



## **2011 Manitoba Election Survey #6**

### **Climate Change: Carbon & Emissions**



**If elected, will your party:**

- 1) Continue Trees for Tomorrow program, having clear accountability measures?**  
*Yes, subject to available resources.*
- 2) Undertake studies to identify carbon sequestered in Manitoba's forests regions, waterways, and lakes?**  
*Yes, we will provide funding towards worthwhile studies of this nature.*
- 3) Establish a carbon inventory for Manitoba? (see above)**  
*We would support interprovincial and national initiatives towards this goal.*
- 4) Require all public sector agencies, and facilities to reduce emissions?**  
*Yes, where appropriate.*
- 5) Make climate change goals and accomplishments part of government department reports to the Legislature?**  
*Yes.*
- 6) Protect carbon in boreal forest regions by establishing protected areas?**  
*We support the protected areas network and will review future candidate areas to expand that network.*
- 7) Require public works / projects to identify emissions from planning, building and operations of the public work?**  
*Yes, where appropriate.*
- 8) Require new public works/ projects to replace or mitigate carbon lost?**  
*Yes, where appropriate.*
- 9) Include in Manitoba government loans, grants or business agreements climate change reporting requirements?**

*Yes, where appropriate.*

- 10) Require carbon and green house gas and carbon planning for environmental proposals under the Environment Act?**

*Yes, where appropriate.*

- 11) Continue Manitoba membership in the Western Climate Initiative?**

*We would review Manitoba's participation in climate initiatives on an ongoing basis as policies in other jurisdictions evolve.*

- 12) Make public steps Manitoba is taking, and will take to fulfill Western Climate Initiative commitments?**

*See above.*

- 13) Report publicly carbon loss and emissions from forest fires?**

*We will consider this idea.*

- 14) Incorporate climate change and emissions data into the Manitoba Forest Resource Inventory?**

*We will consider this idea.*

- 15) Provide incentives for farmers to undertake projects to store carbon and reduce emissions?**

*Yes.*

- 16) Report on Manitoba emissions, by sector and site?**

*Yes, where practical.*

- 17) Use carbon and emissions reporting based on scientifically verifiable data?**

*Yes.*

- 18) Act on Manitoba auditor general's recommendations regarding climate change programming, data, reporting, and regulatory authority in Manitoba?**

*We will review these recommendations and consider how best to implement them.*

- 19) Move away from green house gas emissions reports based on estimates and projections?**

*Yes, where appropriate and practical.*

**20) Require capture of methane from most landfills in Manitoba?**

*This issue requires further analysis and consultation before we can answer.*

**21) Implement the California vehicle emissions standards in Manitoba?**

*This issue requires further analysis and consultation before we can answer.  
These standards are appropriately developed at a national or international level.*

**22) Require tree planting around all buildings and facilities where public funds are provided?**

*Yes, where practical.*

**23) Proclaim sections of the *Climate Change and Emissions Reductions Act* not yet proclaimed?**

*Yes, pending review and consultation as necessary.*

**24) Report under the *Climate Change and Emissions Reductions Act* more frequently than five years?**

*We will consider this idea.*

**25) Staff and resource the climate change technical and scientific capacity of the Manitoba government, including with recently trained Manitobans?**

*This issue requires analysis and consultation before we can answer.*

**26) Determine the ecological and economic risks, and benefits from climate change scenarios in Manitoba?**

*We will consider this idea.*