

YES on Prop 23 – Why?

Passage of Prop 23 suspends implementation of California Assembly Bill 32: The Global Warming Solutions Act. The suspension remains in effect until California's unemployment rate falls below 5.5% for one year. AB 32 regulates only greenhouse gases (GHG), such as carbon dioxide and methane. AB 32 would have been better titled "California's Carbon Tax – We Need the Money." If you think that carbon dioxide and methane are destroying the planet, and that California can help keep that from happening, you should vote no on Prop 23.

- Carbon dioxide (CO₂) - Comprises about .039%, 388 ppm, of our atmosphere.
 - Human activity accounts for about [5.53%](#) of the .039%; dwarfed by natural sources.
- Methane (CH₄) – Comprises .00017%, 1.8 ppm, of our atmosphere.
 - A mere 3% of methane released into the atmosphere is from human activity.

Renewable energies are currently much more costly and less efficient than our incumbent energy sources. AB 32 does not decrease the cost of renewable energies; it increases the costs of our current energy sources. In another blinding flash of legislative brilliance, California government comes up with "Let's make our current energy sources much more expensive so that renewable energy can be more competitive."

AB 32 means more net job losses in California. It means our energy prices will go up, and with rising energy prices, the cost of many other things also go up. AB 32 ensures that more businesses and productive citizens will leave California. It ensures that California will be even less competitive with other states than it already is.

Opponents of Prop 23 wrongly claim that voting against Prop 23 is "sticking it to the big oil companies." The reality is that Californians who vote against Prop 23 are voting to "stick it to themselves." Oil companies do not absorb added costs piled on them by government; they pass it along to the consumers. Opponents also claim that Prop 23 kills competition from California wind and solar companies. The reality is that it suspends giving these companies a legislated advantage. Green energy companies are non-competitive and are looking to government for a big leg up.

Prop 23 would suspend an executive order requiring utilities to provide 33% of electricity from renewables by 2020. If Prop 23 is not defeated, you do not want to be living in California in 2020. This is more legislated insanity from the clowns in Sacramento.

YES on 23 . . . PLEASE

If you live in California, or know people in California, please help spread the word. Twitter, Facebook, word of mouth, etc. Prop 23 is critical to people living in California; right up there with Prop 13 that was passed in 1978.

Regards,

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