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Principles_Support: Strongly Disagree

Principles_Comments: Surely someone in this government is intelligent enough to develop new business in canada without further destroying the environment through the crude, short-sighted and unsustainable model of resource extraction. This model, in the long term, will deplete wealth from this country. Just look at forest-fire suppression costs for an example. To continue with unlimited, free market controlled growth has proven to be a disaster. Instead we need to follow more intelligent, sophisticated models found in places like Scandinavia. Canada needs to become a leader in alternative energy and conservation. Focus on meaningful pursuits like: value-added secondary manufacturing, sustainable affordable housing, art, science, education, technology, food production and tourism. Support each community in Canada to become self-sufficient and to control their own resources. Support meaningful lives instead of looking simply at numbers which don't begin to explain the e
veryday reality of canadians.

Goal1_Support: Strongly Disagree

EnviroFlow_Comments: The system is far better protected as it exists already.

DecisionMaker_Comments: Protect all water from further development and from disruption through mining and forestry.

WaterAllocationPlan_Conditions: It should be developed from the perspective of conservation and enhancement, rather than from a source of profit or as a resource.

DumpingProhibition: Amend

DumpingProhibition_Comments: Increase protection of streams from logging on private land.

Goal2_Support: Strongly Disagree

Goal2_Comments: Giving control of streams to local communities. Who better to protect watersheds than the people that drink directly from them. An international corporation beholden only to the price of its share will never serve the interests of average canadians.

GovernanceFundingSolutions: community owned and run micro-hydro projects under 5 or 10 mega-watts

Goal3_Support: Strongly Disagree

WaterUseEfficiency_Comments: Incentives and fines for industry who uses the vast

majority of water, forcing industry to pay for water, supporting the purchase and construction of water saving devices and methods---eliminating watering grass, rainwater collection, grey water usage, garden top live roofs etc., fines for wasting water, but no meters

AdminEfficiencyWaterUse_Comments: taking data on stream temperature, ph, bacterial content, flow rates and volumes of all streams to evaluate impacts of development, forestry and mining

Flexibility_Support: Strongly Disagree

WaterAllocationSystem_Comments: Give priority to residential users over business interests

WaterScarcityTemporary_Comments: we can decide this amongst ourselves , no need for government involvement, waste of tax dollars

Goal4_Support: Strongly Disagree

AtRiskWatershedCriteria: stream and aquifer health, flow and volume levels, level of harmful and beneficial bacteria, ph, temperature, level of silt suspension, health of aquatic invertebrates etc.

AffectOnCommunity: my rural british colulmbians rely on preservation of their watersheds more than urban, as we are living directly in them. stream health is our immediate environmental health and well being, there is no separation

Improve_InterestsTakenIntoAccount: protect the watersheds from development.

KindsOfCollaborativeProcesses: i already monitor and protect my watershed with my neighbors, more community stewardship groups should be fostered, share expertise, and resources for stewardship

AdequatelyEquipFutureGenerations: not your solutions, they only promote development and environmental degradation, which is permanent.

WhatHaveWeMissed: ecology, a long-term perspective, alternatives, conservation, community control stc.