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(Wyo.)- Mead Unveils Wyo. Energy Policy Two Years In Making



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CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP) - Gov. Matt Mead has unveiled a state energy policy that advocates maintaining Wyoming's position as a top energy-producing state while preserving its environment.

The report released Monday outlines four main priorities: economic competitiveness, efficient regulation, natural resource conservation and developing new technologies.

Specifics include developing a statewide pipeline network that would carry carbon dioxide to help restore pressure and production at aging oil fields. Wyoming also will promote development of liquid natural gas for export, and compressed natural gas to power vehicles.

Dozens of other priorities in the report include reviewing the state's oil and gas regulations and influencing management of endangered species that could impede energy development.

The policy was two years in the making. Mead says Wyoming needs an energy policy that balances energy development with environmental conservation.