

Candidate's name: Maurie Saidi

Are the current actions undertaken by the NSW State Government adequate to address the problem of climate change? Why?

No, failure to address root causes of climate change - they continue to approve new coal and gas and ignore impacts of animal ag on climate change

Will you vote in parliament to legislate an emissions reduction target in NSW? If not, why not?

Yes.

What more do you think could be done to reduce emissions in NSW?

Put resources and a plan in place to transition from climate and environmenatly damaging industries like animal ag and coal and gas

Given that coal is the most polluting of all fossil fuels, would you favour banning new coal projects in NSW? If so, when?

Yes. Now.

How will you increase the penetration of EVs in NSW so it matches take-up rates in Europe and China?

Encourage the growth of efficient, low carbon transport and steep reductions in private vehicles, particularly in urban areas.

Rapidly transition away from the internal combustion engine towards hydrogen, electric vehicles and other clean technology with better emissions standards (possibly including offsets) in the interim.

Provide financial incentives to both producers and consumers to switch to more eco-friendly land transport solutions.

Do we need new gas exploration and mining for domestic supply, or would a gas reservation policy be preferable?

No new gas exploration.

Land clearing is one of the main roadblocks in the quest to reduce emissions in NSW. What will you do to stop it from occurring?

An immediate cessation of all land clearing associated with agriculture or housung development.

To introduce habitat protection as a fundamental and consistent planning principle in all regions and sectors.