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Do you support setting a goal for Michigan to transition to 100% renewable electricity by 2050?	Yes
Do you support setting a goal for Michigan to be carbon-neutral by 2050?	Yes
You may elaborate on your position here:	We should work toward increasing the renewable energy standards in our state, not repealing them altogether. We must increase our renewable energy sources, especially if we are to remain competitive with the rest of the world - and reduce the rate of climate change. I would support the goal of transitioning to 100 percent clean energy by 2050 and will look for measures to make this possible.
Would you support state general funds or other state funding being directed to programs that support communities and workers most impacted by the climate crisis and the transition to renewables, including programs to retrain workers displaced by the transition off fossil fuels?	Yes
You may elaborate on your position here:	We have the unique opportunity to provide good-paying jobs and to solve the climate crisis by transitioning to renewable energy sources to mitigate climate change. I will work with my colleagues to find ways for Michigan to adapt and promote new types of clean energy production, such as renewable energy. This is a win-win for Michiganders as it is also an opportunity to create more long-lasting, good-paying jobs to help working families make and keep more of their money. We are all in this together and it is important that we empower individuals to make a change.
Do you support the decommissioning of the Line 5 oil pipeline in the Straits of Mackinac?	Yes
Do you oppose the building of a Line 5 oil tunnel under the Great Lakes bottomlands?	Yes

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You may elaborate on your position here:	I am committed to getting line 5 off the bottom of the straits and are open to discussions of the best solution to continue to provide energy safely. I strongly support keeping oil out of the Great Lakes and will focus on finding alternatives to building additional pipelines, in particular by investing and promoting the manufacture of green energy technologies across Michigan.
Do you support lifting the cap on net metering to allow more residents and businesses to participate?	Yes
Do you support returning to net metering, and providing a fairer price to businesses and residents for the solar energy they generate?	Yes
You may elaborate on your position here:	As we transition to cleaner forms of energy, we need to incentivize cleaner forms of energy such as solar to help people support this transition and begin to solve the climate crisis.
Do you support policy that requires utilities to allow customers to build community renewable energy projects with fair rates?	Yes
You may elaborate on your position here:	We need to provide communities with choices for their source of energy. Community solar is an opportunity for people to choose to have clean energy. We should support policies that enable more people to switch to clean energy.
Do you support policies to accelerate the adoption of electric vehicles (EVs), including EV infrastructure like charging stations?	Yes
Do you support policies and investments of state funds to help local communities and schools switch to electric transit and school buses?	Yes
Do you support policies and investing state funding to increase non-motorized transportation (like walking and biking) in Michigan communities, and to increase access to public transportation?	Yes
You may elaborate on your position here:	People like to live in walkable communities; they enjoy having trees that provide shade cover and parks and open spaces that reduce the heat island effects. EVs are an important part of a green community. Electric buses are better for the health of our communities, particularly the young and elderly. In the legislature, I have worked hard to fight for clean energy and electric vehicles. I introduced HB 4807 of 2019 which attempts to standardize the price displays for EV charging, and actively seek legislation that enables the addition of electric charging stations and improves mobility in a green way.
Have you signed the No Fossil Fuel Money Pledge?	No

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You may elaborate on your position here:

I didn't know there was one! I plan to sign it now.

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Yes, Please