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The USE IT Act provisions included in the NDAA will support innovation in carbon capture technology such as the following:

- Clarify that carbon capture projects and carbon dioxide pipelines are eligible for expedited permitting reviews
- Direct the White House Council on Environmental Quality to establish guidance to assist project developers and operators of carbon capture, utilization and storage facilities and carbon dioxide pipelines
- Direct U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to use its existing authority to support carbon utilization and direct air capture research

“The USE IT Act, along with the 45Q incentive, has the potential to boost commercial carbon capture deployment in the U.S., which can lead to significant increases in enhanced oil recovery and other economic benefits.” ClearPath Executive Director Rich Powell said. “Facilitating the build out of carbon dioxide pipelines and related infrastructure backed by the USE IT Act is a logical next step to facilitate U.S. carbon capture technologies.”

Last Congress a Senate coalition led by Sens. John Barrasso (R-WY) and Sheldon Whitehouse (D-R.I.) helped spearhead congressional passage of the FUTURE Act (S. 1535), which extended and expanded the 45Q tax incentive for carbon capture projects.

About ClearPath
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