

# 2012 Candidate Survey



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- Please complete this survey by July 1, 2012. Thank you!

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Running for:  House  Senate

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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)	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.?	Yes		
<p>(Click <a href="#">Here</a> for more information)</p> <p>Comments: I am ranking member of The Committee on Planning and Development and I have supported this idea. However, any funds as referred to #1 must be "off line" in order to have the best possible protection against the legislature from raiding the funds in order to balance the budget.</p>				
2. Transportation and Mass Transit.	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?	Yes		
<p>(Click <a href="#">Here</a> for more information)</p>				

Comments: On item #2 I would reward those municipalities to achieve the goal of either a Plan of Development or a particular zoning regulation which entices affordable housing in the areas around transit stations.

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<b>3. Riverfront Protection</b> <small>(Click <a href="#">Here</a> for more information)</small> Comments:	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	
<b>4. Pesticides Rollback</b> <small>(Click <a href="#">Here</a> for more information)</small> Comments:	Would you support and protect the current ban on toxic pesticides on school grounds?	X		
<b>5. Pharmaceutical Disposal</b> <small>(Click <a href="#">Here</a> for more information)</small> Comments:	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		
<b>6. GMO Labeling</b> <small>(Click <a href="#">Here</a> for more information)</small> Comments:	Would you support mandatory labeling of genetically engineered foods, also known as GMO?	X		
<b>7. Mattress Recycling</b> <small>(Click <a href="#">Here</a> for more information)</small> Comments:	Would you support requiring manufacturers to create a system for mattress-component recycling similar to the systems for recycling electric waste and the unused paint?	X		
<b>8. Water Conservation</b> <small>(Click <a href="#">Here</a> for more information)</small> Comments:	Would you support efficient use and planning of water supplies by providing incentives for utilities to encourage water conservation through ratemaking mechanisms?	X		
<b>9. Toxics (children)</b> <small>(Click <a href="#">Here</a> for more information)</small> Comments:	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		
<b>10. Community Redevelopment and Conservation Act (CRCA)</b> <small>(Click <a href="#">Here</a> for more information)</small> Comments:	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: On Item #3 I would support a reasonable approach to this issue. The proposals that have been presented and have not passed need more work to achieve the number of votes for passage. On item # 4, and 7 have already voiced my support for these items and will continue to support them strongly.

**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?**

I want to focus more attention on the Long Island Sound "LIS" issue in the area of "Spatial Planning". The LIS is the jewel of Connecticut and we need to protect it from issues such as nitrogen concerns and from the flushing of pharmaceutical drugs into our drainage system. I would propose to increase nitrogen fines for violators and increase incentives to further reduce nitrogen. Also I would propose a mandatory disposal site for those wanting to get rid pharmaceutical drugs.

**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"/> DEEP Funding                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Pesticides Rollback             | <input type="checkbox"/> Mattress Recycling | <input type="checkbox"/> CRCA                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation & Mass Transit | <input checked="" type="radio"/> 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:**

See the above and also safe disposal of these drugs will ensure that the drugs don't fall into the wrong hands.