

FIGHTING CLIMATE CHANGE & PROTECTING OUR ENVIROMENT

What we heard from
#TakeTheMic



DISCUSSION PURPOSE & AGENDA



Purpose: to update the Ontario Liberal Party Membership of the #TakeTheMic results

Agenda:

- Welcome and overview remarks from the Leader, Steven Del Duca
- Platform co-Chairs to present
 - Overview of the #TakeTheMic process and the participation numbers
 - Social Media Impressions
 - Review of the top ideas and support level
 - Overview of each policy theme
 - What's next?

A STORY IN THE NUMBERS

A total of **28,236** visited the #TakeTheMic website, submitting **38,438** original ideas and comments and casting **233,791** votes.

We know many of you worked hard in your ridings and networks to get people engaged, and it paid off. Thank you!

Top 5 Most Supported Policy Recommendations

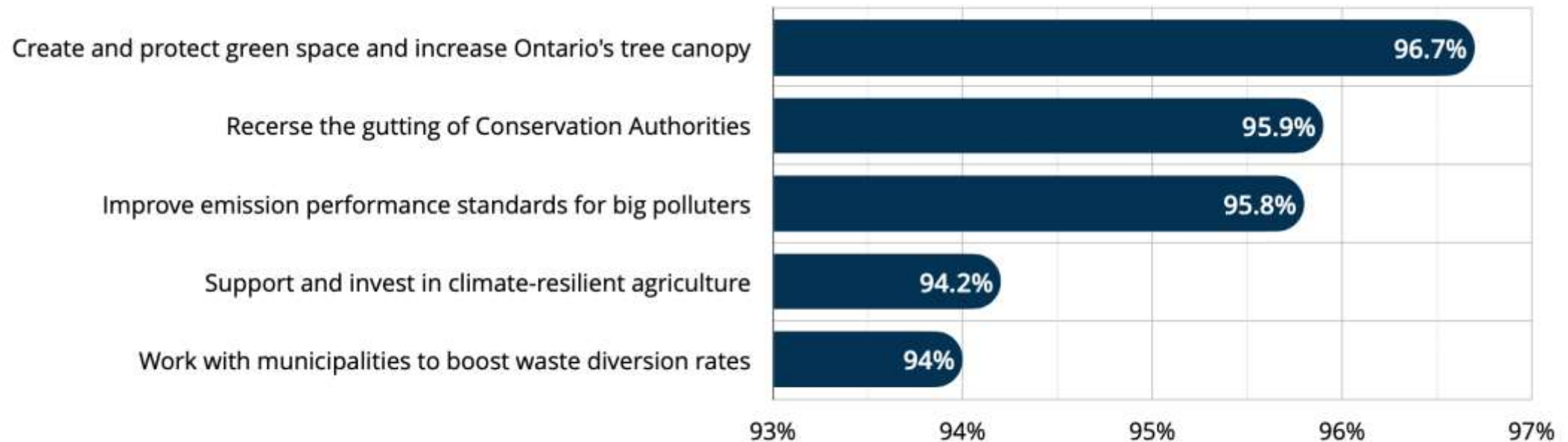
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| 1 | Improve the quality of care (including better food, increased personal hygiene and more hours of care) | Fixing Long-Term Care | 98% Approval* |
| 2 | Create and protect green space and increase Ontario's tree canopy | Fighting Climate Change and Protecting our Environment | 97% Approval* |
| 3 | Move to a full-time staffing model in long-term care, providing more stability, better working conditions, higher wages and more accountability | Fixing Long-Term Care | 96% Approval* |
| 4 | Reverse the gutting of Conservation Authorities and provide them with the tools they need to deliver on their mandate | Fighting Climate Change and Protecting Our Environment | 96% Approval* |
| 5 | Improve emission performance standards for big polluters | Fighting Climate Change and Protecting Our Environment | 96% Approval* |

*Approval is a measure of the percentage of participants who voted in support of an option, rather than neutral or opposed.

WEEK #3: FIGHTING CLIMATE CHANGE

TOP COMMENTED ON POLICY STATEMENTS RELATED TO FIGHTING CLIMATE CHANGE

1. Empower a multi-party special committee of cabinet to lead Ontario's climate actions (385)
2. Declare a climate emergency and reinstate an independent Environmental Commissioner (385)
3. Aggressively transition towards a more affordable, cleaner and greener energy supply (356)
4. Work with municipalities to boost waste diversion rates (330)



Comments Overview

Most Popular Comments

[RE: provincial climate action committee] This might only work if there were better party representation which might only happen if we change to ranked ballot/proportional elections. (6 Likes)

[RE: climate-resilient agriculture] Is there not a way to help people get into farming? I know people who would love to be farmers and feed their community. But it's gotten to a point where you either need a parent to gift you the farm, or you are a corporation. It's almost impossible to begin farming. Also stop developing over fertile farmlands in southern Ontario. (6 Likes)

Yes, this [greener, cleaner energy supply] is all good. But Ontario already leads in hydro power and nuclear energy, and is already off coal. Over the next few decades we will need to get off natural gas, but this will be possible only with improvements to the technology in energy storage, hydrogen, and small nuclear reactors. Ontario is already moving in the right direction. (5 Likes)

[RE: mandatory climate risk reporting] The principle is good, but watch carefully how it is done -- it will need to be focused solely on climate change and avoid going down the rabbit hole of red tape. (5 Likes)

[RE: standards for big polluters] Wary of focusing on 'big' polluters without closing loopholes and ensuring we don't just end up substituting with imported emissions. Also tax based on emissions of transport to support re-localization. (5 Likes)

Fighting for our Future



Statement from Steven Del Duca on Carbon Price Ruling

March 25, 2021

TORONTO – Steven Del Duca, Leader of the Ontario Liberal Party, issued the following statement: “Doug Ford and his band...

Steven Del Duca  @StevenDelDuca · Apr 22

Climate change is an immediate and serious threat to humanity. It's crucial we all do our part to protect the environment - including political leaders.

PROVINCIAL POLITICS

Ford government's policies put climate-change targets at risk, provincial auditor warns



By **Robert Benzie** Queen's Park Bureau Chief
Wed., Nov. 18, 2020 | 3 min. read

DOUG FORD'S CONTROVERSIAL BILL 229 ENDANGERS OUR ENVIRONMENT AND OUR COMMUNITIES

Ontario Liberal leader Steven Del Duca says no need for new cap-and-trade program

“I don't think Doug Ford believes climate change is real,” Del Duca said. “I think he got slapped around pretty hard by the (Canadian) Supreme Court.”

“We primarily need to focus on decarbonizing when it comes to transportation,” said Del Duca. “How do we make buildings, schools climate resilient? We also have to do land planning better,” rather than allowing urban sprawl to extend into the Greenbelt.

Ontario Liberals will kill Highway 413 and instead invest to build and repair the province's schools

March 22, 2021

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Did we capture the issue?
Where do we go from here?
What should be our priorities to
fight Climate Change?



THANK YOU

