

Application for Consideration by the Democratic Party of Contra Costa County (DPCCC)

- Send applications to: issues@contracostadems.com
- Applications may refer to resolutions or legislation.
- It is recommended that applications be submitted at least 72 hours prior to the next scheduled Issues Committee meeting. The Committee generally meets on the Monday before the first Thursday of the month.
- Please limit your application to 4 pages if possible.

Section I: Administrative Information - Approved Support April 20, 2023

Name or Title of Issue: **AB 9 (Muratsuchi) – Accelerating the 2030 GHG Target
SB 12 (Stern, Allen, Weiner) – GHG Emission Goals**

Date of application: **March 24, 2023**

Name of organization or individual submitting application: **Rebecca Auerbach**

Contact email or phone number: **unschoolgrad@gmail.com**

Name of person who will address the Issues Committee, as required (if different):

Contact email or phone number:

Section II: Background Information

What is the summary of your issues' intent and impact? Include bill number if appropriate .**AB 9 would accelerate the existing 2030 GHG emission reduction target from 40% to 55% below 1990 levels. Accelerating GHG emission reductions is critical to avert catastrophic climate change.**

If you are requesting a position on legislation, please answer Questions 2-5.

- What legislative body is considering this legislation (Federal/House, Federal/Senate, California Assembly, California Senate, or other Local Jurisdiction?) **California Senate and Assembly**
- Please include any companion bill numbers for legislation moving through the other house.
SB 12 (STERN, ALLEN, WIENER) - GHG EMISSION GOALS

What is the bill title?– **Accelerating the 2030 GHG Target**

- Who are the author and any co-authors of the bill? **AI Muratsuchi**

- *What position are you asking the Democratic Party of Contra Costa County to take?*
Support AB 9 and SB 12

- *How does this issue align with the California Democratic Party platform and/or values? If it does not currently align with the platform, please explain why it is a Democratic value that we seek to include in a future platform. Please include specific name/date of platform plank, previous legislation, or resolution.*

Energy and Environment - "Climate change is an existential threat to humanity. We believe California must lead in forging a robust global solution to the climate crisis."

- *What are the expected outcomes of your issue for residents of Contra Costa County? Please include any reference sources that will help our committee understand the issue/history surrounding the legislation, including URLs and web links. The more our committee knows, the better we can review and analyze the issue.*

In Contra Costa County, we face ever worsening fires, fire-related hazardous air pollution, and severe heat waves. The sooner we reduce GHG emissions, the less of this we'll face.

- *What is the timeline regarding your issue? Are there any deadlines or time constraints that the committee should be aware of when considering this matter, and making recommendations to the Central Committee membership?*
- *How does your issue relate to other current or proposed legislation?*

The legislature considers numerous climate-related bills every session. Stronger targets are a guide to encourage stronger legislation on specific climate issues.

- *What has been the experience of your issue in previous legislative sessions and/or other states?*
- *What is the fiscal impact of your issue? **Short term expense of stronger climate action; long-term benefits of averting catastrophic economic impacts of climate breakdown***
- *Who are the primary proponents (including legislators) of this issue, and what resources do they bring to this effort?*

**California Environmental Voters
Climate Center
Environmental Defense Fund
NextGen
Sierra Club**

- *Are there other elected officials or organizations that have signed on in support?*
- *Who are the primary opponents? (Please be Specific) What arguments are used to oppose this policy?*

Unknown; possible opposition from fossil fuel interests

Are there other elected officials or organizations that have declined support? If so, why?

Section III: Requested Actions in Support

If endorsed by DPCCC, how best can the DPCCC support this proposal? (The DPCCC Issues Committee will let you know how much support we can offer.)

- *Use DPCCC's name/logo on fact sheets, endorsee list ✓*
- *Post information on DPCCC website ✓*
- *Written/oral testimony*
- *Inform Contra Costa County Elected Delegation*
- *Inform Endorsed Democratic Local Elected Officials ✓*
- *Action Alerts to members*
- *Letters to the editor*
- *Send to CADEM Legislation Committee ?*
- *Other _____*

Endorsements will be shared on the DPCCC website and in other advocacy venues

If you have any questions, need additional assistance, or require ADA accommodations, please let us know by email at issues@contracostadems.com. You can also reach us by phone or text at (206) 619-5030. All information and communications are confidential.

For more information on DPCCC's Issues Committee, visit:

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