# Colorado College's State of the Rockies Project 2024 Conservation in the West Poll CONTANA

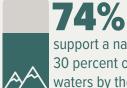
### **CLIMATE CHANGE**



**47%** believe climate change is an extremely or very serious problem.

#### 64% have noticed significant effects from climate change over the past ten years.

### **PROTECTING 30X30**



support a national goal of conserving 30 percent of America's land and waters by the year 2030.

## 81%



support the creation of new national parks, national monuments, national wildlife refuges, and tribal protected areas.



### WATER SUPPLY



believe inadequate water supply is a serious problem.



think that the low level of water in rivers is a serious problem.

### CONSERVATION

**63%** believe that loss of habitat for fish and wildlife is an extremely or very serious problem.

**88%** support constructing wildlife crossing structures across major highways that intersect with known migration routes.

**78%** think more emphasis should be placed on conserving wildlife migration routes than on new development, roads, ranching, or oil and gas production in those areas.

### **ENERGY ON PUBLIC LANDS**

**65%** support only allowing oil and gas companies the right to drill in areas where there is high likelihood to actually produce oil and gas.

**67%** 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.

**93%** 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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