

SIERRA CLUB CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE (2024 ELECTIONS)

Please provide the following information to ensure prompt processing of the questionnaire:

CANDIDATE NAME:

OFFICE CANDIDATE IS SEEKING:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

PHONE:

MAILING ADDRESS:

CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE NAME:

FPPC # NUMBER:

CAMPAIGN TAX ID #

CAMPAIGN HEADQUARTERS ADDRESS:

PHONE:

CAMPAIGN MANAGER:

PHONE:

CAMPAIGN MANAGER EMAIL ADDRESS:

IF ANY PERSON HELPED THE CANDIDATE COMPLETE THIS QUESTIONNAIRE, PLEASE STATE:

RELATIONSHIP TO ABOVE (Example: campaign staff, consultant, etc.)

I hereby acknowledge that I have completed this questionnaire to the best of my ability and am submitting it to the Sierra Club for consideration in its endorsement process.

CANDIDATE'S SIGNATURE:

DATE:

1. **Environmental Commitment:** Please describe your personal and professional connection to environmental issues in California and your motivation for seeking public office.

2. **Top Environmental Priorities:** Identify the three most important environmental issues you would address if elected, along with your proposed actions for each.

3. **Environmental Regulation:** The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) ensures that the environmental impacts of publicly approved projects be overtly identified and mitigated through an environmental impact reporting process. The law relies on the public to enforce CEQA through legal action. In past years, there have been efforts to “reform” the law. What does CEQA reform mean to you? How will you respond to legislation designed to weaken CEQA if elected?
 - a. What actions would you take to improve the enforcement of any of California environmental regulations?

4. **Fossil Fuels:** Outline your role in phasing out fossil fuels in California. In your response, please answer the following questions: Will you support a ban on new oil drilling permits in California? Will you support a ban on fracking and cyclic steam injection?

5. **Biodiversity & Outdoors:** How will you support and strengthen the state's 30x30 executive order and efforts? How would you ensure disadvantaged communities have access to urban green spaces and other public lands?

6. **Climate Adaptation:** The climate crisis has increased the risk of a number of natural disasters, including wildfires, floods, and landslides. How can the legislature assist low-income community members in creating defensible space and home-hardening measures to protect against wildfires? How can the legislature assist low-income communities protect against catastrophic floods?
 - a. What do you think the legislature should be doing to ensure that adaptation measures to address climate change do not conflict with the health of the environment?

7. **Sea Level Rise:** How would you respond to the impacts of sea level rise on the coast?

8. **Water Resource Management:** Please describe three solutions to improve California's water management crisis. Please answer the following questions in your response: Do you support new surface water storage? Do you support the Delta tunnel project? Why or why not?

9. **Land Use & Housing:** What should the legislature do to address land use practices and transportation policies that perpetuate urban sprawl? How would you address the lack of affordable housing in California?

10. **Environmental Justice:** What policies do you believe would help ensure that disadvantaged communities do not suffer a disproportionate impact from climate change and environmental problems? What is your approach to collaborating with local communities, experts, and environmental organizations to make informed policy decisions?

11. **Campaign Funding & Contributions:** How much have you raised for your campaign so far and who are your highest contributors?

a. Have you taken or will you take campaign donations from oil and gas interests?

b. Is there any other group or industry from whom you will not accept campaign contributions?

12. Please explain why the Sierra Club should endorse your candidacy.