



## The Council for Citizens Against Government Waste Political Action Committee 2020 Candidate Questionnaire

The Council for Citizens Against Government Waste Political Action Committee (CCAGW PAC) will be endorsing candidates in the 2020 election based on their commitment to fight waste, fraud, and abuse and to protect taxpayers' money. Candidates who have not previously been included in CCAGW's *Congressional Ratings* must complete this form in order to be eligible for an endorsement. Please fill out the following questionnaire and return it to:

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1. **Fiscal Restraint:** I will support efforts to shrink federal discretionary and mandatory spending; combat waste, fraud, and abuse; eliminate government programs that are obsolete, mismanaged, or duplicative; and root out corporate welfare. I will oppose tax increases.

YES

NO

UNDECIDED

COMMENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. **Budget Reform:** I will support efforts to adopt budget reforms that provide for a simple and legally binding budget; promote the use of zero-based and biennial budgeting; put a cap on federal spending; implement sunset provisions; and secure truth-in-accounting procedures.

YES

NO

UNDECIDED

COMMENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**3. Earmarks:** I will support a permanent ban on earmarks.

YES NO UNDECIDED

COMMENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**4. Management and Procurement Reform:** I will support efforts to reform the purchasing of goods and services by the government to ensure that they are purchased openly and competitively and are technology and vendor neutral.

YES NO UNDECIDED

COMMENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**5. Technology and Telecommunications:** I will support maintaining U.S. leadership on 5G and other emerging technologies. I will support reducing the tax burden on consumers of wireless telephone services and digital goods. I will oppose costly government mandates and regulations on broadband networks and the overbuilding of new networks by the government where there are existing broadband services.

YES NO UNDECIDED

COMMENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**6. Agriculture Subsidies:** I will support the reduction and/or elimination of agriculture subsidies, price controls, and import restrictions for commodities like sugar, dairy, and peanuts. I will support market-oriented reforms of all federal farm programs.

YES NO UNDECIDED

COMMENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**7. Free Trade:** I will support comprehensive free trade agreements that include meaningful liberalization for all commodities and marketable goods, and I will oppose legislation that would raise domestic tariffs and impose tariff-rate quotas on imported goods like agricultural products, steel, energy sources, apparel, and technology.

YES NO UNDECIDED

COMMENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**8. Intellectual Property Rights:** I will protect intellectual property (IP) rights for patents, copyrights, and trademarks and enforce anti-piracy laws. I will encourage the use of U.S. IP protections as a baseline for all trade agreement negotiations.

YES NO UNDECIDED

COMMENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**9. Privatization:** I will support legislation aimed at protecting taxpayers by privatizing government-sponsored corporations and enterprises, like the United States Postal Service, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, and the Tennessee Valley Authority.

YES NO UNDECIDED

COMMENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**10. Healthcare:** I will support legislation to improve patient choice and lower healthcare costs. I will oppose Medicare for All and any form of price controls in the healthcare system. I will support empowering individuals and the states by removing control of healthcare policy and decisions from Washington, D.C.

YES NO UNDECIDED

COMMENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**11. Energy Independence:** I will support efforts that will encourage more competition and lower energy prices by opening federal lands to energy exploration and development. I will oppose the Green New Deal and similar proposals; and subsidies and regulations that distort the free market, prop up specific industries, or cater to special interests.

YES

NO

UNDECIDED

COMMENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
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*I understand that my answers to this questionnaire will be considered public record and that CCAGW PAC will be distributing them to its members, supporters, and the media:*

CANDIDATE'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CANDIDATE'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

AUTHORIZED SIGNER IF OTHER THAN CANDIDATE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

CANDIDATE FOR: HOUSE DISTRICT # \_\_\_\_\_

SENATE \_\_\_\_\_

PARTY: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_