

The Alt-Right, Energy Dominance, and Challenges to Contemporary American Politics

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Trump wants America to be 'energy dominant.' Here's what that means

- The Trump administration says it wants America to be "energy dominant."
- The concept is not very different from past calls for "energy independence."
- The White House is seeking to break with the Obama administration, but its stance on fossil fuel exports is similar in some respects.

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The American Energy Superpower

Why Dominance Is About More Than Just Production

By *Jason Bordoff*



For the [Donald Trump White House](#), last week’s “[Energy Week](#)” was an opportunity to highlight, through a series of events and speeches, its goal of “energy dominance.” By this administration’s reckoning, ramping up production and exports—particularly of oil, gas, and coal—can make the United States an energy superpower. To an extent, it is right. The shift from energy scarcity to abundance over the past decade has already bolstered the United States economically and geopolitically. But such a search for dominance ignores the interdependent nature of today’s global energy market. And in any event, true dominance comes not just from energy supply. U.S. energy strength also depends



1. nationalist, masculinist oligarchy
2. Aggressive attack on “social justice warriors”
3. Doublespeak and abuse of power

Paving the path to U.S. energy dominance

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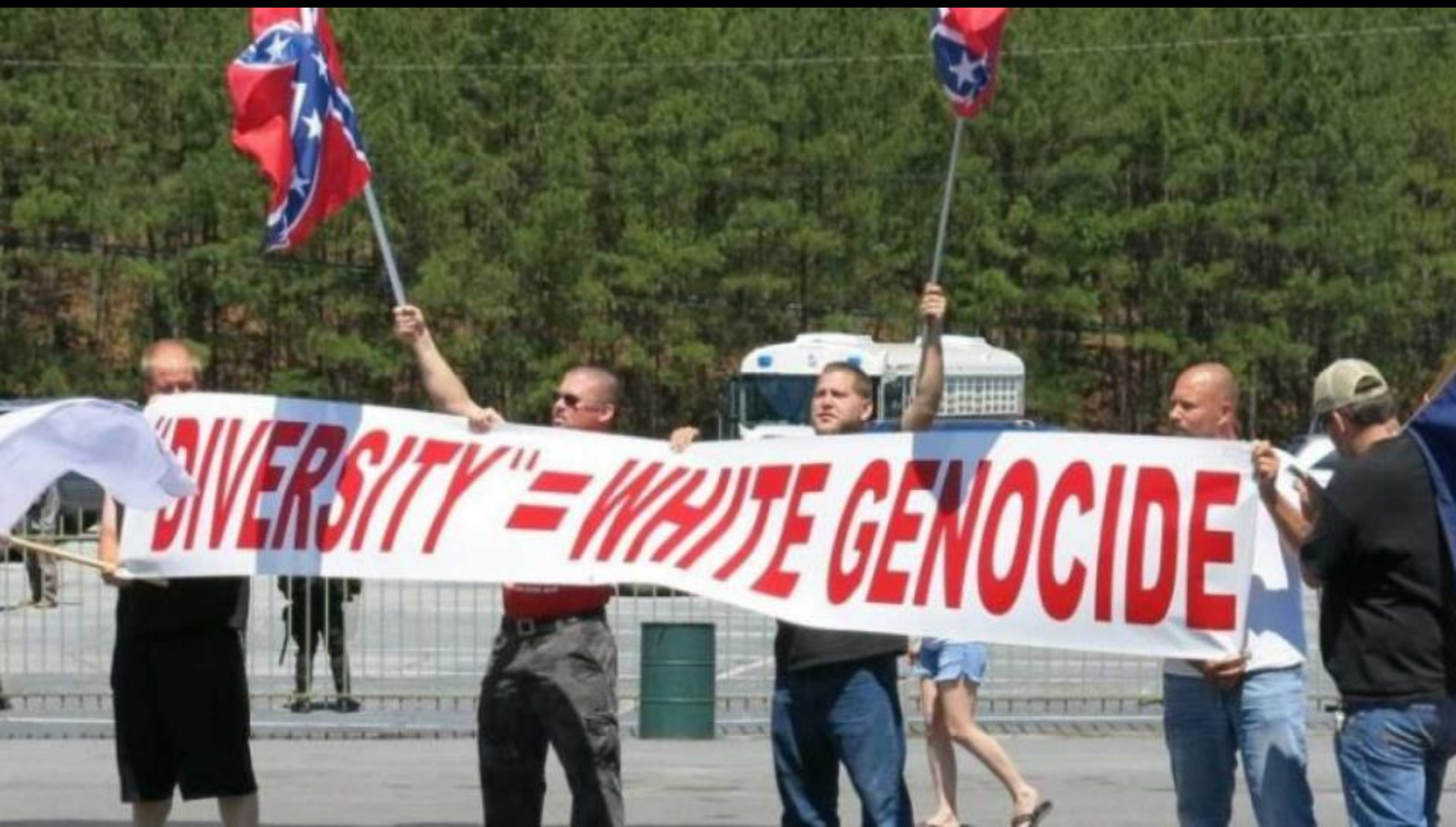
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Donald Trump as Pepe the Frog

DEPLORABLES
AND ALT-RIGHT
UNITE





1. Online anonymity



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DOES THE DESCRIPTION FIT THE CANDIDATE?



Crooked Hillary -- Makes History!
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DOES THE DESCRIPTION FIT THE CANDIDATE?

2. Tricksterism



2. *Tricksterism*



Thank you Hillary for introducing new people to the alt right. This is where political correctness goes to die and memes are real.

3. Anti-Cuckservative

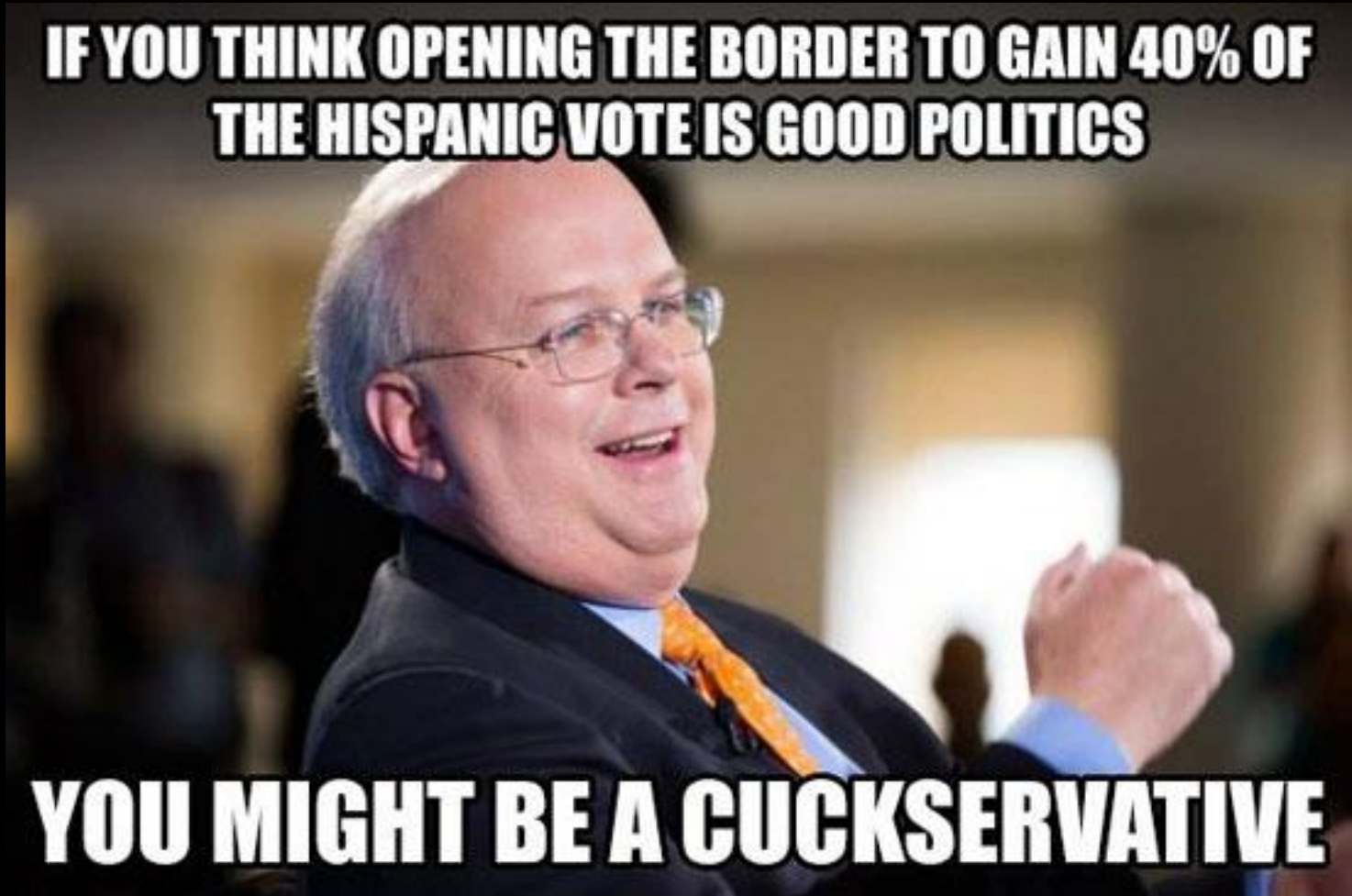


DONT CUCK ON ME

3. Anti-Cuck

**IF YOU THINK OPENING THE BORDER TO GAIN 40% OF
THE HISPANIC VOTE IS GOOD POLITICS**

YOU MIGHT BE A CUCKSERVATIVE



4. Identitarian

Hey, WHITE PERSON

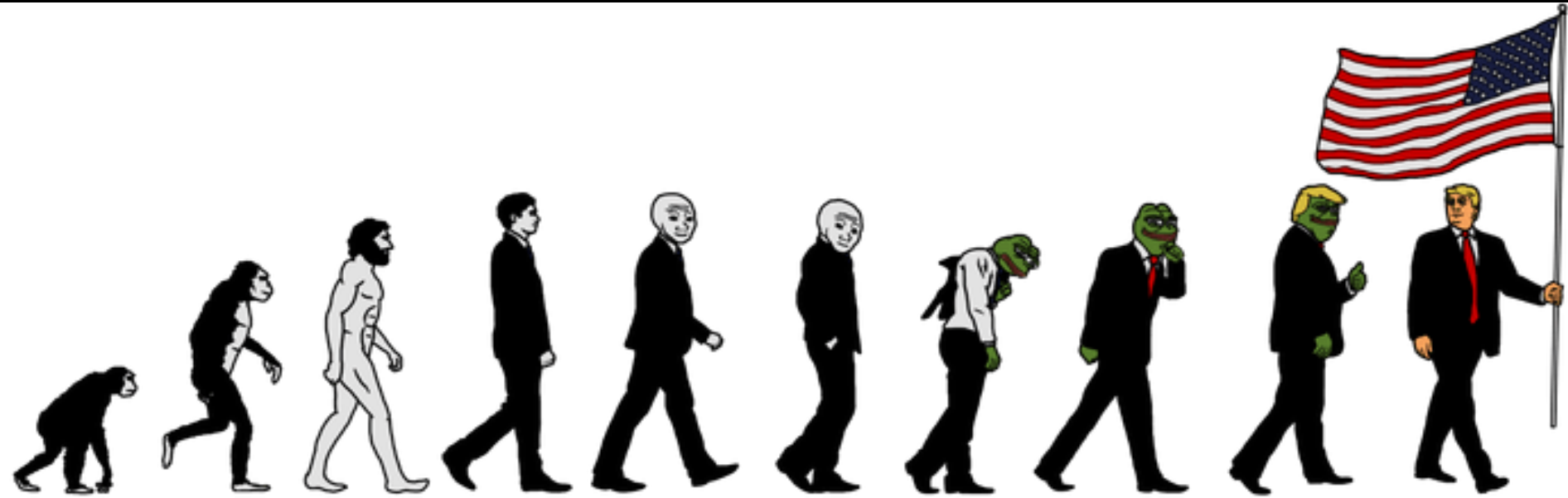
- Tired of political correctness?
- Wondering why only white countries have to become 'multicultural'?
- Figured out that diversity only means 'less white people'?
- Sick of being blamed for all the world's problems?
- Tired of being told you're 'racist' for celebrating your heritage?
- Disgusted by the garbage on television?
- Don't see a future for yourself or your family?
- Questioning when immigration will stop?

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Alt-Right: Margin or Center?



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Energy Democracy

Future-oriented: focused on transition

Community control

The public good (fair and equitable employment, new governance institutions, fewer environmental externalities)

Shared political voice

Adaptive

Sustainability, efficiency, conservation

Energy Dominance

Nostalgic: focused on reclaiming a mythical past

Centralized control (oligarchy or corporatocracy)

Good for the few (primarily white men of European descent); bastardized meritocracy

Unstable voice of masculine power; totalitarianism; doublespeak

Fixed

Profligacy, wanton disregard for the commons

Alt-Right Rhetoric

Possible Responses

1. Online anonymity

1. Emphasize the cowardice of online, anonymous attacks
2. Highlight real characters (like “@ironstache”!) and material examples of success
3. Start learning about and teaching conservative history, thought, and practice, including alt-right



Alt-Right Rhetoric

2. Tricksterism



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Possible Responses

1. Reclaim sincerity
2. Embrace and articulate the “positive projects” of energy democracy, social justice, and diversity
3. Know your stuff
4. Prepare for threats and attacks

Alt-Right Rhetoric

Possible Responses

3. Anti-Cuck

1. Acknowledge deeply partisan nature of energy technologies and politics
2. Emphasize shared values, such as local control and input
3. Clearly and calmly articulate oppositionality: emphasize inclusivity and diversity as positives
4. Avoid jargon

Alt-Right Rhetoric

4. Identitarian



Possible Responses

1. Pay attention to local and regional culture when framing and organizing
2. Articulate across resistance sites when it makes sense to do so (e.g., Blockadia)
3. Emphasize narratives of progress to counter narratives of nostalgia
4. Continue to build on intersectionality and inclusivity