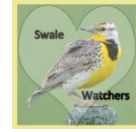


# Saskatchewan Provincial Election 2024



The people of Saskatchewan will elect new Members of the Legislative Assembly **on or before October 28, 2024**. In the lead up to decision day, candidates will be out shaking hands and ringing doorbells, looking for support. Here are some questions to guide your conversations with candidates as you make this important choice.

## **When Candidates for the Provincial Legislature Come Calling: Here Are QUESTIONS You Can Ask!**

- 1.** The Proposed Saskatoon Freeway is a truck route around and through the city of Saskatoon and is currently being planned by the provincial Department of Highways and Infrastructure. This Freeway would send 8-10 lanes of high-speed traffic through valuable and endangered prairie as well as wetland ecosystems in Saskatoon's Northeast and Small Swales. **If elected, would you advocate within your party to re-route the Freeway out of the Swales, or cancel the proposed Saskatoon Freeway all together?**
- 2.** Saskatchewan is celebrated as a "prairie" province, but we have already lost about 86% of our natural grasslands—and more are destroyed or degraded each year. **If elected, would you support measures (eg. legislation or incentives) to ensure that our remaining native prairie is protected and in good health?**
- 3.** An individual slough might not look very spectacular, but the thousands of them spread across the Saskatchewan landscape are an ecological and economic powerhouse, providing flood prevention, water-quality protection, drought mitigation, carbon sequestration, wildlife habitat and other essential services. Saskatchewan is the only province in Canada without policy or legislation to protect wetlands. In fact, the provincial government is currently promoting the drainage of an addition 2 million acres. **If elected, how would you ensure that natural wetlands are valued and retained?**