

# THE CONSERVATIVES WOULD BE BAD NEWS FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

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The Conservative environment platform is short and vague. They say they want Canada to be an environmental world leader, but they also want to rip up the Kyoto Accord on climate change.

Their #1 priority?

To let big business do what it wants.

The Conservatives see deeper integration with the United States as the path to cleaning up the environment – even though NAFTA is being used to undermine environmental protections.

## Putting our future at risk

**Energy** – The Conservatives continue to push fossil fuels, ignoring clean energy alternatives.

**Water** – The Conservatives want Canada to be a “world leader” in clean water but don’t spell out what this means.

**Forestry** – The Conservatives want to secure “Canada’s lumber industry through free trade”.

**Climate Change** – The Conservatives reject the Kyoto Accord. Stephen Harper calls it “irrelevant”.

## The Sierra Club says:

“Stephen Harper’s policy on Kyoto seems to have been written in the board room of Imperial Oil.”

“The Conservative Party has an anti-environment corporate agenda, not a populist agenda.”

## Greenpeace says:

The Conservatives get an “F”. A Conservative government would fail to protect natural spaces, has no clear position on genetically engineered food, supports the status quo on energy and would support the US in its “missile defence” program.

## There’s a better choice

The NDP platform on the environment has been rated the best by Canada’s major environmental groups.

If you’re green-minded and want to vote against Stephen Harper’s Conservatives, vote NDP.



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