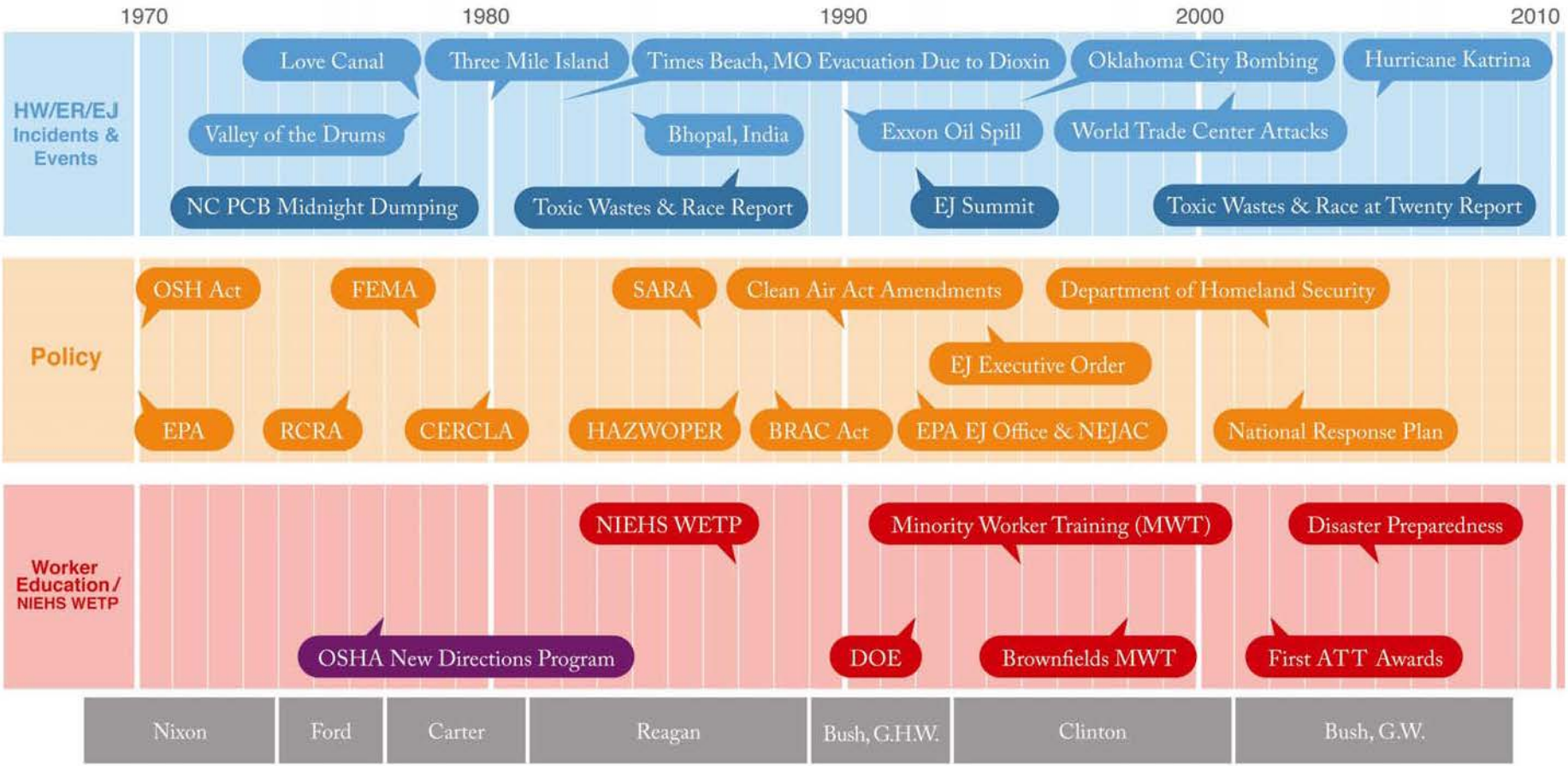SOCIAL POLITICAL CONTEXT FOR WETP