

# Antecedents of Policy Change: Advancing the Advocacy Coalition Framework's Theory and Methods

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Variable Name	Variable Full Name	Description
ID	Unique ID	Unique ID for each observation
policyid	Policy ID	Name of the policy document: includes the year, and if it is from the legislature (policy) or regulator (reg, regAQ)
topic	General topic of the policy	Brief description of the policy topic
topic_cat	Category of the topic of the policy	Categorical organization of the topics (measurement, wildlife, emissions, staffing, fiscal, landrights, governance, procedural, penalties, task force, rules)
venue	Venue of the policy	Legislature (leg) Air Quality Control (reg_aq) Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (reg_cogcc) Executive Order (eo)
year	Year policy was passed	The year the policy was passed/enacted
nar	Narrator	Who is speaking or writing to describe the antecedent (e.g. policy maker, journalist, activist, policy document)
nar_source	Source of antecedent	Where the antecedent was located (newsmedia, public testimony, audio legislative testimony).

citing_stalemate_des		How people describe the hurting stalemate.
citing_policy		People in the subsystem describe the policy as fixing problems from an earlier policy . Code 1 if yes, 0 if no
citing_policy_des		How people in the subsystem describe the “policy fix”

<b>External References</b>		
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ex_socio	External socioeconomic reference	The antecedent references socioeconomic factors from outside of the subsystem (recessions, national or global economic growth/slow down)
ex_sub	External subsystem reference	The antecedent references an external subsystem (e.g. oil and gas from another state)
ex_gov	External government reference	The antecedent references external government action (e.g. EPA regulations, BLM regulations, Trump administration)
ex_crisis	External disaster or crisis reference	The antecedent references a external crisis or disaster that happens outside of the subsystem (e.g. COVID-19, flooding)
ex_tech	External technical report or technology	The antecedent references science or technology from outside of the subsystem (e.g. fracking technology, websites from other states)
<b>Internal References</b>		
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in_mob	Internal mobilization	The antecedent references political mobilization within the subsystem (e.g. letter writing campaign, ballot initiatives)
in_policy	Internal policy	The antecedent references a past policy within the subsystem (generally dissatisfaction with part of a past policy, this new policy will fix the past policy)
in_crisis	Internal crisis or disaster	The antecedent references a crisis or disaster that happened within the subsystem (e.g. explosion)
in_socio	Internal socioeconomic	The antecedent references socioeconomic factors from inside the subsystem (e.g. growth of oil and gas within Colorado)

in_con	Internal conflict	The antecedent references conflict between actors inside of the subsystem
in_sup	Internal support	The antecedent references support between actors inside of the subsystem
in_nat	Internal natural environment	The antecedent references the internal natural environment (e.g. air or water quality within Colorado)
in_gov	Internal government	The antecedent references other internal governments within the subsystem (e.g. courts, local govts)
in_entrepreneur	Internal policy entrepreneur	The antecedent references an entrepreneur from inside the subsystem
in_report	Internal technical report or technology	The antecedent references a technical report that was generated from inside the subsystem (state air or water reports, or wildlife migration reports)
in_learning	Internal reference to learning	The antecedent explicitly references learning from inside the subsystem (e.g. legislator testimony, 'we learned that..')
neg_agree	Negotiated agreement or hurting stalemate	The antecedent references a hurting stalemate with actors inside the subsystem (e.g. competing ballot initiatives)
notes	Notes about policy	Notes about the topic or the antecedent (memoing) from coding