



NATIONAL STONE, SAND  
& GRAVEL ASSOCIATION

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The Honorable August Pfluger  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2202 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Pfluger,

On behalf of the over 500 member companies of the National Stone, Sand & Gravel Association (NSSGA), we write to express our strong support for H.R. 26, the Protecting American Energy Production Act. As the leading advocate for the aggregates industry, NSSGA represents producers of essential materials—including industrial sand, a key component in hydraulic fracturing—that is foundational to America’s energy and infrastructure sectors.

This legislation is a critical step toward ensuring the continued responsible development of our nation’s energy resources. By prohibiting federal bans on hydraulic fracturing, this bill preserves a process that has significantly contributed to U.S. energy independence, reduced costs for consumers and strengthened domestic energy security. Industrial sand plays an essential role in hydraulic fracturing, serving as a proppant that enhances oil and natural gas recovery. Maintaining a stable and predictable regulatory environment is not only vital for America’s energy producers but also for the suppliers and industries that support them.

Our member companies provide high-quality aggregates that are indispensable to infrastructure, construction and energy projects nationwide. The Protecting American Energy Production Act will help safeguard the jobs and investments tied to these industries while reinforcing the strategic importance of leveraging domestic resources to meet national energy demands.

We urge Congress to pass this important legislation to support responsible energy production and economic stability. Limiting the administration’s authority to implement a federal ban on hydraulic fracturing is extremely important, as these bans have devastating effects on the entire supply chain, including our industry. Thank you for your leadership on this issue, and we look forward to continuing to work together to advance policies that promote a strong aggregates industry and a secure energy future for America.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michele Stanley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being more prominent.

Michele Stanley  
Interim CEO  
National Stone, Sand & Gravel Association

