# VOTER'S GUIDE TO ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

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#### **ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE**



Vulnerable communities are often the first and most severely impacted by environmental problems and climate change. Reform must be enacted in order to stop companies from poisoning the earth and protect the health and safety of people in our communities.

#### **CLIMATE CHANGE**

Climate change poses a threat to human health, infrastructure, and world-wide biodiversity. Support legislation for environmental adaptation and mitigation, including ratification and enforcement of the Paris Climate Agreement.



#### **CLEAN POWER PLAN**

The Clean Power Plan is a comprehensive plan to cut carbon emissions by 2030. This plan is essential to reducing greenhouses gases, improving air quality, and slowing the effects of climate change. The Clean Power Plan must be upheld by the courts, enforced by the federal government, and supported by states.

## CLEAN ENERGY

It is time to move past fossil fuels. Renewable energy sources like wind and solar are necessary next steps to reduce the harmful effects of fossil fuels. Support energy reform and vote to move toward clean power.



### WATER QUALITY AND EQUALITY

Throughout the U.S., nearly 2,000 water systems showed excessive lead levels. Our oceans and rivers are constantly polluted with waste and dangerous chemicals that harm people and natural ecosystems. Support investment on improving water infrastructure and stricter enforcement of water regulations and punishment for polluters.

This election is especially important to the fate of our environment. We have a moral obligation to use our votes to make real change for the present and future of the Earth.