EIP Methodology for Reviewing Administrator Pruitt’s Travel Vouchers and Calendar  
(July 24, 2017)

- On May 18, EIP submitted a FOIA request through FOIAOnline for records of Scott Pruitt’s travel vouchers and schedule of meetings. On the same day, EPA sent confirmation of receipt of the FOIA request.

- On June 19, EPA sent via email a link to EIP to records of Mr. Pruitt’s calendar from February 21 to March 31, which was apparently provided to Inside EPA and E&E news in response to their earlier FOIA requests.

- On July 18, EPA sent via email an electronic file containing records of Pruitt’s travel vouchers from March 8 to May 31.

- EIP calculated that out of the 48 days of travel completed by Mr. Pruitt, he was either traveling to/from Oklahoma or in Oklahoma for 43 of those days. Please note:

  o EIP calculated this by looking through Pruitt’s travel vouchers from February 21 to May 31 and his calendar from March 8 to March 31.

  o Online news sources indicate that Mr. Pruitt took a trip from DC to Michigan on March 15th, returning on the same day, with Donald Trump. Pruitt’s calendar only states “Hold: Trump” for this date. There was no travel voucher provided for this date. However, this date was included as a day of travel that did not include being in or traveling to/from Oklahoma.

  o Three of the travel days include records of flights scheduled from Oklahoma to Washington, DC at 6am. EIP has included these three dates in the 43 day count.

  o Pruitt’s calendar indicates travel to Oklahoma from March 3 to March 6. No travel voucher was provided and EIP is waiting for EPA to confirm whether there is a voucher for this trip. EIP counted these travel dates in our tally but did not include the cost of airfare.

  o Pruitt’s calendar indicates travel to Oklahoma on March 31. Since no flight information was provided for this trip, EIP did not include this date in our travel day count. No travel voucher was provided and EIP is waiting for EPA to confirm whether there is a voucher for this trip.

  o EIP did not count any days towards the 43 day count if Mr. Pruitt first stopped in another city on the way to Oklahoma if he spent time in that city without flying to and arriving in Oklahoma that same day.
For Pruitt’s May 25-29 trip to Oklahoma, EIP did count the days spent in Minneapolis, Minnesota since Pruitt was grounded in Minneapolis for inclement weather only (as noted on the vouchers) and did not have a purpose to be in Minneapolis other than the layover.

- The cost of airfare indicated on EIP’s table reflects the amount paid by the U.S. government for Pruitt’s airfare only. It does not include any per diem nor does it include airfare or travel costs for other staff. If the records of travel vouchers indicate that Mr. Pruitt paid his own way for any segment of his travel, it has been reflected in the chart. Otherwise, total airfare includes all portions of multi-city trips, not just the segments to/from Oklahoma.