Environmental and Energy Study Institute



Briefing Notice

Public Perceptions about Global Warming and Government Involvement in the Issue

Thursday, March 28, 2013 3:00 – 4:00 PM 2318 Rayburn House Office Building Please RSVP to expedite check-in: <u>www.eesi.org/032813polls#RSVP</u>

The **Environmental and Energy Study Institute** (EESI) invites you to a briefing discussing American perceptions of climate change. This briefing will provide a broad review of survey evidence and explain what may lie behind variations in public attitudes toward climate change.

The speaker for this forum is:

• **Professor Jon Krosnick**, Frederic O. Glover Professor in Humanities and Social Sciences, Stanford University; Senior Fellow, Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment.

Professor Jon Krosnick will highlight the results of a meta-analysis of public opinion polls on climate change conducted over the last 20 years. He will also present the results of new surveys documenting change over time in public beliefs, and the causes of those trends.

In addition, the briefing will include a state-by-state breakdown of public opinion, an analysis of the impact of global warming on voting in the 2012 elections as well as the impact of Superstorm Sandy on the public's perception of climate change. Finally, Dr. Krosnick will assess the extent of public support for government action aimed at mitigating and adapting to climate change.

Dr. Krosnick has been studying how the American public's political attitudes are formed, change, and shape thinking and action for 30 years. 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 and political campaign effects. Dr. Krosnick's publications explore the causes of people's decisions about whether to vote, for whom to vote, whether to approve of the President's performance, whether to take action to influence government policy-making on a specific issue, as well as many other topics.

This event is free and open to the public.

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