

2018 Elections

SIERRA CLUB CANDIDATE GUIDE



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Do Your Duty: Vote for the Environment

The state of Michigan and our nation face unprecedented threats to our air and water quality. Climate change imminently threatens our entire planet. Whether the danger is lead contamination, corporate water withdrawals, Asian Carp, fracking, oil spills, factory farm waste, or toxic emissions from coal-fired power plants, we need informed leaders in government to take sensible but aggressive action to protect our environment. Candidates who do not support environmental protection clearly endanger the health and welfare of our planet and our children.

In a perfect world, every voter would take the time to research and interview each candidate, but that doesn't always happen. Fortunately, the Sierra Club has done this time-consuming work for you

so you can quickly determine those candidates who are committed to the protection of our irreplaceable natural resources.

Every Sierra Club member should consider actively supporting and voting for candidates that the Club has reviewed, on a non-partisan basis, and determined to be environmentally responsible.

Please take this election guide with you to the polls on Election Day, or use it to help fill out your absentee ballot.



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VOTING INFORMATION

How

To look up your district information, your registration status, your polling location, and see what your ballot will look like: www.michigan.gov/vote.

When

Polling locations are open Tuesday, Nov. 6, from 7am-8pm.

Absentee Voting

You can obtain an absentee ballot by contacting your township or city clerk's office any time before election day.

More Info

Have questions? Want to know more about any of the candidates in this election guide? Want to help campaign for our endorsed candidates? Email our Political Director Mike Berkowitz at mike.berkowitz@sierraclub.org.

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Explore, enjoy and protect the planet.

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Chapter Endorsements

Sierra Club Endorses Strong Women for Statewide Positions

The Sierra Club has endorsed three strong, experienced women for our top three statewide offices in 2018; Governor, Secretary of State, and Attorney General.

Gretchen Whitmer - Governor

The Sierra Club endorsed Gretchen Whitmer to be Michigan's next governor. As a state lawmaker for 14 years, Whitmer's public health and environmental ratings were among the highest in the legislature. She helped establish Michigan's first renewable energy and efficiency standards, introduced legislation to ban plastic microbead pollution, and was a progressive warrior on the floor of the state House and Senate. As a candidate for governor, Whitmer has prioritized protecting drinking water, combating climate change, ending the threat of oil pipelines in the Great Lakes, and fighting environmental injustices impacting Michigan families.

In contrast, Republican nominee Bill Schuette use his power as Michigan's Attorney General to undermine our environmental laws, lead the charge against air pollution safeguards, ignore the climate crisis, and consistently side with corporate polluters. His support for keeping oil pipelines in the Straits of Mackinac is a insult to Michigan citizens and the Great Lakes.

We will work diligently to stop Bill Schuette and make sure Gretchen Whitmer becomes the next Governor of Michigan.



Dana Nessel - Attorney General

The Sierra Club endorsed Dana Nessel to be Michigan's next Attorney General. Nessel is a noted civil rights attorney and former Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor known best for spearheading the Supreme Court lawsuit which legalized same-sex marriage across the country. Nessel has pledged to shut down the Enbridge Line 5 pipeline as her very first act in office, something our current Attorney General has fumbled for years. Her Republican opponent is supported by corporate polluters and has demonstrated this by earning a lifetime rating of 30% on our environmental voting scorecard.



Jocelyn Benson - Secretary of State

With more than a decade of experience as a national leader in election law and administration, the Sierra Club endorsed Jocelyn Benson to be Michigan's next Secretary of State. Benson has previously served as director of the Michigan Center for Election Law, dean of Wayne State University's Law School, and Board Chair of Michigan Common Cause, an organization dedicated to increasing government transparency, eliminating gerrymandering, getting the money out of politics, and protecting voter access.



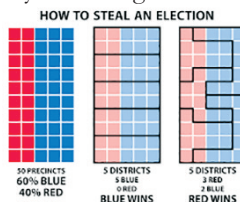
Proposal 2: Voters Not Politicians - End Gerrymandering

If we want to prevent the next Flint water crisis or tackle environmental justice issues that face marginalized communities, we need to empower local voters. That's why the Sierra Club has endorsed Voters Not Politicians/Proposal 2, the nonpartisan, grassroots campaign to end partisan redistricting in Michigan through a state constitutional amendment to establish an Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission.

In Michigan, politicians draw voting maps behind closed doors that directly benefit themselves, instead of putting the

interests of voters and communities of Michigan first. It's called gerrymandering and it's time we end it in Michigan. For too

long, our system has diluted voters' voices and reinforced a legacy of environmental racism and disenfranchising voters in the communities with the most pollution.



Proposal 3: Promote the Vote - Make Voting Easier and More Secure

Communities facing the worst environmental injustices are facing voter suppression and racial discrimination. When our voices are silenced by attacks on the ballot box, our democracy suffers, and so does our ability to address important issues like the climate crisis.

Promote the Vote wants to change that, making voting both easier and more secure. Organized by the American Civil



Liberties Union (ACLU), this Constitutional amendment would allow for no-reason absentee voting, automatic voter registration, same-day voter registration, and election auditing for accuracy and integrity.

The Sierra Club endorsed Promote the Vote because we understand that in order to get environmental champions elected to office, we need to make sure all Michiganders have the ability to vote. In order to make Michigan a healthier, more sustainable state, we need a fair and transparent government.

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District 3 | Martha Scott (D)
District 4 | Illona Varga (D)
District 6 | Monique McCormick (D)
District 12 | Glenn Anderson (D)
District 14 | Ray Basham (D)

Oakland County Commission

District 1 | Michelle A Bryant (D)
District 2 | Danielle McLuskey (D)
District 7 | Karen Adams (D)
District 9 | Gwen Markham (D)
District 12 | Cheryl Horrigan-Happy (D)
District 13 | Marcia Gershenson (D)
District 14 | William Miller (D)
District 16 | Penny Luebs (D)
District 18 | Helaine Zack (D)
District 19 | Dave Woodward (D)
District 20 | Gary McGillivray (D)

Macomb County Commission

District 4 | Carole Chi (D)

Washtenaw County Commission

District 2 | Susan Shink (D)

Ann Arbor City Council

Ward 1 | Jeffrey Hayner
Ward 2 | Kathy Griswold
Ward 3 | Alice Liberson
Ward 4 | Elizabeth Nelson

Kalamazoo County Commission

District 5 | Julie Rogers (D)
District 11 | Meredith Place (D)

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