

# New Jersey League of Conservation Voters

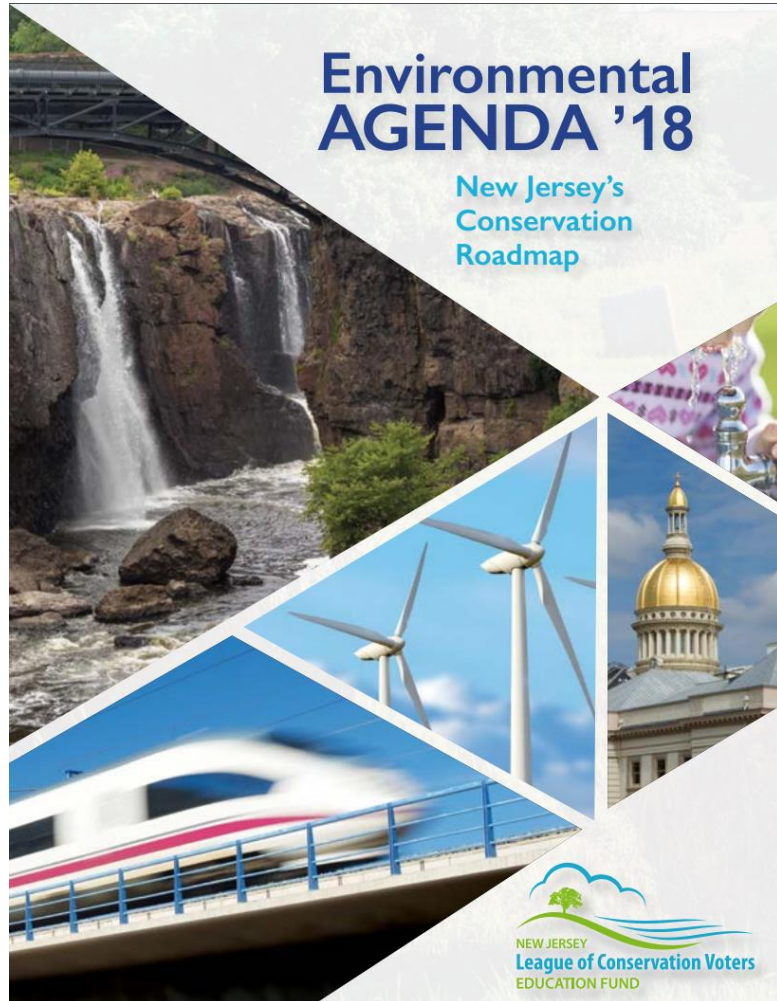
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# About New Jersey LCV


New Jersey LCV is the statewide political voice for the environment. We work to elect environmentally responsible candidates to state and local offices. Working with our allies in the community, we advocate for strong environmental policies and hold our elected officials accountable during the legislative session. Through our political work we are strengthening laws that safeguard the health of our communities, the beauty of our state and our economic future.



# Environmental Agenda '18 and Murphy Administration Tracker



**ENERGY**



- ✓ Begin process of revising Energy Master Plan
- ⌚ Stop diverting Clean Energy Fund money immediately
- Work with state Treasury and New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (BPU) to allocate funds as intended for financing renewable energy and energy conservation programs
- Ensure that all planning for the next fiscal year budget allocates Clean Energy Fund money for its intended uses
- Support a constitutional amendment to prevent future diversions
- ⌚ Disallow approval of new fossil fuel infrastructure projects such as pipelines, compressor stations and power plants until there is a revised Energy Master Plan

LIVE TRACKER: [NJLCVEF.org/policy-agenda](https://NJLCVEF.org/policy-agenda)



# Stormwater Utility/Flood Defense Fee (S1073/A2694)

- “Authorizes municipalities, counties, and certain authorities to establish stormwater utilities”
  - Creates a fund for green and gray infrastructure in local communities
  - Polluters pay
- Passed in Senate 25-15
- Currently in Assembly Telecom & Utilities



*Example of local flooding, and the difference a natural “sponge” can make*

# Clean Renewable Energy Bill (A3723/S2314)

*“New Jersey is poised to become a national leader in solar and wind energy jobs by enacting this bill, putting us on the path to meet Governor Phil Murphy’s commitment to achieve 100% clean energy by 2050. The Clean Energy Bill will ensure the Garden State gets more than half of our energy from clean sources like solar and wind, and a fourfold increase in the next twelve years over the achievements made since 2001.”*



*Celebrating the passage of the bill with partners after lobbying at the State House*



*After Governor Murphy signed the Clean Energy Bill & Executive Order*



# 100% Clean Energy by 2050

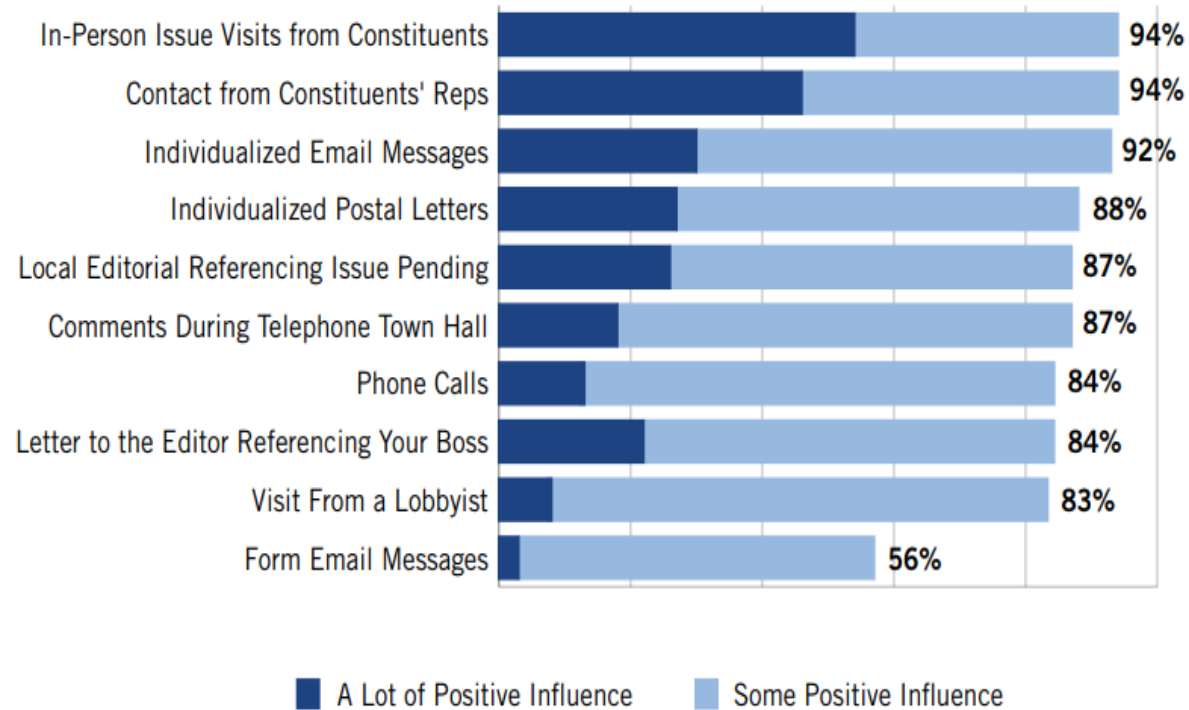
- ▶ Governor Murphy signed Executive Order 28- new Energy Master Plan due by June 1, 2019
  - ▶ Includes path to 100% clean energy by 2050
- ▶ BPU held a series of stakeholder meetings throughout the fall
  - ▶ Draft plan will be released in January, second round of public comment period



Partners, staff & volunteers came together to testify at the BPU hearings for the Energy Master Plan

# WHAT ACTIVITIES DO LEGISLATORS PAY ATTENTION TO?

If your Member/Senator has not already arrived at a firm decision on an issue, how much influence might the following advocacy strategies directed to the *Washington office* have on his/her decision?



- Source: Congressional Management Foundation 2015 survey of congressional staff, including Chiefs of Staff, Communications Directors, Legislative Directors, and Legislative Assistants.

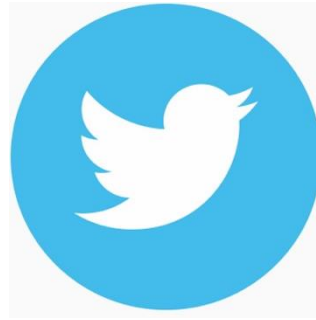
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