



IOWA CHAPTER

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ON PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT

The citizens of Iowa have a right to clean air, pure water and to the preservation and restoration of the natural, scenic, historic and aesthetic values of the environment. And future generations need to be guaranteed that right.

These environmental resources are owned by all of us, not just a few corporations who want to pollute the rivers and air or destroy the natural areas of the state.

The Iowa Chapter supports an amendment to the Iowa Constitution that would ensure that government employees and decision makers conserve, maintain and restore the environmental resources of the state.



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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO IOWA CONSTITUTION ARTICLE I, BILL OF RIGHTS

Protection of the Environment. Sec. 25. The people have a right to clean air, clean water, and to the preservation and restoration of the natural, scenic, historic and aesthetic values of the environment. Iowa's natural resources are the common property of all the people, including generations yet to come. As trustees of these resources, the State of Iowa, and its political subdivisions, shall conserve, maintain, and restore them for the benefit of all the people. All laws and ordinances adopted by the State of Iowa and its political subdivisions, and the enforcement and execution thereof, shall be consistent with this Section.