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## Community, Environmental, Social Justice & Environmental Justice Groups Rally Outside San Francisco EPA Office to

Pruitt greeted at EPA by protestors calling for his removal

San Francisco, CA -- Today, Bayview Hunters Point residents were joined by environmental justice, social justice and environmental activists in telling US EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt he is not welcome in San Francisco as he attempted to sneak in without publicity to US EPA's Region IX office.

Accompanied by an oversized inflatable Boot that says Boot Pruitt, protestors sarrying signs and chanting "Give Pruitt the Boot," "Protect People Not Corporate Polluters," "Where are your emails?" and "Clean Up the Hunters Point Shipyard Superfund Site," sent a clear message to Pruitt that he will be challenged for his pro-polluter, anti-environmental policies.

"From the Hunters Point Shipyard Superfund Site, to dozens of other low income communities and communities of color across our state and nation, Pruitt's EPA has become the Environmental Pollution Agency instead of an agency protecting people's health and environment," said Bradley Angel, Executive Director of Greenaction for Health and Environmental Justice. "As he found out today, he can try to run from public scrutiny, but he cannot hide from us and the truth!"

US EPA whistleblowers tipped off Greenaction about Pruitt's secret plans. Pruitt's calendar of activities ended on June 8<sup>th</sup>, another example of the lack of transparency and his paranoia about public scrutiny.

Pruitt traveled to California amid serious questions and public outrage about his record of rolling back clean air and water safeguards, promoting toxic trade, denying science, as well as his ongoing scandals.

"It's important to remember today that while corporate polluters are causing harm to the health of California families and our clean air and water, Scott Pruitt is letting them off the hook while abusing taxpayer dollars and facing numerous corruption scandals," said Sierra Club California Director Kathryn Phillips. "We deserve an EPA administrator who will protect our air, water, and climate, but Scott Pruitt is putting himself and corporate polluters ahead of our health and safety."

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