

The Environmental Case Against The Recall



Governor Gavin Newsom: A Record Of Progress

- Issued executive order requiring all new cars and passenger trucks sold in California be zero-emission vehicles by 2035
 - Issued an executive order to stop issuing fracking permits in 2024
 - Directed the California Air Resources Board to evaluate a pathway to ending all oil extraction in our state by 2045
 - Issued executive order to restore and conserve 30 percent of the state's lands and waters by 2030
- Signed budget allocating \$61 million for construction of freeway wildlife crossings
 - Signed into law AB 1788 to restrict the use of rodenticides that poison wildlife; AB 44 prohibiting the sale and manufacture of new fur products in California; and AB 128 protecting wild & domestic horses from slaughter.
 - California League Of Conservation Voters gives Newsom a lifetime score of 86%, and joins the Natural Resources Defense Council Action Fund, California Environmental Justice Alliance Action, & Sierra Club California in opposing the recall, with Victoria Rome at NRDC Action Fund stating: *"This particular recall effort is the product of polluting industries and their allies who are determined to, among other things, abandon rules that protect the environment, including those that advance efforts to address climate change."*



Leading Republican Recall Candidates



Larry Elder, right-wing radio talk show host – Denies the science behind global climate change, resorting to “alternative facts” provided by fossil fuel industry-backed front groups to state: *“The reality is that the world is getting greener over time as plants, animals, and humans benefit from higher temperatures and CO2-enriched air.”* Elder told the Adam Carolla podcast that our state is being run by “environmental extremists.” Wants offshore oil drilling, and would suspend the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), which requires Environmental Impact Reports (EIRs) to inform the public and decision makers about how proposed projects impact ecosystems, pollution, and public health.

John Cox, businessman and failed gubernatorial candidate – Began his recall campaign by hauling around a Kodiak brown bear as a publicity stunt, in violation of state and local laws. Has stated climate change should not be looked at as a cause for California’s wildfires, wants to permit clear-cutting of forests as preventive management. Wants to “crush” CEQA and other regulations; stated that our state’s energy production should include increased natural gas production (fracking) and nuclear energy.

Kevin Faulconer, former San Diego mayor – Had worked in the 1990s as a lobbyist for Coalition for Vehicle Choice, an auto industry group that denied climate change and fought tougher fuel-efficiency standards. Takes money from oil industry lobbying groups; supports clear-cutting as “forest management”; during extreme drought would direct scarce water resources to Central Valley big ag interests to produce thirsty luxury crops like almonds and alfalfa for cattle feed, much of which gets exported out of the U.S.

Caitlyn Jenner, reality TV show star – Told CNN’s Dana Bash she would roll back CEQA, saying “As far as regulations, I would freeze everything” and would “probably not” maintain California’s move toward zero emission energy sources for electricity by 2045.

The environmental choice is clear:

VOTE NO on the Republican recall.

Stop the radical, undemocratic power grab that serves those who would plunder our Golden State, increase GHG emissions, and harm our most vulnerable populations.



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