

# Brown refuses to be bullied on climate change

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Gov. Jerry Brown, rallying a room of scientists with his most heated rhetoric yet on the topic, suggested California would defy the federal government should President-elect Donald Trump impede the state's efforts to thwart climate change.

"We've got the scientists, we've got the lawyers and we're ready to fight. We're ready to defend," he said to boisterous applause at the American Geophysical Union conference in San Francisco.

Brown struck a more forceful tone than he has since the election, suggesting the energy and enthusiasm in the room for him would be needed in the "battles ahead."

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