

YES on 4

**Prevent wildfires.
Provide safe drinking water.
Protect California.**



California is facing devastating wildfires, vulnerable drinking water supplies, extreme summer heat, and other major threats from a changing climate.

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Proposition 4 makes urgent investments in proven solutions to protect our communities, health, and economy. It addresses threats to our iconic landscapes, coast, and wildlife before the damage becomes too costly and unmanageable.

Prop 4 tackles our most urgent needs today, helping us protect California and what makes our state so special.



Prevent Devastating Wildfires and Smoke

Recent California wildfires have burned over 2 million acres, affecting our quality of life and health. A UCLA study found that 10 years of wildfire smoke have caused 50,000 premature deaths and \$400 billion in economic losses.

YES on 4 is a major step forward, investing in proven strategies to detect, prevent, and reduce the intensity and spread of fires in every region. In 2024, we've seen the return of huge, damaging fires that strain our state's capacity to respond.

- **Protects communities** by creating natural breaks and removing burnable brush around populated areas
- **Increases forest health** to reduce wildfire intensity



- **Improves early detection** and disaster response, deploying detection and early warning systems
- **Enhances safety** by upgrading available firefighting equipment, emergency communications, evacuation routes, and shelter availability



Provide Safe, Reliable Drinking Water & Boosting Supplies

We can't take our water supplies for granted. A changing climate, more frequent droughts, crumbling infrastructure, and water pollution are putting our supplies under pressure. A recent state study found that a changing climate could reduce key water sources more than 20% in the years ahead.

YES on 4 addresses these water supply challenges and takes important steps to clean our water and safeguard it from pollution.

- **Upgrades vital water** infrastructure
- **Fixes crumbling dams** and levees
- **Restores groundwater** supplies
- **Increases local water** recycling programs
- **Increases stormwater** capture
- **Provides water treatment** to filter harmful contaminants like lead, PFAS chemicals, and perchlorate



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// Prop 4 makes the right investments to save lives and billions in response and recovery costs."



TIM EDWARDS
President,
CALFIRE
Firefighters

Essential \$10 Billion Investment

\$3.8B to ensure safe drinking water and increase our water supplies

\$1.5B to prevent wildfires

\$1.2B to protect natural lands

\$1.2B to protect coastal health & prepare for rising sea levels

\$850M to build clean energy infrastructure

\$700M to create parks & green space

\$450M to protect communities from extreme heat

\$300M to help small and medium farms conserve water and improve soil health

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Protect California's Iconic Forests, Mountains, Rivers, and Coast

Safeguarding our natural areas is more urgent than ever, as we lose farmland and habitat for wildlife found nowhere else, and as beaches wash away.

YES on 4 protects what makes California special and maintains the natural sources of our clean water and air.

- **Preserves open spaces**, forests, and our coastline for this and future generations
- **Restores coastal areas** and wetlands, and protects them from the effects of rising sea levels
- **Improves and restores natural areas** to improve habitats and protect wildlife
- **Protects and improves our rivers**, streams, and lakes



Ensure All Californians Have Access to Clean Water and Healthy, Resilient Communities

Nearly one million Californians live in communities that lack access to clean drinking water, where families cannot turn on the tap and safely drink or shower. Meanwhile, smoke and extreme heat are creating new health threats, straining communities that already face heavy pollution burdens.

By directly addressing these issues, **YES on 4** will improve the health of California's families in the communities that need help most.

- **Cleans up polluted drinking water** in communities, filtering out contaminants like arsenic, lead, nitrates, uranium, PFAS chemicals, and perchlorate to ensure safe drinking water
- **Reduces dangerous air pollution** by preventing catastrophic wildfires and advancing cleaner energy systems
- **Furtheres our transition to clean**, pollution-free energy, including wind energy, and battery storage capacity
- **Prepares communities for extreme heat**, with investments to plant more trees for shade, creating more green space, and building community cooling centers



Smart Investments and Strict Accountability to Keep Our Cost of Living In Check

YES on 4 helps our state shift from disaster response to prevention, saving billions of dollars in future costs from devastating fires and water shortages. Wildfire risks are already driving up insurance and utility bills. Droughts, floods, rising sea levels, and extreme heat are poised to inflict billions more in damages.

- **Establishes annual independent audits** of bond funding
- **Full transparency** on all future spending
- **Proven, cost-effective prevention** strategies that reduce disaster response costs
- **Water supply improvements** to prevent future disruptions and expenses
- **Saving local governments millions** each year in avoided costs

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