

2022 Candidate Survey on the Environment

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OPEN QUESTION

Environmental Justice, Climate Change and Biodiversity Protection

1) ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE:

Yes

Ill support legislation that also deals with existing affecting (polluting) facilities permitting amd involve public process for this as well.

2) WASTE MANAGEMENT:

Yes
No chemical recycling!

3) POLYSTYRENE:

Yes

I just want to bring out the idea we need to do something about ghost nets which indescriminetly kills all life nets get in contact with, in the waters.

4) PFAS:

Yes

Currently working on getting a French Company (Valgo) come and do a pilot, cleanup of a contaminated site in CT. In talks w stakeholders in the coming weeks

5) **NEONICOTINOIDS**:

Yes

too bad the neonics were taken out of last sessions bill, making us do the works twice..or more.

6) RODENTICIDES:

yes

We need a broad bill like the Stamford's ordinance that bans all non organic pesticides (all classes of pesticides including rodenticides)

7) DIESEL BACKUP GENERATORS/DATA CENTERS:

Yes

That bill had problems passing in the past due to bad strategy. Lets get it through this year..

8) BEARS:

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We also need to ensure no more bear hunting bills get to a public hearing. They should be DOA.

9) TREE CUTTING PROTOCOLS:

Yes

I can say a lot of people supporter Sen Minor s bill You cannot have people who know nothing of trees manage trees in CT, experts should be involved. Trees offer habitat, shade, Carbon sequestration amd oxygrn production

10) COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY:

Uncertain

Yes on real estate over a certain value, like big properties etc. Home buyers and owners are already burdened with high costs. The municipalities should be responsible for dedicating part of their budget for that goal and I d support legislation for this

11) RIPARIAN BUFFERS:

Yes

12) RANKED CHOICE VOTING:

- yes
- I introduced my own concepts for it in 2019 & 2020..to enable municipalities to use ranked choice voting...so we start with municipal elections.