2026 WESTERN STATES SURVEY
Interview Schedule – VOTERS OF COLOR

New Bridge Strategy / FM3 Research
January 2-18, 2026
At least N=400 Voters per state; 3,419 total
(AZ, CO, ID, MT, NV, NM, UT & WY)
Margin of Error: At most +4.9% per state
Margin of Error: +2.42% effective overall sample

In this document:

- *An asterisk (*) in a response category means that less than 0.5% of respondents chose that response category and a dash (-) represents no response.*

- *A carrot (^) denotes rounding. Due to rounding, some figures may be higher or lower by less than one-half of one percent.*

- *Sample A was asked of ½ of the sample, N=1,726. Sample B was asked of ½ of the sample, N=1,693.*

- *We conducted an oversample to reach at least N=200 African American voters, represented by "BLCK" in this document. We also conducted an oversample to reach at least N=200 Native American voters, represented by "NTIVE" in this document.*

- *The "VOC" column represents the combined "Voters of Color" data.*

Next, **ONLINE:** please read / **PHONE:** I'm going to read you a list of issues some people say are problems in **(STATE)**. For each one, please **ONLINE:** indicate/ **PHONES:** tell me if you think it is **(ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)** an extremely serious problem, a very serious problem, a somewhat serious problem, or not a problem in **(STATE)**.

	EXT/VERY SERIOUS	EXTREMELY SERIOUS	VERY SERIOUS	SOMEWHAT SERIOUS	NOT A PROBLEM	DK/REF (DNR/NOT ONLINE)

The (first/next) one is... **(RANDOMIZE)(DO NOT SHOW ONLINE)**

1.   Loss of habitat for fish and wildlife (ASKED OF SAMPLE A, N=1,726)

	EXT/VERY SERIOUS	EXTREMELY SERIOUS	VERY SERIOUS	SOMEWHAT SERIOUS	NOT A PROBLEM	DK/REF
VOC	**59%**	23%	36%	28%	12%	1%
BLCK	**55%**	25%	30%	33%	11%	1%
NTIVE	**69%**	26%	43%	27%	4%	*
LATIN	**59%**	22%	37%	27%	13%	1%
WHITE	**51%**	21%	30%	35%	13%	1%

2.   Inadequate water supplies (ASKED OF SAMPLE B, N=1,693)

	EXT/VERY SERIOUS	EXTREMELY SERIOUS	VERY SERIOUS	SOMEWHAT SERIOUS	NOT A PROBLEM	DK/REF
VOC	**65%**	38%	27%	22%	12%	1%
BLCK	**66%^**	32%	33%	24%	11%	--
NTIVE	**68%**	41%	27%	22%	10%	--
LATIN	**65%**	40%	25%	20%	14%	1%
WHITE	**64%^**	36%	29%	23%	12%	*

3.   Uncontrollable wildfires that threaten homes and property (ASKED OF SAMPLE A, N=1,726)

	EXT/VERY SERIOUS	EXTREMELY SERIOUS	VERY SERIOUS	SOMEWHAT SERIOUS	NOT A PROBLEM	DK/REF
VOC	**57%**	27%	30%	28%	15%	*
BLCK	**57%**	30%	27%	28%	14%	1%
NTIVE	**65%^**	33%	31%	29%	7%	--
LATIN	**56%^**	23%	32%	28%	16%	--
WHITE	**63%**	26%	37%	28%	8%	1%

4   Pollution of rivers, lakes and streams (ASKED OF SAMPLE B, N=1,693)

	EXT/VERY SERIOUS	EXTREMELY SERIOUS	VERY SERIOUS	SOMEWHAT SERIOUS	NOT A PROBLEM	DK/REF
VOC	**62%^**	32%	31%	28%	9%	1%
BLCK	**62%**	34%	28%	22%	13%	3%
NTIVE	**59%**	30%	29%	29%	12%	*
LATIN	**63%^**	30%	32%	30%	7%	*
WHITE	**55%**	25%	30%	31%	13%	1%

5.   Population declines of fish and wildlife (ASKED OF SAMPLE A, N=1,726)

	EXT/VERY SERIOUS	EXTREMELY SERIOUS	VERY SERIOUS	SOMEWHAT SERIOUS	NOT A PROBLEM	DK/REF
VOC	**55%**	25%	30%	29%	13%	3%
BLCK	**52%**	30%	22%	33%	12%	3%
NTIVE	**55%**	24%	31%	35%	9%	1%
LATIN	**56%**	23%	33%	26%	15%	3%
WHITE	**48%^**	18%	31%	38%	12%	2%

	EXT/VERY SERIOUS	EXTREMELY SERIOUS	VERY SERIOUS	SOMEWHAT SERIOUS	NOT A PROBLEM	DK/REF (DNR/NOT ONLINE)
6. Loss of natural areas (ASKED OF SAMPLE B, N=1,693)						
VOC	**57%**	25%	32%	28%	13%	2%
BLCK	**55%**	23%	32%	26%	15%	4%
NTIVE	**59%**	23%	36%	32%	10%	--
LATIN	**56%**	26%	30%	29%	15%	*
WHITE	**54%^**	26%	29%	32%	13%	1%
7. The rising cost of living (ASKED OF SAMPLE A, N=1,726)						
VOC	**85%**	52%	33%	12%	3%	--
BLCK	**87%**	64%	23%	11%	1%	1%
NTIVE	**90%**	64%	26%	7%	3%	--
LATIN	**87%**	48%	39%	11%	3%	--
WHITE	**85%^**	48%	36%	14%	1%	*
8. Climate change (ASKED OF SAMPLE B, N=1,693)						
VOC	**59%^**	34%	26%	25%	15%	*
BLCK	**59%**	26%	33%	27%	15%	--
NTIVE	**53%**	34%	19%	29%	18%	*
LATIN	**60%**	35%	25%	24%	15%	1%
WHITE	**50%**	29%	21%	22%	27%	1%
9. The impact of oil and gas drilling on our land, air and water (ASKED OF SAMPLE A, N=1,726)						
VOC	**52%**	25%	27%	26%	20%	2%
BLCK	**67%**	28%	39%	16%	15%	2%
NTIVE	**63%**	34%	29%	21%	16%	*
LATIN	**49%**	24%	25%	29%	20%	2%
WHITE	**39%^**	17%	21%	31%	29%	1%
10. PFAS, also known as forever chemicals in rivers, streams and drinking water supplies (ASKED OF SAMPLE B, N=1,693)						
VOC	**66%**	34%	32%	22%	9%	3%
BLCK	**67%**	33%	34%	19%	10%	4%
NTIVE	**69%**	33%	36%	15%	12%	4%
LATIN	**66%**	36%	30%	24%	7%	3%
WHITE	**57%**	29%	28%	30%	12%	1%
11. Rollbacks of laws that protect our land, water, and wildlife (ASKED OF SAMPLE A, N=1,726)						
VOC	**66%**	30%	36%	24%	10%	*
BLCK	**62%**	34%	28%	29%	6%	3%
NTIVE	**83%**	30%	53%	10%	6%	1%
LATIN	**64%^**	30%	33%	26%	11%	*
WHITE	**56%**	28%	28%	26%	16%	2%

	EXT/VERY SERIOUS	EXTREMELY SERIOUS	VERY SERIOUS	SOMEWHAT SERIOUS	NOT A PROBLEM	DK/REF (DNR/NOT ONLINE)
12.	Funding cuts to management of national parks, forests and other public lands **(ASKED OF SAMPLE B, N=1,693)**					
VOC	**60%^**	29%	30%	30%	8%	2%
BLCK	**55%**	26%	29%	30%	12%	3%
NTIVE	**63%**	27%	36%	24%	9%	4%
LATIN	**59%**	32%	27%	33%	8%	*
WHITE	**56%**	26%	30%	29%	14%	1%

13.   The condition of the Great Salt Lake **(ASKED IN UTAH ONLY, SUB-GROUP SAMPLE SIZES TOO SMALL TO SHOW DATA)**

14.   Air pollution and smog **(ASKED IN UTAH ONLY, SUB-GROUP SAMPLE SIZES TOO SMALL TO SHOW DATA)**

Switching topics –

15. Compared to other issues like the economy, health care and education, how important are issues involving public lands, waters, and wildlife for you in deciding whether to support an elected public official? Are they…**(ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM/BOTTOM TO TOP)**

VOC	BLCK	NTIVE	LATIN	WHITE	
44%	42%	57%	40%	32%	Very important, they are a primary factor in deciding whether to support an elected public official
43%	43%	28%	49%	52%	Somewhat important; they are one of several issues you consider
8%	9%	8%	7%	11%	Not too important; they are not a significant factor in deciding whether to support an elected public official
3%	6%	5%	3%	4%	Not at all important for you in deciding whether to support an elected official
1%	*	2%	1%	*	UNSURE/REFUSED **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**
*88%^*	*85%*	*85%*	*89%*	*85%^*	*TOTAL IMPORTANT*
11%	*15%*	*13%*	*10%*	*15%*	*TOTAL NOT IMPORTANT*

16. When you think about these issues involving public lands, waters, and wildlife in your state – do you think those are more – **(ROTATE :1-2)**

VOC	BLCK	NTIVE	LATIN	WHITE	
67%	67%	62%	67%	63%	Issues where people have more in common and we should be able to find common ground in order to get things done
31%	31%	33%	30%	35%	…OR… Issues where there are more partisan or other differences and that will make it very hard to get things done
*	--	1%	1%	*	BOTH **(DNR/NOT ONLINE. PHONE PROMPT**: But if you had to choose just one which one comes closer to your view?)
*	1%	--	1%	1%	NEITHER **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**
2%	1%	4%	1%	1%	UNSURE/REFUSED **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**

(ASKED OF N=1,732)

17. If you could send a message to your Member of Congress regarding the future of our national public lands and what is most important to you when you think about those lands, what would your message be?

SEE VERBATIM RESPONSES

(ASKED IN AZ, CO, NV, NM, UT, WY ONLY, N=3,015)

18. As you may know, the states which rely on the Colorado River and the rivers that flow into it for water supplies are negotiating a new agreement on how best to manage water supplies from the River.

    Do you think **(STATE)** should support or oppose an agreement that would require all states in the region to reduce their water usage to preserve the health of the Colorado River?

    (PHONE ONLY: IF SUPPORT/OPPOSE, THEN ASK:) And would you STRONGLY (SUPPORT/ OPPOSE) this or just SOMEWHAT?

VOC	BLCK	NTIVE	LATIN	WHITE	
40%	40%	53%	37%	46%	STRONGLY SUPPORT
40%	43%	29%	43%	38%	SOMEWHAT SUPPORT
10%	9%	12%	9%	8%	SOMEWHAT OPPOSE
6%	6%	6%	6%	3%	STRONGLY OPPOSE
3%	2%	1%	5%	3%	DON'T KNOW/UNDECIDED/NOT SURE **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**
*	*	--	--	*	REFUSED **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**
*81%^*	*83%*	*81%^*	*80%*	*85%^*	*TOTAL SUPPORT*
16%	*15%*	*18%*	*16%^*	*12%^*	*TOTAL OPPOSE*

(ASK ALL)
The following is a list of potential threats to **(STATE)**'s water. For each one, please indicate whether you think it poses **(ROTATE)** a major threat, a minor threat, or does not pose a threat to our state's water quality and supply.

	TOTAL THREAT	A MAJOR THREAT	A MINOR THREAT	DOES NOT POSE A THREAT	DK/REF (DNR/NOT ONLINE)

The (first/next) one is... **(RANDOMIZE)(DO NOT SHOW ONLINE)**

19. Ash and erosion from forest fires **(ASKED OF SAMPLE A, N=1,726)**

	TOTAL THREAT	A MAJOR THREAT	A MINOR THREAT	DOES NOT POSE A THREAT	DK/REF
VOC	**88%**	50%	38%	12%	*
BLCK	**92%^**	52%	41%	6%	1%
NTIVE	**88%^**	61%	28%	11%	*
LATIN	**89%**	47%	42%	11%	*
WHITE	**88%**	38%	50%	11%	1%

20. Oil and gas development **(ASKED OF SAMPLE A, N=1,726)**

	TOTAL THREAT	A MAJOR THREAT	A MINOR THREAT	DOES NOT POSE A THREAT	DK/REF
VOC	**85%**	50%	35%	12%	3%
BLCK	**88%**	55%	33%	9%	3%
NTIVE	**91%^**	52%	38%	6%	3%
LATIN	**84%^**	49%	34%	14%	3%
WHITE	**82%**	39%	43%	17%	1%

21. Mining **(ASKED OF SAMPLE A, N=1,726)**

	TOTAL THREAT	A MAJOR THREAT	A MINOR THREAT	DOES NOT POSE A THREAT	DK/REF
VOC	**78%^**	36%	41%	20%	2%
BLCK	**78%^**	39%	40%	20%	1%
NTIVE	**79%**	57%	22%	15%	6%
LATIN	**77%**	32%	45%	21%	2%
WHITE	**83%^**	36%	46%	16%	2%

22. Aging water infrastructure, such as pipes and pumps **(ASKED OF SAMPLE A, N=1,726)**

	TOTAL THREAT	A MAJOR THREAT	A MINOR THREAT	DOES NOT POSE A THREAT	DK/REF
VOC	**93%^**	56%	36%	6%	1%
BLCK	**94%**	59%	35%	4%	2%
NTIVE	**93%**	59%	34%	5%	2%
LATIN	**92%^**	52%	39%	7%	1%
WHITE	**94%^**	52%	43%	4%	2%

23. Population growth **(ASKED OF SAMPLE B, N=1,693)**

	TOTAL THREAT	A MAJOR THREAT	A MINOR THREAT	DOES NOT POSE A THREAT	DK/REF
VOC	**91%^**	58%	32%	9%	*
BLCK	**84%**	53%	31%	16%	--
NTIVE	**90%**	53%	37%	9%	1%
LATIN	**93%^**	59%	33%	7%	--
WHITE	**92%**	59%	33%	8%	*

	TOTAL THREAT	A MAJOR THREAT	A MINOR THREAT	DOES NOT POSE A THREAT	DK/REF (DNR/NOT ONLINE)
24.	**Climate change (ASKED OF SAMPLE B, N=1,693)**				
VOC	**86%**	62%	24%	14%	*
BLCK	**80%**	56%	24%	20%	*
NTIVE	**85%**	66%	19%	15%	--
LATIN	**87%**	61%	26%	13%	--
WHITE	**78%**	53%	25%	21%	1%
25.	**Overuse by agriculture (ASKED OF SAMPLE B, N=1,693)**				
VOC	**82%**	39%	43%	16%	2%
BLCK	**80%**	33%	47%	17%	3%
NTIVE	**81%**	41%	40%	19%	--
LATIN	**82%**	41%	41%	16%	2%
WHITE	**79%**	33%	46%	20%	1%
26.	**Data centers (ASKED OF SAMPLE B, N=1,693)**				
VOC	**80%**	45%	35%	14%	6%
BLCK	**78%^**	43%	34%	20%	3%
NTIVE	**75%^**	31%	43%	13%	12%
LATIN	**80%**	47%	33%	13%	7%
WHITE	**80%**	45%	35%	16%	4%

Thinking about national public lands in **(STATE)** such as national parks, national forests, national monuments, or national wildlife refuges –

27.   Which one would you prefer your Member of Congress place more emphasis on in upcoming decisions regarding national public lands? **(ROTATE :1-2)**

VOC	BLCK	NTIVE	LATIN	WHITE	
77%	79%	82%	75%	76%	Ensuring we protect sources of clean water, our air quality and wildlife habitat while providing opportunities to visit and recreate on our national public lands …OR…
20%	19%	12%	22%	21%	Ensuring we produce more domestic energy by maximizing the amount of national public lands available for responsible oil and gas drilling and mining
1%	*	1%	1%	1%	BOTH **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**
1%	--	1%	1%	1%	NEITHER **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**
2%	2%	4%	1%	1%	UNSURE/REFUSED **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**

Still thinking now about our national public lands, there are a number of actions which have or could be taken. Please **ONLINE:** indicate / **PHONES:** tell me if you would **(ROTATE)** support or oppose each one.

(PHONE IF SUPPORT/OPPOSE) And, do you STRONGLY (choice) or just SOMEWHAT (choice)?

	TOTAL SUPPORT	TOTAL OPPOSE	STR SUPPORT	SMWT SUPPORT	SMWT OPPOSE	STR OPPOSE	(DNR/NOT ONLINE) DK	REF

The (first/next) one is... **(RANDOMIZE) (DO NOT SHOW ONLINE)**

28. Allowing Congress to override local resource management plans developed with community input, in order to increase mining and oil and gas development on national public lands **(ASKED OF SAMPLE A, N=1,726)**

	TOTAL SUPPORT	TOTAL OPPOSE	STR SUPPORT	SMWT SUPPORT	SMWT OPPOSE	STR OPPOSE	DK	REF
VOC	36%	64%	11%	25%	23%	41%	*	--
BLCK	36%^	63%	16%	21%	29%	34%	1%	--
NTIVE	35%	65%^	11%	24%	15%	49%	--	--
LATIN	37%	63%	10%	27%	21%	42%	--	--
WHITE	21%	79%^	8%	13%	26%	52%	*	*

29. Fast-tracking oil, gas and mining projects on national public lands by reducing environmental reviews and local public input **(ASKED OF SAMPLE B, N=1,693)**

	TOTAL SUPPORT	TOTAL OPPOSE	STR SUPPORT	SMWT SUPPORT	SMWT OPPOSE	STR OPPOSE	DK	REF
VOC	34%^	64%^	12%	23%	24%	41%	1%	*
BLCK	32%	68%	12%	20%	30%	38%	--	*
NTIVE	30%	70%^	16%	14%	26%	43%	--	--
LATIN	37%	61%	11%	26%	23%	38%	2%	--
WHITE	27%	72%	11%	16%	20%	52%	1%	*

30. Keeping the requirement that oil and gas companies, rather than taxpayers, pay for all of the clean-up and land restoration costs after drilling is finished **(ASKED OF SAMPLE A, N=1,726)**

	TOTAL SUPPORT	TOTAL OPPOSE	STR SUPPORT	SMWT SUPPORT	SMWT OPPOSE	STR OPPOSE	DK	REF
VOC	79%	20%	61%	18%	11%	9%	1%	--
BLCK	81%	17%^	60%	21%	15%	3%	2%	--
NTIVE	71%	28%	61%	10%	14%	14%	1%	--
LATIN	80%	20%	61%	19%	10%	10%	--	--
WHITE	93%	7%^	79%	14%	2%	4%	*	--

31. Requiring government agencies to allow oil and gas companies access to lands they can develop even if local communities raise concerns about impacts on wildlife, water or communities **(ASKED OF SAMPLE B, N=1,693)**

	TOTAL SUPPORT	TOTAL OPPOSE	STR SUPPORT	SMWT SUPPORT	SMWT OPPOSE	STR OPPOSE	DK	REF
VOC	28%^	71%	11%	18%	18%	53%	1%	*
BLCK	35%	65%	15%	20%	17%	48%	*	--
NTIVE	25%	75%^	10%	15%	12%	64%	--	--
LATIN	29%	69%	10%	19%	21%	48%	1%	1%
WHITE	24%	75%	9%	15%	19%	56%	1%	*

	TOTAL SUPPORT	TOTAL OPPOSE	STR SUPPORT	SMWT SUPPORT	SMWT OPPOSE	STR OPPOSE	(DNR/NOT ONLINE) DK	REF

32. Selling some national public lands to private companies for housing development **(ASKED OF SAMPLE A, N=1,726)**

	TOTAL SUPPORT	TOTAL OPPOSE	STR SUPPORT	SMWT SUPPORT	SMWT OPPOSE	STR OPPOSE	DK	REF
VOC	**31%**	**68%**	12%	19%	17%	51%	1%	--
BLCK	**40%**	**59%**	14%	26%	21%	38%	1%	--
NTIVE	**24%^**	**73%**	8%	17%	18%	55%	3%	--
LATIN	**32%**	**68%**	12%	20%	13%	55%	--	--
WHITE	**21%**	**78%**	5%	16%	19%	59%	1%	*

33. Selling some national public lands to private companies for oil, gas and mining development **(ASKED OF SAMPLE B, N=1,693)**

	TOTAL SUPPORT	TOTAL OPPOSE	STR SUPPORT	SMWT SUPPORT	SMWT OPPOSE	STR OPPOSE	DK	REF
VOC	**31%^**	**69%**	9%	21%	17%	52%	1%	--
BLCK	**38%^**	**62%^**	8%	31%	14%	47%	--	--
NTIVE	**15%^**	**85%^**	10%	6%	18%	66%	--	--
LATIN	**34%**	**65%**	10%	24%	17%	48%	1%	--
WHITE	**22%**	**77%^**	8%	14%	20%	56%	1%	*

34. Building industrial roads in undeveloped areas of national public lands for new mines, oil and gas development, or timber harvests **(ASKED OF SAMPLE A, N=1,726)**

	TOTAL SUPPORT	TOTAL OPPOSE	STR SUPPORT	SMWT SUPPORT	SMWT OPPOSE	STR OPPOSE	DK	REF
VOC	**40%**	**59%**	18%	22%	25%	34%	1%	--
BLCK	**41%**	**57%**	19%	22%	30%	27%	2%	--
NTIVE	**30%**	**68%^**	18%	12%	20%	49%	1%	--
LATIN	**41%**	**58%**	18%	23%	24%	34%	1%	--
WHITE	**31%^**	**68%**	9%	23%	27%	41%	1%	*

35. Managing public lands to ensure there are more outdoor places free of light pollution to see the stars at night **(ASKED OF SAMPLE B, N=1,693)**

	TOTAL SUPPORT	TOTAL OPPOSE	STR SUPPORT	SMWT SUPPORT	SMWT OPPOSE	STR OPPOSE	DK	REF
VOC	**90%**	**10%**	56%	34%	7%	3%	*	*
BLCK	**83%**	**15%**	50%	33%	7%	8%	*	2%
NTIVE	**87%**	**13%**	65%	22%	11%	2%	*	--
LATIN	**92%**	**8%**	54%	38%	6%	2%	*	--
WHITE	**89%^**	**10%**	54%	34%	7%	3%	1%	*

36. Removing current protections to allow new oil and gas drilling on public lands around the Chaco Culture National Historical Park in northern New Mexico **(ASKED IN NM ONLY, N=443)**

	TOTAL SUPPORT	TOTAL OPPOSE	STR SUPPORT	SMWT SUPPORT	SMWT OPPOSE	STR OPPOSE	DK	REF
VOC	**35%**	**65%**	15%	20%	17%	48%	*	--
BLCK	**59%**	**41%^**	23%	36%	9%	33%	--	--
NTIVE	**28%**	**71%**	10%	18%	16%	55%	1%	--
LATIN	**34%^**	**66%**	14%	19%	18%	48%	*	--
WHITE	**23%**	**76%^**	10%	13%	17%	58%	1%	--

Thinking more about national public lands -

37. Thousands of acres of private lands within existing national parks and other public lands are up for sale. Right now, the Land and Water Conservation Fund has dedicated money to purchase these areas and ensure they are incorporated into our public lands. How important is it to continue to dedicate funds to protecting these places inside the boundaries of our parks and public lands? Is it… **(ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)**

VOC	BLCK	NTIVE	LATIN	WHITE	
41%	37%	47%	40%	42%	EXTREMELY IMPORTANT
37%	37%	36%	39%	32%	VERY IMPORTANT
18%	21%	12%	18%	20%	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT
3%	4%	4%	3%	6%	NOT TOO IMPORTANT
1%	1%	2%	*	*	UNSURE/REFUSED **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**
78%	*74%*	*82%^*	*79%*	*74%*	*TOTAL EXT/VERY IMPORTANT*
96%	*96%^*	*94%^*	*97%*	*94%*	*TOTAL IMPORTANT*

38. And, do you think that existing national monument designations for some public lands protected over the last decade **(ROTATE)** should be kept in place OR should they be removed?

    (ON PHONES IF CHOICE) And would you DEFINITELY (keep in place/remove) or just PROBABLY (keep in place/remove) the protections?

VOC	BLCK	NTIVE	LATIN	WHITE	
56%	46%	71%	55%	59%	DEFINITELY KEEP IN PLACE
36%	46%	20%	37%	32%	PROBABLY KEEP IN PLACE
5%	3%	5%	5%	5%	PROBABLY REMOVE
2%	2%	4%	2%	3%	DEFINITELY REMOVE
1%	3%	*	2%	2%	UNSURE/REFUSED **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**
*91%^*	*92%*	*90%^*	*91%^*	*91%*	*TOTAL KEEP IN PLACE*
7%	*5%*	*10%^*	*7%*	*7%^*	*TOTAL REMOVE*

As you may know, government agencies which manage national public lands have experienced budget cuts and employee layoffs. How concerned are you about each of the following – **(ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)** very concerned, somewhat concerned, not very concerned, not at all concerned?

	TOTAL CON-CERNED	TOTAL NOT CON-CERNED	VERY CON-CERNED	SMWT CON-CERNED	NOT VERY CON-CERNED	NOT AT ALL CON-CERNED	(DNR/NOT ONLINE) DK/REF

The (first/next) one is... **(RANDOMIZE) (DO NOT SHOW ONLINE)**

39. Fewer scientists and wildlife biologists are monitoring and caring for fish and wildlife on national public lands **(ASKED OF SAMPLE A, N=1,726)**

	TOTAL CON-CERNED	TOTAL NOT CON-CERNED	VERY CON-CERNED	SMWT CON-CERNED	NOT VERY CON-CERNED	NOT AT ALL CON-CERNED	(DNR/NOT ONLINE) DK/REF
VOC	**86%**	**14%**	50%	36%	7%	7%	*
BLCK	**91%^**	**9%**	52%	38%	3%	6%	1%
NTIVE	**95%^**	**5%**	50%	44%	4%	1%	*
LATIN	**84%^**	**16%^**	51%	32%	9%	8%	--
WHITE	**81%**	**19%**	43%	38%	13%	6%	*

40. Fewer park rangers and other employees are providing visitor services and maintaining national public lands **(ASKED OF SAMPLE B, N=1,693)**

	TOTAL CON-CERNED	TOTAL NOT CON-CERNED	VERY CON-CERNED	SMWT CON-CERNED	NOT VERY CON-CERNED	NOT AT ALL CON-CERNED	(DNR/NOT ONLINE) DK/REF
VOC	**85%**	**15%**	51%	34%	10%	5%	--
BLCK	**78%**	**22%**	43%	35%	17%	5%	--
NTIVE	**81%**	**19%^**	51%	30%	16%	4%	--
LATIN	**88%**	**12%**	53%	35%	6%	6%	--
WHITE	**83%**	**17%^**	44%	39%	12%	6%	*

41. Fewer wildland fire fighters and support staff are reducing the risk of and fighting fires that threaten national public lands and nearby communities

	TOTAL CON-CERNED	TOTAL NOT CON-CERNED	VERY CON-CERNED	SMWT CON-CERNED	NOT VERY CON-CERNED	NOT AT ALL CON-CERNED	(DNR/NOT ONLINE) DK/REF
VOC	**91%^**	**9%^**	62%	28%	5%	3%	*
BLCK	**91%**	**8%**	60%	31%	6%	2%	1%
NTIVE	**90%**	**10%**	70%	20%	5%	5%	--
LATIN	**90%**	**9%^**	60%	30%	6%	4%	*
WHITE	**91%**	**8%^**	65%	26%	6%	3%	*

There have been some changes in the rules and standards affecting natural areas, water and wildlife recently. For each of the following, please indicate whether you think that change will have a **(ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)** very positive impact, somewhat positive, somewhat negative or very negative impact on the West.

	TOTAL POSITVE	TOTAL NEGATIVE	VERY POSITIVE	SMWT POSITIVE	SMWT NEGATIVE	VERY NEGATIVE	(DNR/NOT ONLINE) DK/REF

The (first/next) one is... **(RANDOMIZE) (DO NOT SHOW ONLINE)**

42. Removing Clean Water Act protections from smaller streams and seasonal wetlands

	TOTAL POSITVE	TOTAL NEGATIVE	VERY POSITIVE	SMWT POSITIVE	SMWT NEGATIVE	VERY NEGATIVE	(DNR/NOT ONLINE) DK/REF
VOC	**29%^**	**68%^**	13%	17%	24%	45%	2%
BLCK	**31%**	**67%^**	14%	17%	26%	42%	1%
NTIVE	**36%**	**63%**	19%	17%	19%	44%	1%
LATIN	**29%^**	**69%^**	11%	17%	24%	44%	3%
WHITE	**18%**	**81%^**	6%	12%	27%	53%	1%

43. Removing the requirement that oil and gas companies use updated equipment and technology to prevent leaks of methane gas and other pollution into the air **(ASKED OF SAMPLE A, N=1,726)**

	TOTAL POSITVE	TOTAL NEGATIVE	VERY POSITIVE	SMWT POSITIVE	SMWT NEGATIVE	VERY NEGATIVE	(DNR/NOT ONLINE) DK/REF
VOC	**44%^**	**55%^**	22%	21%	18%	38%	1%
BLCK	**47%**	**52%**	27%	20%	12%	40%	1%
NTIVE	**36%**	**64%**	18%	18%	16%	48%	*
LATIN	**46%**	**53%^**	23%	23%	19%	33%	2%
WHITE	**27%**	**72%**	13%	14%	19%	53%	1%

44. Rolling back protections for some plants and wildlife at danger of becoming extinct that are currently protected under the Endangered Species Act **(ASKED OF SAMPLE B, N=1,693)**

	TOTAL POSITVE	TOTAL NEGATIVE	VERY POSITIVE	SMWT POSITIVE	SMWT NEGATIVE	VERY NEGATIVE	(DNR/NOT ONLINE) DK/REF
VOC	**39%**	**59%^**	20%	19%	23%	37%	2%
BLCK	**32%**	**67%^**	20%	12%	33%	35%	*
NTIVE	**38%^**	**62%^**	23%	16%	12%	49%	--
LATIN	**43%**	**54%**	20%	23%	23%	31%	3%
WHITE	**25%**	**74%**	9%	16%	26%	48%	1%

Switching topics and thinking about energy -

45.   Which two of the following sources of energy would you want to encourage the use of here in **(INSERT STATE)**? **(READ AND RANDOMIZE - ACCEPT 2 RESPONSES. RECORD 1st CHOICE, 2nd CHOICE)**

First Choice

VOC	BLCK	NTIVE	LATIN	WHITE	
46%	43%	48%	45%	39%	SOLAR POWER
13%	8%	10%	15%	20%	NUCLEAR
12%	15%	11%	12%	8%	ENERGY EFFICIENCY EFFORTS
12%	16%	11%	12%	11%	NATURAL GAS
10%	11%	14%	9%	14%	WIND POWER
4%	5%	2%	5%	4%	OIL
1%	1%	3%	1%	2%	COAL
1%	*	1%	*	1%	ALL/COMBINATION **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**
1%	--	*	*	*	NONE OF THESE **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**
*	1%	--	1%	1%	UNSURE/REFUSED **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**

Combined Choice

PERCENTAGES ADD UP TO GREATER THAN 100% BECAUSE MULTIPLE RESPONSES WERE ALLOWED

VOC	BLCK	NTIVE	LATIN	WHITE	
67%	69%	72%	65%	62%	SOLAR POWER
38%	34%	51%	34%	41%	WIND POWER
31%	34%	30%	31%	22%	ENERGY EFFICIENCY EFFORTS
26%	28%	18%	28%	26%	NATURAL GAS
19%	18%	12%	21%	28%	NUCLEAR
9%	11%	5%	11%	9%	OIL
4%	3%	9%	3%	8%	COAL
1%	*	1%	*	1%	ALL/COMBINATION **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**
1%	--	1%	1%	*	NONE OF THESE **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**
1%	1%	--	1%	*	UNSURE/REFUSED **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**

46. Which of the following do you think should be the <u>highest</u> priority for meeting America's energy needs: **(ROTATE :1-2)**

VOC	BLCK	NTIVE	LATIN	WHITE	
23%	19%	17%	27%	27%	Drilling and mining for more coal, oil and gas wherever we can find it in the US
					…OR…
76%	80%	79%	72%	71%	Reducing our need for more coal, oil and gas by expanding our use of clean, renewable energy that can be generated in the US
*	--	--	*	1%	BOTH **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)(PHONE PROMPT:** But if you had to choose which one would you prefer?)
*	*	2%	--	1%	UNSURE/DON'T KNOW **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**
1%	1%	2%	1%	*	REFUSED **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**

Thinking about you for a moment –

D1. To ensure we have a representative sample of voters in your state, please **ONLINE:** indicate/ **PHONES:** tell me in what year you were born.

VOC	BLCK	NTIVE	LATIN	WHITE	
33%	29%	35%	35%	19%	18-34
27%	24%	21%	30%	19%	35-44
14%	17%	15%	12%	14%	45-54
12%	17%	13%	10%	20%	55-64
13%	13%	16%	12%	28%	65 AND ABOVE
--	--	--	--	--	REFUSED **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**

D2. And, what best describes your ethnic or racial heritage? **(PHONE: READ CHOICES. <u>ALLOW MULTIPLE PUNCHES</u>)**

PERCENTAGES ADD UP TO GREATER THAN 100% BECAUSE MULTIPLE RESPONSES WERE ALLOWED

VOC	BLCK	NTIVE	LATIN	WHITE	
1%	1%	1%	2%	100%	WHITE
17%	100%	*	*	*	AFRICAN AMERICAN OR BLACK
57%	*	1%	100%	*	HISPANIC AMERICAN OR LATINO
15%	*	100%	*	*	NATIVE AMERICAN
8%	*	*	*	*	ASIAN AMERICAN
2%	--	--	*	*	OTHER
--	--	--	--	--	REFUSED **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**

D3.   GENDER **(BY OBSERVATION ON PHONES)**
       ONLINE: Please record your gender.

VOC	BLCK	NTIVE	LATIN	WHITE	
49%	51%	49%	48%	48%	MALE
51%	48%	51%	52%	52%	FEMALE
*	1%	*	*	*	NON-BINARY OR OTHER **(ONLINE ONLY)**

D4.   Do you consider yourself a hunter, an angler or both?

VOC	BLCK	NTIVE	LATIN	WHITE	
10%	11%	11%	9%	5%	HUNTER ONLY
11%	13%	11%	10%	14%	ANGLER ONLY
28%	19%	32%	31%	21%	BOTH
50%	56%	44%	49%	59%	NO/NEITHER **(DNR/SHOW ONLINE)**
1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	REFUSED **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**

And for statistical purposes only -

D5.   How would you describe the area where you currently live? **(ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM/BOTTOM TO TOP)**

VOC	BLCK	NTIVE	LATIN	WHITE	
30%	44%	23%	29%	21%	BIG CITY
38%	44%	12%	39%	44%	SUBURBAN AREA
15%	6%	19%	17%	17%	SMALL TOWN
17%	6%	46%	14%	17%	RURAL AREA
*	--	--	1%	*	DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**
--	--	--	--	1%	REFUSED **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**

D6.   What was the last level of education you completed? **(DO NOT READ CATEGORIES)**

VOC	BLCK	NTIVE	LATIN	WHITE	
29%	24%	37%	33%	18%	GRADUATED HIGH SCHOOL OR LESS
5%	4%	4%	6%	5%	TECHNICAL OR VOCATIONAL SCHOOL
26%	30%	26%	27%	25%	SOME COLLEGE
28%	33%	18%	25%	36%	GRADUATED COLLEGE
12%	10%	15%	10%	17%	GRADUATE/PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL
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D7.   No matter how you feel today, are you registered to vote as a Republican, a Democrat, Independent, or something else?

VOC	BLCK	NTIVE	LATIN	WHITE	
25%	18%	21%	28%	40%	REPUBLICAN
37%	49%	31%	36%	25%	DEMOCRAT
38%	33%	48%	35%	35%	INDEPENDENT/SOMETHING ELSE
*	1%	1%	1%	*	REFUSED **(DNR/NOT ONLINE)**

D8.   Do you consider yourself to be a supporter of the MAGA or Make America Great Again movement, or not?

VOC	BLCK	NTIVE	LATIN	WHITE	
30%	16%	25%	35%	36%	YES
68%	81%	71%	64%	62%	NO
2%	3%	4%	1%	2%	REFUSED