NATIVE AMERICANS

CONSERVATION

- 69% consider themselves to be conservationists.
- 61% consider themselves a hunter or angler.
- 78% support constructing wildlife crossing structures across major highways.

COLORADO RIVER

- 79% believe the Colorado River is critical to the state’s economy.
- 79% believe the Colorado River is in need of urgent action.

WATER & DROUGHT CONCERNS

- 87% describe the current shortage of water supplies in the West as a problem.
- 75% support requiring local governments to determine whether there is enough water available before approving new residential development projects.
- 72% support providing financial incentives to homeowners and businesses to replace lawns and grassy areas with water-saving landscaping.

87% support constructing wildlife crossing structures across major highways.

87% support a national goal of conserving 30% of America’s land and waters by the year 2030.

75% support presidents continuing to use their ability to protect existing public lands as national monuments.

84% support creating new national parks, national monuments, national wildlife refuges, and tribal protected areas to protect historic sites or areas for outdoor recreation.

ENERGY ON PUBLIC LANDS

- 74% support only allowing oil and gas companies the right to drill in areas where there is high likelihood to actually produce oil and gas.
- 70% prefer that leaders place more emphasis on protecting water, air, wildlife habitat and recreation opportunities over maximizing the amount of land available for drilling and mining.
- 94% support requiring oil and gas companies, rather than federal and state governments, to pay for all of the clean-up and land restoration costs after drilling is finished.

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