

350 Action 2018 Candidate Questionnaire

Bernard Douthit

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About You

Your Name: Bernard Douthit

What office are you running for, and as which party?: Colorado State Treasurer - Democrat

Policy Positions

Do you support a swift transition to 100% renewable energy, like wind and solar?

Yes

Please say more about what you'd do if elected to bring about a 100% renewable energy economy that works for all of us.

I will move the State's money out of Wells Fargo and move the State's Pension investments out of Oil and Gas stocks as soon as possible. A Board governs these decisions so I would only be one vote. As Treasurer I also plan to introduce legislation that calls for divestment from fossil fuels and investment in renewable energy.

Do you support a moratorium on all new fossil fuel infrastructure, like pipelines and fracked gas power plants?

Yes

Please say more about what you'd do if elected to stop the expansion of the fossil fuel industry and keep fossil fuels in the ground.

The Treasurer cannot influence policy directly, but he or she can direct the state's investments away from fossil fuels.

Do you support a just and equitable transition to a fossil free economy that works for all of us?

Yes

Please say more about what you'd do if elected to ensure a just and equitable transition. We're interested in climate policies that seek to remedy existing environmental and social injustices.

I am a strong supporter of Public Banking. With a Public Bank we can drive capital flows more broadly to renewable energy, affordable housing and a more just and equitable economy overall.

Running a Progressive Campaign

Do you pledge not to accept any contributions from the fossil fuel industry, as defined by the "No Fossil Fuel Money Pledge"?

Yes

Do you support fossil fuel divestment campaigns in your state and around the world?

Yes

Have you participated in any major climate mobilizations, marches, direct actions, or sit-ins in the past year?

I have attended COGCC meetings, but have not attended any sit-ins.

What's your relationship with leading climate activists in your district?

Please share an example of how you like to talk about the intersection of climate and other social justice issues on the campaign trail.

I talk about them in terms of capital flows, investments and the loans that are made. One of my main campaign themes is to move our money out of Wells Fargo because of their support for fossil fuels and the gun industry.

Would you be interested in doing a Facebook live event with 350 Action staff and local leaders?

Yes

On September 9th, 2018, the climate movement will come together in California and around the world for a massive day of climate action. Are you willing to mark this date on your calendar and potentially join us at an event?

Yes

Are you willing to join us at climate movement actions to speak out against the fossil fuel industry and/or the Trump Administration once you are in office?

Yes

Demographics and Identity

Race: White

Gender: Male

If you'd like, tell us more about your identity in your own words: I am a white male, but I also have lived a life with fairly impaired vision.

