

Survey due: September 6, 2021

The the role that the federal government has in responding to the planet’s “code red” warnings:

- Canadians have been doing their part to fight an urgent public health emergency, but the need to tackle climate change has not gone away during the pandemic. We need a government that approaches the climate emergency with that same sense of urgency.
- Consecutive Liberal and Conservative governments have continuously failed to meaningfully tackle this crisis.
- Under Justin Trudeau and the Liberals, Canada has missed every single climate target that has been set, they have presided over the worst GHG reduction effort in the G7, and they have failed to reduce emissions.
- New Democrats have a plan to tackle the climate emergency while creating good jobs and creating a sustainable future for younger generations.
- We will eliminate fossil fuel subsidies for profitable oil and gas companies and close loopholes that the Conservatives and Liberals enabled to let big polluters off the hook.
- A NDP government will cut emissions by more than half from 2005 levels by 2030 to reach a net-zero target by 2050.
- New Democrats will take a whole-of-government approach to respond to the climate crisis and create a Climate Accountability Office to provide independent oversight and accountability on federal progress for meeting climate targets

Wildfires, climate-related disasters, and NDP solutions:

- New Democrats will expand investments in nature-based climate solutions as part of our comprehensive climate plan. We will invest in our Nature agenda that will include restoring and expanding protections for Canada’s watersheds, investing in forest management, and working with farmers to support biodiversity. We will also expand urban national parks and restore urban biodiversity.
- NDP will pursue a Nature agenda with a targeted goal of protecting 30% of our land, freshwater, and oceans by 2030. We will launch a 10 year plan to reverse species loss, curb the import and domestic trade of wild animals, and enforce the Species at Risk Act.

Transit:

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- New Democrats will put in place a permanent, direct, allocation-based funding mechanism for modern public transit across Canada for the long run.
- We will permanently double the gas tax fund, now referred to as the Canada Community-Building Fund and provide \$3 billion over four years in disaster relief funding to help communities prepare for climate risks.
- New Democrats will make transit affordable by building towards fare-free transit, develop a public inter-city bus program to replace cancelled Greyhound service, and move towards electrifying transit fleets by investing in scaling up low carbon transit projects like zero-emissions businesses and electric trains. We will aim to electrify transit and other municipal fleets by 2030.

Sustainable food systems:

- New Democrats know that a just and green transition from the pandemic means develop a resilient food system. New Democrats are committed to working with farmers and food producers to develop a National Food Policy that will make our food systems stronger all across the country. This includes food labelling and traceability, so that Canadians can be confident in the food they're consuming.
- We will pursue a Nature agenda that expands environmental protections for animals, ecosystems, and biodiversity.
- We will commit to support the National Index on Agri-Food Performance and work with stakeholders on common sustainability goals.
- A New Democrat government would work on a long-term strategy for sustainable water management that would support Canadian agriculture.

Climate justice, jobs, and Indigenous supports:

- New Democrats will invest in clean energy and green infrastructure while creating over 1 million jobs to ensure that no workers or the communities they live in are left behind. We will ensure that climate friendly initiatives use Canadian-made products like wood, aluminum, steel and Canadian-made innovative technology.
- New Democrats will enshrine the right to a healthy environment in a Canadian Bill of Rights that ensures all communities enjoy a guarantee to clean water, land, and air.
- The NDP will build reconciliation into the heart of our plan to address the climate crisis. We will uphold Indigenous rights to protect lands, waterways, and biodiversity.
- We will pursue our climate initiatives by making First Nations, Inuit, and Metis peoples full and equal partners. This means we will respect Indigenous peoples

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as the stewards of their territories and the knowledge that they bring to nature conservation and invest \$500 million for Indigenous-led conservation programs.