



US Senate Candidate Questionnaire Comparison November 2009

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ENERGY AND GLOBAL WARMING						
Will you support legislation that achieves at least 20% reductions in global warming pollution by 2020 and reductions of at least 80% by 2050?	NA*	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Pending*
Would you support resolutions directing the United States to engage in negotiations for deeper pollution reduction commitments with our international partners and take on commitments to reduce U.S. global warming pollution, focusing on a deal that will achieve the 50% reduction in <u>global</u> emissions that scientists say is needed to avoid the most serious impacts from global warming?	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Pending
Do you favor continued federal government subsidies and tax breaks to these large energy companies, or should the government leave nuclear power to find its own way in the energy marketplace without further subsidies?	NA	No	No	No	NA	Pending
Do you support investment in unconventional fuels, such as liquid coal, tar sands and oil shale, which could reduce foreign oil imports but at the same time dramatically increase global warming pollution compared with the fuels we use today?	NA	No	No	No	No	Pending
PUBLIC HEALTH						
Would you support legislation to substantially tighten federal health standards for particulate air pollution and smog to assure protection of public health and the environment?	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Pending
Would you support legislation to strengthen compliance with Executive Order 12898, the President's Order on Environmental Justice (2/11/94), which mandates that each federal agency make achieving environmental justice part of its mission, by identifying and addressing disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects of its programs, policies, and activities on minority and low income populations?	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Pending

* Both Republican candidates are on record opposing the Kerry-Boxer bill that is a cap and trade bill that reaches these goals.



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NATURAL HERITAGE						
Do you support management of America's oceans that will fully protect and restore the health of marine eco-systems, even if it may result in short term economic hardship?	NA	Yes	Yes	NA	NA	Pending
Do you support maintaining the current moratorium on new offshore oil and natural gas drilling and expanding it to include sensitive areas along Alaska's coasts?	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Pending
Do you support maintaining the strong protections of the Endangered Species Act, and do you think the Act is fundamentally sound?	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Pending
ADEQUATE FUNDING						
Do you support fully funding the Land and Water Conservation Fund?	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes	NA	Pending
Do you support reinvesting in our national parks through a sustained effort over the next ten years to establish reliable sources of funding and eliminate the National Park Service funding shortfall?	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Pending
ENVIRONMENT IN A LARGER CONTEXT						
Would you oppose trade agreements that do NOT include the following: Binding requirements for compliance with environmental laws and environmental treaties, a prohibition on trade in illegally logged timber, provisions to ensure trade agreements do not undermine our own environmental laws, and greater congressional involvement in developing our trade policy?	NA	yes	yes	yes	yes	Pending
Do you support the Cape Wind proposal to build wind turbines in the Nantucket Sound?	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes



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What would be your top 3 environmental spending priorities?	NA	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. End dependence on fossil fuels; find alternatives that reduce pollutants and strengthen our national security 2. Fund research in basic science 3. Water; drinking water, waste water treatment, rivers, streams, beaches, wetlands 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Creating Green Jobs 2. Clean Energy Research 3. Increased Energy Efficiency 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Energy investments in renewables and conservation 2. Public transportation 3. Water quality 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. End dependence on fossil fuels; find alternatives that reduce pollutants and strengthen our national security 2. Fund research in basic science 3. Water; drinking water, waste water treatment, rivers, streams, beaches, wetlands 	Pending
Please give an indication of which environmental or conservation issues other than energy and global warming you would consider most important if elected.	NA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More urban green space • Keeping parks clean • Urban air quality 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enforce air, water, and hazardous substances policies that push innovation and do not subsidize industrial shortcuts • Need to create effective and smart enforcement policies such as the Oil Spill Prevention Act and Brownfields redevelopment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air and water quality • Reducing toxic chemical pollutants and household hazardous waste • Protect wilderness areas • Prevent sprawl 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investment in clean energy technology • State and national parks protection • Clean water • Protecting and extending the Endangered Species Act • Reinstatement of Superfund 	Pending