

Winning the Minerals War

Rare earth minerals are vital to modern life, powering everything from electric vehicles and smartphones to advanced military systems. But while the United States consumes enormous quantities of these materials, it no longer controls their supply chains. That power belongs largely to China, which established dominance not only for economic advantage but also as a tool of strategic control. However, America can reclaim its mineral independence, enhance national security, protect human rights, and trigger a new economic boom—if we act decisively.



In this briefing we will discuss the following:

- » Rare Earth Minerals: The Backbone of Modern Technology and Defense
- » China's Strategic Control, Human Rights Abuses, and Security Threats
- » America's Opportunity: From Vulnerability to Resource Superpower



YOUR MISSION: Understand the strategic importance of rare earth minerals and what the U.S. must do to secure its future.

WHY YOU SHOULD CARE

- » Rare earth minerals are in the devices you use every day and the military systems that defend our nation. Losing access means losing technological, economic, and defense capabilities.
- » Every American is affected by China's dominance, from inflation in tech prices to the risk of geopolitical blackmail. Worse, our consumer choices may unknowingly support child slave labor.
- » The U.S. has the resources and innovation to lead the world in ethical, environmentally friendly mineral production. That leadership could spark an economic revival and restore global balance.

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Sal Nuzzo is a senior fellow at The James Madison Institute. Previously, he served as Senior Vice President for The James Madison Institute and is currently the Executive Director at Consumers Defense. Sal has spent 25 years in the policy arena, attempting to get lawmakers of all stripes to listen to the wisdom of free market capitalism, property rights, and the rule of law. Governor Ron DeSantis appointed Sal to serve on Florida's Government Efficiency Task Force.

His writing has been featured in publications like The Wall Street Journal, National Review, The Hill, Newsweek, and he also serves as a member of several policy work groups that advise Congressional and White House leaders (both Republican and Democrat), which has caused only minor hypertension.

Despite this, he is a hopeful optimist.



1. Rare Earth Minerals: The Backbone of Modern Technology and Defense

Rare earth minerals such as lithium, cobalt, and nickel are essential components in virtually every modern device and military asset.

Electric vehicles, smartphones, satellites, and AI systems all depend on them.

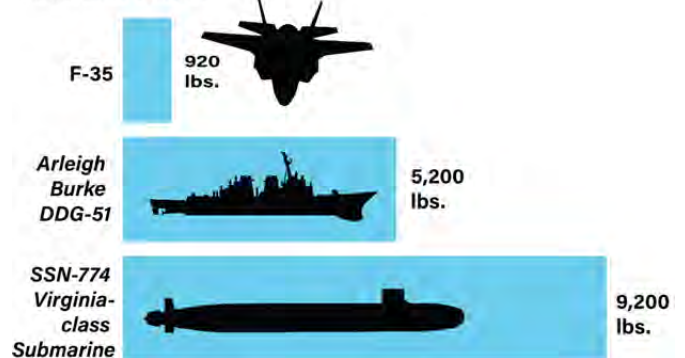
National defense cannot function without these resources. For example, each F-35 fighter jet requires 920 pounds of rare earth minerals.

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—Kevin Freeman

Rare Ingredients

Here is the breakdown of rare-earth materials used to make each.



Source: Congressional Research Service

This is a real threat. Any foreign power that has control of these resources can cut off our access, immediately weakening our military capabilities.

These materials are not just important, they are irreplaceable. Without them, America's technological edge, both commercially and militarily, collapses.

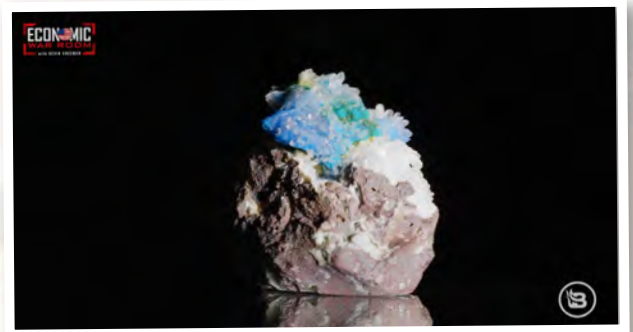


Attention: Rare earth minerals are the unseen foundation of your tech-driven life and America's defense.

2. China's Strategic Control, Human Rights Abuses, and Security Threats

China currently controls about 60% of global lithium processing and similar shares of other rare earth supply chains.

This control is no accident; it's part of a strategic playbook drawn from Unrestricted Warfare, a Chinese military doctrine for dominating opponents through economic and infrastructure dependence.



“The Chinese Communist Party has cornered the market on lithium processing. The last time I checked, it had about 60%, up close to two-thirds of the processing of lithium is controlled by the Chinese Communist Party... This is a way that the Chinese government can have its thumb on not just America's economy, but our national security apparatus without deploying a tank or firing a missile” –Sal Nuzzo

This dominance, built over decades, uses child slave labor in Africa and South America to mine minerals while pushing for environmental policies to stifle competitors.

The Green movement in the US has many ties to China, which would benefit greatly from the US leaving vast resources untapped to protect the environment.



Attention: Dependence on China risks economic and military paralysis.

3. America's Opportunity: From Vulnerability to Resource Superpower

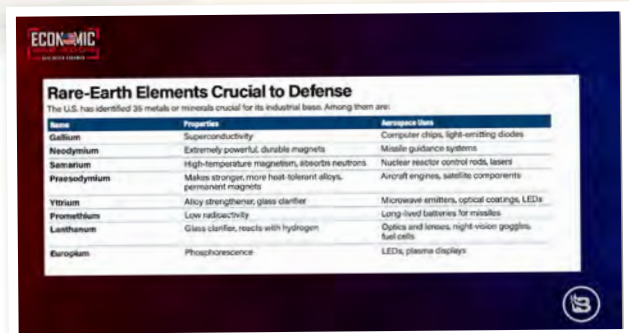
Despite current dependence, the U.S. holds vast untapped mineral wealth.

Trump-era executive orders and Defense Production Act authorities are laying the groundwork to reclaim control.

New research even shows coal ash—a waste product of coal-fired power plants—may hold up to eight times the mineral resources found underground. This innovation could transform waste into wealth and fuel a new American mineral rush.

“We may have eight times as many resources available just in the coal ash as we do underground... The potential for innovation here is just off the charts.” —Sal Nuzzo

Federal and state policies must align to unlock this potential. Reforming land use, streamlining environmental regulations, and opening federally held lands for responsible mining could revolutionize America's economic future.



Element	Properties	Applications
Gallium	Superconductivity	Computer chips, light-emitting diodes
Neodymium	Extremely powerful, durable magnets	Missile guidance systems
Samarium	High-temperature magnetism, absorbs neutrons	Nuclear reactor control rods, lasers
Praseodymium	Makes stronger, more heat tolerant alloys, permanent magnets	Aircraft engines, satellite components
Yttrium	Alloy strengthener, glass clarifier	Microwave emitters, optical coatings, LEDs
Promethium	Low radioactivity	Long-lived batteries for missiles
Lanthanum	Glass clarifier, reacts with hydrogen	Optics and lenses, night-vision goggles, fuel cells
Europium	Phosphorescence	LEDs, plasma displays

This shift could reduce foreign reliance, boost jobs, and improve global environmental outcomes by mining responsibly at home.

It's an investment opportunity and a major national security win if these regulatory hurdles are cleared.

 **Attention: With smart policy and innovation, America can lead a mineral boom that powers freedom, prosperity, and security.**



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ACTION STEPS:

1. Visit [Consumer Defense](#) to learn more about Sal Nuzzo and the work his team is doing to preserve American liberty.
2. **Educate others** about the importance of rare earth minerals and the threat of China's strategic dominance.
3. **Advocate for domestic policy reform**, especially at the state level, to unlock mineral production on federal lands.
4. **Support innovation** in alternative mineral sourcing, such as coal ash recovery.
5. **Choose ethically sourced tech products**, pressuring companies to avoid minerals linked to human trafficking and slavery.
6. **Back national leaders** who prioritize energy independence and national security over environmental appeasement.

ONGOING ACTION STEPS:

1. Read Kevin's new book [Pirate Money](#) to learn about a solution to protect Americans from inflation and the looming threat of CBDC.
2. Get a copy of [According to Plan](#) to better understand these domestic attacks on our Liberty as well as the overall Marxist plan to consume America.
3. Seek opportunities to inspire other Americans to stand up for what is right.
4. Send them this Economic Battle Plan™ and ask them what they are doing to stand for America and Liberty!
 - » Elect Politicians that understand the need to preserve American Liberty.
 - » Encourage and ask your elected officials to educate themselves.
 - » Ask them how they are working to strengthen our education system and reverse the push for Marxist indoctrination. These are big issues, if your representatives are not aware and working toward solutions directly or indirectly based on their committees, hold them accountable!

- » **Watch out for programmable money. The Dollar is being attacked and the WEF is working toward The Great Reset. We want to see the dollar stay strong by acting on the items above. We also believe it is good for Americans to diversify and have other options to pay with transactional gold. Prepare your money for the economic war.**



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—Kevin Freeman, CFA; Host, Pirate Money Radio

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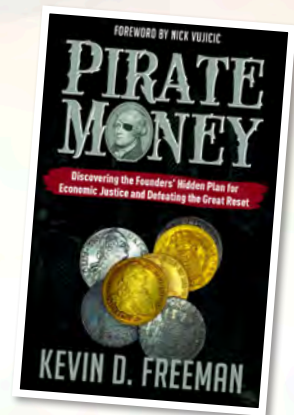
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