

2012 Candidate Survey



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Are you enrolled in the Citizen's Election Fund for public campaign financing? Yes No
 Do you have a primary? Yes No
 Are you an incumbent? Yes No

Part 1: If elected, what position do you expect to take on the following environmental issues?

Topic	Question	Support	Uncertain	Oppose
1. DEEP Operations (funding) <small>(Click Here for more information)</small>	Currently, all revenues collected by CT DEEP through permits, licenses, and admissions fees go to the General Fund and do not support DEEP operations. Would you support creation or re-institution of a fund within DEEP that enabled it to recoup revenues from hunting permits, special licenses, parks admissions, etc.?	X		
Comments: I would support this without hesitation. The DEEP should have a dedicated revenue stream to support these items.				
2. Transportation and Mass Transit. <small>(Click Here for more information)</small>	Would you support policies or legislation to promote transit-oriented development that focuses growth and dense development around transit stations while respecting the unique character of each of our 169 cities and towns?	X		
Comments: This concept of smart growth benefits all residents of Connecticut, and has my full support.				

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3. Riverfront Protection <small>(Click Here for more information)</small>	Would you support a statewide system of protective vegetated buffers along the state's rivers and streams (with exemptions for built-up areas, agriculture and other special situations)?	X		
Comments: Protecting Connecticut's rivers and streams with vegetation buffers is environmentally sound and would have my full support.				
4. Pesticides Rollback <small>(Click Here for more information)</small>	Would you support and protect the current ban on toxic pesticides on school grounds?	X		
Comments: Protecting our children should not even be questioned. I don't understand who WOULD support using toxic pesticides on school grounds?				
5. Pharmaceutical Disposal <small>(Click Here for more information)</small>	Would you support a statewide program that allows Connecticut's residents to have a safe and secure place to dispose of unused pharmaceutical drugs?	X		
Comments: We have a successful program currently being used in my district. I would support or introduce legislation to make this a statewide effort.				
6. GMO Labeling <small>(Click Here for more information)</small>	Would you support mandatory labeling of genetically engineered foods, also known as GMO?	X		
Comments: Connecticut residents should know what they're ingesting and have the ability to make informed dietary choices.				
7. Mattress Recycling <small>(Click Here for more information)</small>	Would you support requiring manufactures to create a system for mattress-component recycling similar to the systems for recycling electric waste and the unused paint?	X		
Comments: I would have no problem or concern with supporting this legislation.				
8. Water Conservation <small>(Click Here for more information)</small>	Would you support efficient use and planning of water supplies by providing incentives for utilities to encourage water conservation through ratemaking mechanisms?	X		
Comments: Access to clean water is a global issue and Connecticut residents should have conservation incentives in place to ensure future generations have access to adequate supplies of clean water.				
9. Toxics (children) <small>(Click Here for more information)</small>	Would you support legislation that creates a process that identifies chemicals of high concern to children and makes recommendations how to reduce their exposure?	X		
Comments: Our children's health and well-being cannot be overstated. I would support any efforts to protect Connecticut's children from toxic or health threatening chemicals.				
10. Community Redevelopment and Conservation Act (CRCA) <small>(Click Here for more information)</small>	Would you support an optional conveyance tax for municipalities on buyers of real property to be used within the municipality for preservation and conservation of land, air, water, and energy resources?			X*
Comments: * I would support other revenue streams to assist municipalities with preservation and conservation efforts, but I have some concerns expanding the conveyance tax.				

Part 2: What environmental issue has lacked the attention in Connecticut that it deserves? As a legislator, what will you do to change that? What are the environmental priorities in your district?

- 1.) Protection of Long Island Sound.
- 2.) Introduce or support legislation to protect the Long Island Sound's ecosystem.
- 3.) Well Head, Aquifer and Quinnipiac River Protection are priorities for the 81st district. Additionally, the remediation of known Brownfields is also a substantial concern.

Part 3: If you are elected and you could choose only one environmental issue to address, which *ONE* of the following issues would be your priority for the 2013 Legislative Session?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation & Mass Transit | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pharmaceutical Disposal | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please describe) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Riverfront Protection | <input type="checkbox"/> GMO labeling | <input type="checkbox"/> Toxics (children) | |

Explain Why:

- 1.) Helps to protect the rivers and streams from the introduction of dangerous chemical compounds.
- 2.) Helps protect the aquifers from contamination and exposure to dangerous chemical compounds.
- 3.) Helps to limit our children's access to harmful and dangerous use of pharmaceuticals.