# 2NC Round 2 TOC

## Counterplan

### AT: Interpassivity

#### Ethics are inherently situational. We are forced to make hard choices because we have finite resources and political capabilities. Ethics makes us push the blame onto others to maintain the purity of our intentions instead of taking responsibility

**Chandler 01** – Policy Research Institute @ Leeds Metropolitan University

(David, Human Rights Quarterly 23, “The Road to Military Humanitarianism”)

**When intervening for ethical ends there is little pressure to account for final policy outcomes**

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**view of intervention in the face of exaggerated fears of non-intervention**.

#### The impact is genocide

**Mohawk**, Associate Professor of History @ SUNY Buffalo, **2K**

(John C, Utopian Legacies, p. 4-5)

**People who believe** that **they are acting on a plan to solve all of** the

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**known to lead to crimes against humanity, including** systematic acts of **genocide.**

#### 2. Oppcost testing is good anyway

Saideman 11 (steve, associate professor of political science - McGill University, 7/25/ Steve, “Key Constraint on Policy Relevance,” http://duckofminerva.blogspot.com/2011/07/key-constraint-on-policy-relevance.html)

Dan Drezner has a great post today about how **the foreign policy smart set** (

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**dream about** the right **policy and gnash our teeth when it never happens.**

### AT: Can’t Fund

#### State governments can borrow

IBD ’97 (Investors Business Daily 1/6/1997 p. lexis

Almost all states in the U.S. require a balanced budget. But

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**quite adroit at cheating on their balanced-budget requirements**,” Tullock said.

### AT: They’ll Say No

#### States Follow Fed govt. Regs – mandatory

TPF No Date (Texas Project First,“Federal Regulations, State Rules, State Laws? Which Is Which?”, [http://www.texasprojectfirst.org/FedRulesLaws.html //](http://www.texasprojectfirst.org/FedRulesLaws.html%20/) veevz)

Once federal regulations are adopted, each state develops and adopts its own rules implementing

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. Currently, the majority of Texas’ special education rules are Commissioner’s Rules.

#### CP solves the case – factually

ALONSO-ZALDIVAR 12 (RICARDO, Associated Press, 3/22/12, “Supreme Court to weigh federal power over states in Medicaid case”, <http://www.tulsaworld.com/news/article.aspx?subjectid=13&articleid=20120322_13_A9_CUTLIN397574> // Veevz )

Bigby, appointed by Democratic Gov. Deval Patrick, says part of the expansion

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said. "I don't see this as any different, quite frankly."

#### Especially in the context of Transportation

ACEC 04 (AMERICAN COUNCIL OF ENGINEERING COMPANIES, “Federal Programs”, 8/16/04, [http://www.acec.org/advocacy/committees/qbs\_matrix\_8-16-04.cfm //](http://www.acec.org/advocacy/committees/qbs_matrix_8-16-04.cfm%20/) Veevz)

Section 307 of the National Highway System Designation Act of 1995 requires states to follow

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the FAR. Two states (Minnesota and West Virginia) were exempted.

#### It is mandatory for states to enact unfunded mandates

Harner 8 (Margo, Works for the federal way school district, “School district: Time to get defiant,” Federal Way Mirror, June 13, <http://www.federalwaymirror.com/news/18260309.html>)

Blatant defiance is an option the Federal Way School District will consider as a response

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with some mandates might result in no consequences at all, he said.

### AT: Perm do the CP

#### Definition- Investment in transportation infrastructure is capital spending

Musick 9 – Microeconomic and Financial studies division at the Congressional Budget Office (Nathan, “Subsidizing Infrastructure Investment with Tax-Preferred Bonds”, CBO, October 26 of 2009, http://www.cbo.gov/sites/default/files/cbofiles/ftpdocs/106xx/doc10667/10-26-taxpreferredbonds.pdf)//AW

In this analysis, investment in infrastructure is defined as capital spending on transportation,

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which is formed by spending on educational programs or on research and development.

Gotta spend money

Law Depot 8 (“Capital Expenditure”, 2-6, http://wiki.lawdepot.com/wiki/Capital\_Expenditure)

Definition of "Capital Expenditure"

Capital expenditure is money spent to acquire or upgrade (improve) long term assets such as property, buildings and machinery. Capital expenditure does not include the cost to merely repair such assets.

### 2NC Cyberattacks now

**Cyber-attack is coming ---actors are probing grid weaknesses**

**Reed 10/11** John, Reports on the frontiers of cyber war and the latest in military technology for Killer Apps at Foreign Policy, "U.S. energy companies victims of potentially destructive cyber intrusions", 2012, killerapps.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2012/10/11/us\_energy\_companies\_victims\_of\_potentially\_destructive\_cyber\_attacks

**Foreign actors are probing** the **networks** of key American companies **in an attempt to gain**

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power plants infected by Stuxnet very far away from Iran," Kaspersky said.

### Ext. k2 Disaster

#### CP key to disaster relief

Landy 08 (Marc, iss professor of political ¶ science at Boston College, codirector of the ¶ BC Initiative for the Study of Constitutional ¶ Democracy, and faculty chair of the BC Irish ¶ Institute., “ Mega-Disasters and Federalism”, <http://www.disasterrecoveryresources.net/PAR-Nov2008.htm.pdf>)

D isaster response and recovery put federalism to an especially diﬃcult test because they require

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the disaster’s eﬀects are of the unprecedented size and scope of Hurricane Katrina.

### 1NC Econ

#### Federalism collapses economic recovery – specifically kills stimulus

The New Yorker 09 (James Surowiecki, The Financial Page staff writer for The New Yorker, July 27, 2009 Fifty Ways To Kill Recovery,” The New Yorker, <http://www.newyorker.com/magazine/bios/james_surowiecki/search?contributorName=james%20surowiecki>,)

If you came up with a list of obstacles to economic [recovery](http://www.newyorker.com/talk/financial/2009/07/27/090727ta_talk_surowiecki) in this country

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a slow train (at best) to the rest of the country.

#### Economic decline causes war

Harris and Burrows 9 – PhD in European History @ Cambridge and Counselor of the US National Intelligence Council AND Member of the National Intelligence Council’s Long Range Analysis Unit (Mathew J. and Jennifer, “Revisiting the Future: Geopolitical Effects of the Financial Crisis,” April, Washington Quarterly, <http://www.twq.com/09april/docs/09apr_Burrows.pdf>, EMM)

Of course, the report encompasses more than economics and indeed believes the future is

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within and between states **in a** more **dog-eat-dog world.**

### AT: UTil

#### Cosequences First—

#### 1. moral tunnel vision

#### **Issac, ‘2** (Jeffery, Professor of Political Science at Indiana University, Dissent, Vol. 49 No. 2, Spring)

Politics, in large part, involves contests over the distribution and use of power

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not true believers. It promotes arrogance. And it undermines political effectiveness.

#### 2. Life has intrinsic and objective value achieved through subjective pleasures---its preservation should be an a priori goal

Kacou 8 (Amien WHY EVEN MIND? On The A Priori Value Of “Life”, Cosmos and History: The Journal of Natural and Social Philosophy, Vol 4, No 1-2 (2008) cosmosandhistory.org/index.php/journal/article/view/92/184 )

Furthermore, that manner of finding things good that is in pleasure can certainly not

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and desire. Perhaps, our inquiry should be a bit more complex.

#### 3. Maximizing life allows people to decide their own values – their alternative is totalitarianism

**Szacki, 1996** (Jerzy, Professor of Sociology at Warsaw University, Liberalism After Communism, p. 197)

Liberalism does not say which of these different moralities is better than others. It

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does not treat them as equals if it prefers one conception to another’.

### AT: No Spillover

#### Yes spillover – every instance enables congress to do more unfunded mandates

Jaber 96 (Makram, JD, Emory University School of Law, First Honor Graduate, “UNFUNDED FEDERAL MANDATES: AN ISSUE OF FEDERALISM OR A "BRILLIANT SOUND BITE"?” Winter 1996 Emory Law Journal, lexis // Veevz)

3. The Impact of Unfunded Federal Mandates on the Values Underlying Federalism Concerns about

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conditions on assistance and state-federal cooperative programs. n65 [\*298]

## Case

### 2NC Bureaucracy

**Specifically, federal intervention in infrastructure planning creates unclear lines of authority on the Gulf Coast, making disaster more likely and undermining current defenses**

**Schugart '8** William F., IIF. A. P. Barnard Distinguished Professor of Economics Department of Economics, University of Mississippi RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM ON BAD PUBLIC GOODS Misadventure Monday, September 15, 2008 (8:30 - 10:15 a.m.) "Disaster Relief as a Bad Public Good" http://www.law.northwestern.edu/searlecenter/papers/Shughart\_Disaster\_Relief\_final.pdf

**The combination of benign and malign neglect vouchsafed to New Orleans’s protective barriers thus is**

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**the shorter structure, rendering the more substantial one useless** (Carrns 2005b).

### 2NC Social Death Turn

Brown 9—Vincent, Prof. of History and African and African-American Studies @ Harvard Univ. [December, “Social Death and Political Life in the Study of Slavery,” *American Historical Review*, p. 1231-1249]

Specters of the Atlantic is a compellingly sophisticated study of the relation be- tween

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That is precisely what the women on the Hudibras fought to accomplish.31

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Baudrillard 94 [Jean, “The Illusion of the End” p. 66-71]

We have long denounced the capitalistic, economic exploitation of the poverty of the 'other

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demographic catastrophe, a veritable epidemic which we deplore each day in pictures.