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Like Reagan, Trump is cutting environmental regulations

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hen the Trump administration announced it was moving to eliminate dozens of U.S. climate policies, Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Lee Zeldin said he was sending "a dagger straight into the heart of the climate change religion." • That drive - to both repeal environmental regulations and cast doubt on science - reflects the Trump administration's approach to environment policy. • Deregulation has long been a key theme in Republican environmental policy. The conflict between the obligation to protect public health and the desire to boost markets traces back to former President Ronald Reagan's administration. Reagan's perspective that government is not a solution to problems, but is the problem instead, set the stage for Republican administrations that followed. See IMPACT, Page 6A

> AT TOP: Former President Ronald Reagan and President Donald Trump have taken similar approaches to the EPA, although with different levels of intensity.

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HIRING OF IAN ROBERTS

Millcreek schools say 'no disqualifying events'

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Ian Roberts led the Millcreek Township School District for nearly three years before he was hired in the summer of 2023 as superintendent of the and in Millcreek. Des Moines Public Schools — the largest public school system in Iowa.

With Roberts now jailed in Iowa on a deportation order, the situation has created questions about how he was hired as the top educator in Des Moines

U.S. Immigration Customs Enforcement, whose agents arrested Roberts on Sept. 26, allege that the 54-year-old native of Guyana, in South America,

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Public session on Erie Coke property scheduled

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Local officials have scheduled another public input session regarding the future of the Erie Coke property on the city's east bayfront.

What's being called a "future concepts open house" is planned for Oct. 8, starting at 4 p.m., at the Erie-Western Pennsylvania Port Authority's offices at 1 Holland St.

Port Authority officials said they will be seeking public feedback on the eventual redevelopment of the nearly 200-acre Erie Coke property, located at the foot of East Avenue.

Port Authority officials said the Oct. 8 event will highlight various potential redevelopment approaches for the property, which were developed based on previous public input sessions.

Those unable to attend the session can view it online a short time after it concludes at www.porterie.org/erie-

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