



2022 Candidate Survey on the Environment

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OPEN QUESTION

As a City Councilman, I have not had the opportunities to work on policy that would help the current climate and environmental crisis that the world faces. As State Representative, I want to explore options to set the standard for sound environmental policies that will enable us to conserve our planet for our children and future generations. The environment matters to me because of the future. What kind of planet are we leaving our children? What kind of environment will I leave my daughter and can I truly say that I did everything I could to correct years of manmade damage? It's not just about my daughter, but all our sons and daughters. How are we protecting our environment for them? That's why it matters to me.

1) ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE:

- Yes
We need to find new ways of meeting our needs without causing harm to the environment. I also think it would be a brave economic investment to create clean and green energy jobs.

2) WASTE MANAGEMENT:

- Yes

3) POLYSTYRENE:

- Yes
Studies show how detrimental styrofoam is to animals and the environment in general. Moving to an environmentally safe alternative is the most responsible thing to do. I applaud companies who have made those changes and would encourage others to as well along with eliminating the option from our schools.

4) PFAS:

- Yes

5) NEONICOTINOIDS:

- Yes

There are alternatives to these deadly chemicals that must be explored and put into use. There's more that we can do as legislators as well.

6) RODENTICIDES:

- yes

The side effects of rodenticides is destructive in many ways. I would be in favor of measures that would limit use or eliminate them.

7) DIESEL BACKUP GENERATORS/DATA CENTERS:

- Yes

8) BEARS:

- yes

Killing bears because they happen to be on your property is inhumane. We've seen it happen here in Western CT and that's unacceptable. The idea of a working group that will make humane policy recommendations should be explored and enacted.

9) TREE CUTTING PROTOCOLS:

- Yes

10) COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY:

- Yes

11) RIPARIAN BUFFERS:

- Yes

12) RANKED CHOICE VOTING:

- yes
- I think Ranked Choice Voting is certainly a way to increase voter participation and turnout. I am for it!