



2022 Candidate Survey on the Environment

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House , 59th

OPEN QUESTION

As a town councilor, I have spoken out in support of energy efficiency and solar panels for town buildings, as well as against pollution in my community caused by big business. While I do care about protecting nature and open spaces at the community level, climate change is an existential threat to all of us and curbing greenhouse gas emissions is my top priority.

1) ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE:

- Yes

2) WASTE MANAGEMENT:

- Yes

3) POLYSTYRENE:

- Yes

4) PFAS:

- Yes

5) NEONICOTINOIDS:

- Yes

With this Supreme Court, it is even more important for states like CT to lead to charge with environmental regulation, such as with neonicotinoid pesticides.

6) RODENTICIDES:

- yes

7) DIESEL BACKUP GENERATORS/DATA CENTERS:

- Yes

8) BEARS:

- yes

9) TREE CUTTING PROTOCOLS:

- Yes

10) COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY:

- Yes

11) RIPARIAN BUFFERS:

- Yes

I absolutely support this, as well as other changes to strengthen the IWW Act.

12) RANKED CHOICE VOTING:

- yes
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