

Resources Management

The League of Women Voters of Santa Barbara supports efforts to preserve and make prudent use of our natural resources.

Position History:

Established 1980; Updated 1991; Reworded 2008.

Objectives:

- A strong program for reduction of all forms of pollution, including noise, air, and visual pollution; control through adoption and enforcement of strong performance standards.
- Opposition to oil projects in the Santa Barbara Channel off the South Coast that would be harmful to the environment.
- Support of Santa Barbara city charter ban on oil drilling in the city.
- Consideration of environmental impacts in making decisions on oil and gas development, with air quality as a top priority, a strong emphasis on adequacy of water supply and protection of agricultural and fishing industries and tourism.
- Programs to achieve maximum recycling of resources and goods used in the community.
- Use of the following criteria in decision-making for development of water resources:
 - environmental impacts
 - economic impacts
 - energy consumption
 - enhancement of the quality of life
- Conservation, conjunctive use, reclamation, and desalination are the preferred supplemental sources based on the above criteria.

Issues:

NATURAL RESOURCES (CALIFORNIA)

WATER

CLIMATE CHANGE

ENVIRONMENT