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NH SIERRA CLUB ENDORSES JOYCE CRAIG FOR NH GOVERNOR

102 State Candidates on the List of NH Environmental Champions

CONCORD, NH—Today, the New Hampshire Chapter of the Sierra Club has released its list of carefully selected endorsed candidates for Governor, Executive Council, State Senate, and State House of Representatives. Of the endorsed candidates, each has expressed concern for the New Hampshire environment, support for action on climate solutions that benefits all residents, and progress to lower pollution thus protecting public health.

"The NH Environmental Champions are the frontline leaders and advocates in the State House promoting our shared values. Our endorsed candidates agree critical issues – like lowering volatile energy bills and protecting our precious lakes, rivers and beaches from the scourge of cyanobacteria caused by the lack of sewer infrastructure and failed septic systems – must be addressed by the next legislature and governor," said Jerry Curran, the Political Committee Chair for the New Hampshire Sierra Club.

"The NH Chapter endorses Joyce Craig for governor because she has a detailed plan to protect just and reasonable rates for energy ratepayers with transparent planning and to increase meaningful options to lower demand and expand energy diversity. Further, Craig has a refreshingly collaborative approach to invest in city and town public water and sewer systems which is critical to lower toxic cyanobacteria blooms, and other dangerous chemicals, in the celebrated water bodies and beaches across the state."

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"We congratulate the incumbents for returning to the State House after years of challenging the climate-denying 'Sununu Path' where every turn dismantled critical ethical governmental practices, science was ignored, energy bills and property taxes skyrocketed, and social justice languished. We laud all 102 2024 NH Environmental Champions who support justice for all making this state better than the way we found it. We must pursue solutions to these tough problems and demand that our policy makers and executive leadership take action," stated Catherine M. Corkery, NH Sierra Club Chapter Director.

"New Hampshire Sierra Club endorsed these candidates based on responses to an in-depth questionnaire, voting records, and history of environmental involvement. The New Hampshire Sierra Club endorsement list will be distributed to the Sierra Club Members in the state online and in the mail. Members will be encouraged to volunteer and support the various campaigns in a vigorous statewide member to member outreach program" said.

All New Hampshire voters are encouraged to examine the records of the candidates that received our coveted endorsement and vote for them on Election Day. The New Hampshire Club Political Action Committee, Sierra NH PAC, accepts donations to advance the candidacies of the 2024 NH Environmental Champions.

The Sierra Club and it's over 3.8 million members and supporters nationwide will continue to support candidates who share Sierra Club values.

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Complete List of 2024 NHSC State House Environmental and Climate Champions

Governor: Joyce Craig

Executive Council Dist 1: Emmett Soldati

State Senate

Name District Number		Name District Number	
Carlos Cardona	2	Shannon Chandley	11
Bill Marsh	3	Ben Ming	12
Suzanne Prentiss	5	Kelly Roberts	17
Matt McLaughlin	9	Rebecca Kwoka	21
Donovan Fenton	10	Brenda Oldak	23

2024 NHSC State House of Representatives

Name	District	Belknap County
Wendy Chase	5	Belknap
LENA A NIRK	6	Belknap
Don House	8	Belknap

Name	District	Carroll County
Stephen Woodcock	1	Carroll
David Paige	1	Carroll
Anita Burroughs	2	Carroll
Bobbi Boudman	7	Carroll

Name	District	Cheshire County
Paul Berch	6	Cheshire
Alan Gross	10	Cheshire
Samantha Jacobs	15	Cheshire
Deni Dickler	14	Cheshire
Nicholas Germana	15	Cheshire

Name	District	County
Timothy T Egan	1	Grafton
Rachael E Booth	5	Grafton
Dustin Vigneault	5	Grafton
Richard Lobban	10	Grafton
Russell Muirhead	12	Grafton
Thomas Cormen	15	Grafton
Carolyn Fluehr-Lobban	18	Grafton
Name	District	Hillsborough County
Kevin Boyarsky	2	Hillsborough
Jeff Kerr	2	Hillsborough
Paige Beauchemin	3	Hillsborough
Marc W Plamondon	3	Hillsborough
Linda V Ryan	4	Hillsborough

Heather Raymond	5	Hillsborough
Susan A Elberger	5	Hillsborough
Suzanne E. Vail	6	Hillsborough
Carry Spier	6	Hillsborough
Alicia Gregg	7	Hillsborough
Efstthia Booras	8	Hillsborough
Santosh Salvi	9	Hillsborough
Suzanne Chretien	10	Hillsborough
Will Darby	11	Hillsborough
Wendy Thomas	12	Hillsborough
Kathryn Stack	12	Hillsborough
George Dieter	12	Hillsborough
Lara Quiroga	15	Hillsborough
David John Preece	17	Hillsborough
Jessica Grill	18	Hillsborough
Alissandra Murray	20	Hillsborough
Christine seibert	21	Hillsborough
Nicole Leapley	22	Hillsborough
Patricia Cornell	22	Hillsborough
Donald J Bouchard	24	Hillsborough
Kathy Staub	25	Hillsborough
Patrick N. Long	26	Hillsborough
Luke Drake	28	Hillsborough

Judy Johnson	29	Hillsborough
Jennifer Bernet	32	Hillsborough
Daniel Veilleux	34	Hillsborough
Maxine Mosley	39	Hillsborough
Erin Kerwin	40	Hillsborough
Suraj Budathoki	40	Hillsborough
Lily M. Foss	41	Hillsborough
Scott Lawrence	43	Hillsborough
Eric Emmerling	44	Hillsborough
		Merrimack
Name	District	County
Lorrie J. Carey	1	Merrimack
Ruth Heath	4	Merrimack
Greg Sargent	7	Merrimack
Tony Caplan	8	Merrimack
Eileen Kelly	8	Merrimack
David Luneau	9	Merrimack
James Newsom	9	Merrimack
Germano Martins	10	Merrimack
Eric Gallager	20	Merrimack
Gary Woods	30	Merrimack
Name	District	Rockingham County
Charlotte Fyfe	1	Rockingham

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District	Strafford County
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District	Sullivan County
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QUOTES FROM THE CANDIDATES

NH State Senate

Bill Marsh Dist 3

We need to protect NH's lakes to preserve both our environment and our tourist economy.

Suzanne Prentiss Dist 5

I am proud to stand with the Sierra Club in prioritizing legislation that supports environmental health and sustainability, leading to more robust protections for natural areas and communities.

Matt McLaughlin Dist 9

I consider the environment to be the most important long term issue in front of the NH legislature.

Shannon Chandley Dist 11

Clean drinking water is essential. Granite Staters deserve to know that their water is free from PFAS and other toxic chemicals. I will continue to lead the effort to remediate contamination and hold polluters accountable.

Brenda Oldak Dist 23

The Protection of our Environment is essential to our survival and benefits us all.

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House of Representative

Bobbi Boudman Carroll 7 I will pledge to work hard to protect our waters as "water is life". We cannot continue down a path where we approve throwing out of state trash at a lake's edge. I have worked for non-profits that are dedicated to protecting our water.

Paul S Berch Cheshire 6

I am working and will continue to work on the health of the Connecticut River. My community and the communities of Cheshire 6 adjoin this magnificent River and our task is to keep it clean, healthy and a resource for all.

Deni Dickler Cheshire 14

I am honored to be recognized as an Environmental Champion by the Sierra Club because we are allies in protecting our environment and combating climate change. These actions are essential to preserve the NH way of life for our children and grandchildren.

Judy Johnson Hillsborough 29

Before recycle and reuse even became popular, for the last 41 years my husband have been recycling champions. I do believe it starts with me and others will follow. I have to say it is working. I am so proud to be part of the movement that will move our planet in a safe direction and protect it for future generations.

Eric Emmerling Hillsborough 44

I believe we must put the environment before corporate profit, individual greed and denial. Global warming is a real danger.

David Preese Hillsborough 17 "Protecting our environment is the most important legacy we can leave to our children and their children."

Patricia Cornell Hillsborough 22

Worldwide our natural resources are disappearing and I believe we should actively do anything possible to protect New Hampshire's beauty. Suzanne Vail Hillsborough 6

Safeguarding the health of NH's inhabitants and natural and cultural resources is a time-honored tradition in my family. We know that when we work together and act to mitigate damage caused by those who do not value environmental protection, we are reaching for a future where NH's resilience and sustainability is a priority.

Tony Caplan Merrimack 8

I am excited to be a leader for the environment because I will prioritize protecting the air, water and natural resources that we rely on for the only real New Hampshire advantage, now and for the generations to come.

Germano Martins Merrimack 10

I am proud to be named an environmental champion because it reflects my commitment to protecting our planet and inspiring others to take action for a sustainable future.

Wendy Larson Rockingham 19

I've been a Granite Stater for most of my life. From family time since I was a little girl continuing through today on Silver Lake in Madison , relaxing on our wonderful NH beaches and serene dog walks in our woods in Kensington; the diversity and wonder of our land and waters is one of many things that makes New Hampshire special. As the next District 19 Rockingham State Representative; I intend to keep our New Hampshire environment clean, beautiful and available to all Granite Staters and our visitors.

David Meuse Rockingham 37

Our beautiful state is facing a series of escalating threats to our air, our water, our climate, and even ourselves. The Sierra Club answers those threats not only by fighting to preserve our state's natural beauty, but also by fighting to protect people and wildlife from the impact of pollution and contamination. I'm proud to stand with them in this fight.

Timothy Horrigan Strafford 10 My parents were environmental champions, and they taught me about the importance of the environment from the earliest age which I can remember. Alice Wade Strafford 15 I am proud to be named an Environmental Champion because tackling the climate crisis is the most pressing issue of our time. We only have one planet, and we must do everything we can at the national, state, and local level to take urgent action to prevent climate change.

Anne H. Fenn Rockingham 16 As an environmentalist and former US EPA employee for over 40 years, I have respected and supported the goals and work of the Sierra Club for many years.