

CLEAR PATH

Republicans Are Leading on Clean Energy: Let's Take The Fight To Progressives

89%

Believe It is possible for the U.S. to develop cleaner energy sources that can also provide more affordable energy.

87%

Believe clean energy is an issue that Republicans in Congress SHOULD care about. (only 50% believe they DO.)

80%

Would feel more favorably toward my Member of Congress if he or she supported policies that promoted clean energy.

58%

Say that instead of regulation, they believe more innovation and better technology that lets us reduce carbon emissions is the best way to fight climate change.

68%

of Democrats and 54% of Independents say a Republican focused on clean energy would be "different than a typical Republican".

Source: NorthStar and Echelon

THEY SAID IT ...



Sen. John Cornyn

"We should get past this silly argument about whether human beings have an impact and whether it's changing. I accept both of those things. And let's just talk about how you're going to solve the problem"



Sen. John Barrasso

"Make energy as clean as we can, as fast as we can."



Sen. Lisa Murkowski

"The opportunity we have in front of us is to foster an innovation ecosystem here in the United States that can lead to breakthroughs that deliver cleaner, more affordable, and more reliable energy."

Clean Energy is Pro-American

- We must fight for the interests of our country, our people, and our economic prosperity. Some countries will lead the effort to create clean energy technology and benefit from it, and it should be us.
- Already, America's clean energy sector is producing many good-paying jobs.
- We can create great wealth for our country by creating huge clean energy markets for American-made power and technology.

Innovation Will Get Us There

- The best way to eliminate emissions from electricity generation is through a balanced mix of low-carbon sources, pairing wind, solar, and batteries with one or more "firm" carbon-free resources like nuclear power, natural gas or coal with carbon capture, or geothermal energy.
- We need better technologies that scale faster, perform better, and are cheaper than the alternatives, so the rapidly developing world chooses them instead of higher-emitting options.
- Over the long haul, incremental victories lay the foundation for long-term, innovative, game-changing successes like the shale gas revolution, or the solar power expansion in sunny states. This track-record creates successes that have real climate benefits and build political momentum globally.

We Want to Work Together to Protect the Environment

- If we don't take action to create clean energy, and work to prevent future environmental damage, we risk injecting more uncertainty into our economy. We want to work with Democrats in this Congress to:
 - Make smart and targeted R&D investments
 - Set breakthrough clean and renewable energy goals that make these technologies affordable
 - Cut and reform government regulations that are holding back U.S. innovators

Green New Deal is Outlandish

- The Democrats always want a big government solution like a "Green New Deal." We don't need to support outlandish policies like "cap and trade" that would harm our economy and our people, while giving the edge to competitors around the globe.
- Half of Americans either haven't heard of, or are unsure about the Green New Deal. Only 24% support.