**New Hope for Action: Key Republican Climate Attitudes Shift**

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## A Majority Believe Climate and Weather Change is Happening

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## Americans are Concerned about Climate, Think Few Others are Concerned

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So, If Republicans are Ready to Engage, Who do They Trust For Information?

Q9. As a source of information about climate change, how much do you trust each of the following?

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The President

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Local community leaders

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**Republican Support for Natural Gas and Oil Production is Dwindling...**

**Q10.** For each of the following, please indicate if you think the United States should be producing much more, somewhat more, somewhat less, much less, or the same amount of energy from each source as it is today.

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### While Republican Support for Local Climate Action Increases

**Q11.** What actions do you wish your city or town were taking on climate change? Select all that apply.

- Conserving energy: 29, 27, 41, 47, 29, 25, 43, 49, 29, 28, 38, 40, 34, 31, 40, 48
- Developing clean energy like wind and solar: 27, 30, 37, 49, 30, 29, 40, 50, 31, 32, 31, 45, 24, 31, 36, 46
- Educating the public about climate change: 16, 20, 29, 39, 17, 24, 35, 45, 18, 16, 24, 28, 15, 16, 24, 36

### Americans Support a Spectrum of Climate Solutions

**Q12.** Below are proposals to reduce climate change pollution. Please indicate if you strongly favor, not so strongly favor, not so strongly oppose or strongly oppose each one.

- Charging corporate polluters a fee

  - Strongly favor: 50, 55, 53, 57, 62, 71, 63, 68, 64, 49, 49, 58, 27, 35, 45, 43
  - Somewhat favor: 25, 23, 28, 26, 22, 18, 26, 21, 13, 27, 32, 25, 32, 28, 30, 32
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Expanding public transit like buses and trains

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Methodology
ecoAmerica and Lake Research Partners designed and administered this survey, which was conducted online September 14-16, 2018. The survey yielded a total of 800 adult responses. The sample was drawn from an online panel and the respondents were screened to ensure that they were over the age of 18. The margin of error for the sample is +/-3.5%. In interpreting the survey results, it is important to note that all sample surveys are subject to possible sampling error. Thus, the results of a survey may differ from the results that would be obtained if the entire population was interviewed. The size of the sampling error depends upon both the total number of respondents in the survey and the percentage distribution of the responses to a particular question. For example, if 50% of the respondents in a sample of 802 respondents answered, “Yes” to a particular question, we can be 95% confident that the true percentage would fall within 3.5 points, or range from 46.5% to 53.5%.

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