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Sierra Club California Statement on PPIC Survey Results on Californians' Attitudes about the Environment

SACRAMENTO—The Public Policy Institute of California's 2013 survey of Californians' attitudes about environmental issues has been released this week. It can be found here: http://www.ppic.org/main/publication.asp?i=1065.

Among the findings:

- 65% of Californians say the government should act now to cut global warming pollution;
- A vast majority support regulations that reduce global warming and don't believe such action harms the economy;
- At least half of Californians want no new hydraulic fracturing (fracking) in the state;
- 54% oppose new offshore oil drilling; and
- A strong majority wants no new nuclear power plants in the state.

Sierra Club California Director Kathryn Phillips released the following statement in response to the poll results:

"Californians get it. They get that we need to leave an intact planet to the next generation, and that there are good ways to do that, including regulations that reduce pollution or simply stop it before it starts.

"The lobbyists for polluting industries spend lots of money to buy more ads and political power. But the people are with the environment, they haven't been fooled. That's refreshing."

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