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Hello, and thank you for your work defending Lake Winnipeg!

1) We intend to coordinate national strategies to address and adapt to climate change, working to try to stop it while knowing that it will still affect us. We will also be designating a full percentage of GST toward infrastructure, and creating an Canadian Infrastructure Bank for the purpose of loaning money to municipalities for major projects like this.

2) The Green Party has the strongest environmental policies, and in particular we're concerned about conservation of habitat and restoring the protections that were lost under the Conservative government. We also want to create a Council of Canadian Governments that will bring together municipal, provincial, federal, and indigenous governments to coordinate strategies like this.

3) I don't know, honestly. I could give you some numbers, but they wouldn't mean much until they were delivered, which is something politicians don't always do. I'd rather not even speculate. That said, the health of Lake Winnipeg is a serious issue for me, and I would use my influence as an MP to fight for its survival in any way possible.

4) The Green Party is all about evidence-based and practical policies, and about empowering action at a local level. If you've already gone through the work of researching and making recommendations, I'd be shocked if we didn't support them. That said, I haven't read them. If elected, you can count on me to do so; near the end of an election campaign, I admit that I don't have the time to do so, as I must also respond to every other issue that Canada faces right now. You have my support in principle, but I will not speculate on how I will specifically respond to a document I haven't fully read.