



Rep. Tom Barrett's Support of Trump Administration Policies Risks Tens of Thousands of Michigan Jobs

Going into 2025, the United States was on a path to a better future. Years of work creating the foundation for a clean economy manufactured and built in the United States were beginning to deliver benefits for workers and communities across the country. Michigan saw announcements for clean energy projects and expanded manufacturing of solar, batteries for electric vehicles (EV), and EV charging infrastructure.

However, upon taking office, President Donald Trump and his allies in Congress, including Rep. Tom Barrett (MI-7) have gone to incredible lengths to demolish that foundation. With Rep. Barrett's rubber stamp of approval, the administration has taken a sledgehammer to the laws, programs, and policies that were slated to benefit Michigan families and communities.

New BlueGreen Alliance research has found that because of the "One Big Beautiful Bill Act" (OBBBA)—which Rep. Barrett proudly voted for—and other Trump administration policies supported by Barrett, projects at sites across the state have been delayed, canceled, or are facing a more difficult economic landscape. This is in part because that bill made changes to existing clean energy and manufacturing tax incentives—which developers were planning on—making them harder to receive.

We've found:

- **15 clean energy, manufacturing, and industrial projects** at sites across the state have been delayed or canceled.
 - » These delays and cancellations were expected to create 7,779 jobs that now may never materialize.
- **Sites representing \$21 billion in investment** are impacted by the changes to tax incentives that make them harder to receive.
 - » These new tax credit restrictions **could impact nearly 35,000 jobs** across the state.

Under OBBBA, manufacturing, clean energy, and industrial sites are subject to stricter tax eligibility requirements and face tighter deadlines and restrictions to qualify. Developers and companies had been planning on having access to those credits when they started conceptualizing their projects. The abrupt curtailment of tax eligibility has resulted in a less certain economic situation.

In addition to those sites impacted by changes to clean energy and manufacturing tax credits, the administration has **cancelled \$169.3 million in previously committed funding awards in Michigan**. These are funds that had already been announced and have since been substantially withdrawn. An additional **\$2.9 billion in federal funds are currently classified as "at risk"** by BGA's research, which is defined as being awards for which funds have not currently been withdrawn, but which have been stalled or timelines have been shortened.

Methodology

Our counts as well as our investment and jobs totals for impacted manufacturing, energy, and industrial projects and sites are based on [a database](#) assembled by the BGA Research team and represent our current best estimates. Analyses of federal awards that are either cancelled or at risk follow the methodology of the High Road Analytics ["Investing in America Funding Tracker."](#)

The research presented in this fact sheet expands on analysis conducted to produce BGA's recently published report [Bait and Switch: The Impacts of Trump Administration Policies at the Intersection of Clean Energy, Manufacturing, and Labor](#). A methodological note explaining our approach for assessing the impacts of tax credit changes from OBBBA is included in the Appendix of that report.