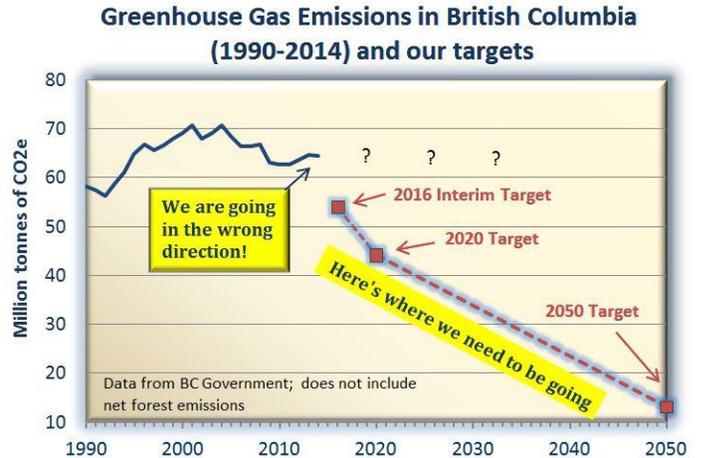


# BC Election 2017: Climate Action Counts

**Do you care about the climate?  
Do you want to better understand your choices?**

The Nelson–West Kootenay Chapter of Citizens' Climate Lobby (CCL) has prepared this summary of major party platforms on climate action to help you. We are a non-profit, non-partisan, grassroots advocacy organization focused on creating the political will for a livable planet. The material presented here is taken from published sources. Every effort has been made to ensure accuracy. In presenting this information for voters, CCL does not support any political party.



Climate Action Issue	Liberal	NDP	Green
<p><b><u>Pricing carbon</u></b></p> <p>A steadily rising carbon tax is the most effective way to reduce emissions.</p> <p>BC has had a carbon tax since 2008 – it's been frozen at \$30/tonne since 2012.</p>	<p>Hold carbon price at \$30 until 2021</p> <p>Will review in 2020 to decide whether to increase</p>	<p>Increase the carbon tax starting in 2020, rising to \$50 by 2022 (the Federal minimum carbon price)</p>	<p>Increase carbon tax starting in 2018, rising to \$70 by 2021.</p> <p>Expand to include methane from fossil fuel development and forestry slash burning</p>
<p><b><u>Setting targets</u></b></p> <p>In 2007, BC legislated targets for reducing our greenhouse gas emissions for 2020 and 2050 (see graph).</p> <p>We will not meet our 2020 target due to lack of action. We need ambitious interim targets before 2050.</p>	<p>No interim target</p> <p>Supports 2050 target</p>	<p>2030 - 40% below 2007</p> <p>Supports 2050 target</p>	<p>2030 - 40% below 2007</p> <p>Supports 2050 target</p>
<p><b><u>Growth of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Industry</u></b></p> <p>Growing the LNG industry would require very large reductions for the rest of BC, and would make it impossible to meet our 2050 target.</p>	<p>19 proposals on the table, no conditions around emissions targets</p> <p>2 approved to date</p>	<p>LNG facilities must align with commitments to combat climate change</p> <p>Supports one of approved LNG projects (Woodfibre LNG)</p>	<p>Opposed to LNG expansion</p> <p>All major emitters subject to emissions targets</p>
<p><b><u>Fossil fuel subsidies</u></b></p> <p>Transitioning off fossil fuels will require ending fossil fuel subsidies.</p>	<p>Increased subsidies – supports cheap electricity for LNG &amp; other oil &amp; gas operations, as well as other special tax breaks</p>	<p>Supported reduced tax rate for LNG in 2014, and electrical subsidy for Woodfibre LNG project</p> <p>Will review oil and gas subsidies, but proposes increased subsidies for mining (includes coal)</p>	<p>Party leader Weaver was only MLA to vote against reduced LNG tax rate; opposes electrical subsidies to LNG</p>

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