

Canada's NDP

Thank you for writing and your continued advocacy in support of protecting our freshwater and preserving Lake Winnipeg. New Democrats are your natural allies in both pursuits and we do support your three proposals in principle.

Making sure that our lands and waters are protected is essential to making real progress on our climate change goals, and to safeguarding a good quality of life for all Canadians. It's time to enshrine in law the right to a healthy environment. Our federal NDP Environmental Bill of Rights will ensure that all communities can enjoy a guarantee to clean water, land, and air.

New Democrats will also better protect Canadians from toxic substances in everyday products like cosmetics, through a strengthened Canadian Environmental Protection Act. To reduce waste in our landfills and coastal communities and freshwater sources, a New Democrat government will ban single-use plastics across Canada, and hold companies responsible for the entire lifecycle of their plastics products and packaging. We'll help municipalities improve their waste management and recycling programs and work towards a zero-waste future.

Conservation is a vital way to protect ecosystems and preserve biodiversity. New Democrats will protect 30% of our land, freshwater, and oceans by 2030 and back those protections with funding and enforcement. And we will implement a national freshwater strategy and work with the provinces and territories, and Indigenous communities to protect our waterways under international agreements. We will also reverse the harmful changes brought in by the Conservatives, fully restore navigable waters protections for all of Canada's lakes and rivers, and invest in research to support freshwater protections.

Thank you again for writing. We hope we've proven that New Democrats are your steadfast allies when it comes to protecting our freshwater and Lake Winnipeg. We invite you to be in touch should you have comments, concerns, or questions during or after this campaign. Until then, please accept our best wishes for you, The Lake Winnipeg Foundation, The Lake Winnipeg Indigenous Collective, and your friends and allies moving forward.

Sincerely,

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In it for you