Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment.
- **The Honorable Phil Sharp**, President, Resources for the Future (RFF); former Chair of the House of Representatives Energy Subcommittee

Initial results from the survey were featured in the December 20 issue of *USA Today*, but Dr. Krosnick will present a wide array of additional results, including whether the public believes climate change has been happening, what should and should not be done about it, whether the public supports or opposes specific government policies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and more. RFF President Phil Sharp will discuss the poll results in the context of the current U.S. climate and energy policy landscape.

For more than 30 years, Dr. Krosnick has been studying how the American public's political attitudes are formed, change, and shape thinking and action. A world-recognized expert on the psychology of attitudes, especially in the area of politics, he has been the co-principal investigator of the American National Election Study, the nation's preeminent research project exploring voter decision-making.

Phil Sharp became President of Resources for the Future in September 2005. He served 10 terms as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Indiana (1975-1995) before joining the faculty of the John F. Kennedy School of Government and the Institute of Politics at Harvard University. From 2002-2010, Sharp was Congressional chair of the bipartisan National Commission on Energy Policy.

This event is free and open to the public.

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