

# **Environment and Climate Caucus of the Washington State Democratic Party Candidate Endorsement Questionnaire**

The <u>Environment and Climate Caucus</u> (ECC) was founded in 2017. We work with a diverse community of stakeholders including the Washington State Democratic Party Central Committee and its associated caucuses.

The ECC grants endorsements to those candidates running for statewide, congressional, and legislative offices, who have demonstrated through experience and commitment, their support of ECC's mission to advocate for legislation and policy that protects the environment and supports effective responses to mitigate and adapt to climate change.

We are delighted that you are seeking ECC's endorsement. Please submit your completed questionnaire to the email address provided below. <u>In fairness to other applicants - incomplete or non-compliant applications</u>, and late submissions, will not be considered.

Your responses will be shared with the ECC voting members who will review your questionnaire and the information provided on your campaign website, social media, and/or literature, with regard to meeting the ECC's stated mission.

If you are endorsed by the ECC during the Primary Election and proceed to the General, the endorsement will stand for the General. Endorsements are for the term of office designated by election.

Candidates are invited to participate in a **Candidate Forum** to be held on Thursday, September 15, 2022, which will be concurrent with the General Election endorsement voting.

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Please respond to all questions using black type.

- Candidate's name:
- Candidate's email address:
- Candidate's phone:

Office and position sought:

Are you an incumbent running for re-election?

Have you ever served in an elected position, and if so, what position, and when?

How many other Democratic candidates are there in your race (at the time you fill this out)?

I am a Democrat or I am willing to be identified with the Democratic Party (judicial candidates please skip this question): Yes\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ Judicial \_\_\_\_

Links to your campaign website and/or Facebook and other Social Media:

**Term of Office:** 

Campaign Manager's

- name:
- email address:
- phone:

**Campaign Consultant's** 

- name:
- email address:
- phone:

Do you agree to not accept campaign donations from fossil fuel companies?

Have you signed or will you sign the No Fossil Fuel Money Pledge (https://nofossilfuelmoney.org)?

Why are you running for this position? What in your background has led you to run? (Not to exceed 100 words.)

## Questions (1000 words total for all five questions):

- 1. What are your most significant accomplishments on environment and climate change?
- 2. Briefly list organizations, events, rallies, canvassing, referendums, or petitions you have engaged in to advocate for environmental protections?
- 3. If elected or re-elected what specific environment, climate change, biodiversity, and environmental justice legislation will you prioritize and champion?
- 4. For state office positions, what action will you take to accelerate efforts towards Washington State's 2030 Climate Goals, specifically a 45% reduction of carbon pollution below 1990 levels?

#### **Application and Completed Questionnaire for Endorsement Deadlines:**

4/10/2022	Eligibility Date for ECC Membership (30 days before close of voting)
4/21/2022	ECC General Meeting
4/23/2022	<b>Candidate Endorsement Questionnaire Due - Primary Election</b>
5/3 - 5/10/2022	ECC Primary Election Endorsement Ballot
5/13/2022	Contact endorsed candidates
8/2/2022	Primary Election
8/21/2022	Eligibility Date for ECC Membership (30 days before close of voting)
9/3/2022	Candidate Endorsement Questionnaire Due - General Election
9/13 - 9/20/2022	ECC General Election Endorsement Ballot
9/15/2022	ECC General Meeting - Candidate Forum
9/23/2022	Contact endorsed candidates
11/8/2022	General Election

### **ECC Voting and Results:**

Voting occurs electronically among eligible ECC members. The Voting Period takes place over one week following the due date for submission in each election. Results will be announced to those candidates who have received endorsement at the completion of the Voting Period.

#### **Endorsement Rules:**

The endorsement process will be made according to the ECC's standing **2022 Endorsement Rules**.

<u>Submit Completed application and questionnaire to:</u>
Jeff Berner, ECC Endorsements – <u>endorsements@eccwa.org</u>