



## 2024 Candidate Survey on the Environment

**Moira Rader, Democrat**  
**House District 98**

### 1) Open Question:

As a member of the legislative Environment committee and a member of the Climate caucus, I have been actively supportive of numerous measures to address our expansive environmental issues. This past session i worked alongside a team of legislators to craft HB5004, a comprehensive climate bill. We succeeded in getting it passed in the House, but were disappointed when the Senate did not take it up for a vote. Regarding the 2025 lwgislative session, I would like to see us resurrect this bill, perhaps expanding upon it and pulling out sections that might have more success and support as independent bills. I would like us to address the food scrap issue and craft legislation to develop real and lasting solutions diversion and recycling solutions. I would like to examine how we can incorporate our public schools into these solutions. We also need to be educating our learning communities on the importance and value of reducing food waste.

### 2) Climate:

**Will you support paying for increased investments in clean energy and our electric grid infrastructure to ensure a healthy environment that will reduce reliance on fossil fuel and nuclear energy (and ultimately reduce costs to ratepayers)?**

- Yes

### 3) Nature-Based Solutions:

**Will you support a stand-alone bill that authorizes and prioritizes the use of nature-based solutions (forests, trees, wetlands, riparian buffers, healthy organic soils, and other natural ecosystems) as the preferred alternative, where appropriate, across all agencies?**

- Yes

### 4) Clean Cars and Trucks Emissions Standards:

**Do you support Connecticut's adoption of the latest California emissions standards for cars and trucks?**

- Yes

**5) Environmental Rights Amendment:**

**Will you support an Environmental Rights Amendment to our State Constitution?**

- Yes

**6) Food Waste Diversion:**

**Will you support designating food scraps as a "recyclable" item and requiring large-scale food generators to create plans to donate edible food?**

- Yes

**7) Neonicotinoids:**

**Will you help push for legislation to ban the sale and use of neonics for non-agricultural use in Connecticut?**

- Yes

**8) Rodenticides:**

**Will you support banning the use of certain rodenticides, with a few well-defined exceptions, to help prevent the deaths of its unintended victims?**

- Yes

**9) Environmental Justice:**

**Will you support a legislative fix to Connecticut's Environmental Justice statutes to include all polluting facilities?**

- Yes

**10) Bears:**

**Will you support legislation that requires humane responses to conflicts with wildlife such as providing better support for the public seeking help, removing attractants, minimizing shooting incidents, and strengthening programs to deal with orphaned wildlife?**

- Yes

**11) Tree Cutting Protocols:**

**Will you support legislation to require stronger science-based tree cutting protocols based on conservation values?**

- Yes

**12) Ranked Choice Voting:**

**Should Connecticut pursue Ranked Choice Voting?**

- Yes

**CANDIDATE COMMITMENT TO WORK ON ENVIRONMENTAL LEGISLATION**

If you support any or all of our top priority legislation during the 2025 session, will you add your name as a legislative co-sponsor?

- Yes

Will you plan to attend our annual Environmental Summit in January?

- Yes

If requested, will you meet with CTLCV at least once during the legislative session to review priority legislation?

- Yes