



**LIBERAL**  
**PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND**

Liberal Party  
Environment Platform Summary  
Commitments



## *Liberal Party Environment Platform Summary Commitments*

- Increase annual funding for Watershed groups by \$250,000.
- Create a department responsible for communities, land and environment.
- Move forward with amendments to the Planning Act that will include an articulation of provincial land use policies that will be used to guide decisions on land use planning.
- Enhance planning and technical services, increase education on land use planning and enhance assistance to areas of the Province that are without official plans.
- Follow through on the recommendations contained in the recent Horace Carver report.
- Work in cooperation with the federal government and other provinces to decrease our reliance on fossil fuels by, among other things, increasing the amount of renewable energy, completing the undersea cable project and supporting additional demand side management programs.
- Make provisions in the capital budget to ensure timely repair of public infrastructure damaged by inclement weather.
- Public consultations prior to the introduction of a comprehensive Water Act.
- Continued support for Island watershed organizations.
- Expansion of joint efforts with the agricultural community to protect environmentally sensitive areas.
- Use smart, sensitive and sustainable policies on land use and land protection to help build PEI's brand as "Canada's Food Island".
- Communicate the positive contributions made by our agricultural community on environmental matters to the public.
- Change the way Government interacts with our farming community on matters of compliance, using plainclothes and unarmed environmental officers.